

MINUTES
OPEN COMMUNITY PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE MEETING
BOARD ROOM, SERVICE AND RESOURCE CENTRE
411 DUNSMUIR STREET, NANAIMO, BC
TUESDAY, 2018-JUL-17, AT 5:00 P.M.

PRESENT: Members: Councillor M. D. Brennan, Chair
 Daniel Appell (arrived 5:16 pm)
 Mercedes Beaudoin-Lobb
 Janae Enns
 Anthony Griffin
 Richard Steele
 Mayor W.B. McKay (ex-officio member) (arrived 5:13 p.m.)

Absent: Colin Brown
 Tyler Brown
 Richard Finnegan
 Richard Goatcher

Staff: J. Rudolph, Chief Administrative Officer
 D. Lindsay, Director, Community Development
 K. Kronstal, Social Planner
 P. Humphreys, Recording Secretary

1. CALL THE COMMUNITY PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE MEETING TO ORDER:

The Community Planning and Development Committee Meeting was called to order at 5:14 p.m.

2. INTRODUCTION OF LATE ITEMS

- (a) Councillor Brennan advised that she would like to add an item under Other Business, Agenda Item 6(a) Additional Community Planning and Development Committee Meeting and requested that this item be brought forward on the agenda to follow adoption of the minutes.

3. ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

It was moved and seconded that the Agenda, as amended, be adopted. The motion carried unanimously.

Dan Appell entered the Board Room at 5:16 p.m.

4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES:

It was moved and seconded that the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Community Planning and Development Committee held in the Board Room, Service and Resource Centre, 411 Dunsmuir Street, Nanaimo, BC, on Tuesday, 2018-JUN-19 at 5:00 p.m. be adopted as circulated. The motion carried unanimously.

5. OTHER BUSINESS:

(a) Additional Community Planning and Development Committee Meeting

Karin Kronstal, Social Planner, advised that an additional meeting at the end of the summer was needed to allow time for the Community Planning and Development Committee to consider the final draft of the Affordable Housing Strategy document for endorsement to Council. The dates suggested for this extra meeting were Tuesday, 2018-AUG-28 or Thursday, 2018-SEP-06. It was noted that a Regional District of Nanaimo Board meeting also scheduled for 2018-AUG-28 presented a conflict for Councillor Brennan. Staff will contact all members by email to check if the majority can attend the 2018-SEP-06 date and will book the meeting according to members' responses.

6. PRESENTATIONS:

(a) Affordable Housing Strategy Implementation Plan – Project Update

Karin Kronstal, Social Planner, provided a presentation regarding implementation of the Affordable Housing Strategy. Discussion amongst committee members ensued; topics included:

- incentivising rentals for both new developments and existing homes
- pre-zoning areas to allow for more rental units;
- evaluating the effects of short-term rentals (i.e. Airbnb) on long-term rental unit supply;
- encouraging infill in established neighbourhoods by easing restrictions on carriage homes and secondary suites;
- looking at the potential for inclusionary zoning policies;
- considering parking needs and maintaining neighbourhood character when increasing density in neighbourhoods;
- creating family-friendly housing by encouraging larger units near public amenities for children;
- protecting the viability of mobile home parks; and,
- having effective public transportation in close proximity to high density housing areas.

Public feedback regarding the Affordable Housing Strategy will be sought through an online survey and open house scheduled for August. The final document will be brought to a Council meeting in September for Council's consideration.

7. QUESTION PERIOD:

No one in attendance wished to ask questions.

8. ADJOURNMENT:

It was moved and seconded at 6:18 p.m. that the meeting terminate. The motion carried unanimously.

CHAIR

CERTIFIED CORRECT:

CORPORATE OFFICER