

MINUTES
SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING (PUBLIC HEARING)
SHAW AUDITORIUM, VANCOUVER ISLAND CONFERENCE CENTRE
80 COMMERCIAL STREET, NANAIMO, BC
THURSDAY, 2019-FEB-07, AT 7:00 P.M.

Present: Mayor L. Krog
Councillor S. D. Armstrong
Councillor B. Geselbracht
Councillor E. Hemmens
Councillor Z. Maartman
Councillor I. W. Thorpe
Councillor J. Turley

Absent: Councillor D. Bonner
Councillor T. Brown

Staff: D. Lindsay, Director of Community Development
L. Rowett, Manager of Current Planning
M. Koch, Planner
S. Snelgrove, Deputy Corporate Officer
G. Whitters, Recording Secretary

1. CALL THE SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING TO ORDER:

The Special Council Meeting was called to order at 7:01 p.m.

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

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

3. CALL THE PUBLIC HEARING TO ORDER:

The Public Hearing Meeting was called to order at 7:01 p.m. Mayor Krog spoke regarding the purpose of a Public Hearing, advised that Council was meeting on the traditional territory of the Snuneymuxw First Nation and advised of the standard protocols for a Public Hearing.

4. PUBLIC HEARING AGENDA:

Lainya Rowett, Manager, Current Planning, explained the required procedures in conducting a Public Hearing and the regulations contained within Part 14 of the *Local Government Act*.

(a) Rezoning Application No. RA406 - 111 Nicol Street

Introduced by Madeleine Koch, Planner.

Presentation:

1. Matt Charlton, Applicant and Owner spoke in favour of Rezoning Application No. RA406 – 111 Nicol Street and stated:

- Operator since May 2, 2016
- The rezoning is required for BC Liquor and Cannabis Control Board approval and is site specific for Unit 115-111 Nicol Street to allow for a cannabis retail store
- Required guidelines were followed and notified surrounding neighbours
- Hours of operation and identification requirements for the purchase of cannabis
- Positive effect on Nicol Street through activity in the neighbourhood, charitable donations and cleanliness of streets
- Storefront repainted and refreshed
- Have support from surrounding businesses and residents
- The business is a safe and clean environment with an inclusive retail space

Mayor Krog called for submissions from the Public:

No one in attendance wished to speak regarding Rezoning Application No. RA406 - 111 Nicol Street.

Mayor Krog called for submissions from the Public for a second time:

No one in attendance wished to speak regarding Rezoning Application No. RA406 - 111 Nicol Street.

Mayor Krog called for submissions from the Public for a third time:

No one in attendance wished to speak regarding Rezoning Application No. RA406 - 111 Nicol Street.

No written submissions were received with respect to Rezoning Application RA406 - 111 Nicol Street.

5. FINAL CALL FOR SUBMISSIONS:

Mayor Krog announced that following the close of a Public Hearing, no further submission or comments from the public or interested persons can be accepted by members of City Council, as established by provincial case law. This is to ensure a fair Public Hearing process and provide a reasonable opportunity for people to respond.

6. ADJOURNMENT OF THE PUBLIC HEARING:

It was moved and seconded that the Public Hearing adjourn at 7:11 p.m. The motion carried unanimously.

7. BYLAWS:

(a) "Zoning Amendment Bylaw 2019 No. 4500.132"

It was moved and seconded that "Zoning Amendment Bylaw 2019 No. 4500.132" (To rezone 111 Nicol Street to allow a site-specific Cannabis Retail Store use in the Gateway [DT12] Zone) pass third reading. The motion carried unanimously.

8. ADJOURNMENT:

It was moved and seconded at 7:14 p.m. that the meeting terminate. The motion carried unanimously.

CHAIR

CERTIFIED CORRECT:

CORPORATE OFFICER