

Corporation of the District of Maple Ridge

COUNCIL WORKSHOP

February 28, 2005

The Minutes of the Municipal Council Workshop held on February 28, 2005 at 9:00 a.m. in the Blaney Room of the Municipal Hall, 11995 Haney Place, Maple Ridge, British Columbia for the purpose of transacting regular Municipal business.

PRESENT

Elected Officials

Mayor K. Morse
Councillor E. Daykin
Councillor C. Gordon
Councillor J. Harris
Councillor F. Isaac
Councillor C. Speirs

Appointed Staff

J. Rule, Chief Administrative Officer
T. Fryer, Municipal Clerk
M. Murray, General Manager of Community Development,
Parks and Recreation Services
P. Gill, General Manager Corporate and Financial Services
F. Quinn, General Manager Public Works and Development
Services

ABSENT

Councillor J. Dueck

J. Leeburn, Director of Communications and Human
Resources

C. Marlo, Confidential Secretary

Other Staff as Required

B. McDonald, Director of Licenses, Bylaws and Permits
J. Pickering, Director of Planning
S. Wheeler, Manager
G. Fujii, Manager Development and Environmental Services
J. Sheehan, Environmental Technician

Note: These Minutes are also posted on the Municipal Web Site at www.mapleridge.org
Councillor Daykin was not in attendance at the start of the meeting.

1. **ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

The agenda was adopted as circulated.

2. **MINUTES**

R/05-96
Minutes
February 21, 2005

MOVED by Councillor Isaac
SECONDED by Councillor Gordon

**That the minutes of the Council Workshop Meeting of
February 21, 2005 be adopted as circulated.**

CARRIED

3. ***PRESENTATIONS AT THE REQUEST OF COUNCIL***

3.1 **King's Inn Update, Mike Schroeder**

Mike Schroeder provided information on the plans of Kings Inn to provide public facilities for the homeless for washrooms, laundry (on a referral basis) and drop-in programs. With Mr. Schroeder were other members of the Board of Directors of King's Inn, Steve Brown, Mike Hickey, Rebecca Catherasoo and Judy McArthur. Shower facilities would be considered in the future. A Saturday brunch that would not require a full kitchen is also being considered.

The Director of Licenses, Permits and Bylaws advised that the District would require the King's Inn to acquire a business license but would waive the fee as they are a non-profit organization. The organization would have to follow the same process as any other business to obtain their license.

Council suggested that the King's Inn also consider providing a telephone message service and contact the Fraser Health Authority to see if there might be an opportunity to provide public health services at the location.

Mr. Hickey asked for Council's support in telling the public that the services of King's Inn are a value to the community.

Mr. Schroeder advised that the group is considering a name change for the organization.

ACTION REQUIRED

Staff is to contact the Fraser Health Authority to identify if there are any other regulations that must be met for the facilities proposed by the King's Inn.

4. ***UNFINISHED AND NEW BUSINESS***

4.1 **Update on Provincial Riparian Area Regulation**

A staff report dated February 28, 2005 recommending that Council continue to endorse the use of the District's "Streamside Setback Classification Map" and the classification setbacks in Streamside Setback Assessment map and that staff be instructed to advise the Province that it considers the District to be in compliance with the Fish Protection Act and the Riparian Regulations and that staff be instructed to write a letter to the Minister of Water, Land and Air Protection

requesting an extension to the Riparian Area Regulation implementation deadline was circulated prior to the meeting.

The Director of Planning advised that there is concern amongst municipalities about the new Riparian Area Regulations. Staff has reviewed the impact of the new regulations and are of the opinion that the District has a good system in place. She asked that Council consider directing staff to send a letter to the Minister of Water, Land and Air Protection asking that the Ministry consider changing the implementation date. She indicated that other municipalities will also be making the same request.

The Manager Development and Environmental Services gave a Power Point presentation providing the following information on the Riparian Area Regulations:

- Background
- Concerns
- Current Policy
- Options
- Recommendations

The Director of Planning advised that the District solicitor has recommended that the District's assessment maps be adopted as part of the Official Community Plan to strengthen the District's position in the use of its Streamside Protection Regulations system.

The Environmental Technician indicated that the District's system meets or beats the Province's new regulations. The main purpose of the new regulation is to ensure that the Province is meeting Federal regulations. It is not known if the Department of Fisheries will sign off on the new regulations. He advised that 13 municipalities are planning to use Streamside Protection Regulations and two are planning to use the Riparian Area Regulations.

It was the consensus of Council that staff prepare a report for Committee of the Whole on implementation of the Riparian Area Regulation.

R/05-97
Riparian Area
Regulation

MOVED by Councillor Gordon
SECONDED by Councillor Isaac

That staff be authorized to write a letter to the Minister of Water, Land and Air Protection, prior to March 1, 2005, with copies to Randy Hawes, MLA and Ken Stewart, MLA, requesting an extension to the Riparian Area Regulation implementation deadline from March 31, 2005 to December 31, 2005 as part of the consultation process with local

government on the implementation of the Riparian Area Regulation.

CARRIED

ACTION REQUIRED

Staff is to prepare a report for Committee of the Whole on implementation of the Riparian Area Regulation.

Staff is to provide a specific example of how the Provincial Riparian Area Regulation would affect a development compared to how the development would look using the District's standards.

4.2 Drug Paraphernalia Sold in Local Stores

Mayor Morse spoke of the easy availability of drug paraphernalia in local stores and asked that Council consider directing staff to send out a letter to the Chamber of Commerce and to the business community appealing to their community spirit to support initiatives to stop drug use by eliminating sales of these products or by locating the material in their stores to more discrete locations.

It was the consensus of Council that staff be directed to send out a letter to the Chamber of Commerce and to the business community appealing to their community spirit to support initiatives to stop drug use by eliminating sales of these products or by locating the material in their stores to more discrete locations.

ACTION REQUIRED

Staff is to send out a letter to the Chamber of Commerce and to the business community appealing to their community spirit to support initiatives to stop drug use by eliminating sales of these products or by locating the material in their stores to more discrete locations.

5. *CORRESPONDENCE*

5.1 Riparian Area Regulations, City of Burnaby

Letter dated January 25, 2005 providing information on a resolution adopted by the Burnaby City Council to request that the Minister of Water, Land, and Air Protection extend the date that the Riparian Area Regulation comes into effect from March 31, 2005 to December 31, 2005.

R/05-98
City of Burnaby
Riparian Area Reg.

MOVED by Councillor Daykin
SECONDED by Councillor Speirs

That the letter dated January 25, 2005 from the City of Burnaby regarding the Riparian Area Regulation be received for information and no further action be taken.

CARRIED

6. ***BRIEFING ON OTHER ITEMS OF INTEREST/QUESTIONS FROM COUNCIL*** - Nil

7. ***MATTERS DEEMED EXPEDIENT*** - Nil

8. ***ADJOURNMENT*** - 10:21 a.m.

K. Morse, Mayor

Certified Correct

T. Fryer, Municipal Clerk