

Corporation of the District of Maple Ridge

COUNCIL WORKSHOP

May 9, 2005

The Minutes of the Municipal Council Workshop held on May 9, 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 J. Dueck
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
J. Leeburn, Executive Director
C. Marlo, Confidential Secretary
Other Staff as Required
J. Pickering, Director of Planning
C. Carter, Manager of Community Planning
J. Charlebois, Planner
D. Hall, Planner II

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1. ***ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA***

The agenda was approved as circulated

2. ***MINUTES***

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MOVED by Councillor Dueck
SECONDED by Councillor Speirs

That the minutes of the Council Workshop Meeting of May 2, 2005 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

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

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

4.1 **Green Zone History**

A report dated May 5, 2005 providing information on the Green Zone was circulated prior to the meeting. The General Manager Public Works and Development Services reviewed the report.

4.2 **Official Community Plan Presentation**

The Manager of Community Planning gave a Power Point presentation providing an overview of the draft Official Community Plan. A copy of the presentation was circulated at the meeting.

Note: The meeting recessed at 10:14 a.m. and reconvened at 10:20 a.m.

The following issues were identified by Council:

- Green Zone lands created since the adoption of the livable Region Strategic Plan need to be identified and prioritized to enable “trade offs” with the GVRD related to amendments to the OCP. Trade offs will likely not involve the creation of more residential land from lands in the Green Zone.
- Information is required on the development of an agricultural plan that will build on the policies contained in the OCP.
- The timing for an application to the GVRD to include the urban reserve in the Fraser Sewer Area needs to be identified.
- Sequential development.
- Incorporate innovative uses of industrial and business park lands as part of the zoning bylaw review including possible evening uses and a mixture of business and residential uses.
- Review Policy 6.3.4.2 , General Commercial, to include the eastern portion of the Lougheed Highway.
- Review the placement of commercial nodes, particularly in the area of 238B Street and Dewdney Trunk Road, and the definition of major intersections.
- Create development permit buffer areas between commercial, residential and agricultural uses.

- Review exclusion of Thornhill from the map of historical community designations and review the statement “historic areas form the basis of area plans.”
- References to the Ridge Meadows Health Council are to be deleted.
- Chapter 1, page 7, delete the sentence “Maple Ridge also has a number of homeless people, reflecting the issue of affordability throughout the region.”
- Parking should be addressed with transportation issues.
- Where appropriate include references to other documents that can be viewed in conjunction with the OCP.

The Director of Planning reviewed the process and the proposed timetable for consideration of the OCP Bylaw. It was the consensus of Council that a Special Council Workshop be held on Tuesday, May 10, 2005 following the Council meeting to continue a chapter by chapter review of the draft Official Community Plan.

ACTION REQUIRED

Discussion of an agricultural plan is to be included on a future Council Workshop agenda.

Staff is to provide Council with a list of properties that have been excluded from the Agricultural Land Reserve since 1996 and an indication of whether or not those properties have been developed.

Note: The meeting recessed at 12:05 p.m. and reconvened at 12:45 p.m.
Councillor Isaac, Councillor Harris, Mayor Morse were not in attendance when the meeting reconvened.

4.3 Memorandum of Understanding – Golden Ears Bridge

The General Manager Public Works and Development Services gave a Power Point presentation providing an outline of the terms of the Golden Ears Bridge agreement. A copy of the presentation was circulated at the meeting.

Note: Councillor Isaac arrived at 12:52 p.m.

The General Manager Public Works & Development Services indicated that the agreement would be presented to Council for consideration at the May 16, 2004 Committee of the Whole.

ACTION REQUIRED

Information on bike corridors associated with the Golden Ears Bridge is to be provided to Council at the May 16, 2004 Committee of the Whole.

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

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

8. ***ADJOURNMENT*** - 1:10 p.m.

K. Morse, Mayor

Certified Correct

T. Fryer, Municipal Clerk