



# Corporation of the City of NEW WESTMINSTER

*A vibrant, compassionate, sustainable city that includes everyone.*

## CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

**Monday, May 8, 2023**

**Meeting held electronically and in Council Chamber City Hall**

### PRESENT:

Mayor Patrick Johnstone  
Councillor Ruby Campbell  
Councillor Daniel Fontaine  
Councillor Tasha Henderson\*  
Councillor Jaimie McEvoy\*  
Councillor Paul Minhas  
Councillor Nadine Nakagawa

### STAFF PRESENT:

Ms. Lisa Spitale	Chief Administrative Officer
Ms. Lisa Zwarn	Auxiliary City Clerk
Mr. Kwaku Agyare-Manu*	Senior Manager, Engineering Services
Mr. Ron Au	Senior Financial Services Analyst
Mr. Todd Ayotte*	Manager, Community Arts and Theatre
Mr. Rod Carle*	General Manager, Electrical Utility
Ms. Christina Coolidge*	Indigenous Relations Advisor
Mr. Peter DeJong	Corporate Officer
Mr. Brad Davie	Acting Deputy Chief, New Westminster Fire and Rescue Services
Ms. Corrine Garrett*	Senior Manager Recreation Facilities
Mr. Jeff Gill*	Assistant Deputy Fire Chief
Mr. Steven Faltas*	Electrical Operations, Business Process Manager
Mr. Blair Fryer	Senior Manager Communications and Economic Development
Mr. Dean Gibson	Director of Parks and Recreation
Ms. Lisa Leblanc	Director of Engineering Services
Mr. Dave Jansen*	Chief of Police
Mr. Indeeep Johal*	Manager, Revenue and Collection
Mr. Craig MacFarlane*	Manager of Legal Services
Ms. Tobi May	Manager, Civic Buildings and Properties

Mr. Christy Mereigh	Manager, Strategic Projects
Ms. Diane Merenick*	Manager, Integrated Services
Ms. Jennifer Miller*	Manager, Public Engagement
Mr. Gary So	Senior Manager, Finance
Mr. Alex Tam*	Senior Financial Analyst
Ms. Denise Tambellini*	Intergovernmental and Community Relations Manager
Ms. Jackie Teed	Acting Director, Climate Action, Planning and Development
Ms. Harji Varn	Chief Financial Officer and Director of Finance
Ms. Eva Yip*	Acting Director of Human Resources and Information Technology
Mr. Erin Williams*	Fire Chief
Ms. Jacque Killawee	Recording Secretary

#### GUESTS:

Nick Falzon	Young Anderson
Alex Godfrey	Turnbull Construction Project Managers
Nomdora Hassan*	KPMG
Reece Harding	Young Anderson
Brandon Ma*	KPMG
Geoff Watson	Turnbull Construction Project Managers

\* Denotes electronic attendance

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## 1. **CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Johnstone opened the meeting at 9.02 a.m. and recognized with respect that New Westminster is on the unceded and unsurrendered land of the Halkomelem speaking peoples. He acknowledged that colonialism has made invisible their histories and connections to the land. He recognized that, as a City, we are learning and building relationships with the people whose lands we are on.

## 2. **MOTION TO MOVE THE MEETING INTO THE CLOSED MEETING**

MOVED and SECONDED

That Council will now go into a meeting which is closed to the public in accordance with Section 90 of the *Community Charter*, on the basis that the subject matter of all agenda items relate to matters listed under Sections:

90(1)(a) personal information about an identifiable individual who holds or is being considered for a position as an officer, employee or agent of the municipality or another position appointed by the municipality;

90(1)(e) the acquisition, disposition or expropriation of land or improvements, if the council considers that disclosure could reasonably be expected to harm the interests of the municipality;

90(1)(i) the receipt of advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose;

90(1)(k) negotiations and related discussions respecting the proposed provision of a municipal service that are at their preliminary stages and that, in the view of the council, could reasonably be expected to harm the interests of the municipality if they were held in public;

90(1)(l) discussions with municipal officers and employees respecting municipal objectives, measures and progress reports for the purposes of preparing an annual report under section 98 [annual municipal report];

90(2)(b) the consideration of information received and held in confidence relating to negotiations between the municipality and a provincial government or the federal government or both, or between a provincial government or the federal government or both and a third party;

**Carried.**

All members present voted in favour of the motion.

**3. END OF THE MEETING**

The meeting ended at 9:02 a.m.

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Patrick Johnstone

MAYOR

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Peter DeJong

CORPORATE OFFICER