



Corporation of the City of NEW WESTMINSTER

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CITY COUNCIL MEETING

MINUTES

Monday, December 11, 2023, 9:30 a.m.

**Meeting held electronically and in Committee Room 2 and/or 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 Leblanc	Acting Chief Administrative Officer
Mr. Peter DeJong	Corporate Officer
Mr. Kwaku Agyare-Manu	Acting Director of Engineering Services
Mr. Rod Carle	General Manager, Electrical Utility
Mr. Brad Davie	Deputy Chief, New Westminster Fire and Rescue Services
Ms. Kim Deighton*	Manager, Integrated Services
Mr. Steven Faltas	Senior Manager, Electrical
Mr. Richard Fong	Director of Human Resources and Information Technology
Mr. Blair Fryer	Senior Manager, Economic Development
Ms. Corrinne Garrett	Senior Manager Recreation Facilities and Programs, Parks & Recreation
Mr. Dean Gibson	Director of Parks and Recreation
Ms. Jacque Killawee	Acting Records and Information Administrator
Mr. Craig MacFarlane	Manager of Legal Services
Ms. Erika Mashig	Manager, Parks and Open Space Planning, Design and Construction
Ms. Jennifer Miller	Manager of Public Engagement
Ms. Meredith Seeton	Policy Planner, Climate Action, Planning and

Mr. Paul Taylor	Development
Ms. Serena Trachta	Senior Manager, Information Technology
	Acting Director, Climate Action, Planning and Development
Mr. Patrick Shannon	Manager, Purchasing
Mr. Shehzad Somji	Director of Finance and Chief Financial Officer
Mr. John Stark	Manager of Community Planning
Ms. Bal Varn	Bylaw Officer, Integrated Services
Mr. Erin Williams	Chief, New Westminster Fire and Rescue Services
Mr. Marius Miklea	Assistant Corporate Officer, Legislative Services
*Denotes electronic attendance.	

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Johnstone called the meeting to order at 9:32 a.m.

Mayor Johnstone 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**

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 Section 90 and where required, Council does consider that the matters could reasonably be expected to harm the interests of the municipality if they were held in public:

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)(g) litigation or potential litigation affecting 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)(m) a matter that, under another enactment, is such that the public may be excluded from the meeting; and

90(1)(n) the consideration of whether a council meeting should be closed under a provision of this subsection or subsection (2).

Carried

All members present voted in favour of the resolution.

3. END OF THE MEETING

Mayor Johnstone terminated the meeting from the Closed portion of the meeting at 12:01 p.m.

Patrick Johnstone

MAYOR

Peter DeJong

CORPORATE OFFICER