



Corporation of the City of NEW WESTMINSTER

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CITY COUNCIL MEETING

MINUTES

Monday, January 22, 2024, 1:00 p.m.

**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:

Lisa Spitale	Chief Administrative Officer
Peter DeJong	Corporate Officer
Rod Carle	General Manager, Electrical Utility
Steven Faltas	Senior Manager, Electrical
Richard Fong	Director of Human Resources and Information Technology
Dean Gibson	Director of Parks and Recreation
Jeff Gill	Deputy Chief, New Westminster Fire and Rescue Services
Indeep Johal	Manager, Financial Services
Lisa Leblanc	Director of Engineering Services
Craig MacFarlane	Manager of Legal Services
Erika Mashig	Manager, Parks and Open Space Planning, Design and Construction
Christy Mereigh	Manager, Strategic Projects, Engineering Services
Demian Rueter	Manager, Development Planning
Gary So	Senior Manager, Financial Services
Shehzad Somji	Director of Finance and Chief Financial Officer
Denise Tambellini	Intergovernmental and Community Relations Manager

Jackie Teed
Erin Williams
Marius Miklea

Director, Climate Action, Planning and Development
Chief, New Westminster Fire and Rescue Services
Assistant Corporate Officer, Legislative Services

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Johnstone called the meeting to order at 1:15 p.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 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)(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)(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(1)(n) the consideration of whether a council meeting should be closed under a provision of this subsection or subsection (2); and

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 UNANIMOUSLY

Council entered the closed session at 1:16 p.m.

Council came back into the open session at 2:00 p.m.

3. END OF THE MEETING

Mayor Johnstone terminated the meeting at 2:00 p.m.

Patrick Johnstone
MAYOR

Dennis Back
CORPORATE OFFICER