



# Corporation of the City of NEW WESTMINSTER

*A vibrant, compassionate, resilient city where everyone can thrive.*

## SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING

### MINUTES

**Wednesday, February 14, 2024, 3:45 p.m.**

**Meeting held in Council Chamber**

**City Hall**

#### PRESENT:

Mayor Patrick Johnstone\*

Councillor Ruby Campbell\*

Councillor Daniel Fontaine\*

Councillor Tasha Henderson\*

Councillor Paul Minhas\*

Councillor Nadine Nakagawa\*

#### ABSENT:

Councillor Jaimie McEvoy

#### STAFF PRESENT:

Lisa Spitale

Lisa Leblanc

Craig MacFarlane

Shehzad Somji

Jackie Teed

Erin Williams

Lynn Roxburgh

Katie Stobbart

\*Denotes virtual attendance

Chief Administrative Officer

Director of Engineering Services

Manager, Legal Services

Director of Finance and Chief Financial Officer

Director, Climate Action, Planning and  
Development

Fire Chief

Manager, Housing

Council Clerk

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### **1. CALL TO ORDER AND LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

*Mayor Johnstone opened the meeting at 3:45 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 close the meeting 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)(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 (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**

**3. RECONVENE THE OPEN MEETING**

*Council moved back into the open session at 3:52 p.m.*

**4. END OF THE MEETING**

*Mayor Johnstone terminated the meeting at 3:52 p.m.*

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Patrick Johnstone

MAYOR

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Dennis Back

CORPORATE OFFICER