



**Regular Council**

**Monday, February 24, 2025  
6:00 p.m.**

**Council Chamber, Second Floor  
New Westminster City Hall, 511 Royal Avenue**

Present: Mayor Patrick Johnstone  
Councillor Ruby Campbell  
Councillor Daniel Fontaine  
Councillor Tasha Henderson  
Councillor Jaimie McEvoy  
Councillor Paul Minhas

Corporate Officer – Hanieh Berg

Absent: Councillor Nadine Nakagawa

**1. CALL TO ORDER & LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

Mayor Johnstone called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and recognized with respect that New Westminster is on the unceded and unsundered 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. AGENDA ADDITIONS & DELETIONS**

MOVED and SECONDED

*THAT the Agenda for the February 24, 2025 Regular Council meeting be approved, with the addition of “Zoning Amendment Regarding Mini-Storage Use” as Item 9.1 under New Business.*

**CARRIED**

**3. DELEGATIONS**

Jack York, representing the New Westminster Homelessness Coalition Society, spoke in support of the proposed indoor inhalation site, noting that such sites offer an essential first step in preventing overdose and help connect those in need with appropriate supports and resources. J. York then stated that the status quo is unacceptable and compassion and science-based research should be at the forefront of Council's decision.

**4. CONSENT AGENDA**

MOVED and SECONDED

*THAT Items No. 4.1 through No. 4.10 be adopted by general consent, with the removal of Items No. 4.4, 4.6, 4.7, 4.8, and 4.9.*

**CARRIED**

**4.1 Special Council Minutes – February 10, 2025**

*THAT the Minutes of the Special Council meeting held on February 10, 2025 be adopted as circulated.*

**ADOPTED ON CONSENT**

**4.2 Regular Council Minutes – February 10, 2025**

*THAT the Minutes of the Regular Council meeting held on February 10, 2025 be adopted as circulated.*

**ADOPTED ON CONSENT**

**4.3 Development Cost Charges Expenditure Bylaw No. 8513, 2025**

*THAT Development Cost Charge Reserve (DCC) Funds Expenditure Bylaw No. 8513, 2025 (Attachment 1) to authorize a total expenditure of \$1.53M from the DCC Reserves be introduced and given first, second, and third readings.*

**ADOPTED ON CONSENT**

**4.4 Policy on Routine Release of Closed Council Resolutions**

Please see Page 4 for action on this matter.

**4.5 Proposed Delegation of Select Construction Noise Bylaw Exemption Requests**

*THAT staff be directed to:*

1. *prepare and bring forward for Council consideration the necessary bylaw to amend Construction Noise Bylaw No. 6063, 1992, as outlined in the Discussion section of the February 24, 2025 report titled “Proposed Delegation of Select Construction Noise Bylaw Exemption Requests,” that would delegate to staff only requests for exemptions from Metro Vancouver and TransLink;*
2. *prepare and bring forward for Council endorsement a Council policy, to guide delegated approvals, including a system to notify Council of approved senior government agency applications, at their issuance; and*
3. *develop an on-line application for construction noise exemption requests, as part of the Planning and Development Department’s ongoing e-permitting project.*

**ADOPTED ON CONSENT**

**4.6 Report Back on Community Advisory Assembly Recommendations on Belonging and Connecting**

Please see Page 4 for action on this matter.

**4.7 Response to Notice of Motion: Lower Mainland Local Government Association Tracking and Reporting of Votes on Motions and Resolutions**

Please see Page 6 for action on this matter.

**4.8 Response to Notice of Motion: Regulating Vape Shops**

Please see Page 6 for action on this matter.

**4.9 Response to Referral: Costs and Logistical Needs to Convene Additional Council Meetings at Queensborough Community Centre**

Please see Page 6 for action on this matter.

**4.10 Next Generation 911 Implementation and Operation Contract**

*THAT the Chief Administrative Officer be authorized to execute and deliver the Next Generation 9-1-1 Implementation and Operation Contract with the Metro Vancouver Regional District.*

**ADOPTED ON CONSENT**

## 5. CONSIDERATION OF ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA

### 4.4 Policy on Routine Release of Closed Council Resolutions

In response to a query from Council, the Corporate Officer advised that while the *Community Charter* specifies a process under which matters are considered at closed meetings, there is no equivalent process specified for bringing matters out from a closed meeting; generally, larger municipalities in the Lower Mainland have implemented their own method on the release of closed Council resolutions.

MOVED and SECONDED

*THAT the policy on the Routine Release of Closed Council Resolutions, as included as Attachment 3 to the staff report titled “Policy on Routine Release of Closed Council Resolutions” dated February 24, 2025 from the Corporate Officer, be adopted.*

**CARRIED**

### 4.6 Report Back on Community Advisory Assembly Recommendations on Belonging and Connecting

MOVED and SECONDED

1. *THAT staff be directed to continue work that is already underway that relates to furthering the Community Advisory Assembly’s recommendations on belonging and connecting, and to explore potential additional actions where feasible.*
2. *THAT City of New Westminster send a letter to Tourism, Arts, Culture and Sport Minister Spencer Chandra-Herbert, BC Province to support the urgent renewal of the B.C. Fairs, Festivals and Events Fund in support of a coalition of arts and culture organizations.*
3. *THAT City staff expand the scope of the feasibility study/technical analysis to construct an artificial turf field for the Ryall Park option to additionally include a track, or modified track.*
4. *THAT the resulting feasibility report include an estimate of the incremental project cost to include a track at the Ryall Park location.*
5. *THAT, should the Ryall Park site be recommended as the preferred location for the future artificial turf field, staff report back to Council with options to fund the incremental cost to expand the project scope to include a track.*

The question on the motion was not called as discussion took place on the importance of arts throughout communities and the need for the Province of BC to support event organizers. Discussion also ensued regarding responding to the community’s feedback on the potential for a track and artificial turf field at Ryall Park as part of the public engagement underway for the People, Parks, and Play: Connections for All.

Artwork from students at Queensborough Middle School in support of a track and artificial turf field at Ryall Park was also referenced.

As a result of the discussion, the following amendment was introduced:

MOVED and SECONDED

1. *THAT “with options to fund” be deleted from Part 5 of the main motion and be replaced with “with internal and external options of funding;” and*
2. *THAT the following be added as Part 6 to the main motion: “THAT the turf and track installation be included as an item for the inaugural New Westminster Caucus meeting with local Members of the Legislative Assembly and Members of Parliament.”*

**CARRIED**

The question on the main motion, as amended, to read:

- “1. *THAT staff be directed to continue work that is already underway that relates to furthering the Community Advisory Assembly’s recommendations on belonging and connecting, and to explore potential additional actions where feasible.*
2. *THAT City of New Westminster send a letter to Tourism, Arts, Culture and Sport Minister Spencer Chandra-Herbert, BC Province to support the urgent renewal of the B.C. Fairs, Festivals and Events Fund in support of a coalition of arts and culture organizations.*
3. *THAT City staff expand the scope of the feasibility study/technical analysis to construct an artificial turf field for the Ryall Park option to additionally include a track, or modified track.*
4. *THAT the resulting feasibility report include an estimate of the incremental project cost to include a track at the Ryall Park location.*
5. *THAT, should the Ryall Park site be recommended as the preferred location for the future artificial turf field, staff report back to Council with internal and external options of funding the incremental cost to expand the project scope to include a track.*
6. *THAT the turf and track installation be included as an item for the inaugural New Westminster Caucus meeting with local Members of the Legislative Assembly and Members of Parliament.”*

was then called and it was **CARRIED**.

**4.7 Response to Notice of Motion: Lower Mainland Local Government Association Tracking and Reporting of Votes on Motions and Resolutions**

MOVED and SECONDED

*THAT the proposed resolution titled “Tracking and Reporting of Votes on Motions and Resolutions” included as Attachment 1 to the staff report titled “Response to Notice of Motion: Lower Mainland Local Government Association Tracking and Reporting of Votes on Motions and Resolutions” from the Corporate Officer, dated February 24, 2025, be endorsed for submission to the Lower Mainland Local Government Association.*

**CARRIED**

**4.8 Response to Notice of Motion: Regulating Vape Shops**

MOVED and SECONDED

*THAT the proposed resolution titled “Regulating Vape Shops” included as Attachment 1 to the staff report titled “Response to Notice of Motion: Vape Shops” from the Corporate Officer, dated February 24, 2025, be endorsed for submission to the Lower Mainland Local Government Association.*

**CARRIED**

**4.9 Response to Referral: Costs and Logistical Needs to Convene Additional Council Meetings at Queensborough Community Centre**

MOVED and SECONDED

1. *THAT the report titled “Response to Referral: Costs and Logistical Needs to Convene Additional Regular Council Meetings at Queensborough Community Centre” from the Corporate Officer, dated February 24, 2025, be received for information.*
2. *THAT the April 7, 2025 Regular Council meeting be held at Queensborough Community Centre.*

The question on the motion was not called as the following amendment was introduced:

MOVED and SECONDED

*THAT the following be added as Part 3 to the main motion: “THAT efforts be undertaken to ensure full accessibility for all meetings outside of City Hall.”*

**CARRIED**

The question on the main motion, as amended, was then called and it was **CARRIED**.

**6. MOTIONS FOR DISCUSSION AND DECISION**

**6.1 Supporting Advocacy Efforts of BC Urban Mayors’ Caucus**

MOVED and SECONDED

1. *THAT the City of New Westminster hereby direct the following actions to be communicated to the provincial government for immediate consideration:*

- a. *Engagement with Local Governments: Direct the Minister of Health to engage directly with local governments to assess the need for substance use treatment and supports in each community, and to improve local-government involvement in the creation of community-specific mental health supports.*
- b. *Expansion of Detox and Recovery Services: Direct the Minister of Health to immediately expand access to detox beds, sobering beds, and stabilizing beds across communities in British Columbia, ensuring that people in need of urgent care have timely access to appropriate facilities.*
- c. *Provincial Recovery Communities: Direct the Minister of Health to explore options for the creation of provincially-funded recovery communities, and to invest in a comprehensive range of recovery programs that support individuals seeking long-term solutions to addiction and substance use disorders.*
- d. *Shelter and Housing Standards: Direct the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, in collaboration with relevant colleagues, to establish shelter unit minimums for each community in British Columbia, and to set minimum care and operational standards for sheltering and supportive housing facilities, considering the impact on neighbourhoods and local communities.*
- e. *Reforming BC Housing: Direct the Minister of Housing to implement reforms to BC Housing, including providing BC Housing with a new mandate to work urgently and proactively with municipalities, and establishing BC Housing as the leading agency responsible for sheltering and supportive housing solutions in the province.*
- f. *Support for Community Safety Plans: Direct the Minister of Public Safety and Solicitor General, in collaboration with the Minister of State for Community Safety, to create funding and support for local governments developing or implementing community safety and well-being plans.*
- g. *Provincial Urban Safety Improvement: Direct the Minister of Public Safety and Solicitor General and the Minister of State for Community Safety to create a provincial urban downtown safety improvement plan, addressing the unique challenges faced by urban centers.*
- h. *Bail Reform and Court Efficiency: Direct the Attorney General to act on bail reform, and to immediately increase funding for provincial court services to enhance the speed and efficiency in which violent and repeat offenders are processed through the court system.*
- i. *Municipal Infrastructure Funding: Direct the Minister of Infrastructure to collaborate with the Minister of Housing, Municipal Affairs, and the Minister of State for Local Governments and Rural Communities to establish a municipal infrastructure funding program that supports the development and maintenance of essential infrastructure in communities across BC.*

- j. Collaboration on Social Issues: Direct the Ministers of Health, Social Development and Poverty Reduction, Housing and Municipal Affairs, and Solicitor General to work collaboratively on the complex issues of poverty, encampments, community well-being, food security, mental health and addictions crises, and street disorder by establishing a roundtable, working group, or committee to address these challenges holistically and effectively.*
  - k. Expansion of Mental Health Response Programs: Direct the Minister of Health to expand the PACT/CLCR programs and advance civilian-led mental health response initiatives across British Columbia to ensure timely, effective, and compassionate responses to mental health crises.*
  - l. Cannabis Revenue Sharing: Direct the Minister of Finance to explore cannabis revenue sharing programs with local governments, ensuring that municipalities benefit from the revenue generated by cannabis sales to reinvest in local services and programs.*
- 2. THAT the City of New Westminster send this motion to the provincial government, including relevant ministers, with the request for prompt action on these critical issues affecting communities across British Columbia.*

The question on the motion was not called as discussion ensued regarding the BC Urban Mayors' Caucus and in particular how its representation relates to municipal councils of participating Mayors.

Discussion further took place and the following amendment was introduced:

MOVED and SECONDED

*THAT Part 1 be deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following:*

- “1. THAT the City of New Westminster hereby directs the following actions to be communicated to the provincial government for immediate consideration:*
- a. Engagement with Local Governments: That Ministry of Health engage directly with local governments to assess the need for substance use harm reduction, treatment and supports in each community, and to improve local-government involvement in the creation of community-specific mental health supports that are culturally safe and trauma-informed.*
  - b. Expansion of Detox and Recovery Services: That the Ministry of Health immediately expand access to detox beds, sobering beds, and stabilizing beds in every community in British Columbia, ensuring that people in need of urgent care have timely access to appropriate facilities.*
  - c. Provincial Recovery Communities: That the Ministry of Health increase provincially-funded recovery resources, and invest in a comprehensive range of evidence-based recovery programs including, recovery, OAT, withdrawal management and others that support individuals seeking long-term solutions to addiction and substance use disorders.*



- d. *Shelter and Housing Standards: That the Ministry of Housing and Municipal Affairs, in collaboration with relevant colleagues, establish shelter unit minimums for each community in British Columbia, and set minimum care and operational standards for sheltering and supportive housing facilities, considering the impact on neighbourhoods and local communities.*
- e. *Reforming BC Housing: That the Ministry of Housing and Municipal Affairs implement reforms to BC Housing, including providing BC Housing with a new mandate to work urgently and proactively with municipalities, and establishing BC Housing as the leading agency responsible for sheltering and supportive housing solutions in the province.*
- f. *Support for Community Safety Plans: That the Ministry of Public Safety and Solicitor General, in collaboration with the Minister of State for Community Safety, to create funding and support for local governments developing or implementing community safety and well-being plans.*
- g. *Provincial Urban Safety Improvement: That the Ministry of Public Safety and Solicitor General and the Ministry of State for Community Safety create a provincial urban downtown safety improvement plan, addressing the unique challenges faced by urban centers.*
- h. *Bail Reform and Court Efficiency: That the Attorney General act on bail reform, and immediately increase funding for provincial court services to enhance the speed and efficiency in which all peoples charged with crimes are provided with access to justice and processed through the court system.*
- i. *Municipal Infrastructure Funding: That the Ministry of Infrastructure collaborate with the Minister of Housing and Municipal Affairs, and the Ministry of Finance to establish a permanent and predictable municipal infrastructure funding program that supports the development and maintenance of essential infrastructure in communities across BC.*
- j. *Collaboration on Social Issues: That the Ministries of Health, Social Development and Poverty Reduction, Housing and Municipal Affairs, and Solicitor General to work collaboratively on the complex issues of poverty, encampments, community well-being, food security, mental health and addictions crises, and street disorder by establishing a roundtable, working group, or committee to address these challenges holistically and effectively.*
- k. *Expansion of Mental Health Response Programs: That the Ministry of Health expand the PACT/CLCR programs and advance civilian-led mental health response initiatives across British Columbia to ensure timely, effective, and compassionate responses to mental health crises.*
- l. *Cannabis Revenue Sharing: That the Ministry of Finance explore cannabis revenue sharing programs with local governments, ensuring that municipalities benefit from the revenue generated by cannabis sales to reinvest in local services and programs.”*

The question on the amendment was not called as Council requested a recess to consider the proposed amendment.

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The meeting recessed at 6:50 p.m.

The meeting reconvened at 7:00 p.m. with all members of Council present, except Cllr. Nakagawa.

The question on the amendment was not called as the following amendment to the amendment was introduced:

MOVED and SECONDED

1. *THAT Part h. of the amendment be deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following: “Bail Reform and Court Efficiency: That the Attorney General act on bail reform, and to immediately increase funding for provincial court services to enhance the speed and efficiency in which violent and repeat offenders are processed through the court system.”*
2. *THAT the following be added as Part m. to the amendment: “That all peoples charged with crimes are provided with access to justice.”*

**CARRIED**

Opposed: Mayor Johnstone

The question on the amendment, as amended, was not called as the following amendment to the amendment was introduced:

MOVED and SECONDED

*THAT Part c. be amended by adding “and faith-” after “evidence-.”*

**DEFEATED**

Opposed: Mayor Johnstone

Cllrs. Campbell

Henderson

McEvoy

The question on the amendment, as amended, was not called as the following amendment to the amendment was introduced:

MOVED and SECONDED

*THAT Part c. be deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following: “Provincial Recovery Communities: That the Ministry of Health explore options for the creation of provincially-funded recovery communities, and to invest in a comprehensive range of recovery programs that support individuals seeking long-term solutions to addiction and substance use disorders.”*

**DEFEATED ON A TIED VOTE**

Opposed: Mayor Johnstone

Cllrs. Campbell

McEvoy

The question on the amendment, as amended, was then called and it was **CARRIED** with Cllrs. Fontaine and Minhas opposed.

The question on the main motion, as amended, was not called as discussion took place on provisions of the Code of Conduct Bylaw No. 8408 as it relates to public communications from individual members of Council.

As a result of the discussion, the following amendment was introduced:

MOVED and SECONDED

1. *THAT Part 1 of the main motion, as amended, be further amended by:*
  - a. *deleting “City of New Westminster hereby directs the following actions to be communicated” and replacing it with “Mayor continue to advocate;”*
  - b. *deleting “for immediate consideration;” and*
2. *THAT Part 2 of the main motion, as amended, be amended by deleting “City of New Westminster send” and replacing it with “Mayor share the content of.”*

**CARRIED**

The question on the main motion, as amended, to read as follows:

- “1. THAT the Mayor continue to advocate to the provincial government:*
- a. *Engagement with Local Governments: That Ministry of Health engage directly with local governments to assess the need for substance use harm reduction, treatment and supports in each community, and to improve local-government involvement in the creation of community-specific mental health supports that are culturally safe and trauma-informed.*
  - b. *Expansion of Detox and Recovery Services: That the Ministry of Health immediately expand access to detox beds, sobering beds, and stabilizing beds in every community in British Columbia, ensuring that people in need of urgent care have timely access to appropriate facilities.*
  - c. *Provincial Recovery Communities: That the Ministry of Health increase provincially-funded recovery resources, and invest in a comprehensive range of evidence-based recovery programs including, recovery, OAT, withdrawal management and others that support individuals seeking long-term solutions to addiction and substance use disorders.*
  - d. *Shelter and Housing Standards: That the Ministry of Housing and Municipal Affairs, in collaboration with relevant colleagues, establish shelter unit minimums for each community in British Columbia, and set minimum care and operational standards for sheltering and supportive housing facilities, considering the impact on neighbourhoods and local communities.*
  - e. *Reforming BC Housing: That the Ministry of Housing and Municipal Affairs implement reforms to BC Housing, including providing BC Housing with a new mandate to work urgently and proactively with municipalities, and establishing BC Housing as the leading agency responsible for sheltering and supportive housing solutions in the province.*
  - f. *Support for Community Safety Plans: That the Ministry of Public Safety and Solicitor General, in collaboration with the Minister of State for Community*

*Safety, to create funding and support for local governments developing or implementing community safety and well-being plans.*

- g. Provincial Urban Safety Improvement: That the Ministry of Public Safety and Solicitor General and the Ministry of State for Community Safety create a provincial urban downtown safety improvement plan, addressing the unique challenges faced by urban centers.*
  - h. Bail Reform and Court Efficiency: That the Attorney General act on bail reform, and to immediately increase funding for provincial court services to enhance the speed and efficiency in which violent and repeat offenders are processed through the court system.*
  - i. Municipal Infrastructure Funding: That the Ministry of Infrastructure collaborate with the Minister of Housing and Municipal Affairs, and the Ministry of Finance to establish a permanent and predictable municipal infrastructure funding program that supports the development and maintenance of essential infrastructure in communities across BC.*
  - j. Collaboration on Social Issues: That the Ministries of Health, Social Development and Poverty Reduction, Housing and Municipal Affairs, and Solicitor General to work collaboratively on the complex issues of poverty, encampments, community well-being, food security, mental health and addictions crises, and street disorder by establishing a roundtable, working group, or committee to address these challenges holistically and effectively.*
  - k. Expansion of Mental Health Response Programs: That the Ministry of Health expand the PACT/CLCR programs and advance civilian-led mental health response initiatives across British Columbia to ensure timely, effective, and compassionate responses to mental health crises.*
  - l. Cannabis Revenue Sharing: That the Ministry of Finance explore cannabis revenue sharing programs with local governments, ensuring that municipalities benefit from the revenue generated by cannabis sales to reinvest in local services and programs.*
  - m. That all peoples charged with crimes are provided with access to justice.*
- 2. THAT the Mayor share the content of this motion to the provincial government, including relevant ministers, with the request for prompt action on these critical issues affecting communities across British Columbia.”*

was then called and it was **CARRIED**.

**6.2 Consolidation of Public Compensation for Council Members**

MOVED and SECONDED

1. *THAT the City of New Westminster prepare a comprehensive annual financial report (starting in the 2024 calendar year) that details the total compensation received by Council members who serve on regional or provincial/national organizations, including but not limited to EComm911, Municipal Finance Authority, TransLink, and Metro Vancouver, Union of BC Municipalities (UBCM), Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) and that this report be made accessible to the public; and*
2. *THAT the annual financial report provides a complete itemization of each Council member's base salary and benefits, as well as per diems, stipends, allowances, retainers, expense reimbursements, and any other compensation associated with their roles.*

**CARRIED**

**7. NOTICE OF MOTION**

**7.1 Support for a New High School in Queensborough**

Submitted by Councillor Fontaine

*WHEREAS there has been significant growth in Queensborough over the past decade with the population now estimated at over 11,000 people; and*

*WHEREAS Queensborough high school students face significant challenges getting to and from New West Secondary School each day; and*

*WHEREAS the School District 40 has been asking for capital funding to construct a new high school in Queensborough since 2022; and*

*WHEREAS New West Secondary School is over capacity with more than 2600 students - making it the largest high school in British Columbia*

*BE IT RESOLVED THAT a letter be written to the Minister of Education in support of School District 40's ongoing requests for site acquisition to build a new high school in Queensborough.*

**8. BYLAWS FOR ADOPTION**

**8.1 Zoning Bylaw No. 6680, 2001, Amendment Bylaw (805 Boyd Street) No. 8411, 2025**

MOVED and SECONDED

*THAT Zoning Bylaw No. 6680, 2001, Amendment Bylaw (805 Boyd Street) No. 8411, 2025 be adopted.*

**CARRIED**

**8.2 Mobile Food Vending Licence Bylaw No. 7850, 2016, Amendment Bylaw No. 8498, 2025**

MOVED and SECONDED

*THAT Mobile Food Vending Licence Bylaw No. 7850, 2016, Amendment Bylaw No. 8498, 2025 be adopted.*

**CARRIED**

**8.3 Shark Fin Regulation Bylaw No. 7564, 2012, Repeal Bylaw No. 8511, 2025**

MOVED and SECONDED

*THAT Shark Fin Regulation Bylaw No. 7564, 2012, Repeal Bylaw No. 8511, 2025 be adopted.*

**CARRIED**

**9. NEW BUSINESS**

**9.1 Zoning Amendment Regarding Mini-Storage Use**

Discussion took place on the merits of requesting that staff revise the zoning bylaw to remove mini-storage use as part of the M-1, M-5 and CM-1 zoning districts. It was noted that there is a need for mini-storage use as the housing stock throughout the City is primarily townhomes and apartments, which generally do not offer adequate storage; it was also noted that mini-storage businesses do not advance the City's economic efforts as they do not offer many employment opportunities.

In response to questions from Council, staff advised that any amendments to the zoning bylaw would not preclude applicants from applying to rezone a subject property to permit mini-storage use. Staff offered further clarity that a type of business cannot be restricted through the Business Licence bylaw if the use is permitted by the zoning bylaw for the subject property.

MOVED and SECONDED

1. *THAT staff prepare a bylaw and bring forward to the next Regular Meeting for Council a Comprehensive Report to initiate Council's consideration of the bylaw to amend Zoning Bylaw No. 6680, 2001 by removing mini-storage as a use permitted as-of- right from the M-1, M-5 and CM-1 zoning districts.*
2. *THAT staff notify any current applicants whose proposal may be impacted by the change that they would need to submit a complete, zoning-compliant application prior to Council approval of the amendments.*

**CARRIED**

Opposed: Cllrs. Fontaine  
McEvoy

**10. PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Mayor Johnstone announced that Paul Backman was appointed to the Accessibility Advisory Committee as a Person with Disabilities or Individual Who Supports or Represents an Organization that Supports Persons with Disabilities Representative, for a one-year term ending January 31, 2026.

Mayor Johnstone also announced that Eric Cheung was appointed to the New Westminster Design Panel as the Development Industry Representative, for a two-year term ending January 31, 2027.

**11. ADJOURNMENT**

MOVED and SECONDED  
*THAT the meeting adjourn (8:22 p.m.).*

**CARRIED**

Certified a true and correct copy of the Minutes of the Regular meeting of Council of the City of New Westminster held on February 24, 2025.

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Patrick Johnstone  
MAYOR

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Hanieh Berg  
CORPORATE OFFICER