

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING – MINUTES

Minutes for the Regular Council Meeting scheduled for
Tuesday, December 5, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. in the **Gymnasium at Anmore
Elementary School, 30 Elementary Road, Anmore, BC**



ELECTED OFFICIALS PRESENT

Mayor John McEwen
Councillor Kim Trowbridge
Councillor Doug Richardson
Councillor Polly Krier
Councillor Paul Weverink

ABSENT

OTHERS PRESENT

Karen Elrick, Chief Administrative Officer
Rhonda Schell, Manager of Corporate Services
Lena Martin, Manager of Financial Services
Chris Boit, Manager of Development Services
Karla Shannon, Communications Coordinator
Therese Mickelson, Mickelson Consulting Inc.
Courtney Laurence, ISL Engineering and Land Services Ltd.
David Schoor, ISL Engineering and Land Services Ltd.

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. Approval of the Agenda

It was MOVED and SECONDED:

R131/23: THAT the Agenda be approved as circulated.

Carried Unanimously

3. Public Input

Members of the public provided comments on:

- Deadline for written submissions to Council
- Comments received regarding the Anmore South - OCP Amendment Bylaw related to:
 - Bill 44
 - alignment with the OCP, Metro Vancouver Regional Context Statement, Housing Needs Assessment, and updated Provincial Legislation
 - environmental matters

- the Special Study Area in the OCP
- traffic studies
- the decision-making process to change land designation from rural to urban
- affects of population growth
- future public engagement opportunities

4. Delegations

(a) Placemark Design Studio Inc. (planning consultant for icona)

It was MOVED and SECONDED:

R132/23: THAT the Placemark Design Studio Inc. delegation address be extended beyond 5 minutes.

Carried Unanimously

Paul Fenske provided an overview of the icona OCP Amendment Application.

Discussion included:

- clarification that there will be a public engagement process and that traffic concerns and other issues will be addressed through the public engagement process
- clarification that the OCP amendment process can be ended by Council at any time in the debate
- concern that the proponent application should be delayed until additional infrastructure is in place
- concern that increase in population will put additional pressure on neighbouring community amenities

5. Adoption of Minutes

(a) Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on November 21, 2023

It was MOVED and SECONDED:

R133/23: THAT the Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on November 21, 2023, be adopted, as circulated.

Carried Unanimously

6. Business Arising from Minutes

None.

7. Consent Agenda

It was MOVED and SECONDED:

R134/23: THAT the Consent agenda be adopted.

Carried Unanimously

(a) Anmore Five-Year Financial Plan Amendment – Bylaw No. 688-2023

Recommendation: THAT Anmore Five-Year Financial Plan Amendment Bylaw No. 688-2023 be adopted.

(b) Municipal Administrators Training Institute – Successful CAO

Recommendation: THAT the Chief Administrative Officer be authorized to attend the MATI Successful CAO course in 2024, as budgeted for in the 2023-2027 Five-Year Financial Plan.

8. Items Removed from the Consent Agenda

None.

9. Legislative Reports**(a) Anmore South - OCP Amendment Bylaw No. 686-2023**

Manager of Development Services provided information on the report dated December 1, 2023.

Discussion included:

- process of an OCP amendment and meaning of first reading
- housing, affordability, climate, aging in place, and diversifying tax base considerations
- requirement and timing of a complete OCP review
- consistent consideration of all land use applications
- Provincial requirements for OCP reviews and Housing Needs Assessments
- consideration of required future services such as water supply
- attraction of families for sustainability of schools
- cost recovery mechanisms for the OCP amendment application process

It was MOVED and SECONDED:

R135/23: THAT Village of Anmore Official Community Plan Designation Bylaw Amendment No. 686-2023 be given first reading; and,

THAT Bylaw 686-2023 be referred to the Committee of the Whole with the following items for discussion: neighbourhood plan, OCP impacts, transportation impacts, Community Amenity Contributions, public engagement strategy, financial sustainability and other topics staff believe to be important for community discussion; and,

THAT staff bring forward a Community Engagement Strategy in relation to the OCP amendment.

Carried
Opposed Councillor Richardson

10. Unfinished Business

None.

11. New Business

None.

12. Items from Committee of the Whole, Committees, and Commissions

None.

13. Mayor's Report

Mayor McEwen reported that:

- The Ugly Christmas Sweater Dash took place December 2nd
- He will attend the Tri-Cities Chamber of Commerce Lunch on December 6th
- The Candy Cane Lane event is currently taking place with donations going to the Eagle Ridge Hospital and he thanked Georgia Lyons for coordinating the event.
- The municipal budget will be presented to the Finance Committee in January and encouraged residents to attend
- A Committee of the Whole meeting will be held on January 9 for Council to discuss the Anmore South OCP Amendment Application
- The Anmore Community Hub is close to completion and is on budget
- He expressed his thanks to the Public Works department who worked on the drainage system during the recent atmospheric river to prevent flooding in the village

14. Councillors Reports

Councillor Krier reported that:

- Ugly Christmas Sweater Dash took place December 2nd in good weather with almost 400 participants and lots of spectators. Funds raised from this event were donated to the Anmore Elementary School PAC
- She will attend the Tri-Cities Chamber of Commerce Lunch on December 6th
- Holiday season wishes

15. Chief Administrative Officer's Report

- Staff updates: introduced Communications Coordinator, Karla Shannon and Water Operator, Jeff Pike
- Advised the public that staff will be posting information about the office holiday closure and service interruptions during move to the Community Hub on our website
- Expressed thanks to Anmore Elementary for allowing us to hold meetings here during construction of the Community Hub
- Anmore Community Hub Grand Opening on January 7th from 4-7pm
- Holiday season wishes

16. Information Items**(a) General Correspondence**

- Email dated November 23, 2023 from the Honourable Peter Julian, MP – New Westminster – Burnaby regarding BC - Private Member's Bill C-273
- Metro Vancouver Board in Brief for meetings held November 24, 2023

17. Public Question Period

Members of the public asked questions regarding:

- Anmore South - OCP Amendment Bylaw November 21st Regular Council meeting video. It was confirmed that it was lost due to power outage.
- East Road traffic safety and the possibility of crossing guards in school zones
- The possibility of a Village organized community clean up on or around Earth Day, April 22
- The Sunnyside Road multi-use path extension and if it will go beyond Summerwood Lane. It was confirmed that this is a multi-year project and additional areas will be planned for completion each year.

18. Adjournment

It was MOVED and SECONDED:

R136/23: That the meeting be adjourned at 9:05 pm.

Carried Unanimously

“Rhonda Schell”

Rhonda Schell
Corporate Officer

“John McEwen”

John McEwen
Mayor