

City of Maple Ridge

**COUNCIL WORKSHOP MINUTES**

July 18, 2017

**PLEASE NOTE:  
These minutes are  
subject to adoption  
by City Council**

The Minutes of the City Council Workshop held on July 18, 2017 at 6:02 p.m. in the Blaney Room of City Hall, 11995 Haney Place, Maple Ridge, British Columbia for the purpose of transacting regular City business.

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**PRESENT**

*Elected Officials*

Mayor N. Read  
Councillor C. Bell  
Councillor K. Duncan  
Councillor B. Masse  
Councillor G Robson  
Councillor T. Shymkiw  
Councillor C. Speirs

*Appointed Staff*

F. Quinn, Acting General Manager Public Works and Development Services  
K. Swift, General Manager of Parks, Recreation & Culture  
P. Gill, General Manager Corporate and Financial Services  
L. Darcus, Manager of Legislative Services

*Other Staff as Required*

C. Balatti, Recreation Manager, Health and Wellness  
D. Speers, Recreation Coordinator, Health and Wellness  
C. Carter, Director of Planning  
R. MacNair, Manager of Bylaw and Licensing Services  
B. Elliott, Manager of Community Planning  
L. Siracusa, Manager of Economic Development  
F. Armstrong, Manager of Corporate Communications  
S. Murphy, Planner 2  
A. Grochowich, Planner 1

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Note: The Mayor participated by telephone. Councillor Speirs chaired the meeting in her absence

**1. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

R/2017-320

It was moved and seconded

**That the agenda for the July 18, 2017 Council Workshop Meeting be approved as circulated.**

CARRIED

2. ***MINUTES***

2.1 **Minutes of the June 20, 2017 and the July 4, 2017 Council Workshop Meeting**

R/2017-321

It was moved and seconded

That the minutes of the Council Workshop Meeting of June 20, 2017 and the July 4, 2017 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

3. ***PRESENTATIONS AT THE REQUEST OF COUNCIL*** – Nil

4 ***MAYOR'S AND COUNCILLORS' REPORTS***

**Councillor Bell**

Councillor Bell advised that Philip Hartwick is the Acting Executive Director for the ACT, that Bard in the Bandstand (Twelfth Night) is playing in Memorial Peace Park and encouraged all to attend.

**Mayor Read**

Mayor Read attended the swearing in ceremony for the BC Premier and Executive Council. She advised that local MLA Lisa Beare Minister was appointed as the Minister for Tourism, Arts and Culture.

**Councillor Duncan**

Councillor Duncan announced that Ridge Meadows Recycling received a \$50,000 bonus from Recycle BC.

**Councillor Shymkiw**

Councillor Shymkiw advised that he has been involved in many meetings with business owners to discuss the increasing challenges around the St. Anne Park camp. He commented on the increased responsiveness from the RCMP, and advised that there continue to be severe impacts on surrounding businesses.

**Councillor Speirs**

Councillor Speirs attended a number of events on behalf of Mayor Read. He also attended a meeting of the Metro Vancouver Utilities Committee.

5. ***UNFINISHED AND NEW BUSINESS***

5.1 **Sport & Physical Activity Strategy Update**

The General Manager, Parks, Recreation and Culture introduced staff who would be presenting.

The Recreation Coordinator Health & Wellness gave a PowerPoint presentation providing an update on the Sport & Physical Activity Strategy. He outlined work done since the endorsement of the strategy and benefits and examples of the intended outcomes of the strategy. He highlighted the priorities, current outcomes and next steps for the strategy.

5.2 **Backyard Chickens – Discussion Paper**

Staff report dated July 18, 2017 recommending that a backyard chickens program be developed to permit the keeping of chickens in residential areas.

S. Murphy, Planner reviewed the staff report and provided a PowerPoint presentation which included:

- Introduction & background
- Summarized Timeline
- Current Zoning
- Municipal scan of areas in which other municipalities are and are not permitting backyard chickens
- Advantages
- Potential Issues
- Proposed Process

R/2017-322

It was moved and seconded

**That staff in consultation with the Agricultural Advisory Committee, develop a backyard chickens program to permit the keeping of chickens in residential areas as identified under the Process section of the report entitled “Backyard Chickens – Discussion Paper” dated July 18, 2017.**

CARRIED

Councillor Masse, Councillor Robson- OPPOSED

Note: The meeting recessed at 6:52 p.m. and reconvened at 8:43 p.m.

### 5.3 Home Based Business Review Follow-up and Proposed Consultation Plans

The Manager of Economic Development introduced the item. He advised that the Home Based Business Task Force was very involved and greatly contributed to the report and recommendations.

A. Grochowich, Planner gave a power point presentation which included:

- Introduction to the review of home based businesses and proposed consultation plans
- Definition of a home based business
- Background on the review process
- Comparison of the City of Maple Ridge to other municipalities and how home based businesses may affect a neighborhood
- Proposed Regulations
  - Location and Size
  - Expanded Uses
  - Further Opportunity
  - Proposed Consultation Program

R/2017-323

It was moved and seconded

**That the “Proposed Consultation Program” section of the report titled “Home Based Business Review Follow-up and Proposed Consultation Program”, dated July 18, 2017 be endorsed.**

CARRIED

### 5.4 Donation Bins within the City of Maple Ridge

Staff report dated July 18, 2017 discussing options and regulatory requirement for a permit structure to allow donation bins from charitable organizations to be placed on City owned property.

The General Manager of Public Works and Development advised on ownership of the bins currently in the City of Maple Ridge.

R/2017-324

It was moved and seconded

**That the City maintain the current practice of requiring organizations providing clothing donation bins to site them on private properties.**

CARRIED

**5.5 Outdoor Pool - Reconsideration of a motion according to Maple Ridge Council Procedure Bylaw 6472-2007 Part 17**

Reconsideration of the following motions from the staff report dated July 4, 2017 providing options to pursue or not pursue an outdoor pool.

R/2017-325

It was moved and seconded

**That staff be directed to move forward with the process identified on page 3 of the staff report dated July 4, 2017, and report back to Council on potential locations for an outdoor pool, including any viable City owned lands and other locations including full cost implications.**

CARRIED

Councillor Duncan – OPPOSED

6. ***CORRESPONDENCE*** – Nil

7. ***BRIEFING ON OTHER ITEMS OF INTEREST/QUESTIONS FROM COUNCIL*** – Nil

8. ***MATTERS DEEMED EXPEDIENT*** – Nil

9. ***ADJOURNMENT*** - 9:41 p.m.

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N. Read, Mayor

Certified Correct

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L. Darcus, Corporate Officer