

SPECIAL COUNCIL WORKSHOP MINUTES

September 27, 2021

The Minutes of the City Council Meeting held on September 27, 2021 at 9:34 a.m. held virtually and hosted in the Council Chambers of the City Hall, 11995 Haney Place, Maple Ridge, British Columbia for the purpose of transacting regular City business.

<i>PRESENT</i>	<i>Appointed Staff</i>
<i>Elected Officials</i>	A. Horsman, Chief Administrative Officer
Mayor M. Morden	C. Carter, General Manager Planning & Development Services
Councillor J. Dueck	C. Crabtree, General Manager Corporate Services
Councillor C. Meadus	S. Hartman, General Manager Parks, Recreation & Culture
Councillor G. Robson	P. Hlavac-Winsor, General Counsel and Executive Director, Legislative Services
Councillor A. Yousef	D. Pollock, General Manager Engineering Services
ABSENT	S. Nichols, Corporate Officer
Councillor K. Duncan	
Councillor R. Svendsen	<i>Other Staff as Required</i>
	C. Goddard, Director of Planning
	A. Bowden, Planner 2
	M. Halpin, Manager of Transportation
	F. Smith, Director of Engineering

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Note: Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, Councillor Yousef participated electronically. The Mayor chaired the meeting from Council Chambers.

Note: Councillor Robson was not present at the start of the meeting.

1. ***APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA***

R/2021-WS-067

It was moved and seconded

That the agenda of the September 27, 2021 Council Workshop Meeting be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

2. ***UNFINISHED AND NEW BUSINESS***

2.1 **Draft Regional Growth Strategy Metro 2050 - Request for Comments**

Staff report dated September 27, 2021 recommending that comments regarding the report titled “Draft Regional Growth Strategy Metro 2050 - Request for Comments” be summarized and a report provided for consideration of a formal resolution prior to November 26, 2021.

The Director of Planning introduced the item and spoke to the purpose of the draft regional growth strategy in terms of Maple Ridge and the City’s relationship with Metro Vancouver.

Note: Councillor Robson joined the meeting electronically at 9:37 a.m. during the staff introduction.

A. Bowden, Planner, provided a detailed presentation of the five goals included in the regional plan and recommended actions. She outlined changes to implementation and performance measures and gave a summary of recommended actions.

Staff responded to questions relative to economic development.

Note: Councillor Yousef left the meeting at 11:16 a.m. and returned at 11:19 a.m.

Note: Councillor Robson left the meeting at 11:50 a.m. and returned at 11:59 a.m. during comments from Council.

Note: Councillor Robson left the meeting at 12:25 p.m.

R/2021-WS-068

Moved and seconded

That the meeting be recessed and be reconvened at 1:00 p.m.

CARRIED

Note: The meeting was reconvened at 1:03 p.m. Councillor Robson was not in attendance when the meeting reconvened. He was absent for the presentation of Item 2.2.

Note: Item 2.2 Strategic Transportation Plan Project was dealt with when the meeting reconvened. Further discussion of Item 2.1 continued following Item 2.2. The minutes reflect this order. Item numbers have not been altered.

2.2 Strategic Transportation Plan Project - Preliminary Input for Phase 3

Presentation by John Steiner, Urban Systems

Staff report dated September 27, 2021 outlining an opportunity for the provision of input and direction on the Vision, Goals, Principles and Targets which will provide material for stakeholder and public consultation.

The Director of Engineering introduced and provided background on the item.

Mr. Steiner from Urban Systems provided a detailed presentation on the strategic directions of the Maple Ridge Strategic Transportation Plan.

Note: The meeting lost quorum at 1:46 p.m. during the presentation with Councillor Yousef leaving the meeting. Quorum was re-established at 1:48 p.m. when Councillor Yousef returned to the meeting.

The consultant and staff responded to questions from Council.

Note: Councillor Robson joined the meeting at 2:21 p.m. prior to the continued presentation of item 2.1.

2.1 Continued Discussion of Draft Regional Growth Strategy Metro 2050 - Request for Comments

The Planner proceeded with the presentation of Item 2.1 at 2:21 p.m.

Note: Councillor Yousef left the meeting at 2:23 p.m. during the presentation and returned at 2:28 p.m.

The General Manager advised that all recommendations must be provided to Metro Vancouver via Council resolution. The Planner outlined the proposed next steps.

R/2021-WS-069

Moved and seconded

That the comments from the September 27, 2021 Council Workshop and comments from the missing members of Council within one week, regarding the staff report titled "Draft Regional Growth Strategy Metro 2050 - Request for Comments" be summarized and brought back to Council for consideration of a formal resolution prior to November 26, 2021.

CARRIED

Councillor Robson - OPPOSED

3. *ADJOURNMENT* – 2:51 p.m.

M. Morden, Mayor

Certified Correct

S. Nichols, Corporate Officer