



City of Port Moody Strategic Priorities Committee Agenda

May 16, 2023

7:00 pm

Electronic Webinar via Zoom

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1. Call to Order

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There are several standing committee meetings scheduled and they will be held in the following order:

- *Finance Committee*
- *Strategic Priorities Committee*
- *Governance and Legislation Committee*

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2. Adoption of Minutes

2.1 Minutes

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Recommendation(s):

THAT the minutes of the Strategic Priorities Committee meeting held on April 18, 2023, be adopted.

3. New Business

3.1 Pay Parking – Motion Served by Councillor Knowles

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Memo: Councillor Kyla Knowles, dated April 25, 2023

The following motion was served by Councillor Knowles at the April 25, 2023, Regular Council meeting:

THAT pay parking at key City-owned locations and facilities be implemented.

4. Rise and Report

4.1 Referral of Strategic Priorities Committee Resolutions

Recommendation(s):

THAT the recommendations approved at the Strategic Priorities Committee meeting of May 16, 2023, be referred to the Special Council Standing Committee meeting of May 16, 2023, for ratification.

5. Adjournment

City of Port Moody

Minutes

Strategic Priorities Committee



Electronic Webinar via Zoom
 Tuesday, April 18, 2023
 at 5:42pm

Present:

Councillor S. Agtarap, Chairperson
 Mayor M. Lahti
 Councillor D. Dilworth
 Councillor K. Knowles
 Councillor A. Lubik
 Councillor H. Lurbiecki
 Councillor C. Morrison

In Attendance:

Tim Savoie – City Manager
 Mary De Paoli – Manager of Policy Planning
 Tyson Ganske – Manager of Financial Planning
 Stephanie Lam – City Clerk and Manager of Legislative Services
 Jeff Little – Manager of Operations
 Anna Mathewson – General Manager of Community Services
 Lorena Miat – Manager of Financial Reporting
 Bryan Moffat – Urban Forestry Technician
 Darcey O’Riordan – Fire Chief
 Angie Parnell – General Manager of Corporate Services
 Julie Pavey-Tomlinson – Director of Environment and Parks
 Andrei Pop – Development Planner
 Paul Rockwood – General Manager of Finance and Technology
 Marc Saunders – Director of Library Services
 Chad Siemens – Urban Forestry Technician
 Adam Shroff – Legislative Services Coordinator
 Tracey Takahashi – Deputy Corporate Officer
 Marta Taylor – Corporate Planning Advisor
 Kate Zanon – General Manager of Community Development

Also in Attendance:

Amelia Needoba, Principal and Senior Urban Forester, Diamond
 Head Consulting

1. Call to Order

Chairperson Agtarap called the meeting to order at 5:42pm.

Council’s Vision: *Port Moody, City of the Arts, is a unique, safe, vibrant waterfront city of strong neighbourhoods; a complete community that is sustainable and values its natural environment and heritage character.*

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Minutes

2. Adoption of Minutes

SPC23/006

Moved, seconded, and CARRIED

THAT the minutes of the Strategic Priorities Committee meeting held on March 21, 2023, be adopted.

3. New Business

Urban Forest
Management
Strategy – Draft
Report Update

- 3.1 Presentation: Diamond Head Consulting
Report: Engineering and Operations Department – Project Delivery Services Division, dated April 10, 2023

Amelia Needoba, Principal and Senior Urban Forester, Diamond Head Consulting, gave a presentation entitled “Urban Forest Management Strategy - Presentation of the Draft Strategy” and referred to slides enclosed in the agenda package.

Staff and the consultant answered questions from the Committee regarding relevant bylaws, considerations and methodology used for the model, and incentives and community events to encourage tree-planting.

SPC23/007

Moved and seconded

THAT the report dated April 10, 2023, from the Engineering and Operations Department – Project Delivery Services Division regarding Urban Forest Management Strategy – Draft Report Update be received for information.

SPC23/008

Moved, seconded, and CARRIED

THAT the foregoing motion be amended by adding: “AND THAT staff report back on policies to protect “mother trees” or exceptional trees, permeable landscaping within new construction, and tree canopy cover targets, or minimums for all zoning types, as a way to increase Port Moody’s green infrastructure and improve the resiliency of Port Moody’s neighbourhoods and enhance community wellbeing;

AND THAT a more ambitious target than 16% for mixed-use zoning, with considerations for other types of greening and ecosystem connectivity, be included in the next iteration of the Urban Forest Management Strategy.”

The question on the main motion (SPC23/007) as amended (by SPC23/008) was put to a vote; the following motion was CARRIED:

THAT the report dated April 10, 2023, from the Engineering and Operations Department – Project Delivery Services Division regarding Urban Forest Management Strategy – Draft Report Update be received for information;

AND THAT staff report back on policies to protect "mother trees" or exceptional trees, permeable landscaping within new construction, and tree canopy cover targets, or minimums for all zoning types, as a way to increase Port Moody's green infrastructure and improve the resiliency of Port Moody's neighbourhoods and enhance community wellbeing;

AND THAT a more ambitious target than 16% for mixed-use zoning, with considerations for other types of greening and ecosystem connectivity, be included in the next iteration of the Urban Forest Management Strategy.

The Strategic Priorities Committee meeting was recessed at 6:38pm and reconvened at 7:08pm.

2023 Corporate Project Plan

3.2 Presentation: Corporate Planning Advisor Report: City Manager, dated April 3, 2023

Staff gave a presentation entitled "2023-26 Council Strategic Plan, 2023 Corporate Project Plan" and referred to slides contained in the on-table package.

Staff answered questions from the Committee regarding staff work plans to address the province's new direction on the "missing middle" housing, and traffic calming projects.

SPC23/009

Moved, seconded, and CARRIED

THAT the projects in the 2019-2022 Council Strategic Plan Outstanding Project list be omitted from the Corporate Project Plan, as recommended in the report dated April 3, 2023, from the City Manager regarding the 2023 Corporate Project Plan;

AND THAT the Corporate Project Plan outlined in the report dated April 3, 2023, from the City Manager regarding the 2023 Corporate Project Plan be received for information.

**Request for
Comments – Village
of Belcarra Draft
Official Community
Plan**

- 3.3 Report: Community Development Department – Policy Planning Division, dated March 15, 2023

SPC23/010

Moved, seconded, and DEFEATED

THAT the following comments be provided to the Village of Belcarra regarding the community's Draft Official Community Plan:

The City of Port Moody raises concerns over Belcarra's water system capacity and that this issue be addressed to ensure adequate fire response capability and that this occurs prior to proceeding with outlined changes to land use or increased development; and

The City of Port Moody raises concerns around the need for a comprehensive transportation plan to address traffic issues related to development, regional population growth and access to Belcarra Regional Park and surrounding areas and expresses together on these and other regional issues.

(Voting against: Councillors Agtarap, Dilworth, Knowles, Lubik, and Morrison, and Mayor Lahti)

SPC23/011

Moved, seconded, and CARRIED

THAT the report dated March 15, 2023, from the Community Development Department – Policy Planning Division regarding Request for Comments – Village of Belcarra Draft Official Community Plan be received for information.

(Voting against: Councillor Lurbiecki)

**Mayor's Town Hall
on Snow and Ice
Response
Feedback Review
and Action Plan**

- 3.4 Presentation: Manager of Operations
Report: Engineering and Operations Department – Operations Division, dated April 4, 2023

Staff answered questions from the Committee regarding options for investigation of feasibility of maintenance of private property during snowfalls.

SPC23/012

Moved, seconded, and CARRIED

THAT staff be directed to implement the improvement recommendations that utilize existing resources for the 2023-2024 winter season as recommended in the report dated April 4, 2023, from the Engineering and Operations Department – Operations Division regarding 2023 Mayor's Town Hall on Snow and Ice Response Feedback Review and Action Plan;

AND THAT staff be directed to implement the improvement recommendations that utilize capital budget funding for the 2023-2024 winter season.

**Referral of Strategic
Priorities
Committee
Resolutions**

4. Rise and Report

4.1 SPC23/013

Moved, seconded, and CARRIED

THAT the recommendations approved at the Strategic Priorities Committee meeting of April 18, 2023, be referred to the Special Council meeting of April 18, 2023, for ratification.

5. Adjournment

Chairperson Agtarap adjourned the meeting at 8:02pm.

Certified correct in accordance with section 148(a) of the *Community Charter*.

S. Lam, City Clerk

Confirmed on the __ day of ___, 2023.

S. Agtarap, Chairperson



Memo to Council

Date: April 25, 2023

Subject: Pay Parking – Motion Served by Councillor Knowles

Motion Served

Notice of the following motion was provided at the April 25, 2023 Regular Council meeting:

THAT pay parking at key City-owned locations and facilities be implemented.

Background

In almost every respect, supporting paid parking in Port Moody aligns with this Council's strategic plan, and I believe fully that it will improve the resident experience in our City.

Most other cities in Metro Vancouver, as well as our regional parks and beaches, have already instituted paid parking, so Port Moody would be catching up to our neighbours in that respect.

Benefits include:

1. Encouraging the use of Transit and Other Modes of Transportation, thereby reducing traffic in our core. We know that raising the price of parking reduces demand as habitual users begin to seek alternate modes of transport.
2. Encouraging Turnover at Key City Locations - As everyone knows, trying to find a parking spot near or at Rocky Point in the summer is nearly impossible, beginning at around 8am. Families come with umbrellas, picnic lunches and blankets and park there the entire day for free, because they can. Employees of the breweries and other retailers along Murray also park at Rocky Point all day for free, despite the fact that all-day parking is available at the West Coast Express just across the overpass for only \$3/day. That parking lot is rarely, if ever, full except during rare event exceptions like Ribfest. As such, parking along Murray and at Rocky Point must, at the very least, exceed the cost to park at the West Coast Express lot.
3. Revenues for City Hall - We all know that Port Moody needs to increase and diversify its revenue sources to take the pressure off taxpayers. Paid parking could and should help municipalities offset the cost of maintaining our existing infrastructure, which comprises a large part of city budgets. It shifts the financial burden of these costs to actual users (user-pay) who often aren't even Port Moody residents.
4. Support for Local Businesses – Paid parking has been shown to assist businesses with customer turnover where parking time limits are enforced.
5. Climate-Smart Policy - we are in a climate change emergency and need to get people out of their cars wherever possible.

6. Progressive Social Policy - Unlike property taxes which are a form of regressive taxation, paid parking is classified as progressive social policy. We can't build more parking spaces in Port Moody; there's no more land. Constructing and maintaining parking spaces is more expensive than most people realize. Costs to cities are recuperated through taxation, costs to developers are recuperated through higher unit prices and rents, and costs to businesses are recuperated through higher prices and lower wages for employees.

Council Strategic Priorities

The above motion aligns with the following stated Strategic Priorities of this Council:

- Align service levels and financial planning
- Increase and diversify revenues
- Embrace a multi-modal approach for mobility
- Implement best practices that result in growth that is consistent with community needs
- Prioritize implementation of climate action initiatives
- Optimize park-user experiences
- Facilitate events and festivals in our community

Council Options

Refer to staff to bring back previous reports and work completed on the feasibility of the proposed motion for Council's review and consideration.