



TOWN OF VIEW ROYAL

PARKS, RECREATION AND ENVIRONMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 2023 @ 7:00 PM
TEAMS MEETING

AGENDA

In light of the COVID-19 pandemic, this Parks, Recreation and Environment Advisory Committee meeting will be held electronically. Should you wish to listen to this meeting by telephone, please use the following phone number and conference ID:

Phone: 778-402-9227

Conference ID Number: 389 232 930#

- 1. CALL TO ORDER**
- 2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**
(motion to approve)
- 3. MINUTES, RECEIPT & ADOPTION OF**
 - a) Minutes of the Parks, Recreation and Environment Advisory Committee meeting held
May 23, 2023 Pg.3-5
(motion to adopt)
- 4. CHAIR'S REPORT**
- 5. PETITIONS & DELEGATIONS**
- 6. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES**
 - a) **Nursery Hill Drive Playground Request**

THAT the discussion regarding the Nursery Hill Drive Playground Request be tabled to the September 26, 2023 Parks, Recreation & Environment Advisory Committee meeting. From the May 23, 2023 PREAC meeting.
- 7. REPORTS**
 - 7.1 STAFF REPORTS**
 - 7.2 COUNCIL REPORTS**
(motion to receive)

- a) Minutes of the Council meetings held May 16, 2023 to July 18, 2023. [View on the Town's website.](#)

8. CORRESPONDENCE

9. NEW BUSINESS

- a) **Clarification of “In Stream Projects” for Proposed Building Bylaw No. 1111, 2023 – L. Jeurond**

Information from the Director of Development Services:

- Any building permit application for a Part 9 residential building received on or after November 1, 2023 must comply with Zero Carbon Step Code Level 4.
- Any building permit application for a Part 3 building with major occupancy classified as residential that is less than six stories that is received on or after July 1, 2024 must comply with Zero Carbon Step Code Level 4.
- Any building permit application for a Part 3 building with major occupancy classified as residential occupancy, business and personal services occupancy, or mercantile occupancy that is received on or after November 1, 2024 must comply with Zero Carbon Step Code Level 4.

- b) **Prohibiting Renewable Natural Gas – I. Brown**

Information from the Director of Development Services:

The proposed new building bylaw (Building Bylaw No. 1111, 2023), which Council will consider for fourth reading and final adoption on October 3, refers to the Zero Carbon Step Code requirements in the BC Building Code. To meet Level 4 Zero Carbon Performance, space and water heating, and cooking ranges must be, in most cases, full electrification. Prohibiting renewable natural gas (RNG) as a heating and cooking source in buildings would be a separate bylaw for Council consideration if they would like to enforce this in the Town. This restriction would go beyond the Zero Carbon Step Code requirements in the BC Building Code.

- c) **Strengthening Tree Protection Bylaw in New Developments – I. Brown**

Information from the Director of Engineering

- An Urban Forestry Strategy (N-074) project terms of reference is being prepared and will be provided elected officials prior to release of the request for proposals.
- On the Action List already is a staff report to explore options to further strengthen Tree Protection Bylaw No. 1069, 2022 (C-63-23) from April 2023.
- Currently, staff are asking many more questions of developers' arborists regarding additional protection measures as early as the rezoning stage of development proposals. Staff have recommended that applicants provide a tree preservation plan which incorporates additional measures such as irrigation, mulching, reduced blasting, and different foundation excavation methods (short term tool). These are currently beyond the requirements of the Tree Protection Bylaw.
- The bulk of changes to the Tree Protection Bylaw (long term tool) will be predicated on the establishment of this Urban Forest Strategy (medium term tool) and PREAC is anticipated to be involved in the Strategy.

10. CLOSED MEETING RESOLUTION

11. TERMINATION

Next Parks, Recreation and Environment Advisory Committee Meeting – November 28, 2023



TOWN OF VIEW ROYAL

MINUTES OF THE PARKS, RECREATION & ENVIRONMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ELECTRONICALLY ON TUESDAY, MAY 23, 2023

PRESENT: R. Bickel
I. Brown
L. Jeurond
E. Kuiack
J. Snyder
Councillor McKenzie, Council Liaison

REGRETS: Councillor Kowalewich, Council Liaison

ALSO PRESENT: I. Leung, Director of Engineering
J. Paterson, Recording Secretary

1 member of the public
0 members of the press

1. CALL TO ORDER – The Chair called the meeting to order at 7:06 p.m.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOVED BY: I. Brown
SECONDED: J. Snyder

THAT the agenda be amended to include item 9.b);
AND THAT the agenda be approved as amended.

CARRIED

3. MINUTES, RECEIPT & ADOPTION OF

a) Minutes of the Parks, Recreation and Environment Advisory Committee meeting held March 28, 2023

MOVED BY: L. Jeurond
SECONDED: J. Snyder

THAT the minutes of the Parks, Recreation and Environment Advisory Committee meeting held March 28, 2023 be adopted.

CARRIED

4. CHAIR'S REPORT

5. PETITIONS & DELEGATIONS

a) A. Gage, West Coast Environmental Law, Re: Options Available to Local Governments to Recover Climate Costs from Global Fossil Fuel Companies

A. Gage spoke to the Committee regarding the premise of the Sue Big Oil Campaign, specifically global fossil fuel companies' profits, responsibility for climate change, and the Campaign's goal to have local governments in British Columbia file a class action lawsuit against the world's largest oil companies.

6. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

a) Class Action Lawsuit Sue Big Oil

The Committee discussed failing to prepare for climate change, loss of focus on clean air, resultant costs to municipalities, legal engagement required for a class action lawsuit, and timeframe for municipalities to join the campaign.

MOVED BY: I. Brown
 SECONDED: E. Kuiack

PREAC-08-23 THAT the Committee recommend to Council that the Town of View Royal join the Sue Big Oil class action lawsuit campaign by signing the Sue Big Oil declaration.

CARRIED

7. REPORTS

7.1 STAFF REPORTS

7.2 COUNCIL REPORTS

a) Minutes of the Council meetings held March 21, 2022 to May 2, 2023

MOVED BY: J. Snyder
 SECONDED: E. Kuiack

THAT the minutes of the Council meetings held March 21, 2022 to May 2, 2023 be received.

CARRIED

8. CORRESPONDENCE

9. NEW BUSINESS

a) Project Sustainability Checklist

The Committee discussed the voluntary Project Sustainability Checklist, specifically:

- green building codes and existing policies and bylaws;
- incentives and Development Cost Charges;
- inclusion of the sustainability checklist update in Council's Strategic Plan;
- timeline; and
- once finalized, Council to prioritize the checklist.

MOVED BY: L. Jeaurond
 SECONDED: I. Brown

PREAC-09-23 THAT the Committee recommend to Council that the Project Sustainability Checklist be revised by making some of the categories mandatory;

AND THAT as part of the review, staff consult best practices of the City of Ottawa's High Performance Development Standards, City of Toronto's Green Standard, and the Clean Air Partnership's "Towards Low Carbon Communities: Creating Municipal Green Development Standards – An Implementation Toolkit for Municipal Staff";

AND FURTHER THAT the draft revised Checklist be referred back to the Parks, Recreation & Environment Advisory Committee for further consideration.

CARRIED

b) Nursery Hill Drive Playground Request

The Committee discussed taking a tour of this Garry Oak Meadows Park location in early September to consider safe spaces for potential playground equipment, grade of slope, type of equipment possible given site constraints, and other parks in the surrounding neighbourhood – Nursery Hill Park and Chilco Park.

MOVED BY: I. Brown
SECONDED: L. Jeurond

THAT the discussion regarding the Nursery Hill Drive Playground Request be tabled to the September 26, 2023 Parks, Recreation & Environment Advisory Committee meeting.

CARRIED

10. CLOSED MEETING RESOLUTION

11. TERMINATION

MOVED BY: I. Brown
SECONDED: J. Synder

THAT this meeting now terminate at 8:05 p.m.

CARRIED

CHAIR

RECORDING SECRETARY