



COUNCIL MEETING

MINUTES

Monday, June 24, 2024, 5:00 p.m.
Council Chamber, City Hall
4949 Canada Way, Burnaby, BC

PRESENT: Mayor Mike Hurley
Councillor Pietro Calendino
Councillor Sav Dhaliwal
Councillor Joe Keithley
Councillor Richard T. Lee
Councillor Maita Santiago
Councillor Daniel Tetrault
Councillor James Wang

ABSENT: Councillor Alison Gu

STAFF: Leon Gous, Chief Administrative Officer (CAO)
Noreen Kassam, Deputy CAO / Chief Financial Officer
Dave Critchley, General Manager Community Safety
Juli Halliwell, General Manager Corporate Services
May Phang, General Manager Engineering
James Lota, General Manager Lands & Facilities
Emmaline Hill, Acting General Manager Parks, Recreation & Culture
Ed Kozak, General Manager Planning & Development
Jennifer Wong, Acting City Solicitor
Nikki Best, Director Legislative Services / Corporate Officer
Kathryn Matts, Acting Sr. Manager Legislative Services

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Hurley called the Open Council meeting to order at 5:05 p.m.

2. **LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

Mayor Hurley recognized the ancestral and unceded homelands of the hən̓q̓əmin̓əḿ and Skwxwú7mesh speaking peoples, and extended appreciation for the opportunity to hold a meeting on this territory.

3. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

3.1 Open Council Meeting Agenda for June 24, 2024

Resolution No. 2024 - 253

THAT the agenda for the Open Council meeting of Monday, June 24, 2024, be adopted.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

4.1 Open Council Meeting held June 10, 2024

Resolution No. 2024 - 254

THAT the minutes of the Open Council meeting held on June 10, 2024, be now adopted.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5. DELEGATIONS AND INVITED PRESENTATIONS

5.1 Invited Presentation: Environmental Awards
Presenter: Mayor Hurley

Mayor Hurley introduced the 2024 Environmental Awards and presented the recipients with their awards. Following is the text of Mayor Hurley's remarks:

"Each year, on behalf of the Environment Committee, the City's Environmental Awards program recognizes the outstanding achievements of individuals, community groups, institutions and businesses in Burnaby in the areas of environmental stewardship and sustainability. This is the 29th year of the environmental awards program.

There are six award categories: business stewardship, communications, community stewardship, green choices, planning and development, and youth. There are two designations within each category.

Environmental Awards, for recognition of environmental achievements of a larger scale, such as long-term commitments to an organization or cause, leadership of

numerous other individuals, and projects of a significant size and relatively complex scope; and

Environmental Stars, for recognition of environmental achievements of a smaller or more individual scale that may nevertheless serve to catalyze larger initiatives and inspire others.

Today, we are pleased to present the recipients their awards in person.

Thank you, and I now ask Councillor Keithley to introduce the award winners:”

Councillor Keithley introduced each recipient as they received their award. Following is the text of Councillor Keithley’s remarks:

“Thank you, Mayor Hurley

We’ll begin by announcing this year’s Environmental Stars.

*The first Environmental Star in the category of Community Stewardship is presented to **Nikki Gill** for her commitment to the Fraser River Clean Up Club which she founded in 2021.*

Nikki Gill started this group to help reduce the litter in her neighbourhood. She now organizes monthly Fraser shoreline cleanups across the Lower Mainland. The club has conducted 30 cleanups to date, including 10 in Burnaby.

Nikki is a passionate environmentalist and manages the Instagram account Fraser River Clean Up Club to engage her audience and encourage them to join in clean up events. Thank you, Nikki, and congratulations!

*The second Environmental Star in the category of Community Stewardship is presented to **Burnaby For Our Kids**.*

Burnaby For Our Kids is a local chapter of the national parent-led climate advocacy network, For Our Kids. The Burnaby chapter came together to encourage the City of Burnaby to sign the Fossil Fuel Non-Proliferation Treaty in 2022.

*The group is led by **Kate McMahon** and includes a network of over 100 families in Burnaby. Kate McMahon and Ben Dodd will be accepting the Environmental Star on behalf of the organization.*

The group encourages families to connect with the environment around them and empower kids and their grown-ups to advocate for a livable future for all.

They organize family friendly events such as removing invasive species and planting native species, litter clean-ups and offer environmental tours around Burnaby.

This group has partnered with other local climate groups such as Burnaby Residents Opposing Kinder-Morgan Expansion and Force of Nature to mobilize families in support of good climate policies like the Zero Carbon Step Code and Sue Big Oil. They also help host family-friendly spaces at rallies to encourage more families to engage in environmental action.

Congratulations to all the members of Burnaby For Our Kids!

*The third Environmental Star in the category of Planning and Development is presented to **Clay Construction**. **Larry Clay and Sharon Mack** will be accepting the award on behalf of the business.*

Clay Construction is a Langley based business that led the deconstruction of a single detached house at 7676 Lawrence Drive in Burnaby in 2023.

This project pre-dated the City's Construction & Demolition Waste Diversion Bylaw and exceeded the City's expectations for waste recovery.

Clay Construction took steps to donate removable construction material including shelving units, light fixtures, mirrors, window blinds and doors or sell these items at low cost to those in need. They removed stones from an old fireplace to be re-used in the new building. The overall impact of this project resulted in 55% of clean wood, metal, plastic, drywall and other building materials being diverted away from the landfill.

In addition to their effort to recover materials, Clay Construction considered how their project impacted the neighboring properties. They took steps to protect a 40-year old hedge bordering the two properties by working away from the root zone, and they worked with the neighbours to ensure the survival of shrubs on the construction site prior to relocating them. Congratulations to Clay Construction!

And now I'm pleased to present the Environmental Award to three recipients.

The City usually only gives out one Award in each category, but we had such outstanding candidates that Council made an exception this year to give out two Environmental Awards in the Community Stewardship Category.

*The first Environmental Award in the category of Community Stewardship is presented to the **von Euw Family** for their commitment to the Stewardship of Silver Creek as the Silver Creek Streamkeepers for the past 23 years.*

*We welcome **Ed, Nancy, Emily, and Daniel von Euw** to accept this award. Ed and Nancy's eldest son, Greg, who was also involved in streamkeeping and is a previous environmental award winner, was unable to attend as they now live in Calgary.*

Silver Creek is part of the Brunette Watershed and flows from Burnaby Mountain near SFU into the Brunette River just above the Cariboo Dam.

The von Euw family formed the Silver Creek streamkeepers to monitor the health of the watershed. Over the years, they have conducted salmon spawner counts and emerging fry checks in the spring. They have conducted invasive plant removals and replaced them with native species, organized storm drain marking and run educational programs in local schools.

They have also cleared obstructions on the creek, such as beaver dams and garbage and maintained the creek's ability to support urban chum and coho salmon populations.

The family is currently preparing for their move from Burnaby to the Sunshine Coast and is transferring their knowledge to the members of the Stoney Creek Environment Committee that will be overseeing the Silver Creek watershed for the foreseeable future. To the von Euw family, thank you all for your dedication to this community, and best of luck with the move to the Sunshine Coast! Congratulations!

*The second Environmental Award in the category of Community Stewardship is presented to **Irene Lau** for her dedication and commitment to the Burnaby Lake Park Association for 12 years and including chairing their board for the past 9 years.*

Irene has been instrumental in engaging the public by establishing the BLPA's presence on social media and facilitating improvements to their website. Furthermore, Irene connects people with nature through habitat restoration and enhancement, education and outreach. Irene is well connected to staff at the City of Burnaby and Metro Vancouver as well as other community organizations. She is the key organizer of BLPA education efforts at local community events such as Burnaby Blooms, City of Burnaby Environment Week, and World Rivers Day. She has a strong personal commitment to preserve, restore, and enhance nature and her mentorship to the other board members continues to be invaluable.

In 2023 alone, Irene logged 400 hours of volunteer service with the BLPA. Thank you, Irene, and congratulations!

*The third Environmental Award in the category of Communications is presented to **Laurel Dykstra**. Laurel is an Anglican priest, community-based activist and scholar, and Burnaby resident, who recently published a book titled "Wildlife Congregations: A priest's Year of Gaggles, Colonies, and Murders by the Salish Sea". The book documents Laurel's spiritual encounters with large gatherings of birds, fish, and wildlife that inhabit the lower Fraser watershed.*

In addition to the book, Laurel speaks regularly at congregations about the climate crisis, reducing emissions, and both personal and collective change.

Laurel has also trained young people in the skills of activism and ecological restoration and has been a leader in mobilizing the faith community opposing the advancement of oil and gas projects. Congratulations Laurel.

That concludes our Environmental Awards ceremony for 2024.

Congratulations to all this year's honourees – we're extremely fortunate to have so many dedicated champions for our natural environment here in Burnaby.

As a city that deeply values our greenspaces and watercourses, these awards are a reminder that it takes effort, perseverance and passion to ensure that future generations will be able to enjoy these spaces just as we do today.

On behalf of Burnaby City Council, we thank you all for your service to this community.

Please join me in a round of applause for all our Environment Award recipients.”

5.2 Invited Presentation: Changing Colors Youth Mural Program **Presenter: Mayor Hurley**

Mayor Hurley introduced the Changing Colors Youth Mural Program recipients with their awards. Following is the text of Mayor Hurley's remarks:

“I'm pleased to welcome some special guests in Council today.

We have with us students from Moscrop Secondary School who are part of the Changing Colours Art of Empowerment program.

For those who aren't familiar, this is a fantastic program that gives young people the opportunity to help improve their community and their school through art.

The students, who are from Grades 9 through 12, volunteered their time to create collaborative community murals.

Today, I'm pleased to present certificates of achievement to these students, who spent countless hours helping to create beautiful murals at Moscrop Secondary.

The students receiving this certificate committed a minimum of 20 weeks of their time to participate in this program, during lunch hours and sometimes after school or on pro-d days.

The murals they created will leave an impact on students, teachers and faculty at Moscrop long after they graduate – and I hope this work has inspired these young people to continue to give back to our community.

Thank you to the students of Moscrop Secondary and Todd Polich, our Anti-Graffiti Coordinator, for facilitating this program.

We're incredibly impressed with your work, and we look forward to seeing what you do next.

Thank you all so much.

I will now present the certificates. As I call your name, please come up to receive your certificate, pose for a picture and stay behind for a group photo with Council!"

6. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

6.1 FINAL REPORT - MAYOR'S TASK FORCE ON UNSHELTERED COMMUNITY MEMBERS

The General Manager Planning and Development and the General Manager Community Safety submitted a final report and suggested recommendations of the Mayor's Task Force on Unsheltered Community Members.

Diane Bulley, Mayor's Task Force Facilitator, provided a comprehensive overview outlining the recommendations in the report.

Mayor Hurley noted that there was an error in the report date on the recommendation and advised that the report date should read June 24, 2024, and the recommendation, as indicated in the report, will be read with the accurate date.

Resolution No. 2023 - 255

THAT the recommendations of the Mayor's Task Force on Unsheltered Community Members (Attachment 1) in the report titled "Final Report – Mayor's Task Force on Unsheltered Community Members" dated June 24, 2024 be endorsed; and

THAT staff be directed to provide a progress report on the recommendations contained in the report titled "Final Report – Mayor's Task Force on Unsheltered Community Members" dated June 24, 2024, by September 30, 2025.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

6.2 REZ #22-17 - 5033 REGENT STREET - SIX STOREY SELF-STORAGE FACILITY

The General Manager Planning and Development submitted a report seeking Council authorization to forward REZ #22-17 and the proposed Zoning Bylaw text amendment for parking requirements for self-storage to First and Second Reading at a future Council meeting.

Mayor Hurley noted that there was an error in the report recommendation stating the rezoning was for “five” storeys when it is actually “six” storeys. As a result, the recommendation was put forward as a motion reflect the accurate number of storeys.

Resolution No. 2023 - 256

THAT Rezoning Bylaw for REZ #22-17 be prepared and advanced to First and Second Reading at a future date of Council;

THAT a Public Hearing not be held for the Rezoning Bylaw REZ #22-17, as it is consistent with Burnaby Official Community Plan;

THAT the items listed (see **Attachment 3**: Rezoning Prerequisites) to the report titled “REZ #22-17 – 5033 Regent Street – Six-Storey Self Storage Facility” dated June 24, 2024, be established as prerequisites to consideration of Final Adoption of the Rezoning Bylaw for REZ #22-17;

THAT the City Solicitor be authorized to bring forward amendments to *Burnaby Zoning Bylaw, 1965*, as set out in Section 3.4 of the report, for First and Second reading at a future date of Council;

THAT a Public Hearing not be held for the proposed amendment to *Burnaby Zoning Bylaw, 1965*, as described in Section 3.4 of the report, as the amendments are consistent with the Burnaby Official Community Plan; and

THAT the Rezoning Bylaw for REZ #22-17 not be brought forward for consideration of Final Adoption until after the proposed amendment to *Burnaby Zoning Bylaw, 1965*, as described in Section 3.4 of the report, has been given Final Adoption.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

6.3 REZ #24-06 - 4657 KINGSWAY - COMMERCIAL PODIUM REVISIONS

The General Manager Planning and Development submitted a report seeking Council authorization to forward REZ #24-06 to First and Second Reading at a future Council meeting.

Resolution No. 2023 - 257

THAT a Rezoning Bylaw for REZ #24-06 be prepared and advanced to First and Second Reading at a future Council meeting;

THAT a Public Hearing not be held for the Rezoning Bylaw for REZ #24-06, as it is consistent with the Burnaby Official Community Plan; and

THAT the items listed in **Attachment 3** – Rezoning Prerequisites to the report titled “REZ #24-06 – 4657 Kingsway – Commercial Podium Revisions” dated June 24, 2024, be established as prerequisites to consideration of Final Adoption of the Rezoning Bylaw for REZ #24-06.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

6.4 REZ #23-07 - 5777 WILLINGDON AVE AND 4475 GRANGE ST - MULTIPLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT

The General Manager Planning and Development submitted a report seeking Council authorization to forward REZ #23-07 to First and Second Reading at a future Council meeting.

Mayor Hurley advised that staff indicated that the second recommendation should reflect the prohibition of the public hearing was not due to OCP alignment, but it was because the application was applicable to section 464 of the *Local Government Act*, which prohibits local governments from holding a public hearing for rezoning applications that are all or predominantly (greater than 50%) residential, and that the recommendation will be read with this correction.

Resolution No. 2023 - 258

THAT a Rezoning Bylaw for REZ #23-07 be prepared and advanced to First and Second Reading at a future Council meeting;

THAT a public hearing not be held in accordance with section 464 of the *Local Government Act* which prohibits local governments from holding a public hearing for rezoning applications that are all or predominantly (greater than 50%) residential:

THAT a Housing Agreement be authorized according to the terms outlined in Section 3.5 of the report titled “REZ #23-07 – 5777 Willingdon Ave and 4475 Grange St – Multiple Family Residential Development” dated June 24, 2024, and the City Solicitor be authorized to bring forward a Housing Agreement Bylaw for Final Adoption prior to or concurrently with Final Adoption of the Rezoning Bylaw for REZ #23-07; and

THAT the items listed in **Attachment 3** – Rezoning Prerequisites to the report, be established as prerequisites to consideration of Final Adoption of the Rezoning Bylaw for REZ #23-07.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

6.5 CA - SFU EMERGENCY ROUTE ROADWORKS CA-3298

The Deputy Chief Administrative Office/Chief Financial Officer submitted a report seeking Council approval for a Contract Award (CA) for the SFU Emergency Route Roadworks project.

Resolution No. 2023 - 259

THAT a contract award to GPM Civil Contracting Inc., for an estimated total cost of \$2,105,250 including GST in the amount of \$100,250 as outlined in the report titled “CA – SFU Emergency Route Roadworks CA-3298” dated June 24, 2024 be approved; and

THAT final payment be based on the actual quantities of services delivered and unit prices as tendered.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

6.6 CA - SUPPLY AND INSTALLATION OF SYNTHETIC TURF AT BURNABY NORTH SECONDARY SCHOOL FIELD

The Deputy Chief Administrative Office/Chief Financial Officer submitted a report seeking Council approval for a Contract Award (CA) for the supply and installation of synthetic turf at the Burnaby North Secondary School field.

Resolution No. 2023 - 260

THAT a contract award to Team Rochon Inc. / GTR Turf for an estimated total cost of \$1,249,500 including GST in the amount of \$59,500 as outlined in the report titled “CA – Supply and Installation of Synthetic Turf at Burnaby North Secondary School Field” dated June 24, 2024 be approved; and

THAT final payment be based on the actual quantity of goods and services delivered and unit prices as submitted.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

6.7 CA - GRIFFITHS WATERMAIN & ROADS UPGRADES CA-3230

The Deputy Chief Administrative Office/Chief Financial Officer submitted a report seeking Council approval for a Contract Award (CA) for the Griffiths Watermain & Roads Upgrade project.

Resolution No. 2024 - 261

THAT a contract award to Jack Cewe Construction Ltd., for an estimated total cost of \$11,113,572 including GST in the amount of \$529,218; and

THAT final payment be based on the actual quantities of services delivered and unit prices as tendered.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

6.8 CA - IMPERIAL STREET WATERMAIN UPGRADES CA-3138

The Deputy Chief Administrative Office/Chief Financial Officer submitted a report seeking Council approval for a Contract Award (CA) for the Imperial Street Watermain Upgrades.

Resolution No. 2023 - 262

THAT a contract award to Sandpiper Contracting LLP, for an estimated total cost of \$8,390,301 including GST in the amount of \$399,539 as outlined in the report titled "CA – Imperial Street Watermain Upgrades CA-3138" dated June 24, 2024 be approved; and

THAT final payment be based on the actual quantities of services delivered and unit prices as tendered.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

6.9 CI - SUPPLY AND DELIVERY OF PORTLAND CEMENT CONCRETE

The Deputy Chief Administrative Office/Chief Financial Officer submitted a report seeking Council approval to award a Contract Extension (CE) for sand and gravel supply.

Resolution No. 2023 - 263

THAT a contract increase to Coquitlam Concrete (1993) Ltd., for an estimated cost of \$78,400 including GST and PST in the amount of \$8,400 as outlined in the Council Report titled "CI – Supply and Delivery of Portland Cement Concrete" dated for June 24, 2024 be approved; and

THAT final payment will be based on the actual quantity of goods and services delivered and unit rates as quoted.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

6.10 CE - SUPPLY AND DELIVERY OF SAND AND GRAVEL

The Deputy Chief Administrative Office/Chief Financial Officer submitted a report seeking Council approval to award a Contract Extension (CE) for sand and gravel supply.

Resolution No. 2024 - 264

THAT a one-year contract extension to Utility West Civil Works, for an estimated cost of \$576,950 including GST and PST in the amount of \$61,816 as outlined in the Council Report titled "CE – Supply and delivery of Sand and Gravel" dated for June 24, 2024 be approved; and,

THAT final payment will be based on the actual quantity of goods and services delivered and payment rates as submitted.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7. COMMITTEE REPORTS

7.1 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF COUNCIL - RE: FESTIVALS BURNABY GRANTS - JUNE 2024

The Executive Committee of Council submitted a report seeking Council approval for Festivals Burnaby Grant Program June recommendation.

Resolution No. 2024 - 265

THAT the disbursements of the Festival Burnaby Grants totaling \$15,000 for June 2024, as outlined in **Attachment 2** of the report titled "Festivals Burnaby Grants - June 2024", dated June 5, 2024, be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7.2 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF COUNCIL - WHEY-AH-WICHEN CANOE FESTIVAL JUNE 28-30, 2024

The Executive Committee of Council submitted a report seeking Council approval of a Community Program Grant for the Tsleil-Waututh Nation for the Whey-ah-Wichen Canoe Festival, June 28 - 30, 2024.

Resolution No. 2024 - 266

THAT a Community Program Grant in the amount of \$10,000 be awarded to Tsleil-Waututh Nation in support of the Whey-ah-Wichen Canoe Festival, to be held June 28 – June 30, 2024.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7.3 TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE - RE: VANCOUVER-SFU CYCLING CONNECTION PROJECT UPDATE - PROPOSED IMPROVEMENTS

The Transportation Committee submitted a report providing an update on the proposed improvements as part of the Vancouver-SFU Cycling Connection Project and seeking Council endorsement to proceed with detailed design.

Resolution No. 2024 - 267

THAT the proposed improvements in the report titled "Vancouver-SFU Cycling Connection Project Update - Proposed Improvements" dated May 29, 2024, be advanced to detailed design.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8. CONSENT AGENDA

Resolution No. 2024 - 268

THAT resolutions for Items 8.1 and 8.2 on the Consent Agenda on the Regular Council Meeting of June 24, 2024, be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8.1 BUILDING PERMIT TABULATION REPORT NO. 5 FROM MAY 1 - MAY 31, 2024

Resolution No. 2024 - 269

THAT the report titled “Building Permit Tabulation Report No. 05 – From May 1 – May 31, 2024”, dated June 24, 2024, be received for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8.2 2023 STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL INFORMATION (SOFI)

Resolution No. 2023 - 270

THAT the report titled “2023 Statement of Financial Information (SOFI)” dated June 24, 2024, be received for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9. ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA

There were no items removed from the consent agenda.

10. INFORMATION REPORTS

There were no information reports received.

11. BYLAWS

11.1 FIRST AND SECOND READING

11.1.1 #14663 - Burnaby Zoning Bylaw 1965, Amendment Bylaw No.10, 2024

Resolution No. 2024 - 271

THAT Bylaw No. 14663 be now read a first and second time.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

11.2 FIRST, SECOND AND THIRD READING

11.2.1 #14665 - Burnaby Transit-Oriented Areas Designation Bylaw 2024

Resolution No. 2024 - 272

THAT Bylaw No. 14665 be now **TABLED** for a minimum of 90 days.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

11.3 THIRD READING

11.3.1 #14604 - Burnaby Zoning Bylaw, 1965, Amendment Bylaw No.29, 2023 - REZ #22-29 (Portion of 3405 Willingdon)

Resolution No. 2024 - 273

THAT Bylaw No. 14604 be now read a third time.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

11.4 FINAL ADOPTION

11.4.1 #14645 - Burnaby Development Cost Charges Bylaw 2024

11.4.2 #14646 - Burnaby Amenity Cost Charges Bylaw 2024

11.4.3 #14647 - Burnaby Development Cost Charges Bylaw 1979, Amendment Bylaw No. 1, 2024

11.4.4 #14648 - Burnaby Development Cost Charges Reserve Funds Bylaw 2024

11.4.5 #14649 - Burnaby Amenity Cost Charges Reserve Fund Bylaw 2024

11.4.6 #14666 - Burnaby Consolidated Fees and Charges Bylaw, Amendment Bylaw No.1, 2024

11.4.7 #14668 - Burnaby Building Bylaw 2016, Amendment Bylaw No.2, 2024

Resolution No. 2024 - 274

THAT Bylaw No. 14645, 14646, 14647, 14648, 14649, 14666 and 14668 be now read a final time and adopted.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

12. CORRESPONDENCE

No items of correspondence were received requiring Council direction. All other items of correspondence are published in the Council Correspondence and Public Notice Submissions package dated June 24, 2024.

13. **OTHER BUSINESS**

13.1 **Naming of Sports Box Announcement**

The Mayor advised that he had news to share about the official names of two new facilities in Burnaby. The following were the Mayor's remarks:

"This April, we opened two brand new, multi-use sports boxes at Riverway and Confederation Park.

These are two outstanding facilities which have already generated a lot of excitement in Burnaby.

Today, I'm pleased to announce that these two outdoor, multi-sport boxes will be named after two Burnaby sports legends who played an integral role in growing the sport of lacrosse in B.C.

The multi-use sports box in Confederation Park will be named the Sohen Gill Sports Box.

Sohen Gill led the Junior A Norburn Lacrosse Club to the Minto Cup finals in their inaugural year of existence.

After retiring from playing, Sohen continued to coach and manage Burnaby and Coquitlam lacrosse teams before becoming Commissioner of the Western Lacrosse Association in 1987.

Sohen was a three-time recipient of the Tom Gordon 'Mr. Lacrosse' Award, and was inducted into the Canadian Lacrosse Hall of Fame, the Burnaby Sports Hall of Fame and the BC Sports Hall of Fame.

The name of the multi-use sports box located at Riverway Park, previously known as the Jack Crosby Memorial Lacrosse Box, will be updated to the Jack Crosby Memorial Sports Box.

Jack Crosby spent much of his life inspiring and encouraging players of all ages to play lacrosse or get involved in community sport.

Jack organized and ran programs for Burnaby Intermediate, Juniors, Seniors, and coached a pee wee team for many years.

He served as general manager for Burnaby Cablevision and the Burnaby Lakers, with each team winning the Minto Cup Championships in three consecutive seasons.

Jack was inducted into the Canadian Lacrosse Hall of Fame and was an inaugural inductee into the Burnaby Sports Hall of Fame.

He was honoured with the Lester B. Pearson Award for outstanding achievement by the Canadian Lacrosse Association in 1981.

Both Sohen and Jack have done incredible things for the sport of lacrosse in Burnaby, and I'm excited that their names will continue to be associated with the sport in our community for generations to come.

This is a well-deserved honour, and we look forward to sharing more news about the upcoming naming ceremonies for each facility in the near future.”

13.2 Burnaby Housing Authority Board Members

The Mayor advised of important news to share about the establishment of the Burnaby Housing Authority. The following were the Mayor's remarks:

“Today, we're announcing the inaugural Board of Directors who will help guide the creation of this innovative and exciting new initiative.

The Burnaby Housing Authority is designed to be an independent entity, guided by representatives of our community and empowered to help drive the creation of affordable housing in Burnaby.

Announcing our board members represents another important step towards launching this organization, which is supported by the City, as well as the federal government through the Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation.

I'm pleased to announce the independent directors on the board:

Aubrey Kelly, President and CEO, UBC Properties Trust

Ian Cullis, Director, Asset Management, BCNPHA

Lilian Kan, Director, Development Management, Colliers

Stephani Baker, Vice President Development and Communications, Team Rubicon

Andrew Tong, Managing Director, Integral Strategic Real Estate Ltd.

And Michael Leroux, Partner at Richards Buell [BIU-WELL] Sutton LLP

We're thrilled to have these expert voices with varied backgrounds, which will help ensure the success of the BHA.

Thank you all for taking the time to lend your experience to help serve our community.

I'd also like to announce the four members of the Board who represent the City of Burnaby.

The four representatives are myself, Councillor Allison Gu, Councillor Daniel Tetrault, and Noreen Kassam, Burnaby's deputy CAO and Chief Financial Officer.

I look forward to working closely with all of you on this important project, and I'm excited to get underway very soon."

13.3 Finance Awards Announcement

The Mayor advised on awards received by the Finance Department. The following were the Mayor's remarks:

"I'd like to take a moment to congratulate our Finance Department on winning the prestigious "Triple Crown" from the Government Finance Officers Association.

Our team received the Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting, the Popular Annual Financial Reporting Award and the Distinguished Budget Presentation Award.

This isn't the first time we've received the Triple Crown designation, which speaks to the incredibly high standards we set for ourselves each year.

Financial reporting is an essential part of doing business as a municipality, and we're extremely fortunate to have such talented folks working in our finance department.

They have shown exceptional skill and dedication in managing the City's financial resources and reporting them in a clear and transparent way.

It is an honour to receive these awards from the GFOA and to be recognized as a leader in municipal finance.

Congratulations to the entire Finance Department on this achievement!"

14. RELEASE OF CLOSED MEETING DECISIONS

14.1 RELEASE ITEMS FROM APRIL 29

Resolution No. C2024 - 048

THAT staff be directed to no longer proceed with funding an expanded gymnasium space at the redeveloped Brentwood Park Elementary School site;

THAT staff be directed to initiate negotiations with School District 41 regarding the joint use of a temporary field at the Brentwood Park South site; and

THAT staff be directed to report back regarding the terms of a joint use agreement for a temporary field at the Brentwood Park South site.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

15. ADJOURNMENT

By unanimous consent, and without objection, the Open Council meeting adjourned at 6:16 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Mike Hurley, MAYOR

Nikki Best, CORPORATE OFFICER