



COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE M I N U T E S

Monday, March 24, 2025, 9:00 a.m.
Council Chamber, City Hall
4949 Canada Way, Burnaby, BC

- PRESENT: Mayor Mike Hurley
Councillor Pietro Calendino
Councillor Sav Dhaliwal (*participated electronically*)
Councillor Alison Gu
Councillor Joe Keithley (*participated electronically*)
Councillor Richard T. Lee
Councillor Maita Santiago
Councillor Daniel Tetrault
Councillor James Wang
- STAFF: Leon Gous, Chief Administrative Officer
Bob Klimek, Acting Chief Financial Officer
Dave Critchley, General Manager Community Safety
Juli Halliwell, General Manager Corporate Services / Corporate Officer (CO)
May Phang, General Manager Engineering
Sarah Alexander, Acting General Manager Lands & Facilities
Mary Morrison-Clark, General Manager Parks, Recreation & Culture
Ed Kozak, General Manager Planning & Development
Anita Bhandari, Chief Human Resources Officer
Blanka Zeinabova, Sr. Manager Legislative Services / Deputy CO
Kathryn Matts, Administrative Officer 2

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

Acting Mayor Gu called the Open meeting to order at 9:02 a.m.

2. **TERRITORIAL ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

Councillor Gu respectfully acknowledged that the City of Burnaby is located on the unceded territories of the xʷməθkʷəy̓əm (Musqueam), Skwxwú7mesh (Squamish),

səlilwətał (Tsleil-Waututh), and kwikwəłəm (Kwikwetlem) Peoples. Each Nation has distinct histories and distinct traditional territories that fully or partially encompass the city. We encourage you to learn more about the Host Nations whose ancestors have occupied and used these lands, including parts of present-day Burnaby, for thousands of years.

3. **ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

3.1 **Committee of the Whole Agenda for March 24, 2025**

THAT the agenda for the Committee of the Whole meeting of Monday, March 24, 2025, be adopted, as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

4. **INVITED PRESENTATIONS & DELEGATIONS**

No presentation or delegation requests were received.

5. **INFORMATION REPORTS**

5.1 **COMBINED SEWER SEPARATION AND I&I MANAGEMENT**

The General Manager Engineering introduced Ron Weismiller, Sr. Operations Engineer Waste & Water, and provided a PowerPoint presentation outlining sewer separation systems and practices.

**Mayor Hurley arrived at 9:07 a.m. and assumed the Chair.*

The speaker advised that the City of Burnaby is committed to providing reliable sewer collection services at minimal cost

In conclusion, the speaker noted that the combined sewer separation requires intensive effort to create both separate sanitary and rainwater systems. I&I reduction can be achieved through system rehabilitation, repair or replacement. The speaker further noted that I&I (inflow and infiltration) increases with pipe age and the effects of climate change. Combined sewer separation and I&I management should be included as a part of an overall Asset Management planning process and feed, into the development of operating and capital projects.

**Councillor Calendino left at 10:16 a.m. and returned at 10:23 a.m.*

**Councillor Gu left at 10:19 a.m. and returned at 10:22 a.m.*

5.2 PARKS, RECREATION AND CULTURE LONG-RANGE PLAN INITIATION

The General Manager Parks, Recreation and Culture submitted a report informing Council of the Parks, Recreation and Culture Long-Range Plan project scope, process, and timeline.

The General Manager Parks, Recreation and Culture introduced Andre Isakov, Director PRC Planning, and John Musil, Manager PRC Policy Planning, who provided a PowerPoint presentation summarizing the report.

**Councillor Santiago left at 10:28 a.m. and returned at 10:30 a.m.*

At the conclusion of the presentation, the Committee noted the importance of ensuring connection with each of the communities and extending the outreach of community engagement to ensure that ethnic communities are included by diversifying the methods of communication.

The Committee also noted the importance of utilizing established parks by expanding the usage in various ways. Examples given were Deer Lake Beach being expanded to encourage seasonal usage, and Burnaby Village Museum open spaces being used for an artist's village.

The Committee expressed a vision for parks, recreation and culture programming space where people from various cultural communities feel included. Initiatives should reflect cultural heritage spaces in both programming and public spaces.

The Committee further noted the importance of ensuring the inclusion of all age groups such as youth and seniors in the public engagement.

The General Manager Parks, Recreation and Culture expressed appreciation to Andrew McQuire, a local Burnaby artist, who provided the artwork for the PowerPoint presentation.

6. OTHER BUSINESS

There were no items of other business brought before the Committee at this time.

7. ADJOURNMENT

By unanimous consent, and without objection, the Committee of the Whole adjourned at 11:01 a.m.

Mike Hurley
MAYOR

Blanka Zeinabova
DEPUTY CORPORATE OFFICER