



**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER AND ELECTRONICALLY (HYBRID) FROM CITY HALL, 141 WEST 14TH STREET, NORTH VANCOUVER, BC, ON
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 2026**

PRESENT:

Mayor L. Buchanan
Councillor H. Back
Councillor D. Bell* (joined at 6:10 pm)
Councillor A. Girard
Councillor J. McIlroy
Councillor S. Shahriari
Councillor T. Valente

**participated electronically*

The meeting was called to order at 6:07 pm.

Mayor Buchanan provided comments regarding North Vancouver being named as “Canada’s Most Livable City” for a second year by *The Globe and Mail*.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved by Councillor Shahriari, seconded by Councillor Back

1. Regular Council Meeting Agenda, February 2, 2026

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

R2026-02-02/1

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Moved by Councillor Valente, seconded by Councillor Back

2. Regular Council Meeting Minutes, January 26, 2026

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

R2026-02-02/2

PROCLAMATIONS

Mayor Buchanan declared the following proclamations:

Black History Month – February 2026 – read by Councillor Valente

Heart Month – February 2026

PUBLIC INPUT PERIOD

Moved by Councillor Back, seconded by Councillor Valente

THAT the Public Input Period be extended to hear all the speakers listed on the sign-up sheet.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- Louise Nicholson, North Vancouver, spoke regarding development in Moodyville.
- Sean Alexander, North Vancouver, spoke regarding Black History Month.
- Laurie Parkinson, North Vancouver, spoke regarding livability in the City.
- Hilary Campbell, North Vancouver, spoke regarding Item 9 – Repair Café events.
- Ross McMillan, North Vancouver, spoke regarding infrastructure capacity in the City.
- Dennis Hilton, North Vancouver, spoke regarding West Grand Boulevard.

CONSENT AGENDA

Moved by Councillor Girard, seconded by Councillor McIlroy

THAT the recommendation listed within the “Consent Agenda” be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

START OF CONSENT AGENDA

BYLAW – ADOPTION

3. “Financial Plan for the Years 2026 to 2030 Bylaw, 2026, No. 9149”

Moved by Councillor Girard, seconded by Councillor McIlroy

THAT “Financial Plan for the Years 2026 to 2030 Bylaw, 2026, No. 9149” be adopted, signed by the Mayor and Corporate Officer and affixed with the corporate seal.

(CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY BY CONSENT)

R2026-02-02/3

END OF CONSENT AGENDA

PRESENTATION

Harbour Swim Deck Project – Director, Parks and Public Spaces

Infrastructure, Transportation and Parks staff provided a PowerPoint presentation regarding the “Harbour Swim Deck Project” and responded to questions from Council.

REPORTS

4. Harbour Swim Deck Project and Partnership – File: 13-6740-20-0021/1

Report: Director, Parks and Public Spaces, January 14, 2026

Moved by Councillor McIlroy, seconded by Councillor Valente

PURSUANT to the report of the Director, Parks and Public Spaces, dated January 14, 2026, entitled “Harbour Swim Deck Project and Partnership”:

THAT the report and the information in regards to “Swimmable Cities”, an international alliance supporting a global, grassroots movement for swimmable urban waterways, and the “Swimmable Cities Charter”, a set of principles which further a vision for transforming urban waterways and creating better, more liveable futures for communities, be received for information;

AND THAT the Mayor, on behalf of Council, sign the “Swimmable Cities Charter”.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

R2026-02-02/4

REPORTS – Continued

5. Revised General Local Election Bylaws – File: 09-4200-01-0001/2026

Report: Director, Legislative Services, Corporate Officer and Chief Election Officer, January 14, 2026

Moved by Councillor Girard, seconded by Councillor Bell

PURSUANT to the report of the Director, Legislative Services, Corporate Officer and Chief Election Officer, dated January 14, 2026, entitled “Revised General Local Election Bylaws”:

THAT the following bylaws be considered for readings:

- “Local Election Bylaw, 2026, No. 9108”;
- “Election Sign Bylaw, 2026, No. 9117”; and
- “Automated Vote Counting System Authorization and Procedure Bylaw, 2026, No. 9146”.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

R2026-02-02/5

BYLAWS – FIRST, SECOND AND THIRD READINGS

6. “Local Election Bylaw, 2026, No. 9108”

Moved by Councillor Back, seconded by Councillor Shahriari

THAT “Local Election Bylaw, 2026, No. 9108” be given first, second and third readings.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

R2026-02-02/6

7. “Election Sign Bylaw, 2026, No. 9117”

Moved by Councillor Bell, seconded by Councillor Shahriari

THAT “Election Sign Bylaw, 2026, No. 9117” be amended in section 7.3 after the words “located more than” by replacing “1.5 metres” with “0.6 metres” and that the Bylaw be given first, second and third readings, as amended.

CARRIED

Mayor Buchanan and Councillor McIlroy opposed.

R2026-02-02/7

8. “Automated Vote Counting System Authorization and Procedure Bylaw, 2026, No. 9146”

Moved by Councillor Back, seconded by Councillor Shahriari

THAT “Automated Vote Counting System Authorization and Procedure Bylaw, 2026, No. 9146” be given first, second and third readings.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

R2026-02-02/8

Councillor Girard left the meeting at 8:11 pm and returned at 8:12 pm.

NOTICE OF MOTION

9. Repair Café Events on the North Shore – File: 01-0530-12-0001/2026

Submitted by Councillor Valente

Moved by Councillor Valente, seconded by Councillor Girard

WHEREAS the City of North Vancouver Council Strategic Plan 2022-2026 includes a priority of “*A Resilient City*” that seeks to “lead the way in climate action and act as a steward of the environment for future generations”, including the adoption and implementation of the Climate and Environment Strategy;

WHEREAS the City of North Vancouver Climate and Environment Strategy includes the pathway “*Empowered Choices*”, which aims to foster a low-impact, circular economy and empower the community to move toward a zero-carbon and zero-waste future;

AND WHEREAS Repair Cafés are free, community-based events where skilled volunteers assist members of the public in repairing broken household items—such as electronics, clothing, machines, and small appliances—thereby reducing waste, building repair skills, and strengthening community connections;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the City partner with the Society Promoting Environmental Conservation (SPEC), North Vancouver Recreation and Culture, and North Vancouver City Library to host Repair Café events on the North Shore to support the community with practical solutions for urban sustainability;

THAT a grant of \$6,000 from the Council Contingency Fund be awarded to SPEC to support in the development and execution of the Repair Café events;

AND THAT staff be directed to work with SPEC to address the logistical considerations and provide guidance in applying for other funding opportunities such as the City’s Community Grants or grants from Metro Vancouver.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

R2026-02-02/9

PUBLIC CLARIFICATION PERIOD

Nil.

COUNCIL INQUIRIES

10. St. Andrews Safety Improvement Project – File: 01-0220-01-0001/2026

Inquiry by Councillor Shahriari

Councillor Shahriari requested information regarding the current data monitoring that is occurring on St. Andrews Avenue, including, but not limited to, the speed and volume of traffic.

R2026-02-02/10

NEW ITEMS OF BUSINESS

Nil.

NOTICES OF MOTION

Nil.

RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION

Moved by Councillor Valente, seconded by Councillor Back

THAT Council recess to the Committee of the Whole, Closed Session, pursuant to the *Community Charter*, Sections 90(1)(a) [personal information] and 90(1)(c) [labour relations], and 90(1)(k) [contract negotiations].

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The meeting recessed to the Committee of the Whole, Closed Session, at 8:14 pm and reconvened at 9:07 pm with all members of Council present.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE (CLOSED SESSION)

Moved by Councillor Shahriari, seconded by Councillor McIlroy

THAT the actions directed regarding the following items from the Committee of the Whole (Closed Session) of February 2, 2026, be ratified:

11. Personal Information – File: 07-2685-01-0001/2026

Report: Director, Legislative Services and Corporate Officer, January 14, 2026

PURSUANT to the report of the Director, Legislative Services and Corporate Officer, dated January 14, 2026, regarding personal information:

THAT the wording of the resolution and the report of the Director, Legislative Services and Corporate Officer, dated January 14, 2026, remain in the Closed session.

R2026-02-02/11

12. Labour Relations – File: 07-2700-20-0001/1

Report: Director, People and Culture, January 26, 2026

PURSUANT to the report of the Director, People and Culture, dated January 26, 2026, regarding a labour relations matter:

THAT the wording of the resolution and the report of the Director, People and Culture, dated January 26, 2026, remain in the Closed session.

R2026-02-02/12

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADJOURN

Moved by Councillor Back, seconded by Councillor Valente

THAT the meeting adjourn.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The meeting adjourned at 9:08 pm.

“Certified Correct by the Corporate Officer”

CORPORATE OFFICER