



**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER AND ELECTRONICALLY (HYBRID) FROM CITY HALL, 141 WEST 14<sup>TH</sup> STREET, NORTH VANCOUVER, BC, ON MONDAY, MAY 25, 2026**

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**PRESENT:**

Mayor L. Buchanan  
Councillor H. Back  
Councillor D. Bell  
Councillor A. Girard  
Councillor J. McIlroy\*  
Councillor S. Shahriari  
Councillor T. Valente

*\*participated electronically*

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Moved by Councillor Valente, seconded by Councillor Back

1. Regular Council Meeting Agenda, May 25, 2026

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

R2026-05-25/1

**ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

Moved by Councillor Valente, seconded by Councillor Shahriari

2. Special Council Meeting Minutes, May 11, 2026

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

R2026-05-25/2

Moved by Councillor Valente, seconded by Councillor Shahriari

3. Regular Council Meeting Minutes, May 11, 2026

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

R2026-05-25/3

**PUBLIC INPUT PERIOD**

- Richard Short, North Vancouver, spoke regarding the transportation network.
- Louisa Bridgman, North Vancouver, spoke in support of Item 8 – Reciprocal Financial Assistance Program for Persons with Disabilities.
- Parastoo Kosari, West Vancouver, spoke in support of Item 8 – Reciprocal Financial Assistance Program for Persons with Disabilities.
- Dennis Hilton, North Vancouver, spoke regarding collector roads in the City.
- Ron Patrickson, North Vancouver, spoke regarding the bike lane on Grand Boulevard.

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

Moved by Councillor Bell, seconded by Councillor Girard

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

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

## **START OF CONSENT AGENDA**

### **REPORT**

4. Municipal Approving Officer Appointment – File: 01-0400-20-0010/2026

Report: Director, Development, May 6, 2026

Moved by Councillor Bell, seconded by Councillor Girard

PURSUANT to the report of the Director, Development, dated May 6, 2026, entitled “Municipal Approving Officer Appointment”:

THAT Somayeh Kazemiyekta be appointed as a Municipal Approving Officer, in accordance with the *Land Title Act*, until her appointment as Manager, Development Services with the City ceases.

**(CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY BY CONSENT)**

R2026-05-25/4

## **END OF CONSENT AGENDA**

### **DELEGATION**

Mark Friesen, Executive Director, and Kevin Evans, Board Member, Hollyburn Community Services Society

Re: Hollyburn Community Services Society

Mark Friesen and Kevin Evans, Hollyburn Community Services Society, provided a PowerPoint presentation regarding the “Hollyburn Community Services Society” and responded to questions from Council.

### **CORRESPONDENCE**

5. Louise Aronsson, Community Engagement Manager, Hollyburn Community Services Society, February 10, 2026 – File: 01-0230-01-0001/2026

Re: Hollyburn Community Services Society

Moved by Councillor Valente, seconded by Councillor Back

THAT the correspondence from Louise Aronsson, Community Engagement Manager, Hollyburn Community Services Society, dated February 10, 2026, regarding “Hollyburn Community Services Society”, be received for information with thanks.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

R2026-05-25/5

## **REPORT**

6. 2026 Drinking Water Conservation Plan Bylaw Amendments and Water Restrictions Update – File: 11-5240-01-0001/2026

Report: Director, Infrastructure Management, May 19, 2026

Moved by Councillor Bell, seconded by Councillor Valente

PURSUANT to the report of the Director, Infrastructure Management, dated May 19, 2026, entitled “2026 Drinking Water Conservation Plan Bylaw Amendments and Water Restrictions Update”:

THAT “Drinking Water Conservation Plan Bylaw, 2018, No. 8627, Amendment Bylaw, 2026, No. 9197” (Water Restrictions) be considered for readings.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

R2026-05-25/6

## **BYLAW – FIRST, SECOND AND THIRD READINGS**

7. “Drinking Water Conservation Plan Bylaw, 2018, No. 8627, Amendment Bylaw, 2026, No. 9197” (Water Restrictions)

Moved by Councillor Bell, seconded by Councillor Valente

THAT “Drinking Water Conservation Plan Bylaw, 2018, No. 8627, Amendment Bylaw, 2026, No. 9197” (Water Restrictions) be given first, second and third readings.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

R2026-05-25/7

## **NOTICE OF MOTION**

8. Reciprocal Financial Assistance Program for Persons with Disabilities  
– File: 01-0530-12-0001/2026

Submitted by Councillor Shahriari

Moved by Councillor Shahriari, seconded by Councillor Bell

WHEREAS the City of North Vancouver, the District of North Vancouver, and the District of West Vancouver collaborate across a range of shared and coordinated services, including regional initiatives such as North Shore Emergency Management, library systems that provide reciprocal access to residents, and the tri-municipal North Shore Accessibility Advisory Committee (NSAAC), which provides advice on identifying and removing barriers, reviewing municipal plans and capital projects, and advancing consistent accessibility practices across the North Shore;

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## **NOTICE OF MOTION – Continued**

8. Reciprocal Financial Assistance Program for Persons with Disabilities  
– File: 01-0530-12-0001/2026 – Continued

WHEREAS the City of North Vancouver and the District of North Vancouver collaborate on recreation and cultural services delivered through North Vancouver Recreation and Culture (NVRC) Commission;

WHEREAS the District of West Vancouver and NVRC Commission each provide financial assistance programs to support access to recreation for low-income residents, including individuals with disabilities;

WHEREAS individuals with disabilities often rely on municipal recreation programs, including aquatic services, as an essential support for health, rehabilitation, and social inclusion;

WHEREAS individuals with disabilities may require access to specific facilities or programs – such as an aquatic environment with a specific temperature, depth, or design features, which are not always available in every municipality;

WHEREAS the NVRC Commission and West Vancouver's financial assistance programs are both intended to improve equitable access to recreation services, but eligibility and benefits are currently limited to the municipality in which they are issued, which can inadvertently impact access for vulnerable individuals with unique recreational needs;

AND WHEREAS the lack of transferability of financial assistance or discounted access between North Shore municipalities creates barriers for people with disabilities, preventing them from meaningfully accessing the services they require;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Chief Administrative Officer direct North Vancouver Recreation and Culture staff to assess the feasibility of creating a reciprocal financial assistance program, which would allow eligible individuals with disabilities on the North Shore to access any of the North Shore recreation facilities, and report back to Council on proposed next steps including an implementation timeline and resource requirements.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

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## **PUBLIC CLARIFICATION PERIOD**

Nil.

## **COUNCIL INQUIRIES**

9. West Grand Boulevard – File: 01-0220-01-0001/2026

Inquiry by Councillor Bell

Councillor Bell requested information on the changes to West Grand Boulevard in relation to the OCP.

R2026-05-25/9

## **COUNCIL REPORTS**

Councillor Bell expressed kudos to staff on the Public Works Open House held at the City's Operations Centre, North Vancouver, on May 23, 2026.

## **NEW ITEMS OF BUSINESS**

Nil.

## **NOTICES OF MOTION**

Nil.

## **RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION**

Moved by Councillor Back, seconded by Councillor Valente

THAT Council recess to the Committee of the Whole, Closed Session, pursuant to the *Community Charter*, Section 90(1)(e) [land matter].

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

The meeting recessed to the Committee of the Whole, Closed Session at 7:30 pm and reconvened at 8:50 pm with all members of Council present.

## **REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE (CLOSED SESSION)**

Moved by Councillor Girard, seconded by Councillor Bell

THAT the actions directed regarding the following items from the Committee of the Whole (Closed Session) of May 25, 2026, be ratified:

10. Land Matter – File: 08-3220-01-0001/2026

Report: General Manager, Planning, Development and Real Estate, and  
Manager, Real Estate, May 6, 2026

PURSUANT to the report of the General Manager, Planning, Development and Real Estate, and the Manager, Real Estate, dated May 6, 2026, regarding a land matter:

THAT the wording of the resolution and the report of the General Manager, Planning, Development and Real Estate, and the Manager, Real Estate, dated May 6, 2026, remain in the Closed session.

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**REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE (CLOSED SESSION) – Continued**

11. Land Matter – File: 06-2260-01-0001/2026

Report: General Manager, Planning, Development and Real Estate, and  
Manager, Real Estate, May 6, 2026

PURSUANT to the report of the General Manager, Planning, Development and Real Estate, and the Manager, Real Estate, dated May 6, 2026, regarding a land matter:

THAT the wording of the resolution and the report of the General Manager, Planning, Development and Real Estate, and the Manager, Real Estate, dated May 6, 2026, remain in the Closed session.

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**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**ADJOURN**

Moved by Councillor Back, seconded by Councillor Valente

THAT the meeting adjourn.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

The meeting adjourned at 8:51 pm.

*“Certified Correct by the Corporate Officer”*

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CORPORATE OFFICER