

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL, 141 WEST 14th STREET, NORTH VANCOUVER, BC, ON MONDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 2019

NOTICE OF MOTION

9. Climate Action – File: 11-5280-14-0001/2019

Submitted by Councillor McIlroy

Moved by Councillor McIlroy, seconded by Councillor Bell

WHEREAS the City of North Vancouver's 2010 Community Energy and Emissions Plan established greenhouse gas emissions (GHG) reduction targets of 35.7% below 2007 levels by 2030, 51.3% by 2050 and a goal of net zero by 2107;

WHEREAS over the past nine years, the world has seen accelerated rates of climate change impacts, including the hottest years on record, declared states of emergency over wildfires and extreme weather events, displacing millions of people and costing billions of dollars;

WHEREAS in 2018, the Province of BC established GHG reduction emission targets of 40% below 2007 levels by 2030, 60% below 2007 levels by 2040, and 80% below 2007 levels by 2050;

WHEREAS in 2018, the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) released a Special Report stating that emissions must decline by 45% from 2010 levels by 2030 and reach net zero by 2050 in order to avoid severe climate change impacts;

AND WHEREAS local governments and cities are globally taking the lead on climate action, with over 90 cities in the USA committing to 100% renewable energy by 2050, 15 communities in Canada have committed to 100% renewable energy and 20 cities committing to 80-100% GHG emissions reduction by 2050;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the City of North Vancouver establish more ambitious GHG reduction targets of 80% below 2007 levels by 2040 and achieving net zero or 100% emissions reductions by 2050;

THAT staff be directed to incorporate said targets into forthcoming updates to City plans, policies and business practices and report regularly on the City's progress toward achieving the targets;

AND THAT a Climate and Environment Advisory Task Force or Working Group be struck to provide guidance and support on actions and efforts required to achieve the transition from current GHG emissions to the new targets.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY