



TOWN OF LAKE COWICHAN

Minutes of Strategic Planning Committee

Held electronically at Lake Cowichan, BC as per Ministerial Order M-192
on Tuesday, August 10th, 2021

PRESENT: Councillor Carlyne Austin, Vice-Chair
Councillor Tim McGonigle
Councillor Kristine Sandhu

REGRETS: Mayor Bob K. Day
(with prior notice) Councillor Lorna Vomacka

STAFF: Joseph Fernandez, Chief Administrative Officer
Ronnie Gill, Director of Finance
Jas Sandhu, Superintendent, Public Works and Engineering Services

No. SP.0023/21
Agenda

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Vice-Chair called the meeting to order at 5:31 pm

2. AGENDA

Moved: Councillor McGonigle
Seconded: Councillor Sandhu
that the agenda be approved as presented.

CARRIED

The Vice-Chair brought the delegation item forward at this time.

4. DELEGATIONS AND REPRESENTATIONS

- (a) Rosalie Sawrie, Social Planning Cowichan was on hand to make a presentation on the final strategy report and recommendations arising from the Movin' On Up Cowichan Poverty Reduction Project.

She outlined the priority themes and community actions as follows:

- Create affordable housing options and improve living conditions;
- Improve transportation options;
- Increase local employment and education opportunities;
- Improve access to healthy food;
- Improve access to complete health care, mental health and addictions services and supports;
- Fill gaps in community infrastructure and services;
- Support mental, physical, and emotional support; and
- Alleviate the pressure to meet basic needs.

- (b) Barry O'Riordan, Manager, Economic and Development Commission of the Cowichan Valley Regional District gave a powerpoint presentation on the Economic Development Commission's work plan and its activities to date.

3. BUSINESS ARISING AND UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Ongoing Items Still Being Addressed:

- (a) The Committee members reviewed the strategic plan executive summary and raised the following:
- Site visit for the Education Centre could be undertaken in September, 2021;
 - A site visit of the Lakeview Park should also be done so in concert with the Education Centre visit;
 - With the denial of the funding application for the sewer treatment facility this project has been deemed as the Town's top priority and need for First Nations' support for the project was deemed useful;
 - Phase 2 Centennial Park upgrade grant has also not been successful;

- The development cost charge review was sent out for tender with no response; and
- Proposals have been received for the Greendale Road sewer upgrade with staff to prepare recommendation for an upcoming Council meeting.

5. CORRESPONDENCE

None.

6. VERBAL COMMENT FROM THE PUBLIC ON A SUBSEQUENT ITEM ON THE AGENDA

7. REPORTS

None.

8. NEW BUSINESS

None.

9. NOTICES OF MOTION

None.

10. PUBLIC RELATIONS ITEMS

None.

11. QUESTION PERIOD

12. IN-CAMERA

13. ADJOURNMENT

No. SP.0024/21
Adjourn

Moved: Councillor McGonigle
Seconded: Councillor Sandhu
that the meeting adjourn (6:35 pm).

CARRIED.

Certified correct _____ .

Confirmed on the _____ day of _____ , 2021.

Vice-Chair