

THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF VERNON

**MINUTES OF A COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING  
HELD MONDAY, JANUARY 22, 2018**

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PRESENT: Mayor A. Mund

Councillors: B. Spiers, J. Cunningham, S. Anderson,  
C. Lord, D. Nahal, B. Quiring

Staff: W. Pearce, CAO  
P. Bridal, Deputy CAO/Director, Corporate Services  
K. Flick, Director, Community Infrastructure & Dev.  
J. Rice, Manager, Public Works, Parks and Airport  
B. Bandy, Real Estate Manager  
D. Law, Director of Financial Services  
A. Stuart, Manager, financial Planning & Reporting  
R. Miles, Manager, Long Range Planning & Sustainability  
E. Stranks, Manager, Engineering Development Services\*  
E. Morrison, Transportation Planner\*  
C. Corbett, Long Range Planner

*\*Attended as required*

Others: Media  
Member of the Public

**CALL TO ORDER** Mayor Akbal Mund called the meeting to order at 8:41 am.

**AGENDA ADOPTION** Moved by Councillor Lord, seconded by Councillor Cunningham:

THAT the Agenda for the January 22, 2018, Committee of the Whole meeting be adopted.

**CARRIED.**

**ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES** Moved by Councillor Cunningham, seconded by Councillor Quiring:

THAT the minutes of the Committee of the Whole meeting of Council held January 8, 2018, be adopted, as presented.

**CARRIED.**

**BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

**GENERAL MATTERS**

**PRESENTATION –  
SOCIAL PLANNING  
COUNCIL – QUARTERLY  
REPORTS AND UPDATES**

Annette Sharkey, Executive Director, Social Planning Council/Partners in Action, and Maggie Metz, Shelter Manager, John Howard Society North Okanagan Kootenay, presented the Partners in Action Final Report: January 1, 2017 – December 30, 2017 and the Settlement and Immigration Strategy – Quarterly Report October to December 2017.

Annette Sharkey provided a “Year in Review” on the items noted below:

- Public Spaces Action Team
- Sharps Action Team
- Poverty Consultation Action Team
- Transition to Time Restrictions in Parks
- Upper Room Mission Shed Team
- Homeless Survey
- Housing Action Team
- Shopping Cart Action Team

Upcoming Updates:

- Update on Camps/Shelters
- Housing, housing and more housing!
- Update of Housing Strategy – grant confirmed
- Harm Reduction Action Team – Ongoing Committee

Annette Sharkey and Maggie Metz expressed appreciation to Members of Council for the support received for the various initiatives through the Social Planning Council, Cool Team and the John Howard Society. Council was presented with a certificate of appreciation and flowers

RespectFEST 2017 (*DVA, Allan Brooks Nature Centre, Social Planning Council*)

- 7051 Live Event Participants
- 40 Events
- 33 Delivery Partners
- 10 Participating Schools
- 474 Volunteers
- 2064 Volunteer Hours
- 13,077 Website Page Views
- 450 Social Media Followers

Vernon’s Settlement and Immigration Strategy

- Aging workforce
- Skills Shortage
- Families Needed
- Cultural Contributions: Different perspectives/ideas; the world at your fingertips; culinary delights
- Moving to Vernon website
- Multicultural Champions Program
- Reconciliation Journey Team
- Communication Protocol: High Profile Incident of Racism or Hate

- North Okanagan Refugee Committee (currently 75 in community)
- RespectFEST
- Multicultural Public Art – installation in the Spring

#### Moving to Vernon Website (NEW)

- Reviewed the various pages and links  
Movingtovernon.ca
- Rack cards developed and will be distributed within the community
- Launch of new website through Social Media Campaign with several partners promoting

#### 10 Years of Partners in Action - Anniversary

- 122 action teams since 2008
- Over 146 organizations have been on action teams
- 1370 participants took part in the consultations and workshops
- Capital Funding (provincial/Federal) \$10,075,000
- Project Funding (Provincial/Federal) \$1,228,292
- Annual Operational funding for Programs (Provincial) \$1,175,000
- 15 Full time positions
- 7 part time positions

Moved by Councillor Nahal, seconded by Councillor Lord:

THAT Council receives the quarterly reports and updates from Ms. Annette Sharkey, Executive Director, Social Planning Council for the North Okanagan, Maggie Metz, Shelter Manager, John Howard Society of the North Okanagan/Kootenay (Partners in Action Report) and Kevin Poole, Manager, Economic Development and Tourism (Settlement and Immigration Strategy), for information.

**CARRIED.**

### UNFINISHED BUSINESS

#### NEW BUSINESS

##### Correspondence:

### **MCMECHAN LANDS DEVELOPMENT CONCEPTS AND PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

Ms. Corbett, Long Range Planner, provided an overview of the McMechan Lands Development and the phased development agreement with the comprehensive development zoning.

Ms. Corbett introduced Mr. Graham Iillingworth, AXSIOM who spoke to the proposed project development and the incorporation of various concepts and designs for the land. Mr. Iillingworth introduced the

design team and how their skills were considered in the development of this 'community'. Mr. Iillingworth expressed his appreciation and thanked Mr. Bandy, Real Estate Manager, and Ms. Corbett, Long Range Planner. Development over 5 years/phases anticipating approximately 40 units per year. Committed to at least 10% of attainable housing within the project. Have provided 10% green space versus the required 5%.

Mr. Kevin Ryan, BlueGreen Architecture Inc. (*design team*) reviewed the layout of the proposed development highlighting the uniqueness of the proposal to develop a compact, vibrant community looking at various principles including density, culture, transportation and laneways, micro connectivity and how it relates to promoting a vibrant community, daycare facilities, a commercial component, the main entry off Murtrie Road, various housing types - 200 doors with approximately 28 secondary suites

Ms. Zenia Semeniuk, BENCH Site Design Inc. (*Landscape Architect*) provided details on the neighborhood park and green spaces within the development. Pedestrian spines, social spaces, active spaces, playground, active laneway focuses on a 'shared backyard' concept with many trees and plantings – not intended as a public roadway and provides garage access. Connects to dog park across from Murtrie Road.

Moved by Councillor Cunningham, seconded by Councillor Quiring:

THAT Council support presenting the proposed development concepts, as outlined in the memorandum titled "McMechan Lands Development Concepts and Public Participation" dated January 11, 2018 from the Long Range Planner, on [engagevernon.ca](http://engagevernon.ca) and at an open house to inform the public and gain feedback for Zoning Amendment Application ZON00294.

**CARRIED, with Councillor Anderson opposed.**

### LEGISLATIVE MATTERS

### COUNCIL INFORMATION UPDATES

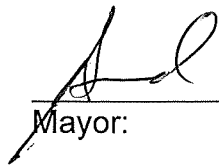
### G.V.A.C./R.D.N.O. REGULAR MEETINGS


### INFORMATION ITEMS

CLOSE

Mayor Akbal Mund closed the meeting at 10:17 am.

**CERTIFIED CORRECT:**

  
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Mayor:

  
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Corporate Officer:  
Acting