

Minutes of the **SPECIAL MEETING** of the **DISTRICT OF MISSION COUNCIL** held in the Conference Room of the Municipal Hall, 8645 Stave Lake Street, Mission, British Columbia, on Monday, April 11, 2016 commencing at 12:57 p.m.

Council Members Present: Mayor Randy Hawes
Councillor Pam Alexis
Councillor Carol Hamilton
Councillor Jim Hinds
Councillor Rhett Nicholson
Councillor Danny Plecas
Councillor Jenny Stevens

Staff Members Present: Ron Poole, Chief Administrative Officer
Jennifer Russell, Deputy Corporate Officer
Michael Boronowski, Manager of Civic Engagement and
Corporate Initiatives (joined at 2:42 p.m.)
Kirsten Hargreaves, Manager of Social Development
Stephanie Key, Deputy Director of Parks, Recreation and
Culture
Maureen Sinclair, Director of Parks, Recreation and
Culture
Christine Brough, Executive Assistant

Guests Present: Donna Archibald, Mission Neighbourhood Learning
Centre Coordinator, West Heights Elementary
Katy Brookes, Child and Youth Committee Coordinator
Christine Christiansen, Mission Community Services,
Youth Sexual Exploitation Worker
Laura Hope, Windebank Early Years Centre
Kevin Wells, MY House Youth Representative
Laura Wilson, Early Childhood Committee Coordinator

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order.

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Moved by Councillor Stevens, seconded by Councillor Hamilton, and

RESOLVED:

1. That the following items be added to this agenda under "New Business":
 - Item 4. Resolution to Exclude the Public
 - Item 5. Adjourn to Closed Council Meeting
2. That the April 11, 2016 Special Council Agenda be adopted as amended.

CARRIED

3. NEW BUSINESS

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Social Development Discussion

The following documents were provided as background information:

- Early Development Instrument Wave 5 Results for Mission; and
- Middle Development Instrument Results for Mission.

Detailed Early Development Indicator (EDI) Results for Mission (Kindergarten Readiness and Vulnerability)

Ms. Wilson provided an overview of the most recent EDI results for Mission and stressed the importance of providing children and parents with the support necessary for children to thrive. Discussion ensued on the challenges facing Mission families, funding limitations, and the programs currently in operation within the community which address these outstanding needs.

Detailed Middle Development Indicator (MDI) Results for Mission (Self-reported Grade 4 Survey Data)

Ms. Wilson provided an overview of the MDI results for Mission, noting that middle childhood matters because:

- it is during this time that important competencies are developed (or not);
- there is an emergence of mental health problems in a significant number of children during this time;
- problems that arise and are left unchecked will become exacerbated as children move into adolescence; and
- many children are identified as being at risk for poor present and long term outcomes.

Discussion ensued on the MDI and Ms. Wilson identified the following ways in which the District of Mission can provide assistance:

- support further rounds of MDI data collection;
- provide opportunities for joint projects;
- support development of neighbourhood play boxes and resources.

In response to questions from Council, the Manager of Social Development confirmed that a request will be forthcoming for support for further rounds of MDI data collection.

Early Years Centre at Windebank Elementary School Update – Laura Hope

Ms. Hope provided an overview of the programs offered at the Early Years Centre at Windebank Elementary School.

Sexually Exploited Youth in Mission Update – Christine Christiansen

Ms. Christiansen provided an update on sexually exploited youth in Mission and discussion ensued on the challenges facing sexually exploited youth and the support workers assigned to assist them.

The Manager of Civic Engagement and Corporate Initiatives left the meeting at 2:42 p.m.

MY HOUSE – Kirsten Hargreaves

Discussion ensued regarding the services provided at MY House, the reduction in operational hours, and funding related issues.

Council expressed its view that MY House provides an important service to the community and the Director of Parks, Recreation and Culture confirmed that the Manager of Social Development will meet with the service providers to discuss the reduction in operational hours.

4. RESOLUTION TO EXCLUDE PUBLIC

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Moved by Councillor Plecas, seconded by Councillor Hinds, and

RESOLVED: That, pursuant to Sections 90 and 92 of the *Community Charter*, this Special Meeting of Council be closed to the public as the subject matter being considered relates to the following:

- Section 90(1)(c) of the Community Charter – labour relations or other employee relations;
- Section 90(1)(j) of the Community Charter – information that is prohibited, or information that if it were presented in a document would be prohibited, from disclosure under section 21 of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act; and
- Section 90(2)(b) of the Community Charter – the consideration of information received and held in confidence relating to negotiations between the municipality and a provincial government or the federal government or both, or between a provincial government or the federal government or both and a third party.

CARRIED

5. ADJOURN TO CLOSED COUNCIL MEETING

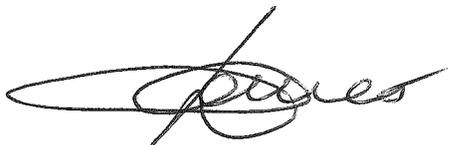
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Moved by Councillor Plecas, seconded by Councillor Hinds, and

RESOLVED: That the Special Council meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED

The meeting was adjourned at 3:15 p.m.



RANDY HAWES
MAYOR


JENNIFER RUSSELL
DEPUTY CORPORATE OFFICER