COMMUNITY PLANNING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STANDING COMMITTEE

MINUTES

December 13, 2012

PRESENT: Councillor Lorelei Nicoll

Councillor Darren Fisher Councillor Tim Outhit Councillor Jennifer Watts Councillor Waye Mason

REGRETS: Councillor Gloria McCluskey

STAFF: Mr. Austin French, Manager, Planning

Mr. Chris Bryant, Acting Managing Director, Government Relations and External Affairs Ms. Sheilagh Edmonds, Legislative Assistant

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1. CALL TO ORDER

The Chair called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m. in Halifax Hall.

1.1 Election of Chair and Vice Chair

The Legislative Assistant called for nominations for Chair.

MOVED by Councillor Mason, seconded by Councillor Outhit that Councillor Nicoll be nominated as Chair for 2013. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

The Legislative Assistant called three times for any further nominations; there being none, she declared Councillor Nicoll as Chair of the Community Planning and Economic Development Standing Committee.

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Councillor Nicoll assumed the Chair and called for nominations for Vice Chair.

MOVED by Councillor Fisher, seconded by Councillor Mason that Councillor Outhit be elected as Vice Chair. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

The Chair called three times for any further nominations; there being none, she declared Councillor Outhit as Vice Chair of the Community Planning and Economic Development Standing Committee.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOVED by Councillor Outhit, seconded by Councillor Fisher that the minutes of August 9, 2012 be approved. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

3. APPROVAL OF THE ORDER OF BUSINESS AND APPROVAL OF ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS

Additions:

- 8.1 Update on Cultural Plan Chair
- 8.2 Audit and Finance Standing Committee and RP+5 Councillor Outhit
- 8.3 Terms of Reference Councillor Mason

Councillor Watts entered the meeting at 2:05 p.m.

MOVED by Councillor Fisher, seconded by Councillor Outhit that the agenda, as amended, be approved. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

- 4. BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES/DEFERRED ITEMS: None
- 5. CORRESPONDENCE, PETITIONS & PRESENTATIONS: None

6. MATTERS REFERRED FROM REGIONAL COUNCIL/OTHER STANDING COMMITTES: None

7. REPORTS

7.1 Harbour East Community Council: Woodside Community Vision and Action Plan

A report dated September 17, 2012 was submitted from Harbour East Community Council, with an attached staff report dated August 10, 2012.

Ms. Maria Jacobs, Planner, addressed the Committee and provided the presentation on the Woodside Community Vision and Action Plan. Accompanying her were Ruth Van Iderstine and Anne Warbuton, members of the Woodside Community Liaison Group. Ms. Jacobs indicated that the purpose of today's presentation was to brief the Committee on the Woodside Community Visioning Statements and action plans, and to have the Committee endorse, in principle, the Community Vision for Woodside In her remarks, Ms. Jacobs advised that the public engagement process involved a community survey which was carried out in May-June 2011 and the survey results indicated that the top 3 priorities were Public Safety, Trails, Green Space and Waterfront; and Transportation, Transit, and Active Transportation.

Ms. Jacobs, Ms. Van Iderstine, and Ms. Warbuton responded to questions from the Committee.

MOVED by Councillor Mason, seconded by Councillor Watts that the Community Planning and Economic Development Standing Committee endorse in principle the Community Vision for Woodside, as attached to the August 10, 2012 staff report. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

8. ADDED ITEMS

8.3 Terms of Reference – Councillor Mason

In response to a request from Councillor Mason, the Chair asked the Legislative Assistant to provide the Committee's Terms of Reference to the Committee.

8.1 Update on the Cultural Plan - Chair

Mr. French noted that this matter will be discussed at next week's Community Design Advisory Committee meeting. He explained that the Plan was broad in its recommendations and that there had been no additional funding or programs created when the Plan was approved.

Mr. French responded to questions.

The Chair requested the Legislative Assistant e-mail the Committee members the weblink to the Cultural Plan.

8.2 Audit and Finance Standing Committee and RP+5 – Councillor Outhit

Councillor Outhit suggested that the Audit and Finance Standing Committee has a role to play in the RP+5, in particular, regarding financial incentives for development and questioned if the Community Planning and Economic Development Standing Committee would be coming together with the Audit and Finance Standing Committee at some point in regard to the RP+5.

In response, Mr. French indicated that staff is supportive of considering financial incentives in the Regional Plan, however, there was a lot more work to do on this aspect. He added that staff may not have a full resolution to this matter when the Plan is presented in June.

In reference to Councillor Outhit's comment, Councillor Watts noted that at a special meeting of the Community Design Advisory Committee in October, the Committee heard three presentations on studies being carried out which will be used in helping to develop Regional Plan Policy. She advised that it may be beneficial for the members to view these presentations and she asked the Legislative Assistant to send out the weblink to those presentations.

- 9. IN CAMERA: NONE
- 10. NEXT MEETING DATE:

10.1 Approval of 2013 Meeting Schedule

A list of regularly scheduled meeting dates for 2013 was submitted.

MOVED by Councillor Mason, seconded by Councillor Outhit that the 2013 meeting schedule, as follows, be approved:

January 10
February 14
March 14
April 11
May 9
June 13
July – No meeting – Council is on summer break
August 8
September 12
October 10
November 14

December 12

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

11. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 4:10 p.m.

Sheilagh Edmonds Legislative Assistant