

**City of Chilliwack**  
**Regular Meeting Minutes**

March 5, 2024, 2:00 pm  
8550 Young Road  
Chilliwack, BC V2P 8A4

Present: All members of Council, with the exception of Councillor Lum

Staff Present: D. Blain, Chief Administrative Officer  
J. Morgan, Corporate Officer  
J. Hahn, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer/Director of Human Resources  
J. Leggatt, Director of Communications and Legislative Services  
G. Savard, Director of Finance  
I. Josephson, Fire Chief  
K. Stanton, Director of Public Safety and Social Development  
G. White, Director of Development and Regulatory Enforcement Services  
D. Lindhout, Director of Recreation and Culture  
J. Koczur, Director of Public Works and Parks  
G. Schipper, Deputy Director of Development and Regulatory Enforcement Services  
S. Hamilton, Director of Utility Operations  
K. Jefford, Director of Engineering  
T. Friesen, Manager of Environmental Services  
C. Marleau, Manager of Recreation Services and Corporate Wellness  
E. Leary, Manager of Development Planning  
R. Goertzen, Manager of Building and Inspections  
C. Weston, Manager of Bylaw Enforcement  
D. Mossey, Manager of Transportation and Drainage  
C. Nwaoha, Manager of Utilities  
C. Carruthers, Deputy Director of Information Technology  
G. Palaniuk, Manager of Business Operations  
D. Lee, Superintendent, RCMP  
J. Bowerman, Inspector, Operations Support Officer, RCMP  
H. Kheleh, Inspector, Operations Officer, RCMP  
D. Sargent, Communications Assistant, RCMP  
B. Laynes, Legislative Clerk  
C. Wilkinson, Deputy Corporate Officer/Recording Secretary

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**Call to Order**

The City of Chilliwack acknowledges that we are honoured to live, work and play on the traditional, ancestral and unceded territory of the Stó:lō Coast Salish peoples.

Mayor Popove was Chair and called the meeting to order at 2:00 pm.

### **Delegations/Hearings**

#### **Delegation - Chilliwack Community Policing Services Quarterly Report**

Superintendent Davy Lee, Officer in Charge, Upper Fraser Valley Regional Detachment, is in attendance to present the Community Policing Quarterly Report for the period of October to December, 2023.

### **Adoption of Minutes**

**Moved** / Kloot

**Seconded** / Westeringh

That the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held February 20, 2024, be adopted as circulated.

Carried unanimously

### **Consent Agenda**

**Moved** / Shields

**Seconded** / Read

That the Minutes of the following Committee meetings be received for information:

Public Safety Advisory Committee, held January 17, 2024;

Accessibility and Inclusion Advisory Committee, held February 5, 2024; and,

Chilliwack Parks and Trails Advisory Committee, held February 7, 2024.

Carried unanimously

### **Departmental Reports**

#### **Engineering - Sanitary Sewer System Bylaw Amendment Bylaw 2024, No. 5374**

**Moved** / Kloot

**Seconded** / Westeringh

That "Sanitary Sewer System Regulation Bylaw Amendment Bylaw 2024, No. 5374" be given first and second reading.

Carried unanimously

**Moved** / Mercer

**Seconded** / Westeringh

That "Sanitary Sewer System Regulation Bylaw Amendment Bylaw 2024, No. 5374" be given third reading.

Carried unanimously

### **Engineering - Electric Kick Scooter Pilot Participation**

**Moved** / Westeringh

**Seconded** / Shields

That Council approve the City of Chilliwack's participation in the Province's "Electric Kick Scooter Pilot Project", commencing April 5, 2024, for a four-year period.

Carried unanimously

### **Engineering - Teskey Detention Pond Expansion Tender Award**

**Moved** / Westeringh

**Seconded** / Shields

That Council award the tender for the "Teskey Detention Pond Expansion Project" to Tuya Construction Ltd., in the amount of \$644,906.55 (plus applicable taxes); and further, that the Mayor and Corporate Officer be authorized to sign any necessary documentation.

Carried unanimously

### **Engineering - 2024 Bridge Inspection Program - RFP Award**

**Moved** / Kloot

**Seconded** / Mercer

That Council accept the proposal for engineering services for the "2024 Bridge Inspection Program" from the lead proponent, ISL Engineering and Land Services, in the amount of \$74,840.00 (plus applicable taxes); and further, that the Mayor and Corporate Officer be authorized to sign any necessary documentation.

Carried unanimously

**Engineering - Organic Waste Processing Services RFP**

The Corporate Officer announced that Agenda Item No. 7.5 "Organic Waste Processing Services RFP" be removed from the agenda, at the request of staff.

**Recreation and Culture - Parks, Recreation and Culture Bylaw Amendment Bylaw 2024, No. 5373**

**Moved** / Westeringh

**Seconded** / Mercer

That "Parks, Recreation and Culture Bylaw Amendment Bylaw 2024, No. 5373" be given first and second reading.

Carried unanimously

**Moved** / Read

**Seconded** / Shields

That "Parks, Recreation and Culture Bylaw Amendment Bylaw 2024, No. 5373" be given third reading.

Carried unanimously

**Recreation and Culture - Public Art - Yale Road Breezeway**

**Moved** / Kloot

**Seconded** / Westeringh

That Council direct staff to proceed with Option #2, as contained within the staff report dated February 21, 2024, of creating a full-size replica of the Paramount "P" section as well as place a storyboard on site that will pay homage to the Paramount sign and theatre; and further, that the post be painted black in order to match the decorative lamp post on the opposite side of the breezeway.

Carried unanimously

**Recreation and Culture - Townsend Park Pitch "A" Field Lighting Replacement**

**Moved** / Mercer

**Seconded** / Read

That Council approve the purchase of LED light fixtures and controls from Musco Sports Lighting, LLC, Inc., in the amount of \$180,000.00 (plus applicable taxes); and further, that the Mayor and Corporate Officer be authorized to sign any necessary documentation.

Carried unanimously

**Finance - 2024 Parcel Tax Roll Review**

**Moved** / Read

**Seconded** / Shields

That Council set the date and time for the 2024 Parcel Tax Roll Review Panel as March 19, 2024 at 1:30 pm.

Carried unanimously

**Finance - Community Development Initiatives Funding**

**Moved** / Kloot

**Seconded** / Westeringh

That Council approve the request from the Upper Fraser Valley Crime Stoppers Association for funding under the Community Development Initiatives Funding Policy in the amount of \$12,000.00, for the year 2024.

Carried unanimously

**Public Safety and Social Development - Wellness Centre Update**

**Moved** / Westeringh

**Seconded** / Read

Whereas an overnight shelter and a daytime Wellness Centre are urgently needed to accommodate and support many who are living precariously on the downtown streets and throughout the City in makeshift camps with significant negative impact to themselves and the surrounding community, and existing shelters are operating at full capacity;

And whereas, funding has been made available through partnerships with BC Housing and the Fraser Health Authority to support the operations of a Wellness Centre and Shelter, and the Fire Chief has inspected the building and concluded that there are no immediate life safety concerns;

Be it resolved that Council make a policy decision not to enforce the Zoning Bylaw or BC Building Code for this specific use at 45951 Trethewey Avenue until December 31, 2026.

Carried unanimously

**Moved** / Kloot  
**Seconded** / Read

That the agenda be varied, by bringing forward Agenda Item No. 15.2.2 "Townsend Park Artificial Turf Field Replacement".

Carried unanimously

### **Additional Item**

#### **Public Works and Parks - Townsend Park Artificial Turf Field Replacement**

**Moved** / Westeringh  
**Seconded** / Mercer

That Council approve Sourcewell/Canoe Contract #031022-AST for the purchase of the replacement of Townsend Park "A" Field artificial turf field and associated civil works, from AstroTurf West Distributors Ltd., in the amount of \$923,230.00 (plus applicable taxes); and further, that the Mayor and Corporate Officer be authorized to sign any necessary documentation.

Carried unanimously

### **Mayor and Councillors' Reports**

The Mayor and Councillors' reports were received for information.

### **Motion to Adjourn to a Closed Session**

**Moved** / Mercer  
**Seconded** / Read

That, in accordance with Section 90(1)(f) and (i) of the *Community Charter*, Council hold a Closed Meeting to discuss law enforcement; and, advice which is subject to solicitor-client privilege.

Carried unanimously

### **Adjournment**

The Regular Meeting of Council adjourned at 2:48 pm.

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Mayor

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Corporate Officer