MINUTES of the thirty-fourth meeting held by the Seventh Council of the City of Chilliwack in the Council Chambers, City Hall on March 17, 2020 at 3:00 pm.

PRESENT: All members of Council, except Councillors Mercer and Westeringh.

In addition, the following members of staff were present:

- P.D. Monteith, Chief Administrative Officer
- J. Morgan, Corporate Officer
- R.E. Sanderson, Deputy Director of Engineering
- G. Savard, Director of Finance
- G. MacPherson, Director of Operations
- R. Mulligan, Director of Recreation and Culture
- J. Kooistra, Director of Corporate Services
- K. Stanton, Manager of Long Range Planning
- G. Villeneuve, Manager of Development Planning
- T. Friesen, Manager of Environmental Services
- E. Leary, Senior Planner, Planning & Strategic Initiatives
- C. Carruthers, Manager of IT Operations
- P.C. Friesen, Recording Secretary

Mayor Popove was Chair and called the meeting to order at 3:00 pm.

Adoption of Minutes

Shields  ) That the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held March 3, 2020, be
Knott  ( adopted as circulated.

Carried unanimously

Consent Agenda

Lum  ) That the following bylaws be adopted:
Kloot  ( “Procedural Bylaw Amendment Bylaw 2020, No. 4789”; and,

“Public Hearing/Public Information Meeting Procedural Bylaw Amendment Bylaw 2020, No. 4790”;

and further, that the Minutes of the following Committee meetings be received for information:

Transportation Advisory Committee Meeting held January 23, 2020; and,

Agricultural and Rural Advisory Committee Meeting held February 20, 2020.

Carried unanimously

Departmental Reports

Bailey Sanitary Landfill Regulatory Reports – Request for Proposal

Shields  ) That Council accept the Request for Proposal for consulting services for the
Lum  ( “Bailey Sanitary Landfill Regulatory Reports” from the lead proponent, GHD Limited, in the amount of $166,869.38 (plus applicable taxes); and further, that the Mayor and Corporate Officer be authorized to sign any necessary documentation.

Carried unanimously
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Departmental Reports (continued)

Grassroots Grant Applications March 2020

Lum ) That Council approve the Grassroots Grant applications for the “Fern Park
Kloot Asphalt Path and Bench” in the amount of $4,000.00 and the “Watson Park
Playground Additional Play Equipment” in the amount of $4,000.00.

Carried unanimously

PassPARK Program

The Corporate Officer announced that the item regarding the “PassPARK Program” was cancelled and will be rescheduled.

Great Blue Heron Nature Reserve Management Agreement Renewal

Knott ) That Council approve the renewal of the “Great Blue Heron Nature Reserve
Shields Management Agreement” between the City of Chilliwack and the Great Blue
Heron Nature Reserve Society for a further five-year term, from January 1, 2020
to December 31, 2024; and further, that the Mayor and Corporate Officer be
authorized to sign any necessary documentation.

Carried unanimously

Chilliwack Welcome Entrance Signs

Shields ) That Council direct staff to proceed with the supply and installation of two peel
Kloot and stick signs on the City of Chilliwack welcome entrance signs in the amount
of $2,000.00, as shown in Option 1 contained within the Staff Report dated

Carried unanimously

JCR Design Ltd. (BC1089662) – Rezoning/44366 Keith Wilson Road

Knott ) That “Official Community Plan Bylaw Amendment Bylaw 2020, No. 4785”,
Lum which proposes to redesignate property located at 44366 Keith Wilson Road from
“Agricultural” to “Low Density Residential”, be denied. (RZ001358)

Carried unanimously

Walter Esau – Rezoning/46998 Prairie Central Road

Kloot ) That “Zoning Bylaw Amendment Bylaw 2020, No. 4795”, a proposed text
Shields amendment to the AS (Agriculture Small Lot) Zone, to reduce the minimum lot
size requirement specific to the property located at 46998 Prairie Central Road,
be given first and second reading. (RZ001410)

Carried unanimously
Departmental Reports (continued)

Lum  ) That “Zoning Bylaw Amendment Bylaw 2020, No. 4796”, which proposes to
Kloot ( rezone property located at 46998 Prairie Central Road from an AL (Agriculture
Lowland) Zone to an AS (Agriculture Small Lot) Zone, be given first and second
reading.  (RZ001410)  

Carried unanimously

OTG Developments Ltd.
Rezoning and Development Variance Permit/8160 and 8136 Nixon Road

Shields ) That “Official Community Plan Bylaw Amendment Bylaw 2020, No. 4797”,
Knott ( which proposes to redesignate portions of property located at 8160 Nixon Road
from “Rural Hillside” and “Environmental Conservation” to “Residential – Low
Density” and portions of 8136 Nixon Road from “Rural Hillside” to “Residential
– Low Density” and “Environmental Conservation” as specified in the Eastern
Hillsides Comprehensive Area Plan, be given first and second reading.
(RZ001313)  

Carried unanimously

Knott  ) That “Zoning Bylaw Amendment Bylaw 2020, No. 4798”, which proposed to
Shields ( rezone portions of 8160 Nixon Road from an SHR (Suburban Hillside
Residential) Zone to an R3 (Small Lot One Family Residential) Zone and an
RSV1 (Limited Use Reserve) Zone and portions of 8136 Nixon Road from an RH
(Rural Hillside) Zone to an R3 (Small Lot One Family Residential) Zone and an
RSV1 (Limited Use Reserve) Zone, be given first and second reading.
(RZ001313)  

Carried unanimously

Intermunicipal Business Licensing Ride-Hailing

Kloot ) That “Intermunicipal Transportation Network Services Business Licence
Lum ( Agreement Bylaw 2020, No. 4793”, be given first and second reading.

Carried unanimously

Shields ) That “Intermunicipal Transportation Network Services Business Licence
Lum ( Agreement Bylaw 2020, No. 4793”, be given third reading.

Carried unanimously

Knott  ) That “Intermunicipal Transportation Network Services Business Licence Scheme
Shields ( Bylaw 2020, No. 4794”, be given first and second reading.

Carried unanimously

Lum  ) That “Intermunicipal Transportation Network Services Business Licence Scheme
Knott ( Bylaw 2020, No. 4794”, be given third reading.

Carried unanimously
Departmental Reports (continued)

Goosen Construction Inc. – Development Permit/46173 Fourth Avenue

Kloot  ) That Council approve the issuance of Development Permit DP001191 with
Knott  ( respect to property located at 46173 Fourth Avenue, subject to the
recommendations of the Design Review Advisory Committee and the conditions
as set out within the draft Development Permit.

Carried unanimously

Precision Building Design Associates Ltd. (Inc. No. BC0442027)
Development Permit/5754 Vedder Road

Lum  ) That Council approve the issuance of Development Permit DP001229 with
Shields  ( respect to property located at 5754 Vedder Road, subject to the recommendations
of the Design Review Advisory Committee and the conditions as set out within
the draft Development Permit.

Carried unanimously

Chilliwack Child Care Needs Assessment and Strategy 2019-2029

The Senior Planner, Planning & Strategic Initiatives Department, provided Council with an
overview of the Community Child Care Provider Program.

Shields  ) That the “Chilliwack Child Care Needs Assessment and Strategy 2019-2029” be
Lum  ( received for information.

Carried unanimously

Security Window Shutters

Knott  ) That Council endorse the Design Review Advisory Committee’s and the
Shields  ( Downtown Chilliwack Business Improvement Association’s recommendations to
prohibit security window shutters; to discourage accordion gates and rolling grills
on the exterior of the building; and, to encourage the use of interior window bars,
preferably black as they are less visible than white bars, within Development
Permit Area 4 – Downtown Form and Character; and further, that staff be
directed to prepare applicable amendments to “Official Community Plan Bylaw
2014, No. 4025”.

Carried unanimously

The Corporate Officer announced that the 7:00 pm reconvened portion of the Regular Council
meetings for March 17 and April 7, 2020 have been cancelled.

Councillors’ Reports

Councillor Knott wished everyone a Happy St. Patrick’s Day; noted her attendance at the
Chilliwack Public Art Advisory Committee meeting; and, provided comment on the COVID 19
virus and urged the public to stay home; stay safe; and, help your neighbour during this time.
Councillors’ Reports (continued)

Councillor Shields echoed Councillor Knott’s comments; noted his attendance at the Regional and Corporate Services Committee Meeting, graduation ceremonies for the paid on-call firefighters, Fraser Valley Cultural Diversity Awards; and, noted the Chilliwack Arts and Cultural Centre Society Board conference call.

Councillor Kloot echoed Councillor Knott’s comments; applauded the first responders in their efforts; asked people in the community to exercise common sense when shopping; and, extended congratulations to Councillor Lum and wife Sheila on the birth of their first child.

Councillor Lum spoke about his new family; concurred with the earlier comments regarding the COVID 19 virus and asked the public to exercise caution, but with all sensibility; and, commented on the Public Safety Advisory Committee meeting.

Mayor’s Report

Mayor Popove expressed appreciation to Councillor Shields for stepping in while he was away; extended appreciation to staff during this time; commented that there are currently no confirmed cases of the virus in Chilliwack; advised the public to take precautions and stay calm; and, wished everyone a Happy St. Patrick’s Day.

Mayor Popove called for questions from the public. None were received.

Adjournment to Closed Meeting

Kloot     ) That, in accordance with Section 90(1)(d), (e) and (k) of the Community Charter, Council hold a Closed Meeting to discuss security of property; property matters and proposed services.
Lum      ( Carried unanimously

The regular meeting adjourned at 3:52 pm.

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Mayor

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Corporate Officer