



The Corporation of the City of Grand Forks
Public Hearing of Council
MINUTES

PH-2019-6

Tuesday, September 3, 2019, 6:00 pm

7217 - 4th Street, City Hall Council Chambers

Present: Mayor Brian Taylor
Councillor Zak Eburne-Stoodley
Councillor Cathy Korolek
Councillor Neil Krog
Councillor Chris Moslin
Councillor Christine Thompson
Councillor Rod Zielinski

Staff: Kevin McKinnon - Deputy Corporate Officer
Dolores Sheets - Manager of Development & Engineering Services
Leford Lafayette – Planning Technician

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1. Call to Order

Mayor Taylor called the September 3, 2019, Public Hearing to order at 6:00 pm.

Councillor Thompson read the Public Hearing preamble:

(a) The purpose of this Hearing is to consider certain bylaws which, if adopted, shall amend the City of Grand Forks - Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 1919 and/or Zoning Bylaw No. 2039.

(b) All persons who believe that their interest in property within the boundaries of the City is affected by the proposed bylaw(s) shall be afforded a reasonable opportunity to be heard or to present written submissions respecting matters contained in the bylaw(s) that are the subject of this Hearing. No one will be or should feel discouraged or prevented from making their views known. This Hearing is open to the public and all representations to Council form part of the public record. A live video and audio feed may be broadcast and recorded by GFTV.

(c) All information, correspondence, petitions or reports that have been received concerning the subject bylaws have been made available to the public. The correspondence and petitions received after August 21, 2019 (date of notification), are available for inspection during the course of this hearing and are located on the information table in the foyer of the Council Chamber.

(d) Members of Council may ask questions, if they so wish; however, the main function of Council members is to listen to the views of the public. It is not the function of Council to debate the merits of the proposed bylaw with individual citizens or with each other at this Hearing.

(e) Council debate on the proposed bylaw(s) is scheduled to take place during the next Regular Council meeting after the conclusion of this Hearing. It should be noted, however, that for some items a final decision may not be able to be reached at that meeting.

(f) It must be emphasized that Council will not receive any representation from the applicant or members of the public after conclusion of this Hearing.

(g) During a Public Hearing, people sometimes become enthusiastic or emotional. Regardless of whether you favour or oppose any application or argument, please refrain from applause or other expressions of emotion. Restraint enables others whose views may or may not coincide with your own to exercise their right to express their views and have them heard in as impartial a forum as possible.

2. Notification of Meeting

The Deputy Corporate Officer confirmed that printed advertisements appeared in the August 21 and August 28 editions of the Grand Forks Gazette, and were available for public viewing at City Hall.

3. Individual Bylaw Submissions

- a. Bylaw 2039-A8 Proposed Rezoning of the approximately 0.3399 Hectare (0.84 acre) parcel from Highway Commercial (HC) to Tourist Commercial (TC)

Development, Engineering & Planning

Mr. Lafayette described the purpose of the rezoning. Staff confirmed that no written correspondence was received prior to the meeting.

The applicant advised that they are still waiting on insurance to prepare their next steps, but would like to have the zoning in-place for when they learn whether the property will stay as a motel.

Staff advised that the Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure (MOTI) would need to update the access agreement for the property, but they have no concerns with the application. Staff further advised that the process would be to give third reading, send the application to MOTI for approval, then return it to Council for fourth and final reading.

4. Adjournment

The September 3, 2019, Public Hearing was adjourned at 6:14 pm.

Mayor Brian Taylor

Dep. Corporate Officer – Kevin McKinnon