

THE CORPORATION OF THE DISTRICT OF CENTRAL SAANICH

Minutes of the **PUBLIC WORKS & TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE** Meeting
Monday, December 10, 2007, at 7:28 p.m.
Central Saanich Municipal Council Chamber

PRESENT: Councillor Alastair Bryson, Chair
Mayor Mar, Councillors Garrison, Graham, King, Mason, and Thompson
Gary C. Nason, Administrator
Sara C. Ribeiro, Municipal Clerk
Hope V. Burns, Director of Planning & Building Services
Nirmal Bhattacharya, Municipal Engineer
Rosalyn Tanner, Director of Financial Services

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA:

1090.07 MOVED BY COUNCILLOR GARRISON
 NO SECONDER
 That the Agenda for the Public Works & Transportation Committee Meeting held on December 10, 2007, be approved as circulated.
 CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

1. Staff Memorandum

a) Staff Memorandum dated November 28, 2007, from the Municipal Engineer entitled "Blue's Bayou Café Sign Erected at the North West Corner of Marchant Road and Brentwood Drive"

i) I Ostrander, 7005 Brentwood Drive, December 6, 2007

The Municipal Engineer, Mr. Nirmal Bhattacharya, overviewed the Staff Memorandum and responded to questions of the Committee.

Ms. Patti McNight, 930 Grisle Lane, spoke in support of relocating the sign.

Mr. Ostrander, 7005 Brentwood Drive, encouraged Council to relocate the sign. He noted the height of this sign should parallel the height of the marina sign.

Ms. Lauren Kirley, 940 Marchant Road, inquired how benefits from the sign and who will absorb the cost of relocating or amending the sign.

Ms. Heather Thurston, 7031A Brentwood Drive, spoke in support of the current sign and location. She emphasized the sign needs to be visual to encourage business in this area.

A discussion occurred between Committee, and Staff responded to questions.

1091.07 MOVED BY COUNCILLOR THOMPSON
 NO SECONDER
 That it be recommended to Council:

That the Staff Memorandum dated November 28, 2007, from the Municipal Engineer entitled "Blue's Bayou Café Sign Erected at the North West Corner of Marchant Road and Brentwood Drive" be received, and Council endorse the following modifications as depicted on the sketch attached as Appendices A and B to the Staff Memorandum:

- *Lower the sign by 5 feet, 6 inches, starting at a height not exceeding 18 inches above the finished grade, paint the poles black, and provide drought tolerant landscaping (ornamental grasses and perennials) around the sign.*
- *Incorporate some directional arrows on the sign (without increasing the sign height) indicating available restaurant parking at the Marina parking lot as well as inclusion of the following information on the sign: "Closed for the season – re-opening on*

(date)".
➤ Raise the grade of the sign to cover the concrete footings.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2. Staff Memorandum

- a) Staff Memorandum dated December 4, 2007, from the Public Works Coordinator entitled "Request for Tree Lowering and Removal of Invasive Species on Saunders Lane"

The Municipal Engineer, Mr. Nirmal Bhattacharya, overviewed the Staff Memorandum and responded to questions of the Committee.

Due to a potential conflict of interest, Councillor King vacated the Council Chamber at 8:05 p.m. He stated that his family owns property that abuts the area that is subject to the Staff Memorandum.

Mr. John Reid, 7230 Norman Lane, inquired how the bank would be reinforced.

A discussion occurred between Committee and Staff responded to questions.

1092.07 MOVED BY COUNCILLOR GRAHAM
NO SECONDER
That it be recommended to Council:

That the Staff Memorandum dated December 4, 2007, from the Public Works Coordinator entitled "Request for Tree Lowering and Removal of Invasive Species on Saunders Lane" be received, and Council endorse the following recommendations as outlined in the Staff Memorandum:

a) *Using the available resources within the approved service levels and with a slight adjustment in priorities, Staff undertake the hazard dead wood pruning of the affected trees, as soon as possible, and remove the invasive species 1.5 metres back from the split rail fencing where native shrubs were planted.*

b) *Staff be requested to submit a Supplementary Budget Request for Council's consideration during the 2008-2013 Financial Plan deliberations to increase the service level in the 2008 Core Budget by allocating an additional 500 hours of Parks maintenance labour annually, to the District's Invasive Plant Removal Program.*

BEFORE THE QUESTION WAS CALLED, it was

1093.07 MOVED BY COUNCILLOR GARRISON
NO SECONDER

That the aforementioned motion be considered in two parts as follows:

Part One:

That the Staff Memorandum dated December 4, 2007, from the Public Works Coordinator entitled "Request for Tree Lowering and Removal of Invasive Species on Saunders Lane" be received, and Council endorse using the available resources within the approved service levels and with a slight adjustment in priorities, Staff undertake the hazard dead wood pruning of the affected trees, as soon as possible, and remove the invasive species 1.5 metres back from the split rail fencing where native shrubs were planted.

Part Two:

Staff be requested to submit a Supplementary Budget Request for Council's consideration during the 2008-2013 Financial Plan deliberations to increase the service level in the 2008 Core Budget by allocating an additional 500 hours of Parks maintenance labour annually, to the District's Invasive Plant Removal Program.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

THE QUESTION WAS CALLED ON THE FIRST PART OF THE MOTION,
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

THE QUESTION WAS CALLED ON THE SECOND PART OF THE MOTION,
CARRIED
OPPOSED: COUNCILLOR GARRISON

ADJOURNMENT:

*On motion, the Public Works & Transportation Committee Meeting held on December 10, 2007,
adjourned at 8:15 p.m.*

Councillor Alastair Bryson
Chair

Recorded By: Sara C. Ribeiro
Municipal Clerk