

# VILLAGE OF BELCARRA

# OCP REVIEW COMMITTEE 2022 Minutes



May 4, 2022

This meeting was held via Zoom Teleconference and was recorded.

# Members in Attendance

Ian Devlin, Chair Ralph Drew, Vice Chair Larry Carlsen Jol Drake Tracey McRae Mary-Ann Pope Sandra Rietchel Angela Yin

# **Members Absent**

Paul Degraaf Kevin Ferris Janet Ruzycki

# Council in Attendance

Councillor Carolina Clark

#### Staff in Attendance

Dennis Back, Acting Chief Administrative Officer

# Staff Absent

Paula Richardson, Municipal Coordinator

### Also in Attendance

Melissa Clement, Senior Planner, Project Lead, Urban Systems Andrew Cuthbert, Community Planner, Urban Systems Jack De Sante, Intern, Urban Systems (Minute Taker)

#### 1. Call to Order

Ian Devlin, Chair, called the meeting to order at 7:01 pm.

# 2. Approval of the Agenda

# 2.1 OCP Review Committee meeting, April 6, 2022

# It was moved and seconded:

That the Agenda for the OCP Review Committee meeting, April 6, 2022, be approved as circulated.

**CARRIED** 

# 3. Adoption of the Minutes

# 3.1 OCP Review Committee Meeting, April 6, 2022

#### It was moved and seconded:

That the Minutes of the OCP Review Committee meeting held April 6, 2022, be approved.

CARRIED

# 4. Welcome Dennis Back, Acting CAO

Dennis Back provided a brief introduction.

# 5. Presentation by Urban Systems

Urban Systems provided a presentation to the Committee with an update on the OCP process noting the following:

- The OCP Review Project is in Phase 3 Plan Development
- Stakeholder Engagement Update Tsleil-Waututh Nation Outreach Progress
- Evangelical Laymen's Church (ELC) property
- Draft Community Vision and Strategic Goals
- Phase 2 Community Engagement

Discussion ensued with regard to the possible future development of the ELC lands.

#### 6. Draft Vision and Goals

Committee members provided feedback on the Draft Vision Statement and Draft Strategic Goals.

## 7. Phase 2 Community Engagement

Urban Systems provided an overview of the Community Open House scheduled for May 25, 2022. Discussion ensued.

#### 8. Research Teams Presentations

The theme of the Research Assignments for the OCP Review Committee was Transportation, Trails and Tourism.

# 8.1 Active Transportation and Trails (Walking, Cycling and Recreation) Presentation, Larry Carlsen, Paul Degraaf, Tracey McRae and Angela Yin

Presenter: Angela Yin

- Trails and Active Transportation routes should be accessible for use by people of all ages and abilities.
- Other similar, but slightly larger, municipalities have Park Master Plans, which contain a detailed trail inventory.
- A gap analysis study could be useful.
- Recommends the OCP refer to an Active Transportation Plan that is a separate document from the OCP.
- Signage to encourage residents and visitors to use environmentally friendly ways of travelling.

Discussion ensued with regard to:

- Regular maintenance and clear entrance signage and signage pertaining to appropriate usages (i.e., pedestrians, cyclists, etc.).
- Consolation should take place between Metro Vancouver and the Village to enhance Active Transportation connections.
- The bulk of the trail network is in the Regional Park outside the Village's jurisdiction.
- **8.2** Tourism Promotion and Management Team Presentation, Chair Ian Devlin, Kevin Ferris, Sandra Rietchel and Janet Ruzycki

Presenter: Sandra Rietchel

- The issue of Tourism is not in the current OCP.
- The OCP should incorporate a policy for Short-Term Rentals.
- Recent Village Bylaw now allows residents to operate Short-Term Rentals.
- It may be premature to deal with the scope of tourism prior to land-use changes that allow for commercial activity that would promote tourism.
- Recommends the OCP should highlight the fact the Village of Belcarra is a destination for cyclists and hikers who want to explore nature.

Discussion ensued with regard to:

- There is opportunity to address parking issues in the OCP.
- Questions whether Tsleil-Waututh Nation may be interested in expanding their kayak/canoe rentals to e-bikes and a coffee bar.
- Short-term-rental/B&B/"Airbnb" being addressed in the OCP.
- **8.3** Traffic and Parking Team Presentation, Vice Chair Ralph Drew, Jol Drake and Mary-Ann Pope

Presenter: Mary-Ann Pope

- Improving traffic safety and parking issues.
- Reduce Park traffic through alternative transportation options (transit, Active Transportation, Shuttle Buses).
- Cross walk improvements.
- Speed limit signage.
- Better signage for entering the Regional Park.

Discussion ensued with regard to:

- Parking being expanded in other communities.
- No-parking signs feel unwelcoming.
- Signage to make Active Transportation & Transit users feel welcome is encouraged.

#### 9. Next Steps

A review of next steps was provided as follows:

- Meeting with Tsleil-Waututh Nation
- Continue drafting policies for eight (8) key policy areas
- The addition of a meeting is recommended to be two weeks after the regularly schedule meeting

- Review of OCP Draft at the next meeting scheduled for June 1, 2022
- 10. Questions / Comments
- 11. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 9:14 pm.

Certified Correct:

Paula Richardson

Acting Corporate Officer

Ian Devlin

Chair

Next meeting date: Wednesday, June 1, 2022 7:00 pm – 9:00 pm on Zoom