

TOWN OF NEW GLASGOW
TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2023

A regular meeting of New Glasgow Town Council was held on Monday, October 16, 2023, at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers. Present were: Mayor Dicks; Deputy Mayor Peters; Councillors Dorrington, Borden, Fraser, El-Haddad, and MacDonald. Also present were: Lisa MacDonald, CAO; Earl MacKenzie, Director of Engineering and Public Works; Peter Douthwright, Director of Community Development; Police Chief Chisholm; Ross White, Director of Fire, Inspection and Emergency Services; Walter MacDonald, Unsightly Premises Administrator and Cindy Thompson, Community Development Coordinator and Frank DeMont, via Microsoft Teams. Absent from the meeting: Kelly Sloan, Executive Assistant.

Mayor Dicks stated that as we gather this evening, we pause to remember that in this province we live and work on lands that are by law the unceded territories of the Wabanaki peoples – predominantly the land of the Mi'kmaq. May we live with respect on this land and live in peace and friendship with its people. We also recognize the African Nova Scotians whose culture, heritage, and history have been and remain a key part of our province for more than 400 years.

AGENDA

It was regularly moved and seconded that the agenda be approved as presented.

Motion carried.

PETITIONS/DELEGATIONS/PRESENTATIONS

ORDER TO APPEAR TO CONSIDER AN ORDER TO DEMOLISH - 264 JAMES ST.

JOHN TOMLIK

Council considered an Order to Appear to Consider an Order to Demolish for property at 264 James owned by John Tomlik.

The Director of Fire, Inspection and Emergency Services provided the reports on the fire inspections he carried out on January 25, February 22, 2023, an Order to Vacate and Close on March 9, 2023 and a letter to Mr. Tomlik dated September 28, 2023 directing him to remove or demolish the building as there is no indication the issues are being remedied, the building is not structurally sound for occupancy and the boards are being removed from the windows resulting in hoarding issues.

He recommended that a 30-day Order to Demolish be served on the property owner.

It was regularly moved and seconded that the recommendation be approved.

Councillor Borden asked if extermination would take place before or when the building is demolished to prevent the rodents from moving to the neighbouring properties.

The Fire Director of Fire, Inspection and Emergency Services stated that this will have to be addressed before the building is demolished.

Motion carried.

PRESENTATIONS NORTHERN HEALTHY CONNECTIONS

The representatives were not present at the meeting.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

It was regularly moved and seconded that the Consent Agenda be approved as presented.

Councillor Fraser requested that the Police Report be removed from the consent agenda.

Motion carried.

DECISION MOTIONS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA

Councillor Fraser stated that he was informed that recently vehicles in the Northend were damaged.

Chief Chisholm stated that he is aware of the incidents on Alexander Street and will send patrol resources to monitor this area when available.

It was regularly moved and seconded that the Police Report be approved as presented.

Motion carried.

MOTIONS AND NOTICES OF MOTIONS

NOTICE OF MOTION TO ADOPT D/A – JONATHAN SCHNEIDER 369 PLEASANT ST.

Councillor Borden gave notice pursuant to Section 48(1) and Section 230(1) of the Municipal Government Act that Council at its meeting to be held on Monday, November 20, 2023, intends to make a decision by policy with respect to the application of Jonathan Schneider requesting the Town to enter into a development agreement for the property located at 369 Pleasant St. The purpose of the development agreement is to permit the conversion of the main floor to two residential dwellings, bringing the total number of residential dwelling units to 4.

It was regularly moved and seconded, pursuant to Section 230(2) of the Municipal Government Act, that Council hold a public hearing prior to making a decision by policy on this application and that it be held on November 20, 2023.

Motion carried.

NOTICE OF MOTION TO ADOPT D/A – TIERTOOPROP. PID 00992743 TRENTON RD.

Councillor Fraser gave notice pursuant to Section 48(1) and Section 230(1) of the Municipal Government Act that Council at its meeting to be held on Monday, November 20, 2023, intends to make a decision by policy with respect to the application of Tiertoo Properties requesting the Town to enter into a development agreement for the property located at Trenton Road PID 00992743. The purpose of the development agreement is to permit the construction of 68 row house style dwelling units and 235 multi-unit style dwelling units via three – 6 story residential complexes.

It was regularly moved and seconded pursuant to Section 230(2) of the Municipal Government Act, that Council hold a public hearing prior to making a decision by policy on this application and that it be held on November 20, 2023.

Motion carried.

NOTICE OF MOTION ADOPT D/A – KHOI NGUYEN 181 MACLEAN ST.

Councillor Dorrington gave notice pursuant to Section 48(1) and Section 230(1) of the Municipal Government Act that Council at its meeting to be held on Monday, November 20, 2023, intends to make a decision by policy with respect to the application of Khoi Nguyen requesting the Town to enter into a development agreement for the property located at 181 MacLean St. The purpose of the development agreement is to permit the conversion of the main level to a residential dwelling unit, bringing the total number of residential units to 3.

It was regularly moved and seconded pursuant to Section 230(2) of the Municipal Government Act, that Council hold a public hearing prior to making a decision by policy on this application and that it be held on November 20, 2023.

Motion carried.

FIRST READING – REZONING 246 ACADIA ST. 4414012 NOVA SCOTIA LTD.

Deputy Mayor Peters presented for first reading a Land-Use Bylaw Map Amendment. The purpose of the amendment by 4414012 Nova Scotia Ltd. is to rezone property located at 246 Acadia Street from Institutional (I) Zone to Residential Multi-Unit (R-3) Zone to ensure alignment with applicable Municipal Planning Strategy Policy for the proposed development agreement for this property.

It was regularly moved that Council hold a public hearing with respect to this Land-Use Bylaw Map amendment and that the proposed amendment proceed to second reading in accordance with the procedures set out in the Municipal Government Act.

Motion carried.

NOTICE OF MOTION TO ADOPT D/A – 4414012 NOVA SCOTIA LTD.

Deputy Mayor Peters gave notice pursuant to Section 48(1) and Section 230(1) of the Municipal Government Act that Council at its meeting to be held on Monday, November 20, 2023, intends to make a decision by policy with respect to the application of 4414012 Nova Scotia Ltd. requesting the Town to enter into a development agreement for the property located at 246 Acadia St. The purpose of the development agreement is to permit the conversion of the former school to 42 self-contained residential dwelling units within the existing building footprint.

It was regularly moved and seconded pursuant to Section 230(2) of the Municipal Government Act, that Council hold a public hearing prior to making a decision by policy on this application and that it be held on November 20, 2023.

Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

ACCOUNTS

It was regularly moved and seconded that the accounts be approved as presented.

Motion carried.

RECOMMENDATIONS IN CAMERA

Terrace Heights PID 00952069 Property Transaction - The CAO stated that it is the recommendation to Council to sell PID 00952069 to Glenn and Amanda Bonvie for \$18,400 plus associated costs.

It was regularly moved and seconded that the recommendation be approved.

Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

It was regularly moved and seconded that the meeting be adjourned.

Motion carried.