

**DISTRICT OF NORTH VANCOUVER
REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL**

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council for the District of North Vancouver held at 7:04 p.m. on Monday, February 2, 2026 in the Council Chambers of the District Hall, 355 West Queens Road, North Vancouver, British Columbia.

Present: Mayor Mike Little
Councillor Jordan Back
Councillor Betty Forbes
Councillor Jim Hanson
Councillor Herman Mah
Councillor Lisa Muri
Councillor Catherine Pope

Staff: Saira Walker, Acting Chief Administrative Officer
Nicola Chevallier, General Manager – Engineering Public Works
Brett Dwyer, Acting General Manager – Planning, Properties and Permits
Peter Cohen, General Manager – Engineering Infrastructure Services
Rick Danyluk, General Manager – Finance and Chief Financial Officer
Caroline Jackson, General Manager – Climate Action and Parks
Tina Atva, Director, Community Planning and Housing
Genevieve Lanz, Director – Legislative Services and Corporate Officer
Steve Jenkins, Manager - Parks
Zeralynne Te, Manager – Community Planning
Naizam Jaffer, Section Manager – Parks Operations
Eirikka Brandson, Community Planner
Kelsey Stuckert, Senior Policy Analyst
Cheryl Archer, Confidential Council Clerk
Amanda Day, Administration Clerk

1. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

1.1. February 2, 2026 Regular Meeting Agenda

MOVED by Councillor MURI

SECONDED by Councillor BACK

THAT the agenda for the February 2, 2026 Regular Meeting of Council for the District of North Vancouver is adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

2. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

2.1. December 2, 2025 Public Meeting

MOVED by Councillor BACK

SECONDED by Councillor MURI

THAT the minutes of the December 2, 2026 Public Meeting are received.

CARRIED

2.2. January 12, 2026 Regular Meeting of Council

MOVED by Councillor BACK

SECONDED by Councillor MURI

THAT the minutes of the January 12, 2026 Regular Meeting of Council are adopted.

CARRIED

3. PUBLIC INPUT

3.1. Marg LeSage:

- Spoke regarding item 8.2 People, Dogs and Parks Strategic Plan;
- Advised that she is a commercial dog walker and owns a licenced commercial dog walking business in the District;
- Stated that unlicenced dog walking businesses are harmful to licenced businesses and are a danger to the public;
- Expressed concern regarding a lack of enforcement;
- Expressed concern that commercial dog walkers were being singled out;
- Opined that dog walking businesses outside of the District should not have access to District trails; and,
- Opined that more off-leash trails and access points are needed.

3.2. Danielle O'Neill:

- Spoke regarding item 8.2 People, Dogs and Parks Strategic Plan;
- Advised that she is a commercial dog walker and owns a licenced commercial dog walking business in the District;
- Expressed concern regarding the process for creating the plan and consideration of approval;
- Expressed concern regarding the safety of her staff and the viability of her business with the proposed changes;
- Noted that commercial dog walkers have faced many changes with access to off-leash trails, sometimes with little or no notice;
- Noted that many dog owners live in multi-family units without outdoor access;
- Expressed concern regarding some of the wording in the plan; and,
- Requested additional consultation and consideration of the impacts of the proposed plan.

3.3. Jane Scott:

- Spoke regarding item 8.2 People, Dogs and Parks Strategic Plan;
- Advised that she is a commercial dog walker and owns a licenced commercial dog walking business in the District;
- Expressed appreciation for District Parks Department staff's work, consultation, and planning to create the plan;
- Spoke to the importance of dogs as part of the community, noting significant growth in the human and dog population in the District has led to more frequent and heavier trail use;
- Expressed concern regarding unlicenced commercial dog walking businesses operating in the District, noting they are unpermitted and uninsured, and that some do not comply with group size limits or other bylaw provisions.

3.4. Adi Kabazo:

- Spoke regarding item 8.2 People, Dogs and Parks Strategic Plan;
- Advised that he is a pet owner and owns a pet solutions company;
- Expressed appreciation for natural spaces in the District;
- Stated that off-leash opportunities are important for both residents and visitors to the District;
- Noted that visitors contribute to the local economy by shopping and dining in the District;
- Stated that Metro Vancouver is considering changes to off-leash trails under their jurisdiction; and,
- Recommended proactive management of unsupervised pets in public spaces, including on sidewalks and leashed outside of businesses.

3.5. Hazen Colbert:

- Commented on the population of First Nations members in the District; and,
- Commented on utility fees paid by First Nations members living on reserve and provisions of the *Indian Act* regarding taxation and fees.

3.6. John Lesow:

- Opined that the vacant gas station in Edgemont Village should not be demolished and that zoning for the site should not permit other uses;
- Opined that more condominiums are not needed in Edgemont Village;
- Commented on the closure of a produce store in Edgemont Village;
- Commented on the potential use of the site as a liquor store and opined that it would not be in the interest of the local community; and,
- Commented on traffic congestion and parking.

3.7. Stephanie Wilson:

- Spoke regarding supportive housing in the District;
- Expressed concern regarding the pace of progress in this area;
- Noted that the supportive housing project on Keith Road was approved by Council in 2024 and that there have been no recent updates regarding the project;
- Commented on other approvals of supportive housing projects, noting little progress;
- Stated that while housing takes time, it feels like these types of projects are not prioritized;
- Expressed concern that homelessness continues to increase;
- Commented on people living in vehicles and tents and how they are treated by the community;
- Asked where unhoused and underhoused people can go;
- Commented measures to address housing needs such as modular housing and parking lots for recreational and other vehicles, noting Homeward Bound Safe Park in Washington state as an example of an effective program; and,
- Stated that housing is a human right.

4. RECOGNITIONS

Nil

5. DELEGATIONS

5.1. Pemberton Avenue Businesses

Re: Problem with Illegally Parked RVs

Frankie and Leah, representing businesses on Pemberton Avenue, provided an overview of ongoing issues with illegally parked recreational vehicles (RVs) in the neighbourhood, including occupation of significant portions of street parking available for customers, increased property crime, drug use, human waste and other sanitation and general safety concerns. They suggested RVs be required to move on a regular basis, noting a recent count of 89 vehicles in the area.

MOVED by Councillor MURI

SECONDED by Councillor BACK

THAT the delegation of the Pemberton Avenue Businesses is received for information.

CARRIED

Councillor MURI left the meeting at 7:54 p.m. and returned at 7:56 p.m.

6. RELEASE OF CLOSED MEETING DECISIONS

6.1. January 12, 2026 Closed Special Meeting

6.1.1. Inappropriate, Offensive, Misleading, Harassing or Threatening Correspondence to Members of Council or Staff – Policy Updates

THAT the amended Inappropriate, Offensive, Misleading, Harassing or Threatening Correspondence to Members of Council or Staff policy is APPROVED;

AND THAT the resolution and amended policy are released to the public.

7. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE REPORT

Nil

8. REPORTS FROM COUNCIL OR STAFF

8.1. Business Licence for Jasmin's Childcare Centre – 2504 Swinburne Avenue File No.

MOVED by Councillor HANSON

SECONDED by Councillor BACK

THAT Council approve the application to amend the business licence for Jasmin's Childcare Centre, located at 2504 Swinburne Avenue, to increase capacity from eight children (aged 0 to 36 months) to 16 children (eight aged 0 to 36 months and eight aged 30 months to school age).

CARRIED

8.2. People, Dogs and Parks Strategic Plan File No. CAPPARKS-313193949-31132

MOVED by Mayor LITTLE

SECONDED by Councillor BACK

THAT the People, Dogs and Parks Strategic Plan as detailed in the January 20, 2026 report of the Parks Designer entitled People, Dogs and Parks Strategic Plan is approved.

CARRIED

8.3. Bylaw 8762, 8776, and 8769: New Fire and Rescue Services Bylaw 8762

File No. 09.3900.20/000.000

MOVED by Councillor MURI

SECONDED by Councillor FORBES

THAT "Fire and Rescue Services Bylaw 8762, 2026" is ADOPTED;

AND THAT "Bylaw Notice Enforcement Bylaw 7458, 2004 Amendment Bylaw 8776, 2025 (Amendment 84)" is ADOPTED;

AND THAT "Fireworks Regulation Bylaw 7456, 2004, Amendment Bylaw 8769, 2025 (Amendment 6)" is ADOPTED.

CARRIED

8.4. Bylaw 8777: Fees and Charges Bylaw 6481, 1992

Amendment Bylaw 8777, 2025 (Amendment 98)

File No. 09.3900.20/000.000

MOVED by Councillor MURI

SECONDED by Councillor FORBES

THAT "Fees and Charges Bylaw 6481, 1992 Amendment 8777 2025 (Amendment 98)" is ADOPTED.

CARRIED

9. REPORTS

9.1. Mayor

Mayor Little reported on his attendance at a road safety event at Argyle Secondary School on January 23, 2026.

9.2. Chief Administrative Officer

Nil

9.3. Councillors

9.3.1. Councillor Back reported on his attendance at the Homebuilders Association Vancouver (HAVAN) Legends of Housing event on January 29, 2026.

9.4. Metro Vancouver Committee Appointees

Nil

10. ADJOURNMENT

MOVED by Councillor MURI

SECONDED by Mayor LITTLE

THAT the February 2, 2026 Regular Meeting of Council for the District of North Vancouver is adjourned.

CARRIED
(9:04 p.m.)



Mayor



Corporate Officer