Minutes of a Special Meeting of the Wood Buffalo Waterfront Advisory Committee held in Room 207 at the Municipal Offices in Fort McMurray, Alberta, on Thursday, April 27, 2023, commencing at 5:30 PM.

Present:

Erica Brewer, Public-At-Large, Chair Gary Devison, Seniors Representative Cheryl Hocker, Public-At-Large Denise Martineau, Public-At-Large Rene Wells, Law Enforcement Representative Liana Wheeldon, Culture (Arts, Culture & Heritage) (via MS Teams) Ken Ball, Councillor (via MS Teams)

Absent:

Bill Loutitt, Indigenous Representative Greg MacAulay, Oil and Sands Industry Mitch Mercredi, Land Development Sector Ayisha Salman, Public-At-Large Stu Wigle, Councillor

Administration:

Keith Smith, Director, Public Works Amanda Haitas, Senior Manager, Planning and Development Kevin Meacher, Program Manager, Municipal Initiatives Anita Hawkins, Clerk, Legislative Services

1. Call to Order

Chair Erica Brewer called the meeting to order at 5:37 p.m.

Committee Member Absence

Chair Erica Brewer noted that Greg MacAulay, who is unable to attend tonight's meeting due to a scheduling conflict, has requested to be excused from the meeting.

MOTION:

THAT Greg MacAulay be excused from attending the April 27, 2023 Wood Buffalo Waterfront Advisory Committee meeting.

RESULT: CARRIED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: Gary Devison SECONDER: Rene Wells

FOR: Brewer, Devison, Hocker, Martineau, Wells, Wheeldon

ABSENT: Loutitt, MacAulay, Mercredi, Salman

2. Minutes of Previous Meetings

2.1. Wood Buffalo Waterfront Advisory Committee Meeting - April 13, 2023

MOTION:

THAT the Minutes of the Wood Buffalo Waterfront Advisory Committee meeting held on April 13, 2023, be approved as presented.

RESULT: CARRIED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: Rene Wells

SECONDER: Denise Martineau

FOR: Brewer, Devison, Hocker, Martineau, Wells, Wheeldon

ABSENT: Loutitt, MacAulay, Mercredi, Salman

3. New and Unfinished Business

3.1. Waterfront Park Revitalization

Josh Bernsen, Owner's Representative, Amie McGowan and Gregg Kahan, Urban Systems, spoke to the various design elements and project objectives, noting that the elements have been categorized by cost and impact, into four quadrants, namely low cost and high impact or low impact as well as high impact or low impact. Recommendations were made for these categories, being Lower Cost/Higher Impact (to be included in the project); Higher Cost/Higher Impact (to be included in the project with reduced design), Lower Cost/Lower Impact (to be removed from the project, or considered for future design) and Higher Cost/Lower Impact (to be removed from the project).

MOTION:

THAT the Wood Buffalo Waterfront Advisory Committee recommends that Snye Point function as a passive recreation (greenspace) location, with a simplified event space.

RESULT: CARRIED [5 TO 1]
MOVER: Denise Martineau

SECONDER: Rene Wells

FOR: Devison, Hocker, Martineau, Wells, Wheeldon

AGAINST: Brewer

ABSENT: Loutitt, MacAulay, Mercredi, Salman

Committee members provided feedback related to specific design elements which the Urban System team will consider when developing a revised high-level design for consideration. The revised design concept will be brought back to the Wood Buffalo Waterfront Advisory Committee with a subsequent presentation to Council.

Cancellation of May 11, 2023 meeting

As the next Committee meeting is scheduled within a two-week period, consideration was given to cancelling it in order to allow time for development of the revised design concept.

MOTION:

THAT the Wood Buffalo Waterfront Advisory Committee meeting scheduled for May 11, 2023, be cancelled.

RESULT: CARRIED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: Gary Devison SECONDER: Rene Wells

FOR: Brewer, Devison, Hocker, Martineau, Wells, Wheeldon

ABSENT: Loutitt, MacAulay, Mercredi, Salman

Adjournment

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Chair		