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Homelessness and Affordable Housing Select Committee Minutes May 16, 2018 at 9 am Council Chambers

Members Present:

Roger Albert, Chair
Kathy Duperron, Vice-Chair
Ian Cooper
Mark Fortin
Bobby Herron
Councillor Jesse Ketler

Staff:

Rachel Parker, Deputy Corporate Officer

Regrets: Lindsay Monk

Mr. Albert called the meeting to order at 9:07 am

1. Approval of Agenda

Duperron/Herron: That the Committee approve the agenda with addition of new member, and discussion on utility rates under 5.1.

Carried

2. Adoption of Minutes

Fortin/Duperron: That the Committee approve the minutes of the meeting of April 11, 2018.

Carried

3. Delegations

3.1 Len Mathot, Mathot Homes, Proposed Bare Land Strata Development
For 3025 Royston Road, Pre-application (rezoning) discussion for
Committee feedback

Mr. Mathot presented his proposal for a rezoning for a bare land strata development for 52 units on 320m² lots. Mr. Mathot and members discussed the possibility of rental units as part of the development as there is great demand for rental units in Cumberland; an amenity fee for affordable housing; and the possibility of dedicating one strata lot or fee simple lot for an affordable housing unit(s). Mr. Mathot left the meeting at 9:50 am.

Member discussed the need for the municipality to contribute land for affordable housing; that 500-600ft² units are more affordable; that

common/meeting open spaces are beneficial to community; and the possibility of requiring or allowing a percentage of rental units in the strata.

Duperron/Herron: THAT the Committee request that staff explore reducing the parkland or park-in-lieu requirement in favour of a contribution of land on site for affordable housing or cash contribution to an affordable housing fund; or a contribution of a fee simple lot through subdivision or strata lot for an affordable housing unit; or to require rental units through strata zoning for the proposed development at 3025 Royston Road.

Carried

4. Unfinished Business

- 4.1 RENT Conference (Regional Education, Networking & Tradeshow), April 12, 2018 discussion.

Members reported that the RENT conference was well attended and Mr. Heron attended the Ready Set Go education workshop. Discussion took place on the Ready to Rent RentSmart program for successful tenancies, and BC Housing's Housing Hub.

5. New Business

- 5.1 Reports from Committee members

Councillor Ketler reported that Council has appointed Lindsay Monk to the Committee who is expected to attend the next meeting.

Mr. Herron introduced a discussion on municipal utility costs for secondary suites and affordability, suggested a review in the future.

Mr. Cooper reported on funding for the John Howard Society from the province for staffing.

- 5.2 Draft Homelessness Response Protocol Policy

A brief discussion took place on identifying suitable areas for temporary structures, and identifying different areas for one or two shelters versus tent cities, the supply of porta potties, and camping in the Recreation Centre parking lot.

6. Upcoming meetings

June 13, 2018 at 9am (rescheduled from June 20)

July 18, 2018 at 9am

September 19, 2018 at 9am

November 21, 2018 at 9am – change to either Nov 14 or 28

7. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 11:10 am.

Certified Correct:

Chair

Deputy Corporate Officer