

# MINUTES CITY OF MERRITT COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Tuesday, March 16, 2021 2:00 P.M. Council Chamber

Public and press to watch online

PRESENT: Mayor L. Brown

Councillor M. Bhangu

**Councillor K. Christopherson** 

Councillor A. Etchart Councillor T. Fehr Councillor T. Luck Councillor M. White

IN ATTENDANCE: Mr. S. Smith, Chief Administrative Officer

Mr G. Lowis, Deputy Corporate Officer

# 1. CALL TO ORDER

1.1 Call to Order

Mayor Brown called the meeting to order at 2:09pm, and apologized for the late start due to technical problems with the webcast computer.

# 2. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

2.1 Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes - February 16th, 2021

THAT the Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting held on February 16th, 2021 be adopted.

Moved, Seconded, CARRIED

#### 3. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

# 3.1 Official Community Plan - Development Permit Areas and Neighbourhoods

Discussion to be led by Mr. McArthur

Mr. McArthur introduced the report, explaining concepts of neighbourhood policies, the "15 minute neighbourhood", and urban villages. He talked about the value of historic neighbourhood names, and of the ones that had been lost, or were new inventions.

Mr. Smith and Mr. McArthur noted that feedback was always welcome, and that nobody was being told what to call an area.

Council provided feedback on proposed names, density, districts that would be subdivisions of the city centre, and staff explained the difference between districts and zoning, and development permit areas. Staff introduced discussion about permit areas, and areas which could be subject to requirements of geotechnical analysis.

# 4. TERMINATION OF MEETING

The Mayor declared the meeting ended at 4:30pm

Corporate Office
Sean Smith
Certified correct in accordance with Section 124(2) (c) of the Community Charter
Confirmed on the day of, 20
Mayor
Linda Browr