



## **INAUGURAL MEETING OF COUNCIL M I N U T E S**

**Wednesday, November 2, 2022, 5:00 p.m.  
Michael J. Fox Theatre  
7373 MacPherson Avenue, Burnaby, BC**

**PRESENT:**

His Worship, Mayor Mike Hurley  
Councillor Pietro Calendino  
Councillor Sav Dhaliwal  
Councillor Alison Gu  
Councillor Joe Keithley  
Councillor Richard T. Lee  
Councillor Maita Santiago  
Councillor Daniel Tetrault  
Councillor James Wang

**STAFF:**

Ms. Noreen Kassam, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer / Chief Financial Officer  
Mr. Dave Critchley, General Manager Community Safety  
Mr. Dipak Dattani, General Manager Corporate Services  
Mr. Jozsef Dioszeghy, Acting General Manager Engineering  
Mr. Bob Klimek, Acting Chief Financial Officer  
Ms. Anita Bhandari, Chief Human Resources Officer  
Mr. James Lota, General Manager Lands & Facilities  
Ms. Mary Morrison-Clark, General Manager Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services  
Mr. Ed Kozak, General Manager Planning & Development  
Ms. Beth Davies, Chief Librarian  
Mr. Bachar Khawajah, Chief Information officer  
Mr. Chris Bowcock, Fire Chief  
Chief Superintendent Graham de la Gorgendiere, Officer In Charge, RCMP  
Ms. May Leung, City Solicitor  
Ms. Blanka Zeinabova, Acting Director Legislative Services  
Ms. Kathryn Matts, Administrative Officer 2

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

The Acting Director Legislative Services called the meeting to order at 5:07 p.m.

The Acting Director Legislative Services recognized the ancestral and unceded homelands of the hən̓q̓əmi̓n̓əm and Skwxwú7mesh speaking peoples, and extended appreciation for the opportunity to hold a meeting on this territory.

**2. SWEARING IN CEREMONY**

The Honourable Judge Eugene Jamieson, BC Provincial Court, performed the swearing-in of the newly elected members of Council.

**3. CLOSING REMARKS**

His Worship, Mayor Mike Hurley acknowledged the funeral of Constable Shaelyn Yang earlier that day, and a moment of silence was observed. Mayor Mike Hurley delivered the following speech:

*“Honoured guests, ladies and gentlemen, welcome to the 2022 Inaugural Ceremony.*

*With me tonight is your newly elected Council who I am sure are delighted to be here as I am. I would like to introduce them to you.....*

*Councillor Pietro Calendino  
Councillor Sav Dhaliwal  
Councillor Alison Gu  
Councillor Joe Keithley  
Councillor Richard T. Lee  
Councillor Maita Santiago  
Councillor Daniel Tetrault  
Councillor James Wang*

*On behalf of Council, I am so pleased that you could all be here tonight for this Inaugural City Council Meeting.*

*And, I want to thank you for the trust that you have placed in your City Council. The next four years will be challenging for everyone but Burnaby citizens can count on this Council to provide leadership to develop policies and to implement plans to continue the excellent growth of our City.*

*Besides Council, we have the following School Trustees-elect who will be hard at work to ensure our children have the best education...*

Bill Brassington  
Peter Cech  
Larry Hayes  
Jen Mezei  
Mikelle Sasakamoose  
Kristin Schnider  
Gary Wong

*As you entered the building this evening, you may have noticed the star blanket in the lobby. This special gift, presented by Ernie Cardinal, is from the Spirit of the Children Society. The blanket symbolizes Burnaby's connection with the Society and our commitment to work together to advance reconciliation.*

*The Spirit of the Children is an Indigenous non-profit society that serves families in Burnaby, New Westminister and Tri-Cities area. They work to empower and strengthen Indigenous families by providing support and resources for Indigenous peoples. The Spirit of the Children hosted an event in New Westminister on the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation and welcomed all community members to commemorate the legacy of residential schools through education and ceremony, and to celebrate all children and youth.*

*I would like to take a moment to thank some guests in attendance...*

**Union Presidents**

*Burnaby Firefighters Local 323 – Scott Alleyn  
CUPE Local 23 – Bruce Campbell*

**Special Guest** - *Jean Drummond – wife of late Mayor Douglas Drummond*

**Bagpiper** - *Sean Metcalfe*

**Flag Bearers from Burnaby South Secondary School** and carrying the

*Canada flag is Ren Rosario*

*BC flag is Isabela Huang*

*Burnaby flag is Alson Wu*

**The Honour Guards**

*from RCMP is Staff Sergeant Major David Douangchanh and from Fire is Captain Dillon Peters*

*and Honourable **Judge** Eugene Jamieson from BC Provincial Court*

*and behind us, the lovely student **choir** from Burnaby Mountain Secondary School, led by Kyle Axford.*

*...and dozens of members from our boards and committees, who volunteer their time throughout the year to ensure that decisions made represent our entire community.*

*Finally, to our Legislative Services department, they have worked tirelessly over the past several months to ensure that all Burnaby citizens had an opportunity to vote in our municipal election and for their significant contributions in tonight's ceremony."*

**Acting Mayor – November & December 2022**

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR CALENDINO  
SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR DHALIWAL

THAT Councillor Joe Keithley be appointed as Acting Mayor for November 2022, and Councillor James Wang be appointed as Acting Mayor for December 2022.


CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**4. ADJOURNMENT**

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR CALENDINO  
SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR KEITHLEY

THAT this Inaugural Council meeting do adjourn at 5:31 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

  
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Mike Hurley, MAYOR

  
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Blanka Zeinabova, ACTING  
DIRECTOR LEGISLATIVE  
SERVICES