

PUBLIC MINUTES

STANDING POLICY COMMITTEE ON PLANNING,

DEVELOPMENT AND COMMUNITY SERVICES

Monday, August 12, 2019, 9:00 a.m. Council Chamber, City Hall

- PRESENT: Councillor D. Hill, Chair Councillor A. Iwanchuk, Vice-Chair Councillor T. Davies Councillor H. Gough His Worship, Mayor C. Clark (Ex-Officio)
- ABSENT: Councillor Z. Jeffries

ALSO PRESENT: General Manager, Community Services L. Lacroix Solicitor J. Manastyrski Deputy City Clerk S. Bryant Committee Assistant P. Walter

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Chair called the meeting to order.

2. CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA

Moved By: Councillor Gough

- That the request to speak from Jen Altenberg, President and Shane Partridge, Safety Coordinator, Pleasant Hill Community Association, dated August 8, 2019 be added to Item 6.1.1;
- 2. That the following letters be added to Item 7.1.3:
 - 1. Request to Speak
 - 1. Paula Lichtenwald, Vice-Chair, Municipal Heritage Advisory Committee, dated August 8, 2019;
 - Bernie Cruikshank, Friends of the Forestry Farm House, dated August 12, 2019;
 - 2. Submitting Comments:

- Peggy Sarjeant, President, Saskatoon Heritage Society, dated August 9, 2019;
- Bernadette Vangool, Saskatchewan Perennial Society, Dated August 11, 2019;
- 3. Jeff Lindgren, Saskatoon Zoo Society, dated August 12, 2019;
- 3. That the request to speak from Rita Field, Executive Director, Saskatoon Crisis Intervention Service Inc., dated August 8, 2019 be added to Item 7.1.6;
- 4. That the following letters be added to Item 7.3.1:
 - 1. Request to Speak:
 - 1. Randy Pshebylo, Executive Director, Riversdale Business Improvement District, dated August 12, 2019;
 - 2. Submitting Comments:
 - 1. Keith Moen, NSBA, dated August 8, 2019;
 - 2. Brent Penner, Downtown Saskatoon, August 11, 2019;
- 5. That the items with speakers be considered immediately following consideration of Unfinished Business:
 - 1. 6.1.1 Jen Altenberg and Shane Partridge
 - 2. 6.3.1 Michael Donauer;
 - 3. 7.1.3 Peggy Sarjeant;
 - 4. 7.1.3 Bernadette Vangool;
 - 5. 7.1.3 Paula Lichtenwald;
 - 6. 7.1.3 Bernie Cruikshank;
 - 7. 7.1.6 Darlene Brander and Tara Janzen;
 - 8. 7.1.6 Rita Field;
 - 9. 7.3.1 Randy Pshebylo; and
- 6. That the agenda be confirmed as amended.

In Favour: (5): Councillor Hill, Councillor Iwanchuk, Councillor Davies, Councillor Gough, and Mayor C. Clark

Absent: (1): Councillor Jeffries

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3. DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of conflict of interest.

4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Moved By: Councillor Iwanchuk

That the minutes of Regular Meeting of the Standing Policy Committee on Planning, Development and Community Services held on June 11, 2019 be approved.

In Favour: (5): Councillor Hill, Councillor Iwanchuk, Councillor Davies, Councillor Gough, and Mayor C. Clark

Absent: (1): Councillor Jeffries

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

6. **COMMUNICATIONS (requiring the direction of the Committee)**

6.1 Delegated Authority Matters

6.1.1 Pleasant Hill Community Association - Calls to Action in Pleasant Hill [File No. CK 5605-3]

A letter from the Pleasant Hill Community Association, dated July 10, 2019, was provided along with a request to speak from Jen Altenberg, President and Shane Partridge, Safety Coordinator, Pleasant Hill Community Association.

Ms. Jen Altenberg, President, Pleasant Hill Community Association, addressed the Committee regarding the quality of life in the Pleasant Hill Community and the 56 boarded-up homes in the neighbourhood.

> Fire Chief Hackl responded to questions regarding what work has been going on to date regarding concerns with the boarded-up housing.

General Manager, Community Services Lacroix noted that there is an outstanding referral to the Administration to report back on licensing of landlords.

Moved By: Councillor Gough

- 1. That the letter, dated July 10, 2019 be forwarded to Administration for a response to the writer; and
- 2. That the Administration report back by fourth quarter in 2019 about current City and other agency engagement with currently boarded-up houses in Pleasant Hill and other neighbourhoods experiencing similar rates, identifying process to ensure more comprehensive and proactive follow up on this issue in our city.

In Favour: (5): Councillor Hill, Councillor Iwanchuk, Councillor Davies, Councillor Gough, and Mayor C. Clark

Absent: (1): Councillor Jeffries

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Moved By: Councillor Iwanchuk

That the letter be forwarded to the Board of Police Commissioners for consideration and possible response to the writer.

In Favour: (5): Councillor Hill, Councillor Iwanchuk, Councillor Davies, Councillor Gough, and Mayor C. Clark

Absent: (1): Councillor Jeffries

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Item 6.3.1 was considered next.

6.2 Matters Requiring Direction

6.2.1 Municipal Planning Commission - 2020 Proposed Budget [File No. 1704-5]

A letter from Robin Mowat, Chair, Municipal Planning Commission, dated June 26, 2019 was provided.

Moved By: Councillor Davies

That the budget request from the Municipal Planning Commission for an additional \$2,000 be referred to budget deliberations.

In Favour: (5): Councillor Hill, Councillor Iwanchuk, Councillor Davies, Councillor Gough, and Mayor C. Clark

Absent: (1): Councillor Jeffries

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

6.3 Requests to Speak (new matters)

6.3.1 Michael Donauer - Hoist the Hoops-Landmark Outdoor Basketball Project [File No. CK 150-1]

A letter from Michael Donauer, Hoist the Hoops, dated July 8, 2019 and a letter with additional information, dated August 12, 2019 was provided.

Mr. Marcus Storey addressed the Committee regarding a plan to build a world-class outdoor basketball court in Saskatoon. The plan would require the City's approval for land preferably in the core area (ie. River Landing near the outdoor exercise equipment). Mr. Storey noted that all fundraising will be managed by the organizers.

Moved By: Councillor Iwanchuk

That the information be received and that the Administration followup with the writer as appropriate and report back to once a detailed business plan has been received.

In Favour: (5): Councillor Hill, Councillor Iwanchuk, Councillor Davies, Councillor Gough, and Mayor C. Clark

Absent: (1): Councillor Jeffries

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Item 7.1.3 was considered next.

7. REPORTS FROM ADMINISTRATION

7.1 Information Reports

Moved By: Councillor Davies

That the reports contained in items 7.1.1, 7.1.2, 7.1.3, 7.1.4 and 7.1.5 be received as information.

In Favour: (5): Councillor Hill, Councillor Iwanchuk, Councillor Davies, Councillor Gough, and Mayor C. Clark

Absent: (1): Councillor Jeffries

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7.1.1 Application Summary: Land Use Applications Received for the Period from April 30, 2019 to July 16, 2019 [File No. CK 4000-5 and PL 4350-1]

An information report was provided.

7.1.2 Building and Development Permit: Streamlining Practices and Development Approvals [File No. CK 301-1 and PL 4240-9]

An information report was provided.

7.1.3 Saskatoon Forestry Farm Park and Zoo Master Plan Refresh [File No. CK 4205-8 and PL 4206-FO-12]

An information report was provided.

Letters from the following were provided:

Requests to speak:

- Peggy Sarjeant, Saskatoon Heritage Society dated August 3, 2019 (including comments dated August 9, 2019);
- Bernadette Vangool, Saskatchewan Perennial Society dated August 5, 2019 (including comments dated August 11, 2019);
- Paula Lichtenwald, Vice-Chair, Municipal Heritage Advisory Committee, dated August 8, 2019; and

• Bernie Cruikshank, Friends of the Forestry Farm House, dated August 12, 2019.

Submitting Comments:

• Jeff Lindgren, Saskatoon Zoo Society, dated August 12, 2019

Ms. Peggy Sarjeant, Saskatoon Heritage Society addressed the Committee regarding the new proposed main public parking and admissions area and expressed her opposition to the new plans. Ms. Sarjeant suggested a different location for the parking lot that would leave the manicured lawns intact.

Bernadette Vangool, Saskatchewan Perennial Society addressed the Committee regarding the history and heritage value of the Forestry Farm including the park, buildings and shelterbelts. Ms. Vangool requested the parking lot stay in its current place so the landscaping is not compromised. Ms. Vangool provided her speaking notes and letters dated August 11 and 12 2019.

Ms. Bernie Cruikshank, President of the Friends of the Forestry Farm House addressed the Committee regarding concerns with the proposed placement of the Admission building and shuttle service shelter and the placement of the proposed public parking lot. Ms. Cruikshank provided Committee members with a copy of a book entitled "Saskatoon Forestry Farm Park & Zoo: A Photographic History" by Sara Williams.

It was noted that Ms. Paula Lichtenwald was not in attendance.

Discussion followed and General Manager, Community Services Lacroix responded to questions of the Committee and indicated the next update report on this matter will be this fall.

Item 7.1.6 was considered next.

7.1.4 Proposed Zoning Bylaw Amendment – Cannabis Production Facilities in IL1 [File No. CK 4350-68 and PL4005-9-16]

An information report was provided.

7.1.5 Saskatoon North Partnership for Growth Update [File No. CK 4110-45 and PL 4250-4]

An information report was provided.

A letter from Alex Fallon, Independent Chair, Regional Oversight Committee, dated July 4, 2019, was provided.

7.1.6 Stand-Alone Funding Agreements for 2020 and 2021 [File No. CK 1871-1, x1700-1 and RCD 1870-1]

An information report was provided along with the following requests to speak:

- Darlene Brander, Chief Executive Officer, Wanuskewin Heritage Park Authority, dated July 30, 2019; and
- Rita Field, Executive Director, Saskatoon Crisis Intervention Service Inc, dated August 8, 2019 (including comments).

Ms. Darlene Brander, Chief Executive Officer along with Ms. Tara Janzen, Development Manager, Wanuskewin Heritage Park Authority addressed the Committee regarding the current state and future plans of Wanuskewin Heritage Park. She requested that funding be increased by 2% to support new and expanded program offerings.

Ms. Rita Field, Executive Director, Saskatoon Crisis Intervention Service Inc. addressed the Committee regarding an overview of services and current challenges the Saskatoon Crisis Intervention Service is facing.

Moved By: Councillor Iwanchuk

That the information be received.

In Favour: (5): Councillor Hill, Councillor Iwanchuk, Councillor Davies, Councillor Gough, and Mayor C. Clark

Absent: (1): Councillor Jeffries

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Moved By: Councillor Gough

- That the August 12, 2019 report of the General Manager, Community Services Department be forwarded to the Board of Police Commissioners specifically regarding the Saskatoon Crisis Intervention Service, for its consideration;
- 2. That the Standing Policy Committee on Planning, Development and Community Services recommend to the August 19, 2019 Governance and Priorities Committee that a 2% inflationary increase be applied to the stand-alone grants for Saskatoon Crisis Intervention Services and Wanuskewin Heritage Park as set out in the August 12, 2019 report of the General Manager, Community Services Department.

In Favour: (5): Councillor Hill, Councillor Iwanchuk, Councillor Davies, Councillor Gough, and Mayor C. Clark

Absent: (1): Councillor Jeffries

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Moved By: Mayor C. Clark

- That the Standing Policy Committee on Planning, Development and Community Services recommend to City Council that a letter be written to Saskatchewan Health Authority regarding the funding relationship between the City and Health authority including the Saskatoon Crisis Intervention Service and Brief Detox Centre; and
- 2. That the August 12, 2019 report of the General Manager, Community Services Department be forwarded to the Community Safety and Well Being Partnership Table.

In Favour: (5): Councillor Hill, Councillor Iwanchuk, Councillor Davies, Councillor Gough, and Mayor C. Clark

Absent: (1): Councillor Jeffries

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Item 7.3.1 was considered next.

7.2 Approval Reports

7.2.1 Building Better Parks Asset Management Plan Update [File No. CK 1295-1, x4205-1, and x1815-1]

An approval report was provided.

Moved By: Councillor Iwanchuk

That the Standing Policy Committee on Planning Development and Community Services recommend to City Council that \$350,000 be allocated from the Parks Infrastructure Reserve to Capital Project 901 – Parks Upgrades, Enhancements and Repairs in order to replace up to three playgrounds that are currently in poor or very poor condition.

In Favour: (5): Councillor Hill, Councillor Iwanchuk, Councillor Davies, Councillor Gough, and Mayor C. Clark

Absent: (1): Councillor Jeffries

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7.2.2 Status Report on the Ten-Year Housing Business Plan 2013 - 2022 [File No. CK 750-1 and PL 950-32]

An approval report was provided.

Moved By: Councillor Gough

That the Standing Policy Committee on Planning, Development and Community Services recommend to City Council that if a Neighbourhood Land Development Fund dividend is declared and allocated to the Affordable Housing Reserve, \$270,000 of the \$400,000 allocated for 2020 be used for capital grants to support the creation of affordable rental housing for low-income households.

In Favour: (5): Councillor Hill, Councillor Iwanchuk, Councillor Davies, Councillor Gough, and Mayor C. Clark

Absent: (1): Councillor Jeffries

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7.2.3 Vacant Lot and Adaptive Reuse Incentive Program – 880 Broadway Avenue [File No. CK 4250-1 and PL 4110-71-82]

An approval report was provided.

Moved By: Mayor C. Clark

That the Standing Policy Committee on Planning, Development and Community Services recommend to City Council that:

- A five-year tax abatement, equivalent to 100% of the incremental municipal and library taxes for the development of 880 Broadway Avenue, be approved;
- 2. The Neighbourhood Planning Section be requested to submit an application under the Provincial Government's Education Property Tax Exemption/Abatement Program seeking approval of a five-year tax abatement, equivalent to 100% of the incremental education taxes, for the development of 880 Broadway Avenue;
- The City Solicitor be requested to prepare the appropriate agreement, and that His Worship the Mayor and the City Clerk be authorized to execute the agreement under the Corporate Seal; and
- 4. The five-year tax abatement on the incremental taxes be applied to the subject properties, commencing the next taxation year following the completion of the project.

In Favour: (5): Councillor Hill, Councillor Iwanchuk, Councillor Davies, Councillor Gough, and Mayor C. Clark

Absent: (1): Councillor Jeffries

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7.2.4 Review and Update on Election Sign Rules - Temporary Sign Bylaw Amendments [File No. CK 6280-2, x265-1 and PL 6280-4 (BF 025-18)]

An approval report was provided.

Bylaw Compliance Manager Grazier presented the report with a PowerPoint.

Moved By: Councillor Iwanchuk

- That the Standing Policy Committee on Planning, Development, and Community Services recommend to City Council that the City Solicitor be requested to amend Bylaw No. 7491, the Temporary Sign Bylaw, as outlined in the August 12, 2019 report of the General Manager, Community Services Department; and
- 2. That the Solicitor prepare the Bylaw for the August 26, 2019 City Council meeting.

In Favour: (5): Councillor Hill, Councillor Iwanchuk, Councillor Davies, Councillor Gough, and Mayor C. Clark

Absent: (1): Councillor Jeffries

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7.3 Decision Reports

7.3.1 Proposed Amendments to the Cannabis Business License Renewal Fee [File No. CK 4350-68 and PL 4005-9-16 (BF 032-18)]

A decision report was provided.

License and Permitting Manager Wilson presented the report with a PowerPoint.

The following letters were provided:

- Mr. Randy Pshebylo, Executive Director, Riversdale Business Improvement District, dated August 12, 2019;
- Keith Moen, Executive Director, NSBA, dated August 8, 2019; and
- Brent Penner, Executive Director, Downtown Saskatoon dated August 12, 2019.

> Mr. Randy Pshebylo, Executive Director, Riversdale Business Improvement District addressed the Committee regarding the proposed amendments to the cannabis business license renewal fee and expressed support for reducing the renewal fee to \$85, similar to licensing for liquor establishments.

Moved By: Councillor Iwanchuk

That the Standing Policy Committee on Planning, Development and Community Services recommend to City Council that the City Solicitor be requested to amended Bylaw No. 9525, The Cannabis Business License Bylaw, 2018, to:

 Amend the Business License Renewal Fee for a cannabis retail store and a cannabis production facility to \$85, as outlined in Option 1 of the August 12, 2019 report of the General Manager, Community Services Department.

In Favour: (2): Councillor Iwanchuk, and Mayor C. Clark

Against: (3): Councillor Hill, Councillor Davies, and Councillor Gough

Absent: (1): Councillor Jeffries

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Moved By: Councillor Iwanchuk

That the Standing Policy Committee on Planning, Development and Community Services recommend to City Council that the City Solicitor be requested to amended Bylaw No. 9525, The Cannabis Business License Bylaw, 2018, to establish a Change of Location Fee for a cannabis retail store and a cannabis production facility of \$500.

In Favour: (5): Councillor Hill, Councillor Iwanchuk, Councillor Davies, Councillor Gough, and Mayor C. Clark

Absent: (1): Councillor Jeffries

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Moved By: Councillor Gough

> That the Standing Policy Committee on Planning, Development and Community Services recommend to City Council that the City Solicitor be requested to amended Bylaw No. 9525, The Cannabis Business License Bylaw, 2018, to amend the Business License Renewal Fee for a cannabis retail store and a cannabis production facility to \$500, as outlined in Option 2 of the August 12, 2019 report of the General Manager, Community Services Department.

In Favour: (4): Councillor Hill, Councillor Iwanchuk, Councillor Davies, and Councillor Gough

Against: (1): Mayor C. Clark

Absent: (1): Councillor Jeffries

CARRIED

Moved By: Councillor Gough

That the Administration report back in one year regarding the adequacy of the renewal fee.

In Favour: (5): Councillor Hill, Councillor Iwanchuk, Councillor Davies, Councillor Gough, and Mayor C. Clark

Absent: (1): Councillor Jeffries

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The meeting recessed at 11:33 a.m. and reconvened at 11:43 a.m. Item 6.2.1 and the remaining items were considered after the recess.

- 8. MOTIONS (notice previously given)
- 9. GIVING NOTICE
- 10. URGENT BUSINESS
- 11. IN CAMERA SESSION (If Required)

12. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 12:30 p.m.

Councillor D. Hill, Chair

Ms. S. Bryant, Deputy City Clerk