



## PUBLIC MINUTES

### STANDING POLICY COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT, UTILITIES AND CORPORATE SERVICES

Monday, December 2, 2019, 9:00 a.m.  
Council Chamber, City Hall

PRESENT: Councillor S. Gersher, Chair  
Councillor H. Gough, Vice-Chair  
Councillor T. Davies  
Councillor M. Loewen  
His Worship, Mayor C. Clark (Ex-Officio)

ABSENT: Councillor D. Hill

ALSO PRESENT: General Manager, Utilities & Environment A. Gardiner  
Solicitor B. Bleakney  
Deputy City Clerk S. Bryant  
Committee Assistant D. Sackmann

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER

The Chair called the meeting to order on Treaty 6 Territory and the Homeland of the Métis people.

#### 2. CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA

**Moved By:** Councillor Gough

1. That the following letters be added to 7.1.2:
  1. Speak - Aurora Milbrandt, dated November 30, 2019
  2. Comments - Penny McKinlay, dated December 1, 2019
2. That an In Camera [Section 18 1 (b) of LAFOIPP] Appendix 3 be added to Item 7.3.1 Landfill Infrastructure Replace and Recovery Park Site;
3. That the items with speakers be considered immediately following Unfinished Business:
  1. 6.3.1 - Julia Adamson;
  2. 7.1.2 - Aurora Milbrandt; and
4. That the agenda be confirmed as amended.

In Favour: (5): Councillor Gersher, Councillor Gough, Councillor Davies, Councillor Loewen, and Mayor C. Clark

Absent (1): Councillor Hill

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**3. DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of conflicts of interest.

**4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

**Moved By:** Councillor Davies

That the minutes of meeting held November 4, 2019 be approved.

In Favour: (5): Councillor Gersher, Councillor Gough, Councillor Davies, Councillor Loewen, and Mayor C. Clark

Absent (1): Councillor Hill

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

Committee considered Item 6.3.1 next.

**5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

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

**6.1 Delegated Authority Matters**

**6.2 Matters Requiring Direction**

**6.2.1 Saskatoon Environmental Advisory Committee - Terms of Reference Review - 2019 [CK. 175-9]**

The Saskatoon Environmental Advisory Committee provided a communication dated November 2019 regarding suggested changes to its Terms of Reference.

Deputy City Clerk Bryant advised that all Advisory Committees underwent a review in 2018 and new Terms of Reference for the Committees were adopted as of January 1, 2019.

Discussion was held regarding possibly having a follow-up review of all Advisory Committee Terms of Reference since adoption of the revised Terms.

**Moved By:** Councillor Gough

That the Standing Policy Committee on Environment, Utilities and Corporate Services recommend to the Governance and Priorities Committee:

That the Leadership Team Governance Subcommittee be directed to engage with the Advisory Committees with respect to the revised Terms of Reference by the second quarter of 2021.

In Favour: (5): Councillor Gersher, Councillor Gough, Councillor Davies, Councillor Loewen, and Mayor C. Clark

Absent (1): Councillor Hill

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

Item 7.1.1 and the remaining items were considered following Item 6.2.1.

### **6.3 Requests to Speak (new matters)**

#### **6.3.1 Julia Adamson, Friends of the Saskatoon Afforestation Areas Inc. - Business Case for Afforestation Area - Richard St. Barbe Baker Afforestation Area [CK. 155-1]**

A letter and information package dated November 6, 2019, from Julia Adamson, Friends of the Saskatoon Afforestation Areas Inc. requesting permission to make a presentation at the Saskatoon Environmental Advisory Committee was provided.

The Deputy City Clerk reported that Ms. Adamson also submitted a similar request to the Standing Policy Committee on Planning, Development and Community Services for the Municipal Heritage Advisory Committee.

Ms. Adamson on behalf of the Friends of the Saskatoon Afforestation Areas Inc. provided background information regarding the Saskatoon Afforestation Areas. She requested direction regarding deer and urban wildlife in an urban setting such as developing a Deer Conflict Management Plan along with requesting a letter be provided from the Saskatoon Environmental Advisory Committee supporting the afforestation areas become municipal heritage sites to the Municipal Heritage Advisory Committee.

Administration identified that in a future Blairmore Sector Plan amendment there are a number of considerations in the area to consider such as the Saskatoon Freeway and institutional lands, infrastructure planning, etc. The amendment will include the ability to address the afforestation area, bringing it into asset management plans in the future.

Through discussion, Committee determined that addressing the Saskatoon Environmental Advisory Committee at this point would be premature until information regarding implications and considerations of Heritage designation of the afforestation area is received.

**Moved By:** Mayor C. Clark

That the Administration report on the implications and considerations of Heritage designations of the afforestation area through the appropriate committee.

In Favour: (5): Councillor Gersher, Councillor Gough, Councillor Davies, Councillor Loewen, and Mayor C. Clark

Absent (1): Councillor Hill

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

Item 7.1.2 was considered following Item 6.3.1.

## **7. REPORTS FROM ADMINISTRATION**

### **7.1 Information Reports**

#### **7.1.1 Naming Rights, Sponsorship and Advertising [CK. 100-25]**

A report from the Interim Chief Strategy & Transformation Officer was provided.

Director of Communications & Public Engagement Blumers responded to questions of the Committee.

**Moved By:** Councillor Davies

That the report of the Interim Chief Strategy & Transformation Officer be forwarded to City Council for information.

In Favour: (5): Councillor Gersher, Councillor Gough, Councillor Davies, Councillor Loewen, and Mayor C. Clark

Absent (1): Councillor Hill

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

### **7.1.2 Pigeon Control Response [CK. 151-2-2]**

A report from the General Manager, Utilities and Environment Department was provided.

The following letters were provided:

- Request to speak - Aurora Milbrandt, dated November 30, 2019
- Comments - Penny McKinlay, dated December 1, 2019

Aurora Milbrandt addressed the Committee regarding the negative impacts of using Avitrol and euthanasia to decrease pigeon populations and encouraged alternative options as deterrents, providing examples

Administration noted that the City no longer uses Avitrol in its civic operations and noted challenges of enforcing a general application bylaw city wide.

Discussion continued regarding a possible integrated pest management strategy for the City of Saskatoon.

**Moved By:** Councillor Gough

That the Administration report back on the potential and implications of an integrated pest management strategy for the City of Saskatoon.

In Favour: (5): Councillor Gersher, Councillor Gough, Councillor Davies, Councillor Loewen, and Mayor C. Clark

Absent (1): Councillor Hill

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

Item 6.2.1 was considered following Item 7.1.2.

### **7.1.3 Corporate Climate Adaptation Strategy**

A report from the General Manager, Utilities and Environment Department was provided.

Director of Sustainability South provided a PowerPoint and responded to questions of the Committee. The Strategy is based on the International Council for Local Environmental Initiatives (ICLEI) Canada's five milestone approach, which focuses on collaboration and iteration as potential resiliency actions are developed through workshops and facilitated activities.

**Moved By:** Councillor Gough

That the report of the General Manager, Utilities and Environment Department be forwarded to City Council for information and to the Saskatoon Environmental Advisory Committee for feedback.

In Favour: (5): Councillor Gersher, Councillor Gough, Councillor Davies, Councillor Loewen, and Mayor C. Clark

Absent (1): Councillor Hill

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

The meeting recessed at 11:27 a.m. and resumed at 11:39 a.m. with all members of Committee present with the exception of Councillor Davies. Item 7.3.1. was considered next.

### **7.1.4 Additional Information for Curbside Residential Recycling for 2020 and Beyond [CK. 116-2 x 7830-5]**

A report from the General Manager, Utilities and Environment Department was provided.

**Moved By:** Councillor Gough

That the report of the General Manager, Utilities and Environment Department be forwarded to City Council and the Saskatoon Environmental Advisory Committee for information.

In Favour: (4): Councillor Gersher, Councillor Gough, Councillor Loewen, and Mayor C. Clark

Absent (2): Councillor Davies, and Councillor Hill

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

## **7.2 Approval Reports**

## **7.3 Decision Reports**

### **7.3.1 Landfill Infrastructure Replacement and Recovery Park Site Design Options [CK. 7830-4-2]**

A report from the General Manager, Utilities and Environment Department was provided.

Appendix 3 - In Camera -Third Party Information [*Section 18 1 (b) of LAFOIPP*] was added to this item.

Special Projects Manager, Transportation and Construction, Zerebeski provided a PowerPoint. Administration has re-developed the Master Plan design for Recovery Park and has created an integrated design. Options of various designs were presented to Committee. He responded to questions of Committee together with Director of Water & Waste Operations Munro.

**Moved By:** Councillor Gough

That the Standing Policy Committee on Environment, Utilities and Corporate Services recommend to City Council:

That Option 3: Additional Recovery, Scaled and Non-Scaled, be approved for the Recovery Park site design, and that Capital Project #2050 be adjusted to reflect the estimated cost of \$31.1M.

In Favour: (4): Councillor Gersher, Councillor Gough, Councillor Loewen, and Mayor C. Clark

Absent (2): Councillor Davies, and Councillor Hill

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**Moved By:** Councillor Loewen

That at the time this matter is before City Council the Administration provide additional information regarding the cost of not pursuing the landfill cell expansion.

In Favour: (4): Councillor Gersher, Councillor Gough, Councillor Loewen, and Mayor C. Clark

Absent (2): Councillor Davies, and Councillor Hill

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

Item 7.1.4 was considered following Item 7.3.1.

- 8. MOTIONS (NOTICE PREVIOUSLY GIVEN)**
- 9. GIVING NOTICE**
- 10. URGENT BUSINESS**
- 11. IN CAMERA AGENDA ITEMS**
- 12. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 12:38 p.m.

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Councillor S. Gersher, Chair

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Deputy City Clerk S. Bryant