



PUBLIC MINUTES

STANDING POLICY COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT, UTILITIES AND CORPORATE SERVICES

**Monday, January 13, 2020, 9:00 a.m.
Council Chamber, City Hall**

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

ABSENT: Councillor T. Davies
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

Deputy City Clerk Bryant called the meeting to order.

2. APPOINTMENT OF CHAIR AND VICE-CHAIR

The Deputy City Clerk reported that City Council, at its Regular Business Meeting held on September 30, 2019 made the following appointments for 2020:

Standing Policy Committee on Environment, Utilities and Corporate Services

- Councillor T. Davies
- Councillor S. Gersher
- Councillor H. Gough
- Councillor D. Hill
- Councillor M. Loewen

Deputy City Clerk Bryant opened nominations for Chair. Councillor Gough nominated Councillor Gersher and she accepted the nomination. No further nominations were received and a motion was passed that she be appointed as Chair for 2020.

Councillor Gersher took the Chair and opened nominations for Vice-Chair. Councillor Loewen nominated Councillor Gough and she accepted the nomination. No further nominations were received.

Moved By: Councillor Gough

That Councillor Gersher be appointed Chair of the Standing Policy Committee on Environment, Utilities & Corporate Services to November 16, 2020.

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 Councillor Gough be appointed Vice-Chair of the Standing Policy Committee on Environment, Utilities & Corporate Services to November 16, 2020.

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

Absent (2): Councillor Davies, and Councillor Hill

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3. CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA

Moved By: Mayor C. Clark

1. That the following letter be added to Item 8.1.1:
 1. Comments - Leah Zepick, dated January 11, 2020
2. That the following letter be added to Item 8.2.1:
 1. Comments - Patrick Smith, dated January 13, 2020;
3. That the following letters be added to Item 8.3.1:
 1. Speak - Keith Moen, Executive Director, NSBA, dated January 9, 2020
 2. Comments - Darla Lindbjerg, Greater Saskatoon Chamber of Commerce, dated January 12, 2020;
4. That the items with speakers be considered immediately following Unfinished Business:
 1. 8.3.1 - Keith Moen; and
5. That the agenda be confirmed as amended.

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

Absent (2): Councillor Davies, and Councillor Hill

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

4. DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

4.1 Councillor Gersher - Electricity Net Metering Program [CK 2000-1 x 1905-3]

Councillor Gersher declared a conflict of interest on this matter due to being a current Net Metering program customer.

5. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Moved By: Councillor Gough

That the minutes of meeting held December 2, 2019, be adopted.

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

Absent (2): Councillor Davies, and Councillor Hill

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Committee considered Item 8.3.1 next.

6. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

7. COMMUNICATIONS (requiring the direction of the Committee)

7.1 Delegated Authority Matters

7.1.1 Electricity Net Metering Program [CK 2000-1 x 1905-3]

Councillor Gersher declared a conflict of interest on this matter due to being a current Net Metering program customer.

Councillor Gersher excused herself from discussion and voting on the matter and left the Council Chamber.

Councillor Gough assumed the role of Chair on this matter.
A letter from Eric Lamb, dated December 30, 2019 was provided.

Moved By: Councillor Loewen

That the information be received and forwarded to the Administration to join to the file.

In Favour: (3): Councillor Gough, Councillor Loewen, and Mayor C. Clark
Absent (2): Councillor Davies, and Councillor Hill

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Councillor Gersher re-entered Council Chamber and resumed the role of the Chair.

7.2 Matters Requiring Direction

7.3 Requests to Speak (new matters)

8. REPORTS FROM ADMINISTRATION

8.1 Information Reports

Moved By: Councillor Loewen

That the reports contained in Items 8.1.2 and 8.1.4 be received as information.

In Favour: (4): Councillor Gersher, Councillor Gough, Councillor Loewen, and Mayor C. Clark
Absent (2): Councillor Davies, and Councillor Hill

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8.1.1 Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada Calls to Action Update – January 2020 [CK 5615-1]

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

A letter submitting comments from Leah Zepick, dated January 11, 2020 was added to this item.

Director of Indigenous Initiatives Dorval responded to questions of Committee.

Moved By: Mayor C. Clark

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

That the Administration be directed to permanently install the Treaty 6 and Métis flags within City Council Chambers and other City of Saskatoon owned and operated facilities as appropriate to recognize the importance of the Treaty Relationship as a foundational basis for mutual cooperation in Saskatoon and the importance of working with Indigenous Governments toward the benefit of the whole community.

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 Gough

That the letter from Leah Zepcik, dated January 11, 2020 be forwarded to the Administration for consideration.

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

Absent (2): Councillor Davies, and Councillor Hill

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8.1.2 Saskatoon Participation in the OpenNorth Initiative [CK 1860-1]

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

A letter from Patrick Smith, dated January 13, 2020 was added to this item.

Administration provided responses to questions of Committee.

8.1.3 Sustainability Report: Towards a Healthy, Resilient and Regenerative Saskatoon [CK 7550-1]

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

Director of Sustainability South provided a PowerPoint in regard to the City's Sustainability Division highlighting its core responsibilities, sections/area of work and their accomplishments in 2019, along with its goals and planned activities for 2020-21.

Moved By: Councillor Loewen

That the report of the General Manager, Utilities and Environment, dated January 13, 2020, be forwarded to City Council for information and to 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

8.1.4 Referral List – Standing Policy Committee on Environment, Utilities and Corporate Services – January 2020 [CK 225-79]

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

8.2 Approval Reports

8.3 Decision Reports

8.3.1 Regulatory Approaches to Enhance Waste Diversion in the Industrial, Commercial and Institutional Sector [CK 7830-1]

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

A letter requesting to speak from Keith Moen, Executive Director, NSBA, dated January 9, 2020 was added to this item.

A letter submitting comments from Darla Lindbjerg, President & CEO, Greater Saskatoon Chamber of Commerce, dated January 12, 2020 was added to this item.

Education and Environmental Performance Manager Weckworth along with Special Projects Manager, Utilities & Environment Burns provided a high-level PowerPoint on regulatory approaches to

enhance waste diversion in the Industrial, Commercial and Institutional Sector and responded to questions.

Keith Moen on behalf of the North Saskatoon Business Association expressed its support for the recommendations in the report of the General Manager, Utilities and Environment.

Committee requested that the presentation provided be ready in the event the matter is removed from the Consent Agenda at Council.

Moved By: Councillor Gough

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

1. Option 1 - Waste Bylaw Enforcement plus Separate Waste Containers be approved for implementation; and
2. That the City Solicitor amend Bylaw No. 8310, *The Waste Bylaw* to enact Option1.

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 Gough

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

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

Absent (2): Councillor Davies, and Councillor Hill

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Item 7.1.1 and the remaining items were considered following Item 8.3.1.

9. MOTIONS (NOTICE PREVIOUSLY GIVEN)

10. GIVING NOTICE

11. URGENT BUSINESS

12. IN CAMERA AGENDA ITEMS

13. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 10:40 a.m.

Councillor S. Gersher, Chair

Deputy City Clerk S. Bryant