



PUBLIC MINUTES GOVERNANCE AND PRIORITIES COMMITTEE

**Monday, January 20, 2020, 1:02 p.m.
Council Chamber, City Hall**

PRESENT: His Worship Mayor C. Clark, Chair
Councillor C. Block
Councillor T. Davies
Councillor R. Donauer
Councillor B. Dubois
Councillor S. Gersher
Councillor H. Gough
Councillor A. Iwanchuk
Councillor Z. Jeffries via teleconference
Councillor M. Loewen at 1:03 p.m.

ABSENT: Councillor D. Hill

ALSO PRESENT: City Manager J. Jorgenson
City Solicitor C. Yelland
City Clerk J. Sproule
Committee Assistant J. Hudson

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Chair called the meeting to order at 1:02 p.m. on Treaty 6 Territory and the Homeland of the Métis People.

2. CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA

Mayor Clark noted Councillor Jeffries was in attendance via teleconference.

Moved By: Councillor Dubois

1. That the Governance and Priorities Committee suspend the rules of having electronic participation of members limited to emergencies for this meeting to permit Councillors Hill and Jeffries the option to attend the meeting, or a portion of, via teleconference;
2. That Item 6.2.2 be considered following adoption of the minutes and that the following be included for consideration:- Comments from John Zubowicz dated January 17, 2020;- Comments from Joyce Arthur, Executive Director, Abortion Rights Coalition of Canada dated January 18, 2020; and- Request to Speak from Carole Tokaruk dated January 19, 2020;
3. That additional correspondence dated January 17, 2020 be included for consideration with *In Camera* Item 12.3.4; and
4. That the agenda be confirmed as amended.

In Favour (9): Mayor Clark, Councillor Block, Councillor Davies, Councillor Donauer, Councillor Dubois, Councillor Gersher, Councillor Gough, Councillor Iwanchuk, and Councillor Jeffries

Absent (2): Councillor Hill, and Councillor Loewen

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Councillor Loewen entered the meeting at 1:03 p.m.

3. DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of conflict of interest.

4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Moved By: Councillor Davies

That the minutes of the Governance and Priorities Committee meeting held on December 9, 2019, be adopted.

In Favour (10): Mayor Clark, Councillor Block, Councillor Davies, Councillor Donauer, Councillor Dubois, Councillor Gersher, Councillor Gough, Councillor Iwanchuk, Councillor Jeffries, and Councillor Loewen

Absent (1): Councillor Hill

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

6. COMMUNICATIONS (requiring the direction of the Committee)

6.1 Delegated Authority Matters

6.2 Matters Requiring Direction

**6.2.1 Request for Extension - Cultural Diversity and Race Relations
Flag - March 2020 (File No. CK. 205-1)**

A communication from Kathleen Regier dated January 8, 2020 regarding the above, was provided.

The City Clerk and City Solicitor answered questions of Committee.

Moved By: Councillor Dubois
That the information be received.

In Favour (10): Mayor Clark, Councillor Block, Councillor Davies, Councillor Donauer, Councillor Dubois, Councillor Gersher, Councillor Gough, Councillor Iwanchuk, Councillor Jeffries, and Councillor Loewen
Absent (1): Councillor Hill

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

6.2.2 Appeal of Proclamation Denial - Alliance for Life (File No. CK. 205-5)

Report of the City Clerk:

"Attached is the following:

- Original proclamation request from Carole Tokaruk dated December 11, 2019;
- Decision email from City Clerk to Carole Tokaruk dated December 17, 2019;
- Appeal application from Carole Tokaruk dated December 30, 2019;
- Comments from John Zubowicz dated January 17, 2020;
- Comments from Joyce Arthur, Executive Director, Abortion Rights Coalition of Canada dated January 18, 2020; and
- Request to Speak from Carole Tokaruk dated January 19, 2020

The following is an excerpt from *The Flag and Proclamations Policy*:

'4.4 Criteria – Flag Raising and Proclamation Requests

Flag raising and proclamation requests are approved in accordance with the criteria outlined in this Policy.

- a) Flag raising and proclamation requests may be approved for charitable and non-profit organizations to increase public awareness of their causes, promote fundraising activities, support major sporting, cultural and entertainment programs of the City or other civic initiatives.
- b) Flag raising or proclamation requests will not be approved if:
 - i) the organization or request involves commercial enterprise;
 - ii) the organization is a political party or the request is in support of a political party;

iii) the organization's undertaking or philosophy, or the request:

- A) is contrary to City policies or bylaws;
- B) is contrary to the *Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms*;
- C) espouses hatred, violence, racism or is otherwise discriminatory;
- D) is politically or religiously motivated;
- E) is controversial, contentious or divisive within the community; or
- F) is untruthful, inflammatory, obscene or libelous.

c) Flag raising requests for the flags of other countries and corresponding proclamations will not be approved if Canada does not have diplomatic relations with the requesting country as recognized by the Government of Canada.

d) The City Clerk will be guided by previously approved flag raising and proclamation requests.”

Mayor Clark outlined the appeal process.

City Clerk Sproule presented the decision and answered questions of Committee.

The appellant, Carole Tokaruk, requested her appeal be granted and answered questions of Committee. She confirmed Alliance for Life is not a charitable or non-profit organization.

Moved By: Councillor Dubois

That the appeal filed by Carole Tokaruk, Alliance for Life, dated December 30, 2019 be denied and the decision of the City Clerk dated December 17, 2019 be upheld.

In Favour (10): Mayor Clark, Councillor Block, Councillor Davies, Councillor Donauer, Councillor Dubois, Councillor Gersher, Councillor Gough, Councillor Iwanchuk, Councillor Jeffries, and Councillor Loewen
Absent (1): Councillor Hill

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

6.3 Requests to Speak (new matters)

7. ADMINISTRATIVE AND LEGISLATIVE REPORTS

7.1 Information Reports

7.1.1 Referral List – Governance and Priorities Committee – January 2020 (File No. CK. 225-80)

7.1.2 Inquiries and Notice of Motions – January 2020 (File No. CK. 255-6)

Moved By: Councillor Davies

That the reports of the City Clerk provided for Items 7.1.1 and 7.1.2 be received as information.

In Favour (10): Mayor Clark, Councillor Block, Councillor Davies, Councillor Donauer, Councillor Dubois, Councillor Gersher, Councillor Gough, Councillor Iwanchuk, Councillor Jeffries, and Councillor Loewen
Absent (1): Councillor Hill

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7.2 Approval Reports

7.3 Decision Reports

8. URGENT BUSINESS

9. MOTIONS (Notice Previously Given)

10. GIVING NOTICE

11. VERBAL UPDATES

11.1 Council Members - His Worship the Mayor, FCM/SUMA, Boards, Committees and Commissions

Mayor Clark provided an update with respect to recent and upcoming meetings with several Ministers; the Western Economic Task Force; and Big City Mayors' Caucus.

11.2 Administration

12. IN CAMERA SESSION

Moved By: Councillor Block

That the Committee move *In Camera* to consider the following items.

In Favour (10): Mayor Clark, Councillor Block, Councillor Davies, Councillor Donauer, Councillor Dubois, Councillor Gersher, Councillor Gough, Councillor Iwanchuk, Councillor Jeffries, and Councillor Loewen
Absent (1): Councillor Hill

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

12.1 Land Matter Update (File No. CK. 372-1 x 4130-1)

[In Camera - Economic/Financial - Land - Section 17(1)(de) and (e) LAFOIP]

12.2 Legal Matter (File No. CK. 5000-1)

[In Camera - Solicitor-Client Privilege - Section 21 LAFOIP]

12.3 2020 Annual Appointments - Boards, Commissions and Committees (File No. CK. 225-1 x 175-1)

[In Camera - Consultations/Deliberations; Personal Information - Sections 16(1)(b) and (d) and 28 LAFOIP]

12.3.1 Saskatoon Accessibility Advisory Committee (File No. CK. 225-70)

12.3.2 Resignation - Saskatoon Environmental Advisory Committee (File No. CK. 175-9)

12.3.3 Municipal Planning Commission (File No. CK. 175-16)

12.3.4 Social Services Subcommittee - Assistance to Community Groups: Cash Grants Program (File No. CK. 175-1)

12.3.5 SaskTel Centre Board of Directors (File No. CK. 175-31)

12.3.6 Riversdale Business Improvement District Board of Management (File No. CK. 175-49)

12.4 Verbal Updates

12.4.1 Council Members - His Worship the Mayor; FCM/SUMA; Boards, Committees & Commissions (if required)

12.4.1.1 Personnel Subcommittee (File No. CK. 225-81) *[In Camera - Labour/Personnel Matter - Section 16(1)(b)(c) and (d) LAFOIP]*

12.4.2 Administration

12.4.2.1 City Manager [Sections 13, 14(1), 15(1), 16(1), 17(1), 18(1), 19 and 20 LAFOIP]

The public meeting recessed at 1:35 p.m.

13. RISE AND REPORT

The Committee convened *In Camera* at 1:40 p.m. to consider the *In Camera* Items with all members of Council present with the exception of Councillor Hill. Councillor Jeffries attended via teleconference. City Manager Jorgenson, City Solicitor Yelland, and City Clerk Sproule were also in attendance.

The Committee recessed at 4:00 p.m. and reconvened at 4:15 p.m.

The agenda was reordered to deal with the City Manager Verbal updates following Item 12.1. Members of the Administration were in attendance for this item as noted.

Item 12.3.5 was dealt with next and then the agenda continued in order. Councillor Iwanchuk excused herself from the meeting at 5:20 p.m. following Item 12.3.5.

The City Manager and City Clerk were excused for consideration of Item 12.4.1.1.

The Committee moved to rise and report at 6:00 p.m. and reconvened publicly immediately thereafter to report as follows:

Agenda Item 12.1 – Land Matter Update (File No. CK. 372-1 x 4130-1)

The following were in attendance *In Camera* for this item:

- General Manager, Utilities & Environment Gardiner
- General Manager, Transportation & Construction Schmidt
- General Manager, Community Services Lacroix
- Interim Chief Strategy & Transformation Officer Willems
- Director of Planning Anderson
- Senior Planner McAdam
- Real Estate Manager Pfeil; and
- Director of Saskatoon Land Long

Moved By: Councillor Davies

That the information be received and the submitted report and discussion remain *In Camera* under Section 17(1)(d) and (e) of *LAFOIP*.

In Favour (9): Mayor Clark, Councillor Block, Councillor Davies, Councillor Donauer, Councillor Dubois, Councillor Gersher, Councillor Gough, Councillor Jeffries, and Councillor Loewen

Absent (2): Councillor Hill, and Councillor Iwanchuk

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Agenda Item 12.2 – Legal Matter (File No. CK. 5000-1)

Moved By: Councillor Davies

That the information be received and the submitted report and discussion remain *In Camera* under Section 21 of *LAFOIP*.

In Favour (9): Mayor Clark, Councillor Block, Councillor Davies, Councillor Donauer, Councillor Dubois, Councillor Gersher, Councillor Gough, Councillor Jeffries, and Councillor Loewen

Absent (2): Councillor Hill, and Councillor Iwanchuk

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Agenda Item 12.3 – 2020 Annual Appointments – Boards, Commissions and Committees

(Saskatoon Accessibility Advisory Committee; Saskatoon Environmental Advisory Committee; Municipal Planning Commission; Social Services Subcommittee – Assistance to Community Groups: Cash Grants Program; SaskTel Centre Board of Directors; and Riversdale Business Improvement District Board of Management)

Moved By: Councillor Davies

1. That the recommended appointments and reappointments and further direction as noted by the City Clerk with respect to the referenced Boards, Commissions and Committees be forwarded to City Council for approval; and
2. That the submitted documentation and discussion remain *In Camera* under Sections 16(1)(b) and (d) and 28 of *LAFOIP*.

In Favour (9): Mayor Clark, Councillor Block, Councillor Davies, Councillor Donauer, Councillor Dubois, Councillor Gersher, Councillor Gough, Councillor Jeffries, and Councillor Loewen

Absent (2): Councillor Hill, and Councillor Iwanchuk

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Agenda Items 12.4.1 and 12.4.2.1 – Verbal Updates - Council Members and Administration (City Manager)

Moved By: Councillor Davies

That the verbal updates of the Members of Council and the City Manager be received as information; and that the discussion remain *In Camera* under Sections 13, 14(1), 15(1), 16(1), 17(1), 18(1), 19, 20 and 28 of *LAFOIP*.

In Favour (9): Mayor Clark, Councillor Block, Councillor Davies, Councillor Donauer, Councillor Dubois, Councillor Gersher, Councillor Gough, Councillor Jeffries, and Councillor Loewen

Absent (2): Councillor Hill, and Councillor Iwanchuk

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Agenda Item 12.4.1.1 Verbal Updates - Personnel Subcommittee (File No. CK. 225-81)

The City Manager and City Clerk were excused from the *In Camera* session for this report.

Moved By: Councillor Davies

That the information be received and remain *In Camera* under Sections 16(1)(c) and 28 of *LAFOIP*.

In Favour (9): Mayor Clark, Councillor Block, Councillor Davies, Councillor Donauer, Councillor Dubois, Councillor Gersher, Councillor Gough, Councillor Jeffries, and Councillor Loewen

Absent (2): Councillor Hill, and Councillor Iwanchuk

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

14. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 6:10 p.m.

Mayor C. Clark, Chair

J. Sproule, City Clerk