



PUBLIC MINUTES

STANDING POLICY COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT, UTILITIES AND CORPORATE SERVICES

Monday, June 7, 2021, 9:30 a.m.

Via Teleconference Hosted in the Council Chamber, Saskatoon City Hall

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

ALSO PRESENT: General Manager, Utilities & Environment A. Gardiner
Solicitor B. Bleakney
Deputy City Clerk S. Bryant, in Council Chamber
Committee Assistant B. Fehr

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Chair called the meeting to order on Treaty 6 and the Traditional Homeland of the Métis people and confirmed roll call of the members in attendance via teleconference.

2. CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA

Moved By: Councillor Hill

1. That the following be added to item 6.3.1

1. Submitting Comments:

1. Nancy Allan, dated June 4, 2021;
2. Aurora Milbrandt, dated June 5, 2021;
3. Jen Riedemann, dated June 6, 2021;
4. Krista Trinder, dated June 6, 2021;
5. Megan Richards, dated June 6, 2021;

2. That the following be added to item 7.1.4
 1. Submitting Comments:
 1. Louise Jones, dated June 6, 2021;
 2. Requesting to Speak:
 1. Candace Savage, dated June 4, 2021;
3. That the following items with speakers be moved up on the agenda to be considered immediately following Unfinished Business;
 1. Item 7.1.1 - Representatives from OTC;
 2. Item 7.1.4
 1. Mike Velonas;
 2. Candace Savage; and
4. That the agenda be confirmed as amended.

In Favour: (6): Councillor Gersher, Councillor Gough, Councillor Davies, Councillor Hill, Councillor Loewen, and Mayor C. Clark

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3. DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of conflict of interest.

4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Moved By: Councillor Hill

That the minutes of the Standing Policy Committee on Environment, Utilities and Corporate Services meeting held on May 3, 2021 be adopted.

In Favour: (6): Councillor Gersher, Councillor Gough, Councillor Davies, Councillor Hill, Councillor Loewen, and Mayor C. Clark

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Item 7.1.1 was considered next.

5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

6. COMMUNICATIONS (requiring the direction of the Committee)

6.1 Delegated Authority Matters

6.1.1 Noise Bylaw Extension, Food Truck Wars Street Festival - 23rd Street and 4th Avenue, from July 20 to July 24, 2021 until 11:00 p.m. and July 25, 2021 to 9:00 p.m., Rick Mah [File No. CK 185-9]

[Approval of exemptions under The Noise Bylaw]

General Manager, Utilities and Environment Gardiner advised that the Noise Bylaw Extension request below requires the approval of the Standing Policy Committee on Environment, Utilities & Corporate Services as determined by the Administration.

Information was provided by the Special Event Interdepartmental Committee (Administration) as well as the Noise Bylaw Extension Guidelines.

Director of Recreation and Community Development Roberts answered questions of the Committee.

Moved By: Councillor Hill

That the Noise Bylaw Extension request from Rick Mah, Food Truck Wars Street Festival on 23rd Street and 4th Avenue, July 20 to July 24, 2021 to 11:00 p.m. and July 25, 2021 to 9:00 p.m., be approved subject to any administrative conditions.

In Favour: (6): Councillor Gersher, Councillor Gough, Councillor Davies, Councillor Hill, Councillor Loewen, and Mayor C. Clark

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Item 7.3.1 was considered next.

6.2 Matters Requiring Direction

6.3 Requests to Speak (new matters)

6.3.1 Jan Shadick, Living Sky Wildlife Rehabilitation - Ban Bird Poisoning [File No. CK. 151-2]

The following letters were provided:

- Request to Speak
 - Jan Shadick, dated May 2, 2021;

- Submitting Comments
 - Nancy Allan, dated June 4, 2021;
 - Aurora Milbrandt, dated June 5, 2021;
 - Jen Riedemann, dated June 6, 2021;
 - Krista Trinder, dated June 6, 2021;
 - Megan Richards, dated June 6, 2021.

Jan Shadick addressed the Committee regarding the effects of using poison on the pigeon population and the issues it poses to the community and responded to questions of the Committee.

Mayor Clark excused himself temporarily from the meeting at 9:52 a.m.

General Manager, Community Services Lacroix responded to questions of the Committee.

Moved By: Councillor Hill

1. That the information be received; and
2. That the letter be referred to the file on integrated pest management and that administration include a consideration for signage.

In Favour: (5): Councillor Gersher, Councillor Gough, Councillor Davies, Councillor Hill, and Councillor Loewen

Absent (1): Mayor C. Clark

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Item 7.1.4 was considered next.

7. REPORTS FROM ADMINISTRATION

7.1 Information Reports

That the reports contained under Items 7.1.1 to 7.1.7 be received as information.

7.1.1 City of Saskatoon - Office of the Treaty Commissioner Reconciliation Action and Measurement Pilot Project [File No. CK 5615-1]

Moved By: Mayor C. Clark

That consideration of the matter be deferred to the December 6, 2021 meeting of the Standing Policy Committee on Environment, Utilities and Corporate Services.

In Favour: (6): Councillor Gersher, Councillor Gough, Councillor Davies, Councillor Hill, Councillor Loewen, and Mayor C. Clark

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Item 6.3.1 was considered next.

7.1.2 Referral List – Standing Policy Committee on Environment, Utilities and Corporate Services – June 2021 [File No. CK. 255-79]

Due to time constraints, this item was deferred to a Special Meeting of the Standing Policy Committee on Environment, Utilities and Corporate Services.

7.1.3 Next Steps for Climate Adaptation [File No. CK. 375-5]

Due to time constraints, this item was deferred to a Special Meeting of the Standing Policy Committee on Environment, Utilities and Corporate Services.

7.1.4 Green Infrastructure Strategy Implementation Plan, Near Term Actions and Financing [File No. CK. 4110-38]

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

The following letters were provided:

- Request to Speak
 - Mike Velonas, Meewasin Valley Authority, dated May 25, 2021;
 - Candace Savage, Wild About Saskatoon, dated June 4, 2021;

- Submitting Comments
 - Louise Jones, Northeast Swale Watchers, dated June 6, 2021.

General Manager, Utilities and Environment Gardiner provided an overview of the report.

Manager of Community Leadership and Program Development Burns provided a PowerPoint and together with Director of Sustainability South, Director Planning and Development Anderson and Director of Saskatoon Land Long answered questions of the Committee.

Mike Velonas with Meewasin Valley Authority provided a PowerPoint and answered questions of the Committee.

Candace Savage with Wild About Saskatoon spoke regarding the slow progress of the plan and answered questions of the Committee

Mayor Clark returned to the meeting at 10:24 a.m. during discussion of this matter.

Discussion followed.

Moved By: Councillor Gough

That the information be received.

In Favour: (6): Councillor Gersher, Councillor Gough, Councillor Davies, Councillor Hill, Councillor Loewen, and Mayor C. Clark

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Moved By: Mayor C. Clark

That Administration report back as soon as possible to the appropriate Committee a detailed process and timeline for the delineation of the NE swale north boundary and small swale boundary to provide more certainty in the concept planning process.

In Favour: (6): Councillor Gersher, Councillor Gough, Councillor Davies, Councillor Hill, Councillor Loewen, and Mayor C. Clark

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The meeting recessed at 11:34 a.m. and reconvened at 11:44 a.m.
All members of the Committee were in attendance.

Moved By: Councillor Hill

That items 7.3.3, 6.1.1, 7.3.1 and 7.3.2 be considered next

In Favour: (6): Councillor Gersher, Councillor Gough, Councillor Davies, Councillor Hill, Councillor Loewen, and Mayor C. Clark

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Item 7.3.3 was considered next.

7.1.5 Water and Wastewater Utilities and Storm Water Utility 2020 Annual Reports [File No. CK. 430-37]

Due to time constraints, this item was deferred to a Special Meeting of the Standing Policy Committee on Environment, Utilities and Corporate Services.

7.1.6 Triple Bottom Line and LEAP Update and Next Steps [File No. CK 7550-0 x 752-1]

Due to time constraints, this item was deferred to a Special Meeting of the Standing Policy Committee on Environment, Utilities and Corporate Services.

7.1.7 Advanced Metering Infrastructure Data Collection and Use [File No. CK. 261-3 x 1550-2]

Due to time constraints, this item was deferred to a Special Meeting of the Standing Policy Committee on Environment, Utilities and Corporate Services.

7.2 Approval Reports

7.3 Decision Reports

7.3.1 Home Energy Loan Program – Contractor List Requirement Changes [File No. CK. 752-2 x 375-4]

General Manager, Utilities and Environment Gardiner presented the report and together with General Manager, Community Services Lacroix and Director of Sustainability South answered questions of the committee.

Moved By: Councillor Gough

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

That Option 2 - Base Requirements plus Expanded Requirements, are included in the requirements for the qualified contractor list for the HELP program.

In Favour: (6): Councillor Gersher, Councillor Gough, Councillor Davies, Councillor Hill, Councillor Loewen, and Mayor C. Clark

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7.3.2 High Performance Civic Building Approach [File No. CK. 600-0 x 375-4]

General Manager, Utilities and Environment Gardiner presented the report.

Director of Sustainability South and Manager, Energy and Sustainability Engineering Theede provided a PowerPoint and together with General Manager, Utilities and Environment Gardiner answered questions of the Committee.

Discussion followed.

Councillor Davies excused himself from the teleconference at 12:13 p.m., during discussion of the matter.

Moved By: Councillor Loewen

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

1. That Option 1B – LEED Silver Certification is defined as the minimum standard for the design and construction and major renovation of applicable buildings in the High Performance Civic Building Policy;

2. Mandatory LEED credits for the construction of new civic buildings are permitted in the High Performance Civic Building Policy; and
3. The energy and air tightness targets and timeline recommended in Option 3C are included in the High Performance Civic Building Policy.

IN AMENDMENT

Moved By: Councillor Gough

That Option 3D replace Option 3C.

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

Against: (1): Councillor Hill

Absent (1): Councillor Davies

CARRIED

VOTE ON THE MAIN MOTION AS AMENDED

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

Absent (1): Councillor Davies

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Summary of final resolution:

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

1. *That Option 1B – LEED Silver Certification is defined as the minimum standard for the design and construction and major renovation of applicable buildings in the High Performance Civic Building Policy;*
2. *Mandatory LEED credits for the construction of new civic buildings are permitted in the High Performance Civic Building Policy; and*

3. *The energy and air tightness targets and timeline recommended in Option 3D are included in the High Performance Civic Building Policy.*

7.3.3 Recovery Park Project Capital Budget Adjustment [File No. CK. 7830-4-2 x 1700-1]

General Manager, Transportation and Construction Schmidt presented the report.

Moved By: Councillor Hill

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

1. That Option 1 – Fund the Full Project be approved and Capital Project #2050 – Recovery Park be increased by \$6,400,000 to a total budget of \$37,500,000;
2. That the budget adjustment be funded as follows:
 1. Increase Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program (ICIP) funding by \$4,913,000;
 2. Increase operating contribution funding by \$865,000; and
 3. Increase Borrowing by \$622,000.

In Favour: (6): Councillor Gersher, Councillor Gough, Councillor Davies, Councillor Hill, Councillor Loewen, and Mayor C. Clark

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Item 6.1.1 was considered next.

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

The meeting adjourned at 1:00 p.m.

Councillor S. Gersher, Chair

S. Bryant, Deputy City Clerk