



PUBLIC MINUTES

STANDING POLICY COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT, UTILITIES AND CORPORATE SERVICES

Monday, November 1, 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 D. Hill
Councillor M. Loewen
His Worship, Mayor C. Clark (Ex-Officio), at 9:38 a.m.

ABSENT: Councillor T. Davies

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

1. CALL TO ORDER

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

She also acknowledged Health Care Workers Week in Saskatoon.

2. CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA

Moved By: Councillor Hill

That the agenda be confirmed as presented.

In Favour: (4): Councillor Gersher, Councillor Gough, Councillor Hill, and Councillor Loewen

Absent (2): Councillor Davies, 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 Gough

That the minutes of the Standing Policy Committee on Environment, Utilities, and Corporate Services held on October 4, 2021, be adopted.

In Favour: (4): Councillor Gersher, Councillor Gough, Councillor Hill, and Councillor Loewen

Absent (2): Councillor Davies, and Mayor C. Clark

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 2020 Diversity and Inclusion Report [File No. CK. 4500-1]

Deputy City Clerk Bryant reported that the Standing Policy Committee on Environment, Utilities and Corporate Services, at its meeting held on May 3, 2021, considered this matter and resolved, in part, that the report be forwarded to the Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Advisory Committee for feedback.

A letter from the Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Advisory Committee, dated Oct 14, 2021 was provided.

General Manager Utilities, and Environment Gardiner introduced the matter. General Manager of Community Services Lacroix responded to questions of the committee.

Mayor Clark joined the meeting via teleconference at 9:38 a.m. during consideration of this item.

Moved By: Councillor Hill

That the recent administrative report on Reconciliation, Equity, Diversity and Inclusion be forwarded to the Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Advisory Committee for information.

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

Absent (1): Councillor Davies

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

6.2.2 Triple Bottom Line and Local Energy Access Partnership Update [File No. CK 7550-0 x 752-1]

Deputy City Clerk Bryant reported that the Standing Policy Committee on Environment, Utilities and Corporate Services, at its special meeting held on June 15, 2021, considered this matter and resolved, in part, that the report and administrative presentation with any relevant updates included, be referred to the Saskatoon Environmental Advisory Committee and the Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Advisory Committee for information and feedback.

The following letters were provided:

1. Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Advisory Committee, dated Oct 14, 2021; and
2. Saskatoon Environmental Advisory Committee, dated Oct 25, 2021.

General Manager Utilities, and Environment Gardiner introduced the matter.

Moved By: Councillor Hill

That the information be received.

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

Absent (1): Councillor Davies

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

6.3 Requests to Speak (new matters)

7. REPORTS FROM ADMINISTRATION

7.1 Information Reports

7.2 Approval Reports

7.2.1 Sanitary Sewer Charge Exemption – Heritage Estates Condo Corporation [File No. 1905-2]

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

General Manager Utilities, and Environment Gardiner introduced the report and together with Director of Saskatoon Water Munroe responded to questions of the committee.

Moved By: Councillor Hill

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

1. That the request for a sanitary sewer charge exemption for the Heritage Estates Condo Corporation, located at 415 Heritage Crescent, be approved; and
2. That the Director of Corporate Revenue be requested to remove the sanitary sewer charge from water meter number 60068142, effective July 13, 2021.

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

Absent (1): Councillor Davies

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7.2.2 High Performance Civic Building Policy [File No. CK 600-0]

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

General Manager, Utilities and Environment Gardiner introduced the report and together with Director of Sustainability South responded to questions of the committee.

Due to technical difficulties the meeting recessed temporarily.

Discussion continued.

Moved By: Councillor Gough

That the Standing Policy Committee on Environment, Utilities and Corporate Services recommend to City Council that the High Performance Civic Building Council Policy, contained in Appendix 1 of this report, be approved.

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

Absent (1): Councillor Davies

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Moved By: Councillor Gough

That the Standing Policy Committee on Environment, Utilities and Corporate Services recommend to City Council that once adopted, the High Performance Civic Building Policy be forwarded to the City's controlled corporations and statutory boards through their boards and directors for their information and that the administrative procedures follow once available.

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

Absent (1): Councillor Davies

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Moved By: Councillor Loewen

That the report be forwarded to the Saskatoon Environmental Advisory Committee for information.

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

Absent (1): Councillor Davies

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7.3 Decision Reports

7.3.1 Dundonald Avenue Solar Farm Project Implementation [File No. CK 2000-5]

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

General Manager, Environment and Utilities Gardiner introduced Metering and Sustainable Electricity Manager Cheruvallath who presented the report with a PowerPoint., He responded to questions of Committee together with General Manager, Environment and Utilities Gardiner and Director of Saskatoon Light & Power.

The meeting recessed at 11:05 a.m. and reconvened at 11:15 a.m. with all members in attendance, with the exception of Councillor Davies.

Moved By: Councillor Loewen

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

1. That Option 2, Implement Project With Naturalized Landscaping, be approved under Capital Project P.1955 - Utility Solar Scale Energy Implementation;
2. That \$0.2 million from Capital Project P.1286 - Electric System Planning Studies be reallocated to Capital Project P.1955; and
3. That \$0.2 million from Capital Project P.1281 - Investigate New Power Supply be reallocated to Capital Project P.1955.

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

Absent (1): Councillor Davies

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8. MOTIONS (NOTICE PREVIOUSLY GIVEN)

9. GIVING NOTICE

10. URGENT BUSINESS

11. IN CAMERA AGENDA ITEMS

12. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 11:38 a.m.

Councillor S. Gersher, Chair

S. Bryant, Deputy City Clerk