



PUBLIC MINUTES
STANDING POLICY COMMITTEE ON PLANNING,
DEVELOPMENT AND COMMUNITY SERVICES

Tuesday, April 12, 2022, 9:30 a.m.
Council Chamber, City Hall

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

ALSO PRESENT: Councillor D. Kirton, via teleconference
General Manager, Community Services L. Lacroix
Solicitor J. Manastyrski
Deputy City Clerk S. Bryant
Committee Assistant P. Walter

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Chair called the meeting to order on Treaty Six Territory and the Traditional Homeland of the Métis people. Roll call was taken.

2. CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA

Moved By: Councillor Loewen

1. That the letter from Shantelle Watson, CEO, Saskatoon Tribal Council, dated April 11, 2022 be added to Item 6.2.3;
2. That the letter from Sherry Tarasoff, dated April 12, 2022 be added to Item 7.1.2;
3. That the request to speak from Elana Gelineau, Saskatoon Rowing Club, dated April 11, 2022 be added to Item 7.2.5;
4. That the following letters be added to Item 7.3.2:
 - Requests to Speak:

- Judy Henley, President, CUPE Saskatchewan, dated April 11, 2022;
- Submitting Comments:
 - Dunn Noel, dated April 9, 2022;
 - Nancy Allan, dated April 11, 2022;
- 5. That the letter from Peggy Sarjeant, Saskatoon Heritage Society, dated April 12, 2022 be added to Item 8.1;
- 6. That the items with speakers be heard following Adoption of Minutes:
 - 6.2.3
 - Tribal Chief Arcand;
 - Shantelle Watson;
 - 7.2.2
 - Richard Cook;
 - 7.2.5
 - Elana Gelineau;
 - 7.3.2
 - Chris Gilchrist;
 - Dr. Sandra Neumann;
 - Eva Alexandrovici;
 - Emma Caldwell;
 - Graham Dickson;
 - Judy Henley; and
- 7. That the agenda be confirmed as amended.

In Favour: (6): Councillor Davies, Councillor Loewen, Councillor Block, Councillor Gersher, Councillor Gough, 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 Regular Meeting of the Standing Policy Committee on Planning, Development and Community Services held on March 14, 2022 be approved.

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

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Item 6.2.3 was considered 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 Community Support Program 2021 Annual Report [File No. CK 5605-3]

This matter was deferred to the next Standing Policy Committee on Planning, Development and Community Services due to time constraints.

6.2.2 Public Art Advisory Committee - 2021 Annual Report and 2022 Work Plan [File No. CK 175-58]

This matter was deferred to the next Standing Policy Committee on Planning, Development and Community Services due to time constraints.

6.2.3 Tribal Chief Mark Arcand - Saskatoon Tribal Council - Temporary Emergency Residential Shelter [File No. CK 750-6]

A letter from Tribal Chief Mark Arcand, Saskatoon Tribal Council, dated April 5, 2022 was provided along with a letter from Shantelle Watson, CEO, Saskatoon Tribal Council, dated April 11, 2022.

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

Tribal Chief Arcand and Shantelle Watson were in attendance for questions.

Moved By: Councillor Loewen

That the correspondence be referred to the Administration for a report to be presented at the April 25, 2022 Regular Business meeting of City Council.

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

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Item 7.2.2 was considered next.

6.3 Requests to Speak (new matters)

7. REPORTS FROM ADMINISTRATION

7.1 Information Reports

7.1.1 2021 Year-End Report – Community Standards Department [File No. CK 430-34]

This matter was deferred to the next Standing Policy Committee on Planning, Development and Community Services due to time constraints.

7.1.2 2021 Year-End Report – Planning and Development Department [File No. CK 430-41]

This matter was deferred to the next Standing Policy Committee on Planning, Development and Community Services due to time constraints.

7.1.3 Recovery Park Public Art Scope Change [File No. CK 4040-4]

This matter was deferred to the next Standing Policy Committee on Planning, Development and Community Services due to time constraints.

7.2 Approval Reports

7.2.1 2022 Assistance to Community Groups – Cash Grant – Environmental Category [File No. CK 1871-10]

This matter was deferred to the next Standing Policy Committee on Planning, Development and Community Services due to time constraints.

7.2.2 Cemetery Master Plan [File No. CK 4080-1]

A report from the Administration was provided.

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

Richard Cook, Lees and Associates, consultant, provided a PowerPoint and responded to questions of the Committee.

Moved By: Councillor Gersher

1. That the April 12, 2022 report of the General Manager, Community Services be forwarded to the Municipal Heritage Advisory Committee for information; and
2. That the Standing Policy Committee on Planning, Development and Community Services recommend to City Council that the Cemetery Master Plan be approved, in principle.

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

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Item 7.2.5 was considered next.

7.2.3 Temporary Pause of Civic Naming Program [File No. CK 6310-0]

This matter was deferred to the next Standing Policy Committee on Planning, Development and Community Services due to time constraints.

7.2.4 Victoria Park Recreation Facility [File No. CK 610-12]

This matter was deferred to the next Standing Policy Committee on Planning, Development and Community Services due to time constraints.

7.2.5 Victoria Park Boathouse Lease Agreement Renewal [File No. CK 610-4]

A report from the Administration was provided along with a request to speak from Elana Gelineau, Saskatoon Rowing Club, dated April 11, 2022.

General Manager, Community Services Lacroix presented the report.

Elana Gelineau, Saskatoon Rowing Club provided a PowerPoint showcasing photos and spoke in support of the lease renewal.

Moved By: Councillor Gough

That the Standing Policy Committee on Planning, Development and Community Services recommend to City Council:

1. That the extension to the lease agreement between the City of Saskatoon and the Saskatoon Canoe Club, Saskatoon Racing Canoe Club and Saskatoon Rowing Club, for the use of the Victoria Park Boathouse, in accordance with the terms set out in the April 12, 2022 report of the General Manager, Community Services, be approved; and
2. That the City Solicitor be requested to prepare the appropriate agreement and that His Worship the Mayor and the City Clerk be authorized to execute the appropriate agreement under the Corporate Seal.

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

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Item 7.3.2 was considered next.

7.2.6 Saskatoon Housing Initiatives Partnership – Proposed Service Contract Extension and Annual Report [File No. CK 750-6]

A report from the Administration was provided.

Moved By: Councillor Gough

That the matter be referred directly to the April 25, 2022 meeting of City Council for consideration due to time constraints.

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

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Item 9.1 was considered next.

7.3 Decision Reports

7.3.1 East Side Leisure Centre – YMCA Partnership and Operating Models [File No. CK 606-5]

This matter was deferred to the next Standing Policy Committee on Planning, Development and Community Services due to time constraints.

7.3.2 Saskatoon SPCA Pound Services – Request for Additional Funding [File No. CK 151-13, x1870-10]

A report from the Administration was provided along with the following letters:

Requests to Speak:

- Graham Dickson, Saskatoon SPCA Inc., March 7 and April 5, 2022;
- Dr. Sandra Neumann, Saskatoon SPCA Inc., dated March 7, 2022;
- Eva Alexandrovici, Saskatoon Animal Control Agency, dated March 7, 2022;
- Emma Caldwell, Director of Animal Care, Saskatoon SPCA Inc., dated March 7, 2022;

- Chris Gilchrist, Board Chair. Saskatoon SPCA Inc., dated April 6, 2022; and
- Judy Henley, President, CUPE Saskatchewan, dated April 11, 2022.

Submitting Comments:

- Dunn Noel, dated April 9, 2022; and
- Nancy Allan, dated April 11, 2022.

General Manager, Community Services Lacroix presented the report and responded to questions of the Committee along with Chief Financial Officer Hack and Solicitor Manastyrski.

The Committee heard from the following speakers:

- Chris Gilchrist, Board Chair, Saskatoon SPCA Inc.;
- Dr. Sandra Neumann, Saskatoon SPCA Inc.;
- Eva Alexandrovici, Saskatoon Animal Control Agency;
- Emma Caldwell, Director of Animal Care, Saskatoon SPCA Inc.;
- Graham Dickson, Saskatoon SPCA Inc.; and
- Judy Henley, President, CUPE Saskatchewan.

The meeting recessed at 11:17 a.m. and reconvened at 11:27 a.m. with all members of the Committee in attendance. Councillor Kirton was also in attendance.

Moved By: Councillor Loewen

That the Standing Policy Committee on Planning Development and Community Services recommend to City Council:

1. That Option 2 be approved – Increase Funding to the SPCA to Continue to Provide Pound Services for the City for the remainder of 2022, and report back on a detailed plan and level of funding in advance of the 2023 Budget approval;
2. That the 2022 Contribution to the Reserve for Capital Expenditures be reduced by \$102,200 and this operating funding be provided to SPCA as interim funding until a permanent allocation is considered during the 2023 budget deliberations;
3. That the funding currently approved for animal cruelty investigations be redirected to support the cost of delivering Pound Services; and
4. That the City Solicitor be requested to prepare the appropriate amending agreement for the funding in 2022 and that His Worship the Mayor and the City Clerk be authorized to execute the agreement under the Corporate Seal.

IN AMENDMENT

Moved By: Councillor Block

That recommendation 3 be amended to the Reserve for Capital Expenditures be reduced by \$292,517 as a one-time payment subject to an audit and updated report for budget deliberations.

In Favour: (1): Councillor Block

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

DEFEATED

Vote on Main Motion:

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

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Item 7.2.6 was considered next.

8. MOTIONS (notice previously given)

8.1 Councillor Block - Heritage Preservation in Saskatoon [File No. CK 710-1]

Councillor Block provided the following notice of motion at the Standing Policy Committee on Planning, Development and Community Services meeting held on March 14, 2022:

'That Administration report back on options to strengthen heritage preservation in Saskatoon in a more sustainable and pro-active manner. Please include a jurisdictional analysis and funding options in time for the next budget deliberations.'

A letter from Peggy Sarjeant, Saskatoon Heritage Society, dated April 12, 2022 was provided.

Councillor Block spoke to the motion.

Moved By: Councillor Block

That Administration report back on current work to promote the Heritage Program and options to strengthen heritage preservation in Saskatoon in a more sustainable and pro-active manner. Please include a jurisdictional analysis, review of applicable façade fees and funding options in time for the next budget deliberations.

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

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9. GIVING NOTICE

9.1 Councillor Gough - State of the Housing Continuum in Saskatoon

Councillor Gough gave the following Notice of Motion:

"TAKE NOTICE that at the next regular meeting of the Standing Policy Committee on Planning, Development and Community Services, I will move the following motion:

'That the Administration provide an update report to the appropriate Committee or Council regarding the state of the Housing Continuum in Saskatoon as background to ongoing discussions relating to the City's support of related services and strategic partnerships. This report should include:

- Background information about the housing continuum in Saskatoon including definitions of key terms and concepts (i.e. transitional housing, wrap-around supports, etc.), and models of local housing services
- Updates relating to housing and sheltering availability across the continuum
- Updates relating to known pressures across the continuum and any trends in the funding or other sources of those pressures
- Connection to existing and planned City strategies and working groups with Civic involvement/support"

Moved By: Councillor Loewen

That notice be waived

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

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Moved By: Councillor Gough

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

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Item 8.1 was considered next.

10. URGENT BUSINESS

11. IN CAMERA SESSION (If Required)

12. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 1:15 p.m.

Councillor T. Davies, Chair

S. Bryant, Deputy City Clerk