

PUBLIC MINUTES

STANDING POLICY COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT, UTILITIES AND CORPORATE SERVICES

Tuesday, September 6, 2022, 9:30 a.m.
Council Chamber, City Hall

PRESENT: Councillor H. Gough, Chair
Councillor M. Loewen, Vice-Chair at 9:43 a.m.
Councillor T. Davies, via teleconference
Councillor S. Gersher
Councillor D. Hill, via teleconference
His Worship, Mayor C. Clark (Ex-Officio)

ALSO PRESENT: Councillor C. Block, via teleconference
Councillor D. Kirton, via teleconference
General Manager, Utilities & Environment A. Gardiner
Solicitor B. Bleakney
Deputy City Clerk S. Bryant
Committee Assistant P. Walter

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. She acknowledged the recent events at James Smith Cree Nation, RM of Brittania and Witchehan Lake First Nation.

2. CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA

Moved By: Councillor Gersher

That the agenda be confirmed as presented.

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

Absent (1): Councillor Loewen

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3. DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of conflict of interest.

4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Moved By: Mayor C. Clark

That the minutes of regular meeting of the Standing Policy Committee on Environment, Utilities and Corporate Services held on August 8, 2022 be adopted.

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

Absent (1): Councillor Loewen

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

6. COMMUNICATIONS (requiring the direction of the Committee)

6.1 Delegated Authority Matters

6.2 Matters Requiring Direction

6.3 Requests to Speak (new matters)

7. REPORTS FROM ADMINISTRATION

7.1 Information Reports

7.1.1 Saskatoon Climate Strategy Impacts in the Global Financial Markets [CK 1790-1]

A report from the Administration was provided.

Chief Financial Officer Hack presented the report and responded to questions of the committee.

Councillor Loewen entered the meeting at 9:43 a.m.

Moved By: Mayor C. Clark

That the information be received and attached to the file with regards to carbon budgeting.

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

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7.1.2 Motion – Mayor C. Clark – United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples [CK 5615-1]

A report from the Administration was provided.

Chief Strategy and Transformation Officer Anger presented the report and responded to questions of the committee along with Director of Indigenous Initiatives Cote.

Moved By: Mayor C. Clark

That the Standing Policy Committee on Environment, Utilities and Corporate Services recommend to City Council that the United Nations Declarations on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples be adopted and Administration work with Saskatoon Tribal Council and indigenous partners on developing a plan for implementation.

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

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7.2 Approval Reports

7.2.1 Saskatoon Light & Power Capital Funding Reallocation 2022 [CK 1702-1]

A report from the Administration was provided.

General Manager, Utilities and Environment Gardiner presented the report.

Moved By: Councillor Gersher

That the Standing Policy Committee on Environment, Utilities and Corporate Services recommend to City Council that the transfer of funds, as indicated below, be approved:

1. That \$700,000 from the Electrical Distribution Replacement Reserve be allocated to Capital Program P.01296.01, Network Civil Infrastructure;
2. That \$100,000 from the Electrical Distribution Replacement Reserve be allocated to Capital Program P.01256.02, Substation Transformers;
3. That \$300,000 from the Electrical Distribution Extension Reserve be allocated to Capital Program P.01326.04, Communication Network;
4. That \$1,045,000 from the Electrical Distribution Extension Reserve be allocated to Capital Program P.01255.01, Distribution - Equipment Upgrade;
5. That \$200,000 from the Electrical Distribution Extension Reserve be allocated to Capital Program P.01281.01, Investigate New Power Supply;
6. That \$200,000 from the Electrical Distribution Replacement Reserve be allocated to Capital Program P.01286.01, Electrical Systems Planning Studies;
7. That \$1,000,000 from the Electrical Distribution Extension Reserve be allocated to Capital Program P.00736.01, Customer Connections; and
8. That \$650,000 from the Electrical Distribution Replacement Reserve be allocated to Capital Program P.001308.01, 15kV Conversion – Intermediate Substations.

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

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7.3 Decision Reports

7.3.1 Variable Black Cart Garbage Utility Model Options [CK 7830-1]

A report from the Administration was provided.

General Manager, Utilities and Environment Gardiner introduced the item. Director of Water and Waste Operations Lemke presented the report with a PowerPoint. City Manager Jorgenson, General Manager, Utilities and Environment Gardiner, Director of Water and Waste Operations Lemke, Community Leadership and Program Development Manager Burns, Senior Project Management Engineer Bartlett responded to questions of the committee.

Councillor Kirton excused himself from the meeting at 10:59 a.m.

Moved By: Councillor Gersher

That the Standing Policy Committee on Environment, Utilities and Corporate Services recommend to City Council Option 1: A variable cart utility including three cart options for the black cart garbage utility, with implementation funded through borrowing against the future utility.

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

Against: (2): Councillor Davies, and Councillor Hill

CARRIED

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

12. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 11:34 a.m.

Councillor H. Gough, Chair

S. Bryant, Deputy City Clerk