

PUBLIC MINUTES

GOVERNANCE AND PRIORITIES COMMITTEE

Wednesday, March 13, 2024, 9:30 a.m. Council Chamber, City Hall

PRESENT: Deputy Mayor B. Dubois, Chair

His Worship Mayor C. Clark

Councillor C. Block
Councillor T. Davies
Councillor R. Donauer
Councillor H. Gough
Councillor D. Hill
Councillor Z. Jeffries
Councillor D. Kirton
Councillor M. Loewen

ABSENT: Councillor S. Gersher

ALSO PRESENT: A/City Manager L. Lacroix

City Solicitor C. Yelland
City Clerk A. Tittemore

Deputy City Clerk S. Bryant

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.

2. CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA

Moved By: Councillor Donauer

- 1. That the following letters be added to Item 8.3.1:
 - Request to Speak:
 - Henry Feldkamp, dated March 8, 2024;
 - Submitting Comments:

- Sherry Tarasoff, dated March 11, 2024;
- 2. That the items with speakers be considered immediately following Adoption of Minutes:
 - o 6.1 Angela Kruk
 - o 6.2 Julia Adamson
 - 8.3.1 Henry Feldkamp; and
- 3. That the agenda be confirmed as amended.

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

Absent (2): Councillor Gersher, and Councillor Loewen

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 meeting of the Governance and Priorities Committee dated February 14, 2024 be adopted.

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

Absent (2): Councillor Gersher, and Councillor Loewen

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- 5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS
- 6. REQUESTS TO SPEAK (new matters)
 - 6.1 Integrity Commissioner 2023 Annual Report [GPC2024-0301]

The 2023 Annual Report of the Office of the Integrity Commissioner for the City of Saskatoon was provided.

City Clerk Tittemore provided a brief introduction of the matter.

Angela Kruk, Integrity Commissioner, presented the report and responded to questions.

Councillor Loewen entered the meeting at 9:36 a.m. during the presentation.

Moved By: Councillor Donauer

That the 2023 annual report of the Integrity Commissioner be received as information.

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

Absent (1): Councillor Gersher

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

6.2 Julia Adamson - Friends of the Saskatoon Afforestation Areas Inc. -Proclamations Limited to One Per Year for Organizations [GPC2024-0304]

A request to speak from Julia Adamson, Friends of the Saskatoon Afforestation Areas Inc., dated February 21, 2024 was provided.

Julia Adamson addressed Committee requesting that there be flexibility to allow organizations to apply for more than one proclamation in a year.

City Solicitor Yelland responded to questions of Committee.

Moved By: Councillor Kirton

That Administration review the policy and report back regarding increasing the number of proclamation requests an organization can apply for annually.

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

Absent (1): Councillor Gersher

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Item 8.3.1 was considered next.

- 7. COMMUNICATIONS (requiring the direction of the Committee)
- 8. ADMINISTRATIVE AND LEGISLATIVE REPORTS
 - 8.1 Decision Reports
 - 8.1.1 Saskatoon Municipal Review Commission Future Path [GPC2024-0302]

A report of the City Solicitor's Office was provided.

City Solicitor Yelland presented the report and responded to questions along with City Clerk Tittemore.

Moved By: Councillor Donauer

That the Governance and Priorities Committee recommend to City Council that:

- The Saskatoon Municipal Review Commission be disbanded, and a new Compensation Review Committee be struck on an eight-year cycle (option 2(b));
- 2. The City Solicitor take the necessary steps to repeal Bylaw No. 9242, *The Saskatoon Municipal Review Commission Bylaw, 2014*; and
- 3. The City Solicitor bring forward a new bylaw creating a Council Compensation Review Committee for City Council's consideration.

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

Absent (1): Councillor Gersher

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8.2 Approval Reports

8.2.1 Registration of City's Coat of Arms and Flag [GPC2024-0303]

A report of the City Solicitor's Office was provided.

City Solicitor Yelland presented the report and responded to questions.

Moved By: Councillor Kirton

That the Governance and Priorities Committee recommend to City Council that:

- 1. The City apply to the Canada Heraldic Authority to register the City's coat of arms and flag; and
- 2. The City Clerk's Office lead the application process.

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

Absent (1): Councillor Gersher

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8.2.2 Amendment to The Procedures and Committees Bylaw, 2014 [GPC2024-0304]

A report of the City Solicitor's Office was provided.

City Clerk Tittemore presented the report and responded to questions.

Moved By: Councillor Block

That the Governance and Priorities Committee recommend to City Council that Schedule "C" of Bylaw No. 9170, *The Procedures and Committees Bylaw, 2014* be amended as outlined in the March 13, 2024 report of the City Solicitor's Office.

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

Absent (1): Councillor Gersher

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8.2.3 2024 Municipal and School Board Elections - Amendments to Bylaw No. 8191, The Election Bylaw, 2012 [GPC2023-0502]

A report of the City Clerk's Office was provided.

City Clerk Tittemore presented the report and responded to questions.

Moved By: Councillor Gough

That the Governance and Priorities Committee recommend to City Council that the City Solicitor be instructed to amend Bylaw No. 8191, *The Election Bylaw, 2012*, as outlined in the report of the City Clerk dated March 13, 2024.

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

Absent (1): Councillor Gersher

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Item 8.3.2 was considered next.

8.3 Information Reports

8.3.1 Downtown Event and Entertainment District - Updated Timing for Preliminary Funding Strategy [DEED2023-01]

A report of the Transportation and Construction Division was provided along with the following letters:

Request to Speak

Henry Feldkamp, dated March 8, 2024

Submitting Comments

Sherry Tarasoff, dated March 11, 2024

Director of Technical Services Willems presented the report.

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It was noted that Henry Feldkamp was not present.

Moved By: Councillor Donauer

That the information be received.

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

Absent (1): Councillor Gersher

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Item 8.1.1 was considered next.

8.3.2 City Council Strategic Priority and Leadership Initiative – 2024 Q1 Update [GPC2024-0306]

A report of the City Clerk's Office was provided.

City Clerk Tittemore presented the report.

Moved By: Councillor Kirton

That the information be received.

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

Absent (1): Councillor Gersher

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- 9. MOTIONS (notice previously given)
- 10. URGENT BUSINESS
- 11. GIVING NOTICE
- 12. VERBAL UPDATES
 - 12.1 Council Members His Worship the Mayor, FCM/SUMA, Boards, Committees and Commissions

Verbal updates were provided as follows:

Councillor Loewen provided an update on her recent attendance at FCM meetings.

Mayor Clark provided an update on recent Big City Mayors Caucus meetings.

Councillor Davies expressed appreciation to everyone involved with planning the upcoming FIBA 3-by-3 event.

12.2 Administration

A/City Manager Lacroix provided a verbal update on the City's response to the recent snowstorm event and responded to questions along with Director of Roadways Saric and Director of Emergency Planning Goulden-McLeod.

13. IN CAMERA SESSION

Moved By: Councillor Gough

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

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

Absent (1): Councillor Gersher

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The public meeting recessed at 11:11 a.m.

13.1 Verbal Updates

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

13.1.2 Administration

13.1.2.1 City Manager Updates

[In Camera - Sections 13, 14(1), 15(1), 16(1), 17(1), 18(1), 19 and 20 LAFOIP]

13.2 Appointments - Boards, Commissions and Committees [CK 225-4-3]

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

- 13.2.1 Appointments Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Advisory

 Committee
- 13.2.2 Appointments Saskatoon Accessibility Advisory Committee
- 13.2.3 Appointments Saskatoon Environmental Advisory Committee
- 13.2.4 Appointments Albert Community Centre Management Committee
- 13.2.5 Appointments Board of Revision
- 13.2.6 Appointments Development Appeals Board
- 13.2.7 Appointments The Art Gallery of Saskatchewan Inc. (Remai Modern) Board

14. RISE AND REPORT

The Committee convened *In Camera* at 11:38 a.m. with the following in attendance as noted:

- All Committee members, with the exception of Councillor Gersher (Councillors Block and Hill were virtual)
- A/City Manager Lacroix
- City Solicitor Yelland
- City Clerk Tittemore
- Deputy City Clerk Bryant
- Fire Chief Hackl
- General Manager, Environment & Utilities Gardiner
- General Manager, Transportation & Construction Schmidt
- Chief Strategy and Transformation Officer Anger (virtual)

All administration were excused for item 13.2, with the exception of the A/City Manager, City Solicitor, City Clerk and Deputy City Clerk.

The Committee moved to rise and report. The *In Camera* portion of the meeting recessed at 12:47 p.m.

Committee reconvened publicly, and reported as follows:

13.1 Verbal Updates

13.1.1 Council Members - His Worship the Mayor; FCM/SUMA; Boards, Committees & Commissions; Personnel Subcommittee

Moved By: Councillor Donauer

That the information and the discussion remain *In Camera* under Sections 13, 14(1), 15(1), 16(1), 17(1), 18(1), 19, 20 and 21 of *LAFOIP*.

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

Absent (1): Councillor Gersher

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

13.1.2.1 City Manager Updates

[In Camera - Sections 13, 14(1), 15(1), 16(1), 17(1), 18(1), 19 and 20 LAFOIP]

Moved By: Councillor Donauer

That the information and discussion remain *In Camera* under Sections 13, 14(1), 15(1), 16(1), 17(1), 18(1), 19 and 20 of *LAFOIP*.

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

Against (1): Councillor Hill

Absent (1): Councillor Gersher

CARRIED

13.2 Appointments - Boards, Commissions and Committees [CK 225-4-3]

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- 13.2.3 Appointments Saskatoon Environmental Advisory Committee
- 13.2.4 Appointments Albert Community Centre Management Committee
- **13.2.5 Appointments Board of Revision** (This item was withdrawn and not considered.)
- 13.2.6 Appointments Development Appeals Board
- 13.2.7 Appointments The Art Gallery of Saskatchewan Inc. (Remai Modern) Board

Moved By: Councillor Donauer

- 1. That the recommended appointments to Boards, Commissions and Committees and any further direction, as noted by the City Clerk, be reported to the March 27, 2024 Regular Business meeting; and
- 2. That the information and discussion remain *In Camera* under *Sections* 16(1)(b) and (d) and 28 of LAFOIP.

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

Absent (1): Councillor Gersher

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Deputy Mayor B. Dubois
City Clerk A. Tittemore