



PUBLIC MINUTES
GOVERNANCE AND PRIORITIES COMMITTEE

Wednesday, March 12, 2025, 9:30 a.m.
Council Chamber, City Hall

PRESENT: Deputy Mayor R. Pearce, Chair
Mayor C. Block
Councillor T. Davies
Councillor R. Donauer
Councillor S. Ford
Councillor Z. Jeffries, at 9:32 a.m.
Councillor H. Kelleher
Councillor K. MacDonald
Councillor J. Parker

ABSENT: Councillor B. Dubois
Councillor S. Timon

ALSO PRESENT: City Manager J. Jorgenson
City Solicitor C. Yelland
City Clerk A. Titemore
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 Ford

1. That the request to speak from Blake Tait be added to item 6.3.1;
2. That item 13.2.3 be added to the *In Camera* session; and
3. That the agenda be confirmed as amended.

In Favour (8): Councillor Pearce, Mayor Block, Councillor Davies, Councillor Donauer, Councillor Ford, Councillor Kelleher, Councillor MacDonald, and Councillor Parker

Absent (3): Councillor Dubois, Councillor Jeffries, and Councillor Timon

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3. DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of conflict of interest.

4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Moved By: Councillor Donauer

That the minutes of meeting of the Governance and Priorities Committee dated February 12, 2025, be adopted.

In Favour (8): Councillor Pearce, Mayor Block, Councillor Davies, Councillor Donauer, Councillor Ford, Councillor Kelleher, Councillor MacDonald, and Councillor Parker

Absent (3): Councillor Dubois, Councillor Jeffries, and Councillor Timon

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

6. ADMINISTRATIVE AND LEGISLATIVE REPORTS

6.1 Decision Reports

6.1.1 Civic Survey – Reflecting the Views of Saskatoon’s Diverse Community and Providing Ward Reports GPC2025-0102

A report of the Strategy and Transformation Division was provided.

Councillor Jeffries entered the meeting at 9:32 a.m.

Moved By: Mayor Block

That consideration of the matter be deferred to the April 9, 2025 Governance & Priorities meeting.

In Favour (9): Councillor Pearce, Mayor Block, Councillor Davies, Councillor Donauer, Councillor Ford, Councillor Jeffries, Councillor Kelleher, Councillor MacDonald, and Councillor Parker

Absent (2): Councillor Dubois, and Councillor Timon

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

6.2 Approval Reports

6.3 Information Reports

6.3.1 Blake Tait – Denounce 1 Million March 4 Children GPC2023-1103

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

A request to speak from Blake Tait was also provided.

City Solicitor Yelland presented the report.

Blake Tait spoke to the matter.

Moved By: Councillor Ford

That the report of the City Solicitor's Office be received as information.

In Favour (9): Councillor Pearce, Mayor Block, Councillor Davies, Councillor Donauer, Councillor Ford, Councillor Jeffries, Councillor Kelleher, Councillor MacDonald, and Councillor Parker

Absent (2): Councillor Dubois, and Councillor Timon

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MOTION ARISING

Moved By: Councillor Parker

That the Governance & Priorities Committee recommend to City Council:

As the City of Saskatoon is a place where all people deserve to live with dignity, safety and respect, no matter their gender identity or

expression, that Saskatoon be declared a safe city for the 2SLGBTQQIA+ community.

In Favour (9): Councillor Pearce, Mayor Block, Councillor Davies, Councillor Donauer, Councillor Ford, Councillor Jeffries, Councillor Kelleher, Councillor MacDonald, and Councillor Parker

Absent (2): Councillor Dubois, and Councillor Timon

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7. MOTIONS (notice previously given)

8. URGENT BUSINESS

9. GIVING NOTICE

10. VERBAL UPDATES

10.1 Council Members - Her Worship the Mayor, FCM/SUMA, Boards, Committees and Commissions

Councillor Jeffries provided an update regarding the FCM Board of Directors.

10.2 Administration

11. REQUESTS TO SPEAK (new matters)

11.1 Lee Fuller - Remai Modern CK175-27

A letter and request to speak from Lee Fuller was provided.

Lee Fuller addressed Committee regarding the need for a visual artist on the Remai Board and operations of the gallery.

Moved By: Councillor Kelleher

That the information be received.

In Favour (9): Councillor Pearce, Mayor Block, Councillor Davies, Councillor Donauer, Councillor Ford, Councillor Jeffries, Councillor Kelleher, Councillor MacDonald, and Councillor Parker

Absent (2): Councillor Dubois, and Councillor Timon

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

12. COMMUNICATIONS (requiring the direction of the Committee)

13. IN CAMERA SESSION

Moved By: Councillor Parker

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

In Favour (9): Councillor Pearce, Mayor Block, Councillor Davies, Councillor Donauer, Councillor Ford, Councillor Jeffries, Councillor Kelleher, Councillor MacDonald, and Councillor Parker

Absent (2): Councillor Dubois, and Councillor Timon

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

13.1 Verbal Updates

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

13.1.1.1 Council Strategic Priority Areas and Leads

[In Camera - Section 94(4) of The Cities Act - Strategic Planning]

13.1.2 Administration

13.1.2.1 City Manager Updates

[In Camera - Sections 13, 14, 15(1), 16(1), 17, 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 2025 Appointment and Resignation - Municipal Heritage Advisory Committee

13.2.2 2025 Appointments - Saskatoon Accessibility Advisory Committee

13.2.3 Appointment - Council Representative - SUMA Cities Caucus

14. RISE AND REPORT

The Committee convened *In Camera* at 10:18 a.m. with the following in attendance as noted:

- All Committee members (with the exception of Councillors Dubois and Timon)
- City Manager Jorgenson
- City Solicitor Yelland
- City Clerk Tittlemore
- Deputy City Clerk Bryant
- General Manager, Community Services Anger
- Chief of Staff Cormack
- Director of Saskatoon Land Long, for portion of item 13.1.2.1

Mayor Block excused herself from the meeting at 11:12 a.m.

The Committee moved to rise and report. The *In Camera* portion of the meeting recessed at 11:19 a.m.

Committee reconvened publicly, and reported as follows:

13.1 Verbal Updates

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

Moved By: Councillor Parker

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 (8): Councillor Pearce, Councillor Davies, Councillor Donauer, Councillor Ford, Councillor Jeffries, Councillor Kelleher, Councillor MacDonald, and Councillor Parker

Absent (3): Mayor Block, Councillor Dubois, and Councillor Timon

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

13.1.1.1 Council Strategic Priority Areas and Leads

[In Camera - Section 94(4) of The Cities Act - Strategic Planning]

Moved By: Councillor Parker

That the information and the discussion remain *In Camera* under Section 94(4) of *The Cities Act*.

In Favour (8): Councillor Pearce, Councillor Davies, Councillor Donauer, Councillor Ford, Councillor Jeffries, Councillor Kelleher, Councillor MacDonald, and Councillor Parker

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CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

13.1.2 Administration

13.1.2.1 City Manager Updates

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

Moved By: Councillor Parker

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

In Favour (8): Councillor Pearce, Councillor Davies, Councillor Donauer, Councillor Ford, Councillor Jeffries, Councillor Kelleher, Councillor MacDonald, and Councillor Parker

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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]

Moved By: Councillor Parker

That the recommended appointments to Boards, Commissions and Committees and any further direction, as noted by the City Clerk and reports, be reported to the March 26, 2025 Regular Business meeting.

In Favour (9): Councillor Pearce, Mayor Block, Councillor Davies, Councillor Donauer, Councillor Ford, Councillor Jeffries, Councillor Kelleher, Councillor MacDonald, and Councillor Parker

Absent (2): Councillor Dubois, and Councillor Timon

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

15. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 11:24 a.m.

Deputy Mayor R. Pearce

City Clerk A. Tittlemore