



PUBLIC MINUTES

STANDING POLICY COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

Monday, August 12, 2019, 2:00 p.m.
Council Chamber, City Hall

PRESENT: Councillor A. Iwanchuk, Chair
Councillor C. Block, Vice Chair
Councillor B. Dubois
Councillor M. Loewen
His Worship Mayor C. Clark (Ex-Officio)

ABSENT: Councillor R. Donauer

ALSO PRESENT: Interim Chief Financial Officer C. Hack
City Solicitor C. Bogad
Deputy City Clerk S. Bryant
Committee Assistant H. Thompson

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 2:00 p.m. on Treaty 6 Territory and the Homeland of the Metis people.

2. CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA

Moved By: Councillor Dubois

1. That the item with a speaker be considered immediately following consideration of Unfinished Business:

1. 7.2.2 - Alex Fallon, SREDA; and

2. That the agenda be confirmed as presented.

In Favour: (5): Councillor Iwanchuk, Councillor Block, Councillor Dubois, Councillor Loewen, and Mayor C. Clark

Absent (1): Councillor Donauer

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3. DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Moved By: Councillor Block

That the minutes of Regular Meeting of the Standing Policy Committee on Finance held on June 11, 2019 be adopted.

In Favour: (5): Councillor Iwanchuk, Councillor Block, Councillor Dubois, Councillor Loewen, and Mayor C. Clark

Absent (1): Councillor Donauer

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5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Pursuant to resolution, Item 7.2.2 was considered next.

6. COMMUNICATIONS (requiring the direction of the Committee)

6.1 Delegated Authority Matters

6.2 Matters Requiring Direction

6.2.1 Meewasin Valley Authority Financial Statements - March 31, 2019 [File No. CK. 1870-10]

Meewasin Valley Authority Financial Statements - March 31, 2019 were provided.

Moved By: Mayor C. Clark

That the Meewasin Valley Authority Financial Statements, March 31, 2019 be received and forwarded to City Council for information.

In Favour: (5): Councillor Iwanchuk, Councillor Block, Councillor Dubois, Councillor Loewen, and Mayor C. Clark

Absent (1): Councillor Donauer

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6.3 Requests to Speak (new matters)

7. REPORTS FROM ADMINISTRATION

7.1 Information Reports

Moved By: Councillor Dubois

That the reports contained in items 7.1.1 to 7.1.5 be received as information.

In Favour: (5): Councillor Iwanchuk, Councillor Block, Councillor Dubois, Councillor Loewen, and Mayor C. Clark

Absent (1): Councillor Donauer

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7.1.1 Semi-Annual Report – Builder and Developer Lot Supply – 2019 Mid-Year [File No. CK. 4110-1]

7.1.2 Accessibility at Persephone Theatre and Remail Modern [File No. CK. 620-5]

Interim Chief Financial Officer Hack advised the Committee that the Persephone Theater Administration indicated that the grant application timeline has passed for the current year and Persephone is reviewing other options.

Moved By: Councillor Dubois

1. That the report be forwarded to the Saskatoon Accessibility Advisory Committee for information; and
2. That the Administration report back to the Standing Policy Committee on Finance on the matter in one year.

In Favour: (5): Councillor Iwanchuk, Councillor Block, Councillor Dubois, Councillor Loewen, and Mayor C. Clark

Absent (1): Councillor Donauer

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7.1.3 Internal Audit Budget – July 2019 [File No. CK. 1600-3]

7.1.4 Asset Management Plan for Fleet Services [File No. CK. 1295-1 x 1390-1]

7.1.5 2019 Mid-Year Results – City of Saskatoon’s Corporate Business Plan and Budget [File No. CK. 430-72]

Interim Chief Financial Officer Hack addressed questions of the Committee related to municipal revenue sharing.

General Manager, Community Services Lacroix advised the Committee on the status of the Seniors Technical Advisory Committee.

7.2 Approval Reports

7.2.1 Direct Sale of Remnant Parcel to Arbutus Meadows Partnership [File No. CK. 4214-1 x 4351-019-007]

Moved By: Councillor Dubois

1. That the Administration be authorized to sell, by direct sale, Surface Parcel No. 131812668 to Arbutus Meadows Partnership or nominee as per the terms and conditions outlined in the report of the Chief Financial Officer dated August 12, 2019; and
2. That the City Solicitor be requested to prepare the Direct Sale Agreement and that His Worship the Mayor and the City Clerk be authorized to execute the agreement under the Corporate Seal.

In Favour: (5): Councillor Iwanchuk, Councillor Block, Councillor Dubois, Councillor Loewen, and Mayor C. Clark

Absent (1): Councillor Donauer

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7.2.2 Incentive Application – Saskatchewan Food Development Centre Industry Inc. [File No. CK. 3500-13]

A letter requesting to speak from Alex Fallon, Chief Executive Officer, SREDA, dated July 29, 2019 was provided.

Alex Fallon addressed recommending the approval of the tax abatement application and informed of the benefits to the economy.

Moved By: Councillor Dubois

That the Standing Policy Committee on Finance recommend to City Council:

1. That the application from the Saskatchewan Food Development Centre Industry Inc. for a five-year tax abatement on the incremental portion of taxes at 2335 Schuyler Street, as a result of its development in 2020, be approved as follows:
 - 100% in Year 1;
 - 80% in Year 2;
 - 70% in Year 3;
 - 60% in Year 4;
 - 50% in Year 5; and
2. That the City Solicitor be instructed to prepare the appropriate agreements.

In Favour: (5): Councillor Iwanchuk, Councillor Block, Councillor Dubois, Councillor Loewen, and Mayor C. Clark

Absent (1): Councillor Donauer

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7.2.3 Saskatoon Light & Power Capital Funding Reallocation 2019 [File No. CK. 1815-1]

Director of Saskatoon Light & Power advised the Committee of the financial implications of the funding reallocation.

Moved By: Councillor Block

That the Standing Policy Committee on Finance recommend to City Council that the transfer of funds, as indicated below, be approved:

1. That \$56,031.55 from the Electrical Distribution Extension Reserve and \$47,411.32 from the Electrical Distribution Replacement Reserve be allocated to Capital Project 1308-02, Varsity View Conversion – 14th Street;
2. That \$236,196.46 from the Electrical Distribution Extension Reserve be allocated to Capital Project 722-04, Kenderdine Rd. – Attridge to Ag Station;

3. That \$107,291.36 from the Electrical Distribution Extension Reserve be allocated to Capital Project 2305, Landfill Gas Energy;
4. That \$316,561.08 from the Electrical Distribution Extension Reserve be allocated to Capital Project 1174-06, Street Lighting – Hampton Village;
5. That \$251,893.72 from the Electrical Distribution Extension Reserve and \$116,749.22 from the Electrical Distribution Replacement Reserve be allocated to Capital Project 1174-02 Street Lighting – Stonebridge;
6. That \$458,157.73 from the Electrical Distribution Extension Reserve be allocated to Capital Project 1174-03, Street Lighting – Willowgrove;
7. That \$59,320.39 from the Electrical Distribution Extension Reserve and \$59,320.38 from the Electrical Distribution Replacement Reserve be allocated to Capital Project 812-03, GIS Implementation; and
8. That \$672,960.79 from the Electrical Distribution Extension Reserve be allocated to Capital Project 1174-07, Street Lighting – Evergreen.

In Favour: (5): Councillor Iwanchuk, Councillor Block, Councillor Dubois, Councillor Loewen, and Mayor C. Clark

Absent (1): Councillor Donauer

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7.3 Decision Reports

7.3.1 Safe Streets Commission - Asset Allocation Report [File No. CK. 175-55]

A letter submitting comments from Brent Penner, Executive Director, Downtown Saskatoon, dated August 1, 2019 was provided.

General Manager, Community Services Lacroix answered questions regarding the funding and its handing.

Following discussion, Committee supported putting forward Option 3, which is returning a proportionate share to the Downtown Business Improvement District and allocating the remainder of the funds to the newly created Safe Streets Community Action Alliance.

Moved By: Councillor Block

That the Standing Policy Committee on Finance recommend to City Council, Option 3: - Return a proportionate share to the Downtown Business Improvement District, and allocate the remainder of the funds to the newly created Safe Community Action Alliance.

In Favour: (5): Councillor Iwanchuk, Councillor Block, Councillor Dubois, Councillor Loewen, and Mayor C. Clark

Absent (1): Councillor Donauer

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8. **URGENT BUSINESS**
9. **MOTIONS (notice previously given)**
10. **GIVING NOTICE**
11. **IN CAMERA AGENDA ITEMS**
12. **RISE AND REPORT**
13. **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 2:43 p.m.

Councillor A. Iwanchuk, Chair

Deputy City Clerk S. Bryant