



**MEETING:** Committee of the Whole

**DATE:** Monday, May 17, 2021

*Reference No. COW 28/52*

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**CLOSED SESSION via MS Teams at 6:00 p.m.**

Committee of the Whole - Closed Session  
Chair: Councillor A. Ruberto

Committee of the Whole – Closed Session was cancelled on Friday, May 14, 2021. The items scheduled for presentation have been re-scheduled to a future meeting.

**OPEN SESSION in S.H. Blake Memorial Auditorium at 6:32 p.m.**

Committee of the Whole - Planning Session  
Chair: Councillor A. Ruberto

**ELECTRONIC PARTICIPATION: OFFICIALS:**

Mayor B. Mauro  
Councillor A. Aiello  
Councillor M. Bentz  
Councillor S. Ch’ng  
Councillor A. Foulds  
Councillor C. Fraser  
Councillor T. Giertuga  
Councillor B. Hamilton  
Councillor R. Johnson  
Councillor B. McKinnon  
Councillor K. Oliver  
Councillor A. Ruberto  
Councillor Peng You

Ms. K. Power, City Clerk  
Ms. F. Track, Council & Committee Clerk

**OFFICIALS - ELECTRONIC PARTICIPATION:**

Mr. N. Gale, City Manager  
Ms. C. Cline, Acting City Solicitor  
Ms. L. Evans, General Manager – Corporate Services & Long Term Care  
Ms. K. Marshall, General Manager – Infrastructure & Operations  
Ms. K. Lewis, General Manager – Development & Emergency Services  
Ms. K. Robertson, General Manager – Community Services  
Ms. C. Olsen, Acting Director – Corporate Strategic Services  
Ms. K. Ortgiese, Director – Human Resources & Corporate Safety  
Ms. L. McEachern, Director – Planning Services

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Mr. G. Broere, Director Facilities, Fleet & Energy  
Management - Community Services  
Mr. F. Marchese, Manager, Facilities Services -  
Community Services Mr. D. Lopes, Senior Planner  
– Development & Emergency Services  
Chief G. Hankkio, Thunder Bay Fire Rescue  
Mr. R. Furioso, Construction Services Supervisor -  
Community Services  
Mr. D. Lopes, Senior Planner – Development &  
Emergency Services  
Mr. A. Ward, Project Engineer – Infrastructure &  
Operations  
Ms. S. Levanen, Supervisor - Corporate  
Communications

## **DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST**

## **CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA**

### **Confirmation of Agenda - May 17, 2021 - Committee of the Whole**

MOVED BY: Councillor Rebecca Johnson  
SECONDED BY: Councillor Brian Hamilton

WITH RESPECT to the May 17, 2021 Committee of the Whole meeting, we recommend that the agenda as printed, including any additional information and new business, be confirmed.

CARRIED

## ***DEPUTATIONS***

### **Extension of the Sanitary Trunk Sewer, West of Parkdale**

Correspondence from T. Rizzuto dated April 28, 2021 requesting to appear before Committee to provide a deputation relative to the above noted was distributed separately on Friday, May 14, 2021.

Mr. T. Rizzutto, Consultant - Stantec Consulting, Mr. N. Nadin and Mr. L. Nadin - Nadin Construction appeared before Committee via MS Teams, provided a presentation and responded to questions.

**Motion - Extension of the Sanitary Trunk Sewer, West of Parkdale**

MOVED BY: Mayor Bill Mauro  
SECONDED BY: Councillor Shelby Ch'ng

WITH RESPECT to the deputation relative to the request of the extension of the sanitary trunk sewer, west of Parkdale we recommend that Administration report back on the request and include recommendations, potential financial implications and any other relevant data;

AND THAT Administration report back on or before December 13, 2021.

CARRIED

***REPORTS OF COMMITTEES***

**Heritage Advisory Committee Minutes**

Minutes of Meeting 03-2021 of the Heritage Advisory Committee held on March 25, 2021, for information.

**Lakehead Source Protection Authority Minutes**

Minutes of Meeting No. 1 of the Lakehead Source Protection Authority held on April 29, 2021, for information.

**Lakehead Region Conservation Authority Minutes**

Minutes of Meeting No. 3 of the Lakehead Region Conservation Authority Committee held on March 31, 2021, for information.

**Committee of Adjustment**

Minutes of Meeting No. 02-2021 and 03-2021 of the Committee of Adjustment held on February 14, 2021 and March 24, 2021 respectively, for information.

***PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS***

**Canada Healthy Communities Initiative – Round Two Grant Application**

Memorandum from Ms. K. Lewis, General Manager - Development & Emergency Services and Mr. J. DePeuter, Manager - Realty Services dated April 22, 2021 containing a recommendation relative to the above noted.

MOVED BY: Councillor Rebecca Johnson  
SECONDED BY: Councillor Brian Hamilton

WITH RESPECT to the Memorandum from Ms. K. Lewis and Mr. J. DePeuter dated April 22, 2021, we recommend that Administration submit a grant application for the Canada Healthy Communities Initiative to advance streetscape, public space designs and pilot projects associated with the Victoriaville Civic Centre Demolition and Reconstruction of Victoria Avenue Roadway;

AND THAT any necessary by-laws be presented to City Council for ratification.

CARRIED

**Request for Information – Open Air Burning By-law**

Memorandum from Councillor K. Oliver dated April 26, 2021 containing a motion relative to the above noted.

MOVED BY: Councillor Kristen Oliver  
SECONDED BY: Councillor Rebecca Johnson

WITH RESPECT to the Memorandum from Councillor K. Oliver dated April 26, 2021, we recommend that Administration provide Council with options for a by-law relating to open air fire burning that would provide a fair and balanced approach of rules and regulations;

AND THAT Administration consult with the public and report back on or before November 15, 2021;

AND THAT any necessary by-laws be presented to Council for ratification.

CARRIED

**OPEN SESSION in the S.H. Blake Memorial Auditorium**

Committee of the Whole - Administrative Services Session  
Chair: Councillor M. Bentz

***REPORTS OF COMMITTEES***

**Inter-Governmental Affairs Committee Minutes**

Minutes of Meeting 03-2021 of the Inter-Governmental Affairs Committee held on April 12, 2021, for information.

**Official Recognition Committee Minutes**

Minutes of Meetings 02-2021 of the Official Recognition Committee Citizens of Exceptional Achievement held on March 30, 2021, for information.

**Community Communications Committee Minutes**

Minutes of Meeting 01-2021 of the Community Communications Committee held on March 3, 2021, for information.

***REPORTS OF MUNICIPAL OFFICERS***

**Mounddale Fuel Farm and Dispenser Replacement – Tender Award**

Report No. R 44/2021 (Community Services - Asset Management) recommending that the work being recommended in this tender includes the removal of the existing underground fuel storage systems and the installation of a new above-ground fuel storage and dispensing system.

The City Clerk advised that the resolution relative to the above noted would be presented for ratification at the City Council meeting to be held later in the evening and would require a two-thirds vote.

MOVED BY: Councillor Brian Hamilton  
SECONDED BY: Councillor Albert Aiello

WITH RESPECT to Corporate Report No. R 44/2021 (Community Services – Facilities, Fleet and Energy Management), we recommend that Project No. 19-162, for the Mounddale Fuel Farm Replacement be awarded to PDR Contracting, up to the amount of \$1,417,445.00 (inclusive of all taxes and a contingency allowance);

AND THAT appropriation No. 9 be approved;

AND THAT the Manager – Supply Management be authorized to issue any purchase orders related to this project;

AND THAT the Director – Facilities, Fleet & Energy Management report any circumstances to City Council should significant variations in contract values occur as the work proceeds;

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AND THAT the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to sign all documentation related to these matters;

AND THAT any necessary By-laws be presented to City Council for ratification.

CARRIED

**2020-2022 Community Communications & Engagement Plan**

Report R 60/2021 (City Manager's Office - Corporate Strategic Services) recommending approval of the 2020-2022 Community Communications & Engagement Plan.

Memorandum from Ms. C. Olsen, Acting Director – Corporate Strategic Services dated May 13, 2021 requesting an opportunity to provide a presentation relative to the above noted was distributed separately on Friday, May 14, 2021.

Ms. C. Olsen, and Ms. S. Levanen, Supervisor - Corporate Communications appeared before Committee via MS Teams, provided a presentation and responded to questions.

MOVED BY: Councillor Shelby Ch'ng  
SECONDED BY: Councillor Brian Hamilton

WITH RESPECT to Report R 60/2021 (City Manager's Office - Corporate Strategic Services), we recommend that the 2020-2022 Community Communications & Engagement Plan as outlined in Attachment A be approved,

AND THAT any necessary by-laws be presented to City Council for ratification.

CARRIED

**Pioneer Ridge ICIP COVID funding to put air conditioning in resident rooms at Pioneer Ridge**

R 62/2021 (Corporate Services & Long Term Care - Long Term Care & Senior Services ) recommending the approval of the Pioneer Ridge and Ontario ICIP COVID Transfer Payment Agreement whereby the City of Thunder Bay will be provided with funding to improve the present cooling system to include resident living spaces that currently do not have any cooling systems in place.

The City Clerk advised that the resolution relative to the above noted would be presented for ratification at the City Council meeting to be held later in the evening and would require a two-thirds vote.

MOVED BY: Councillor Rebecca Johnson  
SECONDED BY: Councillor Kristen Oliver

WITH RESPECT to Report R 62/2021 (Corporate Services & Long-Term Care – Long Term Care & Senior Services), we recommend the Transfer Payment Agreement for the Investing in Canada

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Infrastructure Program (ICIP): COVID-19 Resilience Infrastructure Stream for Long-Term Care Homes and any/all subsequent years agreements or amendments between the Ontario Minister of Long-Term Care and the Corporation of the City of Thunder Bay be approved;

AND THAT the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to execute any necessary documentation;

AND THAT Appropriation Change Order No. 7 be approved;

AND THAT any necessary by-laws be presented to Council for ratification

CARRIED

### ***PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS***

#### **Free Menstrual Products at City Facilities**

At the December 2, 2019 Committee of the Whole meeting Administration was directed to provide options and costs for a pilot project that would offer menstrual products in recreation centres and library locations.

Memorandum from Mr. F. Marchese, Manager Facility Services dated May 7, 2021 providing a recommendation relative to the above noted.

MOVED BY: Councillor Shelby Ch'ng  
SECONDED BY: Councillor Andrew Foulds

WITH RESPECT to the memorandum from Mr. F. Marchese, Manager – Facilities dated May 7, 2021, we recommend that Administration proceed with Option 1 as outlined in the memorandum;

AND THAT the pilot project be funded in 2021 from the Stabilization Reserve Fund;

AND THAT the costs associated with the pilot project be included in the respective 2022 operating budgets;

AND THAT Administration report the results of the pilot project on or before September 30, 2022;

AND THAT any necessary by-laws be presented to Council for ratification.

CARRIED

#### **Vacancy Review**

At the January 29, 2020 Committee of a Whole Budget meeting, Council directed Administration through the City Manager to suspend the hiring of all vacant positions, and that the City Manager approve any necessary hires under specific criteria including necessary service levels, maintaining compliance and managing potential liability. The City Manager was tasked with reporting back to

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Council by June 19, 2021.

Memorandum from Ms. K. Ortgiese, Director - Human Resources & Corporate Safety dated May 10, 2021 relative to the above noted, for information.

**Request for Information – Police Capital Projects Reserve Fund**

Memorandum from Mayor B. Mauro dated April 22, 2021 containing a motion relative to the above noted.

MOVED BY: Mayor Bill Mauro  
SECONDED BY: Councillor Kristen Oliver

WITH RESPECT to the Memorandum from Mayor B. Mauro dated April 22, 2021, we recommend that Administration report back to provide options for funding the reserve fund, including the use of annual positive variance, and defined disbursement options for the Police Capital Projects Reserve Fund;

AND THAT Administration report back on or before October 31, 2021;

AND THAT any necessary by-laws be presented to Council for ratification.

CARRIED

**Request for Expression of Interest Proposals – Multi Use Indoor Sports Facility**

Memorandum from Councillor M. Bentz dated May 3, 2021 containing a motion relative to the above noted.

At the request of the Chair, Councillor B. Hamilton assumed the Chair during the discussion of this item.

MOVED BY: Councillor Mark Bentz  
SECONDED BY: Councillor Peng You

WITH RESPECT to the memorandum from Councillor M. Bentz, dated May 3, 2021, we recommend that Administration be directed to begin an Expression of Interest Process to invite proposals from the private sector and other interested organizations for a Multi-Use Indoor Sports Facility;

AND THAT proposals be invited for both short and long term solutions;

AND THAT the location of Chapples Park be the preferred location but also allow for the inclusion of other locations for consideration;



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AND THAT Administration report back on the status of this process by June 14, 2021.

CARRIED

**11:00 pm Resolution**

During discussion of the above noted item, the following resolution was passed:

MOVED BY: Councillor Aldo Ruberto  
SECONDED BY: Councillor Kristen Oliver

THAT the hour being 11:00 p.m., we continue with the business at hand.

CARRIED

***NEW BUSINESS***

Councillor M. Bentz resumed the Chair.

**Advocacy – Regional Approach to Reopening**

Memorandum from Councillor K. Oliver dated May 13, 2021 containing a motion relative to the above noted was distributed separately on Friday, May 14, 2021.

The City Clerk advised that the resolution relative to the above noted would be presented for ratification at the City Council meeting to be held later in the evening and would require a two-thirds vote.

MOVED BY: Councillor Kristen Oliver  
SECONDED BY: Mayor Bill Mauro

WITH RESPECT to the memorandum from Councillor K. Oliver dated May 13, 2021, we recommend that City Council support a return to the previously approved colour coded framework and that a regional approach to re-opening Ontario be considered by the province;

AND THAT the Intergovernmental Affairs Committee be tasked with advocacy for this position;

AND THAT a copy of this resolution be sent to Premier Doug Ford, Minister of Health Christine Elliot, NOMA and the Members of Provincial Parliament for Thunder Bay – Michael Gravelle (Thunder Bay – Superior North) and Judith Monteith-Farrell (Thunder Bay - Rainy River);

AND THAT any necessary by-laws be presented to City Council for ratification.

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**Establishment of Closed Session - Monday, June 7, 2021**

The following resolution was presented to Committee of the Whole for consideration:

MOVED BY: Councillor Rebecca Johnson  
SECONDED BY: Councillor Kristen Oliver

THAT a Committee of the Whole – Closed Session meeting be scheduled for Monday, June 7, 2021 at 5:00 p.m. in order to receive information relative to personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees; and labour relations or employee negotiations.

CARRIED

***ADJOURNMENT***

The meeting adjourned at 11:47 pm.