



**MEETING:** Committee of the Whole

**DATE:** Monday, October 19, 2020

*Reference No. COW 38/51*

***OPEN SPECIAL SESSION***

**Open Special Session in S.H. Blake Memorial Auditorium at 5:00 p.m.**

Chair: Councillor T. Giertuga

**PRESENT:**

Mayor B. Mauro  
Councillor A. Aiello  
Councillor S. Ch'ng  
Councillor A. Foulds  
Councillor B. Hamilton  
Councillor A. Ruberto  
Councillor Peng You

**OFFICIALS:**

Ms. D. Earle, Deputy City Clerk

**OFFICIALS - ELECTRONIC  
PARTICIPATION:**

Mr. N. Gale, City Manager  
Mr. M. Smith, General Manager –  
Development & Emergency Services

**ELECTRONIC PARTICIPATION:**

Councillor M. Bentz  
Councillor T. Giertuga  
Councillor R. Johnson  
Councillor B. McKinnon  
Councillor K. Oliver

**Resolution to Amend the Purpose of Closed Session**

Confidential memorandum from Ms. D. Earle, Deputy City Clerk, dated October 19, 2020 relative to amending the purpose of the Committee of the Whole - Closed Session meeting on October 19, 2020.

**MOVED BY:** Councillor Albert Aiello

**SECONDED BY:** Councillor Shelby Ch'ng

**THAT** the purpose of the Committee of the Whole –Closed Session meeting on October 19, 2020 at 5:00 p.m. be amended to include information relative personal matters about an identifiable

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individual, including municipal or local board employees; and labour relations or employee negotiations;

CARRIED

**CLOSED SESSION in S.H. Blake Memorial Auditorium at 5:04 p.m.**

Committee of the Whole - Closed Session  
Chair: Councillor T. Giertuga

**PRESENT:**

Mayor B. Mauro  
Councillor A. Aiello  
Councillor S. Ch'ng  
Councillor A. Foulds  
Councillor C. Fraser  
Councillor B. Hamilton  
Councillor A. Ruberto  
Councillor Peng You

**ELECTRONIC PARTICIPATION:**

Councillor M. Bentz  
Councillor T. Giertuga  
Councillor R. Johnson  
Councillor B. McKinnon  
Councillor K. Oliver

**OFFICIALS:**

Ms. D. Earle, Deputy City Clerk

**OFFICIALS - ELECTRONIC PARTICIPATION:**

Mr. N. Gale, City Manager  
Ms. L. Evans, General Manager – Corporate Services  
& Long Term Care  
Mr. M. Smith, General Manager – Development &  
Emergency Services  
Ms. K. Lewis, Director – Corporate Strategic Services  
Ms. D. Latta, Acting City Solicitor  
Ms. C. Cline, Deputy City Solicitor  
Ms. D. Walker, Law Clerk  
Mr. E. Zakrewski, CEO – Thunder Bay Community  
Economic Development Commission

**DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST**

None.

**NEW BUSINESS**

It was the consensus of Committee to consider the following item of New Business relative to Labour Relations.

**Labour Relations**

Mr. N. Gale, City Manager and Mr. M. Smith, General Manager – Development & Emergency Services, provided an overview relative to the above noted.

Mr. M. Smith, General Manager – Development & Emergency Services responded to questions.

## **REPORTS OF MUNICIPAL OFFICERS**

Ms. L. Evans, General Manager – Corporate Services & Long Term Care, Ms. K. Lewis, Director – Corporate Strategic Services, Ms. D. Walker, Law Clerk, Mr. E. Zakrewski, CEO - Thunder Bay Community Economic Development Commission and Mr. C. Urquhart, Chair - Thunder Bay Community Economic Development Commission entered the meeting room via MS Teams.

### **Administrative Update**

Memorandum from Mr. E. Zakrewski, CEO – Thunder Bay Community Economic Development Commission dated October 13, 2020 relative to the above noted was distributed to City Council, City Manager, City Solicitor, and General Manager – Development & Emergency Services only on Thursday, October 15, 2020.

Mr. E. Zakrewski, CEO – Thunder Bay Community Economic Development Commission provided a PowerPoint Presentation relative to the above noted and responded to questions.

Mr. C. Urquhart, Chair - Thunder Bay Community Economic Development responded to questions.

Mr. N. Gale, City Manager responded to questions.

Mr. M. Smith, General Manager – Development & Emergency Services responded to questions.

### **OPEN SESSION in S.H. Blake Memorial Auditorium 8:34 PM**

Committee of the Whole - Planning Session

Vice Chair: Councillor A. Ruberto

#### **PRESENT:**

Mayor B. Mauro  
Councillor A. Aiello  
Councillor A. Foulds  
Councillor C. Fraser  
Councillor A. Ruberto  
Councillor Peng You

#### **ELECTRONIC PARTICIPATION:**

Councillor M. Bentz  
Councillor T. Giertuga  
Councillor R. Johnson

#### **OFFICIALS:**

Ms. D. Earle, Deputy City Clerk  
Ms. F. Track, Committee Coordinator

#### **OFFICIALS - ELECTRONIC PARTICIPATION:**

Mr. N. Gale, City Manager  
Ms. L. Evans, General Manager – Corporate Services  
& Long Term Care  
Ms. D. Walker, Law Clerk  
Ms. K. Marshall, General Manager – Infrastructure &  
Operations

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Councillor B. McKinnon  
Councillor K. Oliver

Mr. M. Smith, General Manager – Development &  
Emergency Services  
Mr. J. De Peuter, Manager - Development &  
Emergency Services – Realty Services

## **DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST**

Councillor A. Ruberto disclosed an interest relative to Corporate Report No. 106/2020 (Development & Emergency Services - Realty Services) Victoriaville Centre Options Analysis– Reimagine Victoriaville as he owns a neighboring property.

At the request of the Chair, Councillor A. Aiello assumed the Chair during the discussion of this item and the remainder of the meeting.

## **CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA – October 19, 2020**

MOVED BY: Councillor Andrew Foulds  
SECONDED BY: Councillor Cody Fraser

With respect to the October 19, 2020 Committee of the Whole meeting, we recommend that the agenda as printed, including any additional information and new business, be confirmed.

CARRIED

## ***REPORTS OF COMMITTEES***

### **Lakehead Region Conservation Authority**

Minutes of Meeting No. 06-2020 of the Lakehead Region Conservation Authority held on August 26, 2020, for information

### **Heritage Advisory Committee Minutes**

Minutes of Meeting No. 04-2020 of the Heritage Advisory Committee held on August 27, 2020, for information.

## ***REPORTS OF MUNICIPAL OFFICERS***

### **Victoriaville Centre Options Analysis– Reimagine Victoriaville**

Report No. R 106/2020 (Development & Emergency Services - Realty Services) Victoriaville Centre Options Analysis– Reimagine Victoriaville, re-presented.

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At the September 21, 2020 Committee of the Whole Meeting Report No. R 106/2020 (Development & Emergency Services - Realty Services) Victoriaville Centre Options Analysis– Reimagine Victoriaville including Urban Systems’ evaluation of development options for Victoriaville Centre was received as a First report.

Attachment A - Reimagine Victoriaville Study - Consultant Report distributed separately on Thursday, September 17, 2020.

Memorandum from Mr. P. Olsen, Property Agent, Realty Services Division dated October 12, 2020 relative to the above noted, for information.

Written Deputation from Dr. Ernie Epp, Professor Emeritus of History - Lakehead University dated October 16, 2020 relative to the above noted, was distributed separately to City Council and EMT on Friday, October 16, 2020.

Mr. J. Palmer, Consultant - Urban Systems appeared before Committee via MS Teams and responded to questions.

MOVED BY: Mayor Bill Mauro  
SECONDED BY: Councillor Rebecca Johnson

With respect to Report No. R 106/2020 (Development & Emergency Services – Realty Services) Victoriaville Centre Options Analysis– Reimagine Victoriaville, we recommend that the City demolish Victoriaville Centre and restore Victoria Avenue as a through street be approved as the preferred option;

AND THAT Administration proceed with the steps required to demolish Victoriaville and reconstruct Victoria Avenue seeking Council direction and approvals as required;

AND THAT Appropriation No. 19 be approved (Attachment C);

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

CARRIED

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

#### **Creation of a South Core Renewal Committee – Report Request**

Memorandum from Councillor M. Bentz dated October 6, 2020 relative to the above noted.

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MOVED BY: Councillor Mark Bentz  
SECONDED BY: Councillor Andrew Foulds

With respect to the development of a Council advisory committee relative to South Core renewal and the Reimagine Victoriaville strategy approved by Council, we recommend that Administration report back to Council with a draft terms of reference for a committee of this nature;

AND THAT the City Clerk and Manager of Realty Services include in this report the administrative impact and any financial considerations;

AND THAT the report be received on or before January 25, 2021;

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

CARRIED

### ***NEW BUSINESS***

#### **Establishment of a Closed Session Meeting**

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

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

THAT a Committee of the Whole – Closed Session meeting be scheduled for Monday, October 26, 2020 at 5:30 p.m. in order to receive information relative to a trade secret or scientific, technical, commercial or financial information that belongs to the municipality or local board and has monetary value or potential monetary value; and a position, plan, procedure, criteria or instruction to be applied to any negotiations carried on or to be carried on by or on behalf of the municipality or local board.

CARRIED

### ***ADJOURNMENT***

The meeting adjourned at 9:11 pm