



MEETING: City Council

DATE: Monday, June 15, 2020

Reference No. CC – 32/51

OPEN SESSION in the S.H. Blake Memorial Auditorium at 11:22 p.m.

City Council - Special Session

Chair: Mayor B. Mauro

PRESENT:

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

OFFICIALS:

Ms. K. Power, City Clerk
Mr. N. Gale, City Manager
Ms. D. Earle, Deputy City Clerk

OFFICIALS - ELECTRONIC PARTICIPATION:

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Councillor M. Bentz
Councillor C. Fraser
Councillor T. Giertuga
Councillor B. Hamilton
Councillor R. Johnson
Councillor B. McKinnon
Councillor K. Oliver
Councillor Peng You

Ms. L. Evans, General Manager – Corporate Services & Long Term Care
Ms. K. Marshall, General Manager – Infrastructure & Operations
Ms. K. Robertson, General Manager – Community Services
Mr. M. Smith, General Manager – Development & Emergency Services
Ms. L. Lavoie, Committee Coordinator

OPENING CEREMONIES

One Minute of Silence

DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

Councillor B. Hamilton disclosed an interest relative to Strategic Core Areas Community Improvement Plan and Pop-Up Patio Program as he owns a business which may benefit from these programs.

Councillor A. Ruberto disclosed an interest relative to Strategic Core Areas Community Improvement Plan as he has applied for the Community Improvement program in the past and he owns properties in the core areas.

CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA

Confirmation of Agenda - June 15, 2020 - City Council

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

With respect to the June 15, 2020 City Council meeting, we recommend that the agenda as printed, including any additional information and new business, be confirmed.

CARRIED

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

City Council Minutes

The Minutes of the following Meeting of the Thunder Bay City Council, to be confirmed:

1. The Thunder Bay City Council held on June 1, 2020.

MOVED BY: Councillor Andrew Foulds
SECONDED BY: Councillor Albert Aiello

THAT the Minutes of the following Meeting of the Thunder Bay City Council, be confirmed:

1. The Thunder Bay City Council held on June 1, 2020.

CARRIED

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Committee of the Whole Minutes

The Minutes of the following Committee of the Whole meeting, to be adopted:

1. June 1, 2020 Committee of the Whole.

MOVED BY: Councillor Aldo Ruberto
SECONDED BY: Councillor Andrew Foulds

THAT the Minutes of the following Committee of the Whole meeting, be adopted:

1. June 1, 2020 Committee of the Whole.

CARRIED

Ratifying Resolutions

The City Clerk advised that the resolutions previously adopted by Committee of the Whole held earlier in the evening relative to the above noted required ratification by Council. Under Council's policy a two-thirds vote of Council was necessary.

Holding Symbol Removal – 100 Princess Street (Thunder Bay Airport)

Report No. R 71/2020 (Development & Emergency Services - Planning Services) recommending removal of a holding symbol at 100 Princess Street (Thunder Bay Airport).

THAT with respect to the request by Thunder Bay International Airports Authority

Inc., relative to a portion of the lands at the Thunder Bay Airport, described as the whole of Parts 11 to 59, and portions of Parts 4, 6, 8, 60 and 61, Reference Plan 55R-8790, municipally known as 100 Princess Street, we recommend:

1. That the Holding Symbol be removed from the subject property.

AND THAT the necessary By-laws are presented to City Council for ratification.

ALL as contained in Report No. R 71/2020 (Planning Services) as submitted by the Development & Emergency Services Department.

Update on Cost Containment-COVID-19 Pandemic

Report No. R 72/2020 (Corporate Services & Long Term Care - Financial Services) recommending that Administration release the tax-supported capital budgets for the projects identified in this report, the Thunder Bay 55 Plus Centre remain closed, the 2020 budgeted transfer of \$250,000 to the Renew Thunder Bay Reserve Fund be eliminated, the 2020 budgeted transfer to the Clean, Green, and Beautiful Reserve Fund be reduced, Appropriation No 13 be approved, and the Transit 2020 User fees be amended, distributed separately on Thursday, June 11, 2020.

With Respect to Report No. R 72/2020 (Corporate Services & Long Term Care - Financial Services), we recommend that Administration release the tax-supported capital budgets for the projects identified in the report (Attachment A);

AND THAT the Thunder Bay 55 Plus Centre remain closed until August 31, 2020;

AND THAT the 2020 budgeted transfer of \$250,000 to the Renew Thunder Bay Reserve Fund be eliminated;

AND THAT the 2020 budgeted transfer to the Clean, Green, and Beautiful Reserve Fund be reduced by \$100,000;

AND THAT Appropriation No. 13 be approved (Attachment B);

AND THAT the Transit 2020 User fees are amended as presented in the report (Attachment C);

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

Strategic Core Areas Community Improvement Plan

Memorandum from Ms. L. McEachern, Director - Planning Services, dated June 5, 2020 containing a motion relative to the above noted.

With Respect to the memorandum from Ms. Leslie McEachern, Director – Planning Services dated June 5, 2020, we recommend that the Planning Services Division and the Finance Division allocate administrative resources to administer the Strategic Core Areas Community Improvement Plan, Planning and Building Fee Grant Program and Grant Program;

AND THAT the Community Economic Development Corporation Operating Fund be the source of funding for up to \$200,000 for the remainder of the 2020 calendar year;

AND THAT the Grant Program be calculated based on 5% of the construction value up to a maximum grant of \$25,000 per property;

AND THAT Administration be directed to undertake a review of the current Community Improvement Plan and recommend additional financial assistance programs that can be used to aid in the economic recovery of the Strategic Core Areas;

AND THAT the Economic Recovery Task Team identify other ways to offer financial assistance and provide recommendations to redirect funds allocated to the Community Improvement Plan Programs if appropriate;

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

Pop-Up Patio Program

Memorandum from Ms. K. Charlton, Property Agent, dated June 10, 2020 relative to the above noted, distributed separately on Thursday, June 11, 2020.

With respect to the Memorandum dated June 9, 2020 Outdoor Patios/Retail Display and Shared Outdoor Dining for 2020, we recommend that to assist with the recovery of the local restaurant/food service sector, the City waive all applicable application fees and annual fees associated with outdoor patios and shared outdoor dining areas for the 2020 patio season which normally ends Oct 15, including those under existing agreements;

AND THAT costs for the 2020 program, of approximately \$30,000, be funded from the Land Development Fund;

AND THAT Council waive the enforcement of any Zoning By-law and Site Plan Control matters relating to outdoor restaurant patios in private parking lots for the 2020 patio season to allow restaurants additional space to meet social distancing guidelines and operate safely during the COVID-19 pandemic, provided that the applicable businesses register the use with the City;

AND THAT the Pop-Up Patio Pilot no longer be considered a pilot and be offered by the City on an ongoing basis for future patio seasons without the exceptions that are being made for the 2020 patio season;

AND THAT all participating businesses accessing City owned land be required to enter into the necessary agreements with the City, subject to review and approval of the said agreements by the City Solicitor;

AND THAT the General Manager, Development & Emergency Service, be authorized to issue 'non-objection' letters as required by the AGCO related to the extension of liquor licenses to patio areas;

AND THAT Administration proceed as set out in this Memorandum;

AND THAT to assist with the recovery of the retail sector, the City waive all applicable application fees and annual fees associated with outdoor retail display and sales during the 2020 patio season, which normally runs to October 15, including those under existing agreements;

AND THAT Council waive the enforcement of any Zoning By-law and Site Plan Control Agreements matters relating to outdoor retail display in private parking lots during the 2020 patio season to allow retailers additional space to meet social distancing guidelines and operate safely during the COVID-19 pandemic, provided that the applicable businesses register the use with the City;

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

Procedural By-law Amendment – Public Deputations at Electronic Meetings

Memorandum from Ms. K. Power, City Clerk dated June 3, 2020 containing a motion relative to the above noted.

With Respect to the Electronic Meetings – Deputations, we recommend that Section 3.01(h) of By-law 128-2012 (Procedural By-law of Council and its Committees) be amended to allow virtual Deputations at Committee of the Whole within an Electronic Meeting.

Ratifying Resolutions - June 15, 2020

MOVED BY: Councillor Rebecca Johnson
SECONDED BY: Councillor Trevor Giertuga

THAT the following ratifying resolutions be introduced, read, dealt with individually:

1. Holding Symbol Removal – 100 Princess Street (Thunder Bay Airport)
2. Update on Cost Containment-COVID-19 Pandemic
3. Strategic Core Areas Community Improvement Plan
4. Pop-Up Patio Program
5. Procedural By-law Amendment – Public Deputations at Electronic Meetings

CARRIED

BY-LAWS

BL 64/2020 - A By-law to remove a Holding Symbol pursuant to Section 36 of the Planning Act.

A By-law to remove a Holding Symbol pursuant to Section 36 of the Planning Act R.S.O., as amended (100 Princess Street)

BL 67/2020 - A By-law to amend 128-2012 - Procedural By-law of Council and its Committees

A By-law to amend By-law 128-2012 - Procedural By-law of Council and its Committees, to permit Electronic Meetings during a period of Emergency with respect to Deputations and to permit Electronic Participation for Statutory Public Meetings.

By-law Resolution

By-law Resolution - June 15, 2020

MOVED BY: Councillor Albert Aiello
SECONDED BY: Councillor Peng You

THAT the following By-law be introduced, read, dealt with individually, engrossed, signed by the Mayor and Clerk, sealed and numbered:

1. A By-law to remove a Holding Symbol pursuant to Section 36 of the Planning Act R.S.O., as amended (100 Princess Street)

By-law Number: BL 64/2020

2. A By-law to amend 128-2012 - Procedural By-law of Council and its Committees

By-law Number: BL 67/2020

CARRIED

CONFIRMING BY-LAW

BL 68/2020 - Confirming By-law - June 15, 2020

A By-law to confirm the proceedings of a meeting of Council, this 15th day of June, 2020.

Confirming By-law Resolution - June 15, 2020 - City Council

MOVED BY: Councillor Aldo Ruberto
SECONDED BY: Councillor Brian Hamilton

THAT the following By-law be introduced, read, dealt with individually, engrossed, signed by the Mayor and Clerk, sealed and numbered:

1. A By-law to confirm the proceedings of a meeting of Council, this 15th day of June, 2020.

By-law Number: BL 68/2020

CARRIED

City Council – June 15, 2020

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 11:28 p.m.

Mayor

City Clerk