MEETING: Committee of the Whole

DATE: May 11, 2020  Reference No. COW 24/51

CLOSED SESSION in the McNaughton Room at 5:33 p.m.

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

PRESENT: OFFICIALS:
Mayor B. Mauro  Ms. D. Earle, Deputy City Clerk
Councillor S. Ch’ng  Mr. N. Gale, City Manager

ELECTRONIC PARTICIPATION: OFFICIALS - ELECTRONIC PARTICIPATION:
Councillor A. Aiello  Ms. P. Robinet, City Solicitor
Councillor M. Bentz  Ms. D. Latta, Deputy City Solicitor
Councillor A. Foulds  Mr. M. Grimaldi, Solicitor
Councillor C. Fraser  Ms. C. Cline, Deputy City Solicitor
Councillor T. Giertuga  Ms. K. Marshall, General Manager – Infrastructure & Operations
Councillor B. Hamilton
Councillor R. Johnson
Councillor B. McKinnon
Councillor A. Ruberto
Councillor K. Oliver
Councillor Peng You

DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

REPORTS OF MUNICIPAL OFFICERS

New Business - Legal Matter

Ms. P. Robinet, City Solicitor provided a verbal update relative to the above noted.
Legal Matter

Report No. 2020CLS.019 (Legal Services) relative to the above noted.

Ms. D. Latta, Deputy City Solicitor provided an overview and responded to questions.

Ms. P. Robinet, City Solicitor responded to questions.

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

It was consensus of Committee to proceed as directed.

The Deputy City Clerk advised that the recommendation relative to Report 2020CLS.019 (Legal Services) will be presented to Committee of the Whole to be held later in the evening.

OPEN SESSION in S.H. Blake Memorial Auditorium at 6:30 p.m.

Committee of the Whole - Community Services Session
Chair: Councillor S. Ch’ng

PRESENT:

Mayor B. Mauro
Councillor S. Ch’ng

OFFICIALS:

Ms. D. Earle, Deputy City Clerk
Mr. N. Gale, City Manager
Ms. L. Lavoie, Committee Coordinator

ELECTRONIC PARTICIPATION:

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

OFFICIALS - ELECTRONIC PARTICIPATION:

Ms. P. Robinet, City Solicitor
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. K. Dixon, Director of Engineering & Operations
Mr. P. Burke, Sport & Community Development Supervisor
Mr. D. Vincent, Manager – Licensing & Enforcement
Ms. C. Olsen, Coordinator, Thunder Bay Drug Strategy
Mr. G. Stover, Committee Coordinator

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CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA

Confirmation of Agenda - May 11, 2020 - Committee of the Whole

MOVED BY: Councillor Peng You
SECONDED BY: Councillor Rebecca Johnson

With respect to the May 11, 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 MUNICIPAL OFFICERS

Legal Matter

Report No. 2020CLS.019 (Legal Services) relative to the above noted was previously presented in Closed Session held earlier in the evening.

The Deputy 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 Peng You

With respect to Report No. 2020CLS.019 (Legal Services), we recommend that Administration proceed as directed in Closed Session.

CARRIED

Contract 2, 2020 - Sidewalks and Traffic Control

At the May 4, 2020 Committee of the Whole meeting, Report No. R 43/2020 (Infrastructure & Operations - Engineering & Operations) was withdrawn from the agenda by Administration to be re-presented at a later date.


The Deputy 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 McKinnon
SECONDED BY: Councillor Cody Fraser

With respect to Report No. R 43/2020 (Infrastructure & Operations - Engineering & Operations), we recommend that Contract 2, 2020 – Sidewalks and Traffic Control be awarded to RJ Concrete & Construction Ltd who submitted the lowest revised tender in the amount of $1,427,516.01 [inclusive of HST]; it being noted that the amount shown is based on estimated quantities; final payment for this contract will be based on measured quantities for the completed work;

AND THAT the General Manager of Infrastructure and Operations report any circumstances to City Council should significant variation in the contract quantities occur;

AND THAT temporary stop control be implemented on Pine Street at the Red River Road and Pine Street intersection for the duration of the traffic signal reconstruction;

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

AND THAT any necessary bylaws be presented to City Council for ratification.

CARRIED

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

Annual Neighbour Day

Memorandum from Mr. P. Burke, Sport & Community Development Supervisor, dated April 29, 2020 containing a motion recommending that Administration proceed with plans to deliver a Neighbour Day campaign in 2020 and that $6,000 allocated for the Street Event Grant in the 2020 Operating Budget be reallocated to cover Neighbour Day expenses.

The Deputy 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 Peng You
Seconded by: Councillor Rebecca Johnson

With respect to this memorandum from Paul Burke, Sport & Community Development Supervisor dated April 29, 2020, we recommend that Administration proceed with plans to deliver a Neighbour Day campaign in 2020;

And that $6,000 allocated for the Street Event Grant in the 2020 Operating Budget be reallocated to cover Neighbour Day expenses;

And that Administration report back during the 2021 budget process with plans for 2021 Neighbour Day activities;

And that any necessary by-laws be presented to City Council for ratification.

Carried

Allowance for Backyard Chickens

Memorandum from Councillor S. Ch'ng, dated April 27, 2020, containing a motion recommending that Administration report back on what work would need to be completed to bring amendments forward relative to drafting a proposed amendment to the Zoning By-law and the Official Plan to allow for backyard chickens.

The Deputy 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 Cody Fraser
Seconded by: Councillor Andrew Foulds

With respect to the work associated with the drafting of a proposed amendment to the Zoning By-law and the Official Plan to allow for backyard chickens, we recommend that Administration report back on what work would need to be completed to bring amendments forward;

And that the report include a breakdown of any financial impacts as well as considerations that apply under the Planning Act as per the current State of Emergency;

And that the report be received on or before July 20, 2020;

And that any necessary by-laws be presented to City Council for ratification.
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Deferral Motion - Allowance for Backyard Chickens

Memorandum from Councillor R. Johnson, dated May 11, 2020 relative to Allowance of Backyard Chickens – Deferral Motion was distributed separately on Monday, May 11, 2020.

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

With respect to the memorandum from Councillor S’ Ch’ng dated April 27, 2020, relative to the Allowance of Backyard Chickens, we recommend that the item be deferred to the September 28, 2020 Committee of the Whole meeting.

LOST

Allowance of Backyard Chickens Resolution

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

With respect to the work associated with the drafting of a proposed amendment to the Zoning By-law and the Official Plan to allow for backyard chickens, we recommend that Administration report back on what work would need to be completed to bring amendments forward;

AND THAT the report include a breakdown of any financial impacts as well as considerations that apply under the Planning Act as per the current State of Emergency;

AND THAT the report be received on or before July 20, 2020;

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

LOST

NEW BUSINESS

Impact of Waiving Fees at Both City Owned Parkades

At the May 4, 2020 Committee of the Whole meeting, a memorandum from Councillor A. Ruberto, dated April 27, 2020 containing a revised motion relative to waiving fees at both City owned parkades was presented. A resolution was passed recommending that the Parking Authority Board be requested for their recommendation relative to removing fees charged for the parkades and reinstating when the fees are once again charged for on street parking meters and that this information be received on May 11, 2020.
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Memorandum from Mr. D. Vincent, Manager – Licensing & Enforcement, dated May 8, 2020 providing an overview relative to Impact of Waiving Fees at Both City Owned Parkades, for information only.

**Communication relative to Mental Health and Addictions**

Memorandum from Mayor B. Mauro, dated May 6, 2020 providing an overview of Communication relative to Mental Health and Addictions with The Honourable Michael Tibollo, Associate Minister of Mental Health and Addictions, for information only.

Briefing Note – Crisis Centre for Thunder Bay relative to Memorandum from Mayor B. Mauro, dated May 6, 2020 with respect to Communication relative to Mental Health and Addictions was distributed separately on Friday, May 11, 2020.

**Motion – Report from Administration – Cost Containment**

Memorandum from Mayor B. Mauro, dated May 8, 2020 containing a motion recommending that Administration report back on May 25, 2020 relative to the savings that have already been identified as cost containment measures and other potential savings that have been identified as potential cost mitigation measures.

MOVED BY: Mayor Bill Mauro
SECONDED BY: Councillor Cody Fraser

With respect to the financial implications outlined in Report R 38/2020 (Corporate Services & Long Term Care) - Financial Implications of COVID-19 Pandemic & Budget Variance Report #1, we recommend that Administration report back on June 15, 2020 relative to the savings that have already been identified as cost containment measures and other potential savings that have been identified as potential cost mitigation measures;

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

**Amending Motion – Report from Administration – Cost Containment**

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

With respect to the motion relative to Cost Containment, we recommend that the report back date for Administration be changed from June 15, 2020 to July 20, 2020.

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Motion – Report from Administration – Cost Containment

The Deputy 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: Mayor Bill Mauro
SECONDED BY: Councillor Cody Fraser

With respect to the financial implications outlined in Report R 38/2020 (Corporate Services & Long Term Care) - Financial Implications of COVID-19 Pandemic & Budget Variance Report #1, we recommend that Administration report back on June 15, 2020 relative to the savings that have already been identified as cost containment measures and other potential savings that have been identified as potential cost mitigation measures;

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

CARRIED

Establishment of Closed Session - May 25, 2020

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

MOVED BY: Councillor Brian McKinnon
SECONDED BY: Councillor Cody Fraser

THAT a Committee of the Whole – Closed Session meeting be scheduled for Monday, May 25, 2020 at 5:00 p.m. in order to receive information relative to personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees; a proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local board; labour relations or employee negotiations; litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the municipality or local board; advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose; a trade secret or scientific, technical, commercial, financial or labour relations information, supplied in confidence to the municipality or local board, which, if disclosed, could reasonably be expected to prejudice significantly the competitive position or interfere significantly with the contractual or other negotiations of a person, group of persons, or organization; 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 8:48 p.m.