



AGENDA MATERIAL

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

MEETING DATE: MONDAY, MARCH 15, 2021

LOCATION: S. H. BLAKE MEMORIAL AUDITORIUM
(Council Chambers)

TIME: 6:30 P.M.



MEETING: Committee of the Whole

DATE: March 15, 2021

Reference No. COW - 19/52

CLOSED SESSION in the McNaughton Room at 6:00 p.m.

Committee of the Whole - Closed Session

Chair: Councillor A. Ruberto

Closed Session Agenda will be distributed separately to Members of Council and EMT only.

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

Committee of the Whole - Planning Session

Chair: Councillor A. Ruberto

DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA

Confirmation of Agenda

Confirmation of Agenda - March 15, 2021 - Committee of the Whole **(Page 6)**

With respect to the March 15, 2021 Committee of the Whole meeting, we recommend that the agenda as printed, including any additional information and new business, be confirmed.

PRESENTATIONS

Monthly – Citizens of Exceptional Achievement Award

Memorandum from Ms. D. Earle, Deputy City Clerk, dated March 2, 2021 requesting to provide a presentation relative to the Monthly Achievement Awards. **(Pages 7 – 8)**

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Heritage Advisory Committee Minutes

Minutes of Meeting 01-2021 of the Heritage Advisory Committee held on January 28, 2021, for information. **(Pages 9 – 13)**

Appeals Tribunal (Property Standards) Minutes

Minutes of Meeting 04-2020 of the City of Thunder Bay Appeals Tribunal (Property Standards) held on December 2, 2020, for information. **(Pages 14 – 16)**

REPORTS OF MUNICIPAL OFFICERS

Update - Potential Future Uses - Dease Park/former Dease Pool Site

Report R 22/2021 (Community Services - Recreation & Culture) provides Council with an update on the results of targeted engagement related to proposed future uses of the Dease Park/former Dease Pool site. **(Pages 17 – 28)**

WITH RESPECT to Report R 22/2021 Update - Potential Future Uses – Dease Park/former Dease Pool Site (Community Services – Recreation and Culture), we recommend that Council receive the results of the targeted public engagement;

AND THAT the proposed redevelopment plan for Dease Park be approved (as reflected in Attachments 1 – 3);

AND THAT Appropriation #2 be approved (Attachment 4);

AND THAT Administration proceed with detailed design and construction for Dease Park Phases 1 and 2 Redevelopment, subject to the approved capital budget and any additional approved funding as a result an application to the Canada Healthy Communities Initiative and/or other external funding sources;

AND THAT Administration proceed with broader public engagement on a new proposed re-development option for the former Dease Pool site, reflected as Option B in this report, that includes a proposed skate park, and a range of options for proposed traffic calming measures for Dease Street, and report back with a recommendation on the revised concept plans for the former Dease Pool site and Dease Street by Q3 2021;

AND THAT Administration consult with the Heritage Advisory Committee on a more refined concept plan for the commemoration of the cultural history of Dease Pool, including the form, content, and location of that commemoration and report back on these plans by Q3 2021;

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

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

Outdoor Patios/Retail Display and Shared Outdoor Dining for 2021

Memorandum from Ms. L. Zawadzki, Senior Property Agent dated March 5, 2021 containing a motion recommending that Council extend the special “Patio Program” offered in the spring of 2020 for the 2021 patio season to assist local businesses to mitigate COVID-19 financial impacts. **(Pages 29 – 31)**

WITH RESPECT to outdoor restaurant patios/retail display and shared outdoor dining on City owned land and street allowances, we recommend that the City waive all applicable application fees and annual fees for the 2021 patio season which will end October 15;

AND THAT costs for the 2021 program, of approximately \$55,000 be funded from the Land Development Fund;

AND THAT Council waive the enforcement of any Zoning By-law and Site Plan Control Agreement matters relating to outdoor restaurant patios and retail display in private parking lots for the 2021 patio season to allow businesses 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 all participating businesses accessing City owned land and street allowances be required to enter into the necessary agreements with the City in form and content satisfactory to Administration;

AND THAT the General Manager of Development and Emergency Services be authorized to issue ‘non-objection letters’ as required by the AGCO related to the extension of liquor licences to patio areas;

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

Centennial Botanical Conservatory - Request for Supporting Resolution for Canada Cultural Spaces Fund

Memorandum from Mr. C. Halvorsen, Manager - Parks & Open Spaces, dated March 1, 2021 containing a motion recommending that Administration submit an application to the Canada Cultural Spaces Fund for the Centennial Botanical Conservatory Renewal. **(Pages 32 – 33)**

WITH RESPECT to the Memorandum from Mr. C Halvorsen, Manager – Parks and Opens Spaces dated March 1, 2021, we recommend that Administration submit an application to the Canada Cultural Spaces Fund for the Centennial Botanical Conservatory Renewal;

AND THAT the General Manager of Infrastructure and Operations will be the authorized signing authority for the application;

AND THAT the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to sign all documentation related to this matter;

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

Abandoned Shopping Carts

Memorandum from Councillor Peng You, dated February 8, 2021 containing a motion recommending that Licensing and Enforcement review options available to manage the abandoned shopping carts in the City and provide Council with their recommendation. **(Pages 34 – 35)**

WITH RESPECT to the Memorandum from Councillor Peng You dated February 8, 2021, we recommend that Licensing and Enforcement review options available to manage the abandoned shopping carts in the City and provide Council with their recommendation;

AND THAT Administration report back on or before September 30, 2021;

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

Waterfront Development Committee

Memorandum from Councillor B. McKinnon dated February 18, 2021 containing a motion recommending that Administration report back to Council with respect to any changes that would be necessary to the Terms of Reference for the Waterfront Development Committee to continue their work. **(Pages 36 – 38)**

With respect to the reinstatement of the Waterfront Development Committee, we recommend that Administration report back to Council with respect to any changes that would be necessary to the Terms of Reference for the Waterfront Development Committee to continue their work;

AND THAT the City Clerk and General Manager of Development & Emergency Services include in this report the administrative impact and financial considerations;

AND THAT the report be received on or before June 21, 2021;

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

Ontario Big City Mayors Resolution relating to Alcohol Sales

Memorandum from Mayor B. Mauro, dated March 4, 2021 attaching a letter containing a resolution passed by the Ontario Big City Mayors in opposition to an application to the Alcohol & Gaming Commission of Ontario to allow the sale of alcohol in convenience stores in the province, for information only. **(Pages 39 – 42)**

Ward & Town Hall Meeting Update

Memorandum from Ms. K. Power, City Clerk, dated March 3, 2021 providing an update relative to the virtual ward meetings held since September 2020, for information. **(Pages 43 – 45)**

NEW BUSINESS

ADJOURNMENT

MEETING DATE 03/15/2021 (mm/dd/yyyy)

SUBJECT Confirmation of Agenda

SUMMARY

Confirmation of Agenda - March 15, 2021 - Committee of the Whole

RECOMMENDATION

With respect to the March 15, 2021 Committee of the Whole meeting, we recommend that the agenda as printed, including any additional information and new business, be confirmed.



MEETING DATE 03/15/2021 (mm/dd/yyyy)

SUBJECT Monthly – Citizens of Exceptional Achievement Award

SUMMARY

Memorandum from Ms. D. Earle, Deputy City Clerk, dated March 2, 2021 requesting to provide a presentation relative to the Monthly Achievement Awards.

ATTACHMENTS

1 Memorandum from D. Earle

Memorandum

Office of the City Clerk
Fax: 623-5468
Telephone: 625-2230

TO: Members of City Council
FROM: Dana Earle, Deputy City Clerk
DATE: March 2, 2021
SUBJECT: Monthly – Citizens of Exceptional Achievement Award
Committee of the Whole – March 15, 2021

Please be advised that the Special Olympics Committee and the following 2020 medal winners will be awarded a certificate for their Achievement at the 2020 Special Olympics Canada Winter Games and will be recognized virtually at the March 15, 2021 Committee of the Whole meeting:

Amy Cizmar	Alpine Skiing: 2 silver and 1 bronze
Carson Smith	Alpine Skiing: 1 silver
Justin Campbell	Nordic Skiing: 1 silver and 1 bronze
Noah Filice	Nordic Skiing: 1 gold, 2 silver
Gabrielle Hannusch	Snowshoeing: 1 gold, 1 silver, 1 bronze
Tyler Rissanen	Snowshoeing: 2 silver
Claire Kachur	Speed Skating: 1 gold
Josh Tomagatick	5-Pin Bowling: 1 gold
Rachel Warren, Jordan Pretchuk, Janice Martinsen, Marco Pauselli & Mykola Cuthbertson	Curling: Silver

MEETING DATE 03/15/2021 (mm/dd/yyyy)

SUBJECT Heritage Advisory Committee Minutes

SUMMARY

Minutes of Meeting 01-2021 of the Heritage Advisory Committee held on January 28, 2021, for information.

ATTACHMENTS

1 HAC minutes January 28 2021

DATE: THURSDAY, JANUARY 28, 2021 **MEETING NO. 01-2021**

TIME: 5:03 P.M.

PLACE: VIA MS TEAMS

VICE CHAIR: MR. A. COTTER

MEMBERS – ELECTRONIC PARTICIPATION:

Ms. J. Bonazzo
Ms. K. Costa
Mr. A. Cotter, Chair
Mr. N. Duplessis
Ms. D. Pallen
Ms. H. Strobl
Ms. J. Waite
Ms. S. Walker
Mr. D. Yahn, Vice Chair

OFFICIALS – ELECTRONIC PARTICIPATION:

Mr. M. Szybalski, Corporate Records Manager & City Archivist
Ms. L. Lavoie, Committee Coordinator

RESOURCE PERSONS – ELECTRONIC PARTICIPATION:

Ms. L. Abthorpe, Heritage Researcher
Mr. J-L. Charette, Ministry of Heritage, Sport, Tourism and Culture Industries
Ms. L. Costanzo, Supervisor – Cultural Development & Events

GUESTS – ELECTRONIC PARTICIPATION

Councillor R. Johnson

1.0 LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The Chair, Mr. A. Cotter, acknowledged that we are meeting on the traditional territory of the Ojibwa Anishnaabe people of Fort William First Nation, signatory to the Robinson Superior Treaty of 1850, and recognized the contributions made to our community by the Métis people.

2.0 DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

Ms. S. Walker declared a conflict relative to items 7.0 Chippewa Park Carousel and 8.0 Vickers Park Cultural Heritage Evaluation as these properties are owned by her employer, the City of Thunder Bay.

3.0 AGENDA APPROVAL

MOVED BY: Ms. D. Pallen
SECONDED BY: Ms. H. Strobl

WITH RESPECT to the January 28, 2021 Heritage Advisory Committee meeting, we recommend that the agenda as printed, including any additional information and new business, be confirmed.

CARRIED

4.0 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

The Minutes of the Heritage Advisory Committee Meeting No. 10-2020 held on December 17, 2020 to be confirmed.

MOVED BY: Mr. N. Duplessis
SECONDED BY: Ms. D. Pallen

THAT the Minutes of Meeting No. 10-2020 held on December 17, 2020 be confirmed.

CARRIED

5.0 GUIDE FOR PROPERTY OWNERS - CHECKLIST

Document entitled Tips for Presenting to the Heritage Advisory Committee, distributed separately with agenda.

Ms. L. Abthorpe, Heritage Researcher, provided an update relative to the above-noted.

The checklist and accompanying Guide for Property Owners brochure will be provided to those scheduled to make a presentation to HAC. Both will also be available on the City of Thunder Bay website. The checklist will provide consistency for HAC meetings and better transparency for the public.

It was the consensus of Committee to approve the checklist. Ms. L. Abthorpe will add it to the City website. The Guide for Property Owners brochure will be added to the website, as well, following review by Mr. M. Szybalski, Corporate Records Manager & City Archivist.

6.0 DOOR OPEN 2020

Document entitled Doors Open Thunder Bay 2020 Event Review and Final Report, dated January 2021.

Ms. L. Abthorpe, Heritage Researcher, provided a PowerPoint presentation entitled Doors Open Thunder Bay 2020 Event Review. The presentation included a review of the following:

- Doors Open sponsors
- Event recap
- Review of digital experience
- Social media
- Advertising
- Event launch
- Media coverage
- Event participation
- Revenue and expenses
- Event comments and reactions
- Lasting legacy – digital content

Ms. L. Abthorpe will provide a presentation to City Council at an upcoming Committee of the Whole meeting.

7.0 CHIPPEWA PARK CAROUSEL

Ms. S. Walker, having disclosed a conflict of interest, refrained from discussion relative to Chippewa Park Carousel.

Ms. J. Bonazzo provided an update on activities of the Carousel Restoration Committee, including the following:

- Work on the building to house the carousel is ongoing.
- Fundraising is ongoing, but slow due to Covid-19.
- Fundraising includes the sale of carousel merchandise at Thunder Bay Country Market, online art auction, online trivia night, and an online donor campaign.
- Some work is on hold due to the pandemic, such as jewels that are coming from Quebec and painting by high school students who are currently not attending school in-person, full time.
- Some painting is on schedule, such as the decorative dragons.
- Re-Opening has been postponed to 2022 due to delays.
- A committee has been struck to develop an Interpretation Plan.

It was noted that since the Carousel re-opening will take place in 2022, it could be considered as a venue for Doors Open Thunder Bay 2022.

8.0 VICKERS PARK CULTURAL HERITAGE EVALUATION REPORT

Ms. S. Walker, having disclosed a conflict of interest, refrained from discussion relative to Vickers Park cultural heritage evaluation.

Ms. L. Abthorpe, Heritage Researcher provided an update relative to the above-noted.

A Vickers Park cultural evaluation has been completed by Mr. A. Cotter and Ms. K. Costa. Ms. L. Abthorpe compiled background and historical information into an evaluation report. Mr. D. Yahn and Mr. M. Szybalski, Corporate Records Manager & City Archivist are reviewing the report. Following their review, the report will be presented to the Committee.

9.0 HERITAGE RESEARCHER UPDATE

Ms. L. Abthorpe, Heritage Researcher provided an update, including the following:

- Release of Wander, the walking tour app, was originally planned for 2020, but has been delayed to late May 2021, during Tourism Week. The app includes six walking tours, including a public art tour. Users can also scroll through the tours and read about the buildings without walking. Members of HAC were invited to help test the app.
- The February Walleye article, written by Mr. N. Duplessis, features the Mount Baldy Ski Chalet.
- The March Walleye article will feature Ukrainian Catholic Church of the Transfiguration.

10.0 GOALS

There was discussion relative to Committee goals. The Chair, Mr. A. Cotter asked for volunteers to form a subcommittee to establish a focused list of goals for 2021 and beyond. The Strategic Plan Subcommittee will include Mr. A. Cotter, Ms. J. Bonazzo, Mr. N. Duplessis, Ms. S. Walker, Mr. D. Yahn and Ms. L. Abthorpe, Heritage Researcher.

11.0 NEW BUSINESS

12.0 NEXT MEETING DATE

The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, February 25, 2021 at 5:00 p.m. via MS Teams.

13.0 ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:32 p.m.

MEETING DATE 03/15/2021 (mm/dd/yyyy)

SUBJECT Appeals Tribunal (Property Standards) Minutes

SUMMARY

Minutes of Meeting 04-2020 of the City of Thunder Bay Appeals Tribunal (Property Standards) held on December 2, 2020, for information.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Minutes - Appeals Tribunal - December 2, 2020 - 04-2020

DATE: DECEMBER 2, 2020

HEARING NO.: 04-2020

TIME: 11:33 A.M.

PLACE: S. H. BLAKE MEMORIAL AUDITORIUM,
3RD FLOOR CITY HALL

CHAIR: MR. TIM GROULX

PRESENT:

Mr. Tim Groulx
Ms. Melanie Mayhew-Hammond
Mr. Andreas Petersen
Mr. Richard Togman

OFFICIALS:

Ms. Dana Earle, Deputy City Clerk
Ms. Katie Piché, Committee Coordinator
Ms. Francie O'Brien, Licensing & Enforcement Officer

APPELLANT:

Ms. Valerie Wigwas
Mr. Robert B. Little (on behalf of appellant)

DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

There were no disclosures announced at this time.

INTRODUCTION

Ms. D. Earle, Deputy City Clerk provided an overview relative to the Property Standards appeal process.

The purpose of the hearing was to review the order on the property known municipally as 36 Junot Avenue South, Plan M37, Lot 18, Thunder Bay, Ontario as adopted by By-law 066-2008, and the Building Code Act, S.O. 1992, c.23, for the maintenance and occupancy of property in the City of Thunder Bay. All of the work was to be completed by November 30, 2020.

Ms. V. Wigwas was appealing the order and requesting an extension to the completion date originally set at November 30, 2020.

OPENING STATEMENTS

The City of Thunder Bay was represented by Ms. F. O'Brien, Licensing and Enforcement Officer. Ms. F. O'Brien provided an overview of the steps taken to date relative to the above noted property and

provided photographs of the site under review. These pictures will be kept on file in the Licensing & Enforcement Department as well as the City Clerk's Office.

Mr. R. B. Little, on behalf of the appellant, detailed the reasons for this appeal.

The Chair asked the Committee for their comments, feedback and if they had any questions or concerns relative to this order.

Mr. R. B. Little responded to questions from the Committee.

Ms. F. O'Brien responded to questions from the appellant and the Committee.

DECISION

It was consensus of the Committee that Item #1 of the Property Standards Order be confirmed. It states that a Professional's Report is to be undertaken to determine the structural condition and adequacy of the building. The Report is to include details of the findings of the examination and details of remedial work recommended by the Professional. All deficiencies as listed in the Professional's Report are to be repaired. (Appropriate Building Permit is required.) This item was to be completed by November 30, 2020.

It was consensus of the Committee that Item #2 of the Property Standards Order be confirmed. It states that the appellant is to repair/replace roof shingles, and the roof drainage system (eave trough and rain water piping). This item was to be completed by November 30, 2020.

It was consensus of the Committee that Item #3 of the Property Standards Order be confirmed. It states that the appellant is to repair/replace the boarded/broken windows and the boarded door on the dwelling. This item was to be completed by November 30, 2020.

Ms. V. Wigwas will receive a letter via registered mail with the details of the order.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 12:12 p.m.

Corporate Report

DEPARTMENT/ DIVISION	Community Services – Recreation and Culture	REPORT NO.	R 22/2021
DATE PREPARED	02/26/2021	FILE NO.	
MEETING DATE	03/15/2021 (mm/dd/yyyy)		
SUBJECT	Update - Potential Future Uses - Dease Park/former Dease Pool Site		

RECOMMENDATION

WITH RESPECT to Report R 22/2021 Update - Potential Future Uses – Dease Park/former Dease Pool Site (Community Services – Recreation and Culture), we recommend that Council receive the results of the targeted public engagement;

AND THAT the proposed redevelopment plan for Dease Park be approved (as reflected in Attachments 1 – 3);

AND THAT Appropriation #2 be approved (Attachment 4);

AND THAT Administration proceed with detailed design and construction for Dease Park Phases 1 and 2 Redevelopment, subject to the approved capital budget and any additional approved funding as a result an application to the Canada Healthy Communities Initiative and/or other external funding sources;

AND THAT Administration proceed with broader public engagement on a new proposed redevelopment option for the former Dease Pool site, reflected as Option B in this report, that includes a proposed skate park, and a range of options for proposed traffic calming measures for Dease Street, and report back with a recommendation on the revised concept plans for the former Dease Pool site and Dease Street by Q3 2021;

AND THAT Administration consult with the Heritage Advisory Committee on a more refined concept plan for the commemoration of the cultural history of Dease Pool, including the form, content, and location of that commemoration and report back on these plans by Q3 2021;

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

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report provides Council with an update on the results of targeted engagement related to proposed future uses of the Dease Park/former Dease Pool site. Recent targeted engagement validates the proposed redevelopment plan for Dease Park and presents a new concept involving

a proposed skate park on the former Dease Pool site. Administration is seeking Council approval to proceed with broader public engagement on this re-development option given potential site limitations, potential concerns related to proposed traffic calming measures, and the enhanced standard for the proposed re-development of this neighbourhood park. Administration anticipates reporting back to Council on a more refined re-development plan, including the commemoration of the cultural history of Dease Pool in consultation with the Heritage Advisory Committee, by Q3 2021.

DISCUSSION

Results of Targeted Community Engagement December 2020 – February 2021

Staff conducted various community engagement activities between December 5, 2020 – February 5, 2021. These activities were mainly virtual given provincial lockdown/‘Stay at Home’ orders from December 26 – February 15. Consultation included students of McKellar Park School (105 participants), older adults/Indigenous elders (15), and a representative of the Skateboard Coalition (1). All groups identified interest for a multi-functional inside space for programming. This space could be used for educational, fitness, cultural and recreational programs, workshops and activities.

McKellar Park School consultation had significant support for the boarded year round rink. The rink would be used for hockey, basketball, skating, learn to skate, roller skating, lacrosse, rec programs (Playgrounds Program). There was strong support for:

1. Enhanced Playground equipment (all groups)
2. Soccer (McKellar Park School)
3. Walking paths (all groups)
4. Benches for reading (all groups)
5. Tennis / Pickleball (McKellar Park School, split feedback from Older Adults).

Representatives from the Anishinaabe Elders Council were particularly supportive of the offering of introductory sport, land and nature based activities for children and youth, and fitness, recreational and educational programs for older adults.

Through the above engagement, staff have confirmed broad community support for the previous redevelopment plan for Dease Park. A new redevelopment option involving a proposed skate park has been developed for the former Dease Pool site and various proposed traffic calming options have been developed for Dease Street. Broader consultation on the concept plans is required in order to make an informed recommendation to Council.

Draft Concept Plans – Dease Park/Formal Dease Pool Site Redevelopment

Recent targeted engagement efforts endorsed the proposed redevelopment plans for Dease Park. Below are the key park redevelopment components and recommended priority for implementation based on balancing multi-generational needs with available funding:

Dease Park Site Proposed Changes:

Phase 1 Redevelopment Priorities

1. Removal of an existing half-court basketball area, walkways, trees, light poles/fixtures	\$ 18,000
2. Boarded rink with lights, asphalt surface, basketball nets, to support multiple activities year round	\$100,000
3. Circular walkways path around the park with sitting area	\$108,000
4. Preservation of a large, open green space (resod, top dress)	<u>\$ 14,250</u>
Subtotal	\$240,250

Phase 2 Redevelopment Priorities

5. Lighting	\$ 30,000
6. Metal benches, litter and recycling containers deciduous and coniferous tree planting	\$ 22,500
7. Shade structure	\$ 80,000
8. Enhanced play structure	<u>\$100,000</u>
Subtotal	\$232,500

Phase 3 Redevelopment Priority

9. Permanent amenity building with running water, accessible washrooms, supply/equipment storage, and open space to put on/take off skates and provide sheltered program space	\$491,400
Total	\$964,150

Former Dease Pool Site Proposed Changes

In Fall 2019, the proposed redevelopment plans for the former Dease Pool site contemplated a fenced outdoor tennis/pickleball court, community garden, shaded sitting area with cultural historic panels, and an edible fruit tree planting at an estimated capital cost of \$235,500. At the time, this proposed redevelopment concept received marginal community support. Recent targeted engagement provided mixed support for this original proposed re-development concept of the former Dease Pool site. Report 174/2019 also examined, but did not recommend, the option of replacing the outdoor pool and building a new change facility at an estimated capital cost of \$2,180,000. The estimated proceeds from declaring the former Dease Pool site surplus to recreation needs and selling the land is \$160,000.

Some interest in exploring a skate park was received during public engagement conducted in fall 2019. In Report 174/19, Administration cautioned against the installation of a skateboard plaza and/or spray pad at the current Dease Pool site based on potential incompatibility with adjacent residences, the anticipated additional measures/capital costs to mitigate anticipated concerns, and the opportunity to address these needs through the use of portable components at the adjacent Dease Park.

Recent consultation with the Thunder Bay Skateboard Coalition cites a preference for a permanent installation, catering to intro to intermediate level users, through a flexible, urban plaza design on the former Dease Pool site. The site offers some benefits (i.e. high visibility from Vickers Street) and options to reduce, but not eliminate, the negative impacts that may result in concerns from adjacent residences about this proposed use (i.e. installation of a berm/living wall to mitigate noise).

Administration is seeking Council support on a new redevelopment concept for the former Dease Pool site, which includes a proposed skate park, prior to proceeding with broader public engagement. Below is a summary of the key elements of the two redevelopment options for the former Dease Pool site:

Dease Pool Site Proposed Changes – Option A:

1.	Fenced outdoor tennis/pickleball court	\$ 82,000
2.	Concrete walkways, community garden	\$ 31,500
3.	Shaded sitting area with cultural historic story panels	\$ 90,000
4.	Edible fruit trees	\$ 9,000
5.	Lighting, litter and recycling bins	<u>\$ 23,000</u>
Total		\$235,500

Dease Pool Site Proposed Changes – Option B:

1.	Skatepark concrete surface with features, concrete walkways	\$304,500
2.	Shade structure, metal benches	\$106,000
3.	Berm construction (sod, soil)	\$ 30,000
4.	Metal fencing	\$ 10,000
5.	Lighting, litter and recycling bins	\$23,000
6.	Art panels	\$ 8,000
7.	Tree planting	<u>\$ 9,500</u>
Total		\$491,000

Traffic Calming Measures – Dease Street

Report 174/2019 proposed Dease Street traffic calming to allow for improved and safer connectivity between Dease Park and the former pool site and to potentially create additional green open space and programming flexibility. During public engagement conducted in fall 2019, traffic calming measures on Dease Street were supported should the former Dease pool site be required and redeveloped.

Administration has further developed potential traffic calming measure options for Dease Street. As traffic calming measures may be controversial, Administration is seeking Council support for

these options prior to proceeding with broader public engagement. Broader engagement on these elements will also require feedback from all City departments and outside agencies.

Options for traffic calming include:

Option A: No Changes (\$0)

Option B: Low Cost Change (\$20,000 - \$50,000)

This option involves designating crossings between Dease Park and the former pool site in one or two locations with paint or speed table. (Similar to Attachment #1)

Option C: Moderate Cost Change (\$50,000 - \$100,000)

This option involves the creation of a flexible street, involving traffic calming measures, surface treatments, that do not visually look like a typical road, and can easily be closed during events or designated times. (Similar to Attachment #3)

Option D: High Cost Change (\$150,000)

This option involves the removal of Dease Street between McKellar and Vickers Street and the conversion of the street to continuous parkland. (Similar to Attachment #2)

Park Development Standards

The concept plans to date have been developed in response to Council direction, neighbourhood and community interests. However, the resulting proposed number and types of amenities of redevelopment exceed the City's typical standards and investment levels for a 'neighbourhood' park. Rather, the redevelopment plans are more typical of what would be provided in a larger 'community' park and represent urban core area park planning in support of recreation and neighbourhood objectives.

Preliminary cost estimates for redevelopment of the park and former pool sites, including of all elements of the concept plans, could be as high as \$1,605,150. Phasing and some combination of external funding and/or future capital investments beyond the approved allocation in 2021 would be required to realize the entire plan.

The importance of access to parks/open space and related park programming, especially in urban settings, was exemplified during COVID-19. Enhanced investments in parks and open space infrastructure may be supported by Council and residents alike. At the same time, municipalities, residents, and businesses continue to face many financial challenges resulting from the pandemic.

Administration is seeking Council's support in principle prior to proceeding with broader public engagement on the proposed enhanced level of investment for this site vis à vis existing park development standards.

Next Steps – Proposed Public Engagement Plan

Should Council approve the recommendations in this report, Administration would proceed to conduct public engagement through the City's 'Get Involved' portal, providing an update on the planned re-development of Dease Park and acquiring public feedback on the proposed new re-development, skate park option for the former Dease Pool site and proposed Dease Street traffic calming options.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATION

The Dease Pool was demolished in 2020 as per Report 174/2019 at a cost of \$117,000.

A 2021 capital budget of \$253K is available should Council approve Appropriation #2 (Attachment #4).

Phasing, external funding, and/or future capital investments beyond the approved allocation in 2021 would be required to realize the entire plan. At their March 1, 2021 Committee of the Whole meeting, Council approved the submission of an application by March 9, 2021 to the Canada Healthy Communities Initiative to potentially leverage funding to accelerate Dease Park re-development. A decision is expected by late April 2021 and if successful, construction on funded priority components proposed in Phase 1 & 2 would proceed during summer 2021. Work would be scaled as required to actual funding available between approved capital and external funding.

CONCLUSION

It is concluded that Administration proceed with detailed design and construction of Dease Park Phases 1 and 2 Redevelopment as approved capital budget and/or any additional approved funding available through the Canada Healthy Communities Initiative and/or other external funding sources.

It is further concluded that Administration proceed with broader public engagement on a proposed new redevelopment option for the former Dease Pool site (Option B), which includes a proposed skate park, and proposed traffic calming measures for Dease Street, and that Administration report back to Council by Q3 2021 with a more refined concept plan for the former Dease Pool site/Dease Street, including the proposed commemoration of the cultural history of Dease Pool.

BACKGROUND

At the March 1, 2021 Committee of the Whole Meeting, Council resolved that Administration submit an application to the Canada Healthy Communities Initiative for their March 9, 2021 intake to potentially accelerate the re-development of Dease Park.

At the September 28, 2020 Committee of the Whole Meeting, Administration advised Council that a report back on the future use and re-development options for the former Dease Pool site would be delayed until March 2021 due to the pandemic.

At the December 16, 2019 Committee of the Whole Meeting, Report 174/2019 Council directed the demolition and decommission of Dease Pool and received the results of public engagement based on proposed concept plans for the re-development of Dease Park and the former Dease Pool site. While the proposed re-development plan for Dease Park was broadly supported by the community, Administration agreed to conduct more targeted engagement on alternative options for the former Dease Pool site and report back in Q3 2020.

Deputations were made to City Council after Council's consideration of Report 124/2018 during the 2019 budget deliberations, expressing concern about the pool closure. Council requested Administration's comments regarding two unsolicited proposals to rebuild the pool which were presented as having lower capital costs of construction. Administration advised Council that the capital cost of construction per square foot for each proposal was the same or higher than that provided to Council in Report 124/2018 when one compared the reduced size of pool basin and/or assessed areas where the proposal would not comply with municipal/provincial requirements. Council affirmed their earlier decision to proceed with the pool closure and directed Administration to implement enhanced park programming in 2019 based on consultation with the community and report back on potential future uses of the Dease Pool site.

At the January 24, 2019 Heritage Advisory Committee (HAC) meeting a group of citizens made a delegation to have the Dease Pool designated as a property of cultural heritage value. HAC formed a sub-committee to study the appropriateness of designating Dease Pool through its established evaluation tool. The HAC sub-committee found that Dease Pool qualified as a property that should be recommended for designation. HAC passed two resolutions as reflected in a memo from HAC Chair Andrew Cotter, dated June 28, 2019, distributed to Council at the Committee of the Whole meeting on July 29, 2019.

At the December 10, 2018 Committee of the Whole Meeting, Report 124/2018 Council directed the closure of the 106-year-old Dease Pool facility and approved a re-direction of the majority of the existing pool operating budget (\$52,000) to support the implementation of enhanced park programming for children and youth at Dease and Minnesota Parks, and engagement with neighbourhood residents to inform program options.

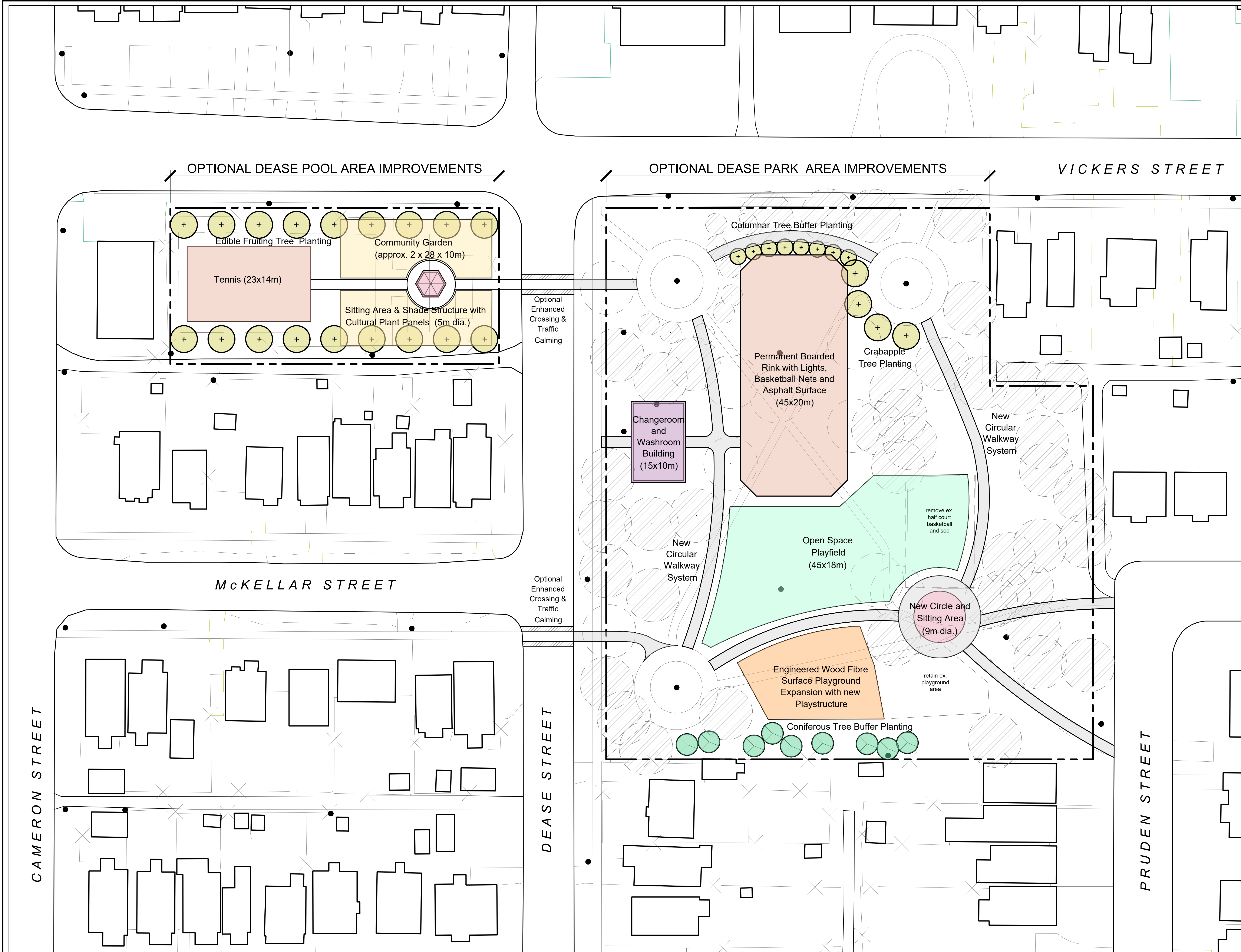
In March 2010, City Council accepted the HAC's recommendation that Dease Pool be listed on the City's Heritage Register as a property of interest (Corporate Report 2010.068 – Office of the City Clerk). The property was not formally designated under Ontario Regulation 9/06 of The Heritage Act.

REFERENCE MATERIAL ATTACHED:

Attachment 1 - Park Concept Plan Option #1 - Dease Pool Area with Older Adult Focus
Attachment 2 - Park Concept Plan Option #2 - Dease Pool Area with Youth Focus
Attachment 3 - Park Concept Plan Option #2B - Dease Pool Area with Youth Focus
Attachment 4 – Appropriation #2

PREPARED BY: KELLY ROBERTSON, GENERAL MANAGER – COMMUNITY SERVICES

THIS REPORT SIGNED AND VERIFIED BY: (NAME OF GENERAL MANAGER)	DATE:
Kelly Robertson	March 5, 2021

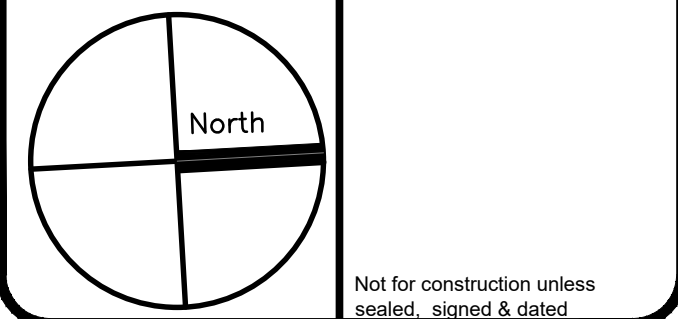


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Notes:
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No.	Revision/Issue	Date
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4	Issued for Stakeholder & Public Consultation	Oct. 23, 2019
3	Revised for Final Review	Oct. 15, 2019
2	Revised for Preliminary Review	Oct. 04, 2019
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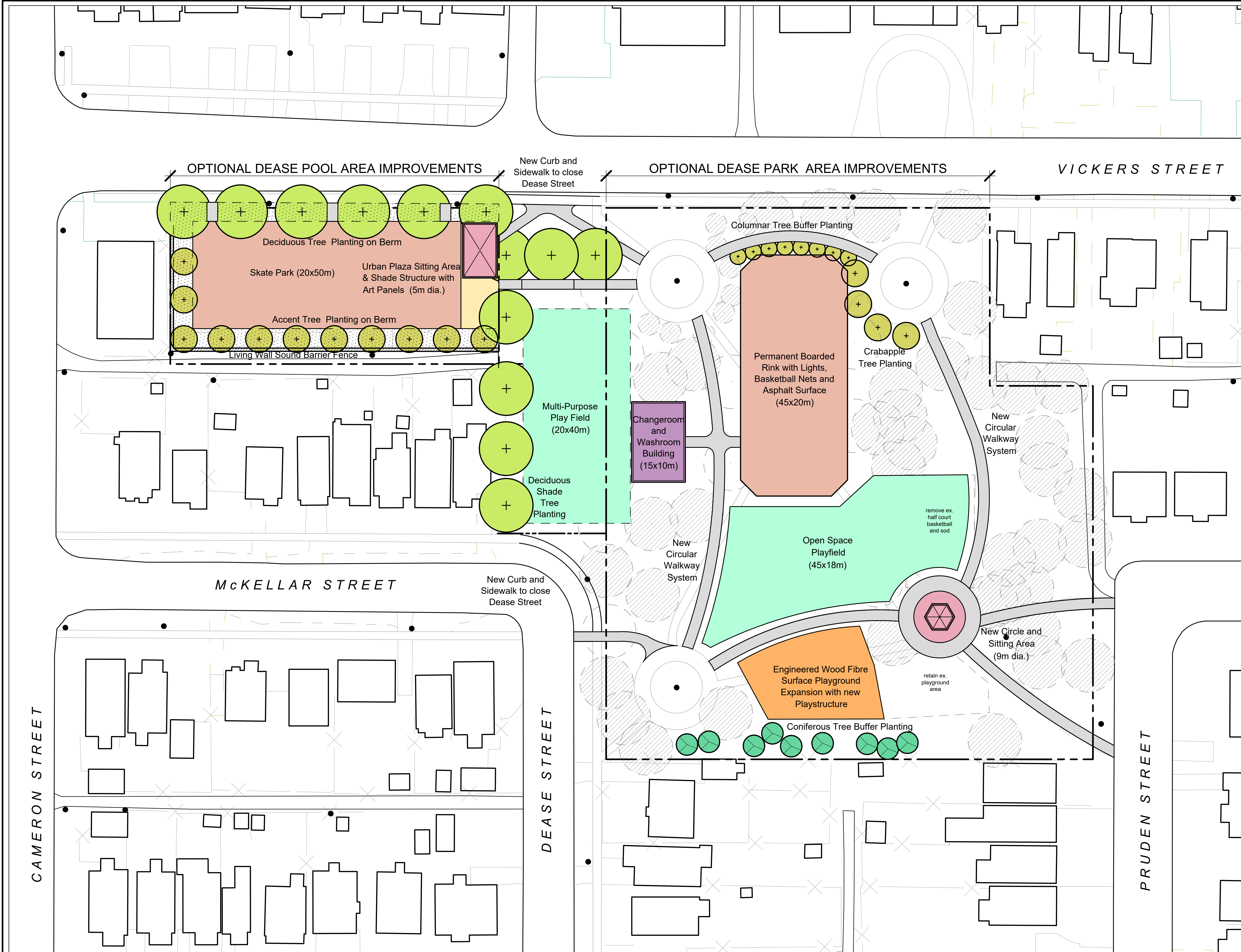
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Development

Thunder Bay, Ontario

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Option #1 - Dease Pool Area
with Older Adult Focus

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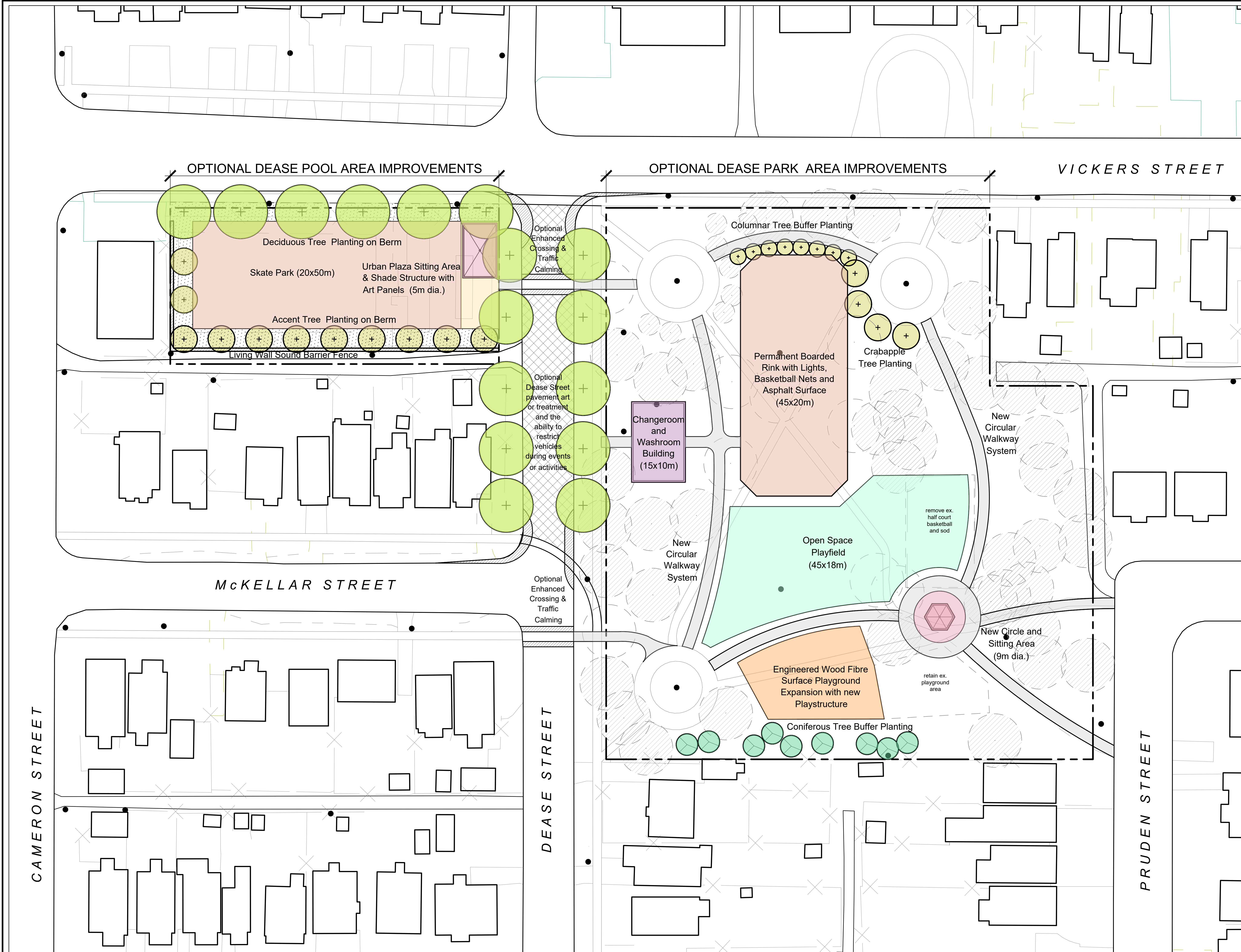
Dease Park

Thunder Bay, Ontario

Drawing Title

Park Concept Plan
Option #2 - Dease Pool Area with Youth Focus

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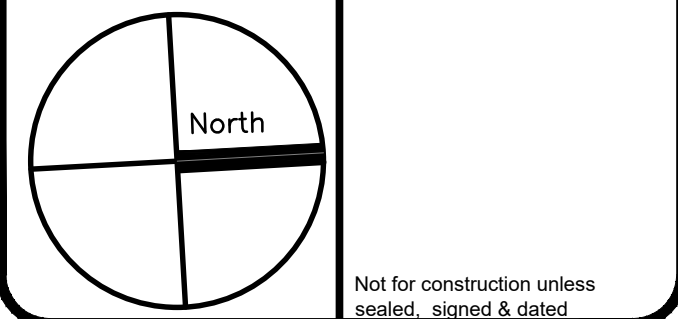


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Infrastructure & Operations
Department
Parks & Open Spaces Section

Project Name

Dease Park Area
Recreational Opportunities
Development

Thunder Bay, Ontario

Drawing Title

Park Concept Plan
Option #2b - Dease Pool Area
with Youth Focus

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MEETING DATE 03/15/2021 (mm/dd/yyyy)

SUBJECT Outdoor Patios/Retail Display and Shared Outdoor Dining for 2021

SUMMARY

Memorandum from Ms. L. Zawadzki, Senior Property Agent dated March 5, 2021 containing a motion recommending that Council extend the special “Patio Program” offered in the spring of 2020 for the 2021 patio season to assist local businesses to mitigate COVID-19 financial impacts.

RECOMMENDATION

WITH RESPECT to outdoor restaurant patios/retail display and shared outdoor dining on City owned land and street allowances, we recommend that the City waive all applicable application fees and annual fees for the 2021 patio season which will end October 15;

AND THAT costs for the 2021 program, of approximately \$55,000 be funded from the Land Development Fund;

AND THAT Council waive the enforcement of any Zoning By-law and Site Plan Control Agreement matters relating to outdoor restaurant patios and retail display in private parking lots for the 2021 patio season to allow businesses 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 all participating businesses accessing City owned land and street allowances be required to enter into the necessary agreements with the City in form and content satisfactory to Administration;

AND THAT the General Manager of Development and Emergency Services be authorized to issue ‘non-objection letters’ as required by the AGCO related to the extension of liquor licences to patio areas;

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

ATTACHMENTS

1 MEMORANDUM FROM L. ZAWADZKI

REALTY SERVICES DIVISION

Victoriaville Civic Centre, 2nd Floor

111 Syndicate Avenue South

Thunder Bay, ON P7C 5K4

Tel: (807) 625-3199 Fax: (807) 625-2977

TO: Members of City Council **FILE NO.:** 20 1002009

FROM: Lisa Zawadzki, Senior Property Agent
Realty Services Division

DATE: March 5, 2021

RE: Outdoor Patios/Retail Display and Shared Outdoor Dining for 2021
Committee of the Whole – March 15, 2021

This Memorandum recommends that Council extend the special “Patio Program” offered in the spring of 2020 for the 2021 patio season to assist local businesses to mitigate COVID-19 financial impacts.

Many of Thunder Bay’s businesses continue to be severely impacted by the pandemic and it is anticipated that local retailers and restaurants will not be able to operate at full capacity this spring.

The estimated direct cost to the City to extend the 2020 special Patio Program to 2021 is estimated at \$55,000 and would be paid from the Land Development Fund. The additional indirect cost of waived application and rental fees depends on the number and type of applications received.

2020 Outdoor Patios/Retail Display and Shared Outdoor Dining Recap

The 2020 special Patio Program was initiated as a result of interest by local businesses and the leadership of Council.

In 2020, the City expedited application review, adjusted specifications, facilitated street closure, made available City owned parking lots/spaces, waived certain zoning enforcement, made available picnic tables and jersey barriers, established preapproved designs and waived all related fees.

A total of 38 temporary patios were approved by the City which was up from three in 2019. In addition, the Red River Road ‘Streeterly’ was established for the benefit of the Waterfront District BIA area businesses.

Nearly all comments received were positive.

Reimagining the North Core Streetscapes and the Streatory

The City has launched the “Reimagining the North Core Streetscapes” project as a result of the water main and sanitary sewer on Red River Road being at the end of useful life, and needing to be replaced. This project will provide patio opportunities for area businesses.

Part of the Reimagining the North Core Streetscapes involves a series of pilot projects to test design options starting in the summer of 2021. These pilots will temporarily physically reframe the public realm along Red River Road, and possibly throughout the Waterfront BIA, to form new public space and opportunities for outdoor patios/retail areas and also public art, event space, and public programming. Pilot projects will be temporary in nature and implemented to assess usage, impacts to traffic and businesses and obtain public feedback.

The project team is working closely with local stakeholders/businesses and also the Waterfront BIA which has indicated interest to again in 2021 operate and manage some public spaces similar to the Red River Road Streatory in 2020.

RECOMMENDATION

WITH RESPECT to outdoor restaurant patios/retail display and shared outdoor dining on City owned land and street allowances, we recommend that the City waive all applicable application fees and annual fees for the 2021 patio season which will end October 15;

AND THAT costs for the 2021 program, of approximately \$55,000 be funded from the Land Development Fund;

AND THAT Council waive the enforcement of any Zoning By-law and Site Plan Control Agreement matters relating to outdoor restaurant patios and retail display in private parking lots for the 2021 patio season to allow businesses 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 all participating businesses accessing City owned land and street allowances be required to enter into the necessary agreements with the City in form and content satisfactory to Administration;

AND THAT the General Manager of Development and Emergency Services be authorized to issue ‘non-objection letters’ as required by the AGCO related to the extension of liquor licences to patio areas;

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

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MEETING DATE 03/15/2021 (mm/dd/yyyy)

SUBJECT Centennial Botanical Conservatory - Request for Supporting Resolution
for Canada Cultural Spaces Fund

SUMMARY

Memorandum from Mr. C. Halvorsen, Manager - Parks & Open Spaces, dated March 1, 2021 containing a motion recommending that Administration submit an application to the Canada Cultural Spaces Fund for the Centennial Botanical Conservatory Renewal.

RECOMMENDATION

WITH RESPECT to the Memorandum from Mr. C Halvorsen, Manager – Parks and Opens Spaces dated March 1, 2021, we recommend that Administration submit an application to the Canada Cultural Spaces Fund for the Centennial Botanical Conservatory Renewal;

AND THAT the General Manager of Infrastructure and Operations will be the authorized signing authority for the application;

AND THAT the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to sign all documentation related to this matter;

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

ATTACHMENTS

1 Memorandum from C. Halvorsen

MEMORANDUM

TO: Krista Power, City Clerk
FROM: Cory Halvorsen, Manager – Parks and Open Spaces
DATE: March 1, 2021
RE: Centennial Botanical Conservatory - Request for Supporting Resolution for Canada Cultural Spaces Fund

Administration is requesting a resolution of support from Council for a funding application which has been submitted to the Canada Cultural Spaces Fund (CCSF) program. The CCSF supports the improvement of physical conditions for arts, heritage, culture and creative innovation, including renovation and construction projects. The maximum contribution payable for an individual construction or renovation project is \$15,000,000 or 50% of total eligible project costs, whichever is less. The application requires a resolution of support, which would be satisfied with the resolution wording included below:

“WITH RESPECT to the Memorandum from Mr. C Halvorsen, Manager – Parks and Opens Spaces dated March 1, 2021, we recommend that Administration submit an application to the Canada Cultural Spaces Fund for the Centennial Botanical Conservatory Renewal;

AND THAT the General Manager of Infrastructure and Operations will be the authorized signing authority for the application;

AND THAT the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to sign all documentation related to this matter;

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

cc:

Norm Gale – City Manager

EMT

Kayla Dixon – Director of Engineering and Operations

MEETING DATE 03/15/2021 (mm/dd/yyyy)

SUBJECT Abandoned Shopping Carts

SUMMARY

Memorandum from Councillor Peng You, dated February 8, 2021 containing a motion recommending that Licensing and Enforcement review options available to manage the abandoned shopping carts in the City and provide Council with their recommendation.

RECOMMENDATION

WITH RESPECT to the Memorandum from Councillor Peng You dated February 8, 2021, we recommend that Licensing and Enforcement review options available to manage the abandoned shopping carts in the City and provide Council with their recommendation;

AND THAT Administration report back on or before September 30, 2021;

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

ATTACHMENTS

1 Memorandum from Councillor Peng You

Memorandum

Office of the City Clerk
Fax: 623-5468
Telephone: 625-2230

TO: Krista Power, City Clerk

FROM: Councillor Peng You

DATE: February 8, 2021

SUBJECT: Abandoned Shopping Carts
Committee of the Whole – March 15, 2021

Abandoned shopping carts are a long-standing problem in the City. They litter waterways, impede sidewalk and bus stop accessibility, become garbage receptacles & benches and make the city look terrible. Council heard a deputation from a small business owner in November 2020 explaining how abandoned shopping carts negatively impact access to their business.

Municipalities such as Guelph, Mississauga, Ottawa and Markham, have enacted by-laws with associated Collection and Storage Fees that apply when abandoned shopping carts constitute a public nuisance and are considered a risk to public safety. The City of Kitchener has enacted a by-law that requires a business that provides shopping carts to have a Shopping Cart Management Plan.

I provide the following motion for Council's consideration:

WITH RESPECT to the Memorandum from Councillor Peng You dated February 8, 2021, we recommend that Licensing and Enforcement review options available to manage the abandoned shopping carts in the City and provide Council with their recommendation;

AND THAT Administration report back on or before September 30, 2021;

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

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SUBJECT Waterfront Development Committee

SUMMARY

Memorandum from Councillor B. McKinnon dated February 18, 2021 containing a motion recommending that Administration report back to Council with respect to any changes that would be necessary to the Terms of Reference for the Waterfront Development Committee to continue their work.

RECOMMENDATION

With respect to the reinstatement of the Waterfront Development Committee, we recommend that Administration report back to Council with respect to any changes that would be necessary to the Terms of Reference for the Waterfront Development Committee to continue their work;

AND THAT the City Clerk and General Manager of Development & Emergency Services include in this report the administrative impact and financial considerations;

AND THAT the report be received on or before June 21, 2021;

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

ATTACHMENTS

1 Memorandum from Councillor B. McKinnon

Memorandum

Office of the City Clerk
Fax: 623-5468
Telephone: 625-2230

TO: Krista Power, City Clerk

FROM: Councillor Brian McKinnon

DATE: February 18, 2021

SUBJECT: Motion – Waterfront Development Committee
Committee of the Whole – March 15, 2021

The Waterfront Development Committee was created in 2005 to respond to the City's strategic plan for the waterfront and the development of Prince Arthur's Landing. Council's advisory committee provided for recommendations and ensured that the priorities of Council and the public were considered within this project which has spanned over many years. In 2018 it was deemed that the Waterfront Development Committee was no longer required and that City Council would approve and make recommendations to future waterfront related work.

City Council has committed to continued development on the waterfront with respect to the Thunder Bay Art Gallery and the continued work on the Pool 6 lands. As the Art Gallery moves closer to their build it is important for Council to be engaged and the public to be informed with respect to the overall progress.

It is my request that City Council reinstate the Waterfront Development Committee and that administration be consulted with respect to appropriate changes that may be necessary to the committee's previous terms of reference, objectives and deliverables. In order to move this forward, I am requesting that administration review the current terms of reference and make recommendations relative to the scope of work, committee structure and the deliverables for the committee and include considerations for administrative support and financial impacts.

As such, I offer the following motion for Council's consideration;

With respect to the reinstatement of the Waterfront Development Committee, we recommend that Administration report back to Council with respect to any changes that would be necessary to the Terms of Reference for the Waterfront Development Committee to continue their work;

AND THAT the City Clerk and General Manager of Development & Emergency Services include in this report the administrative impact and financial considerations;

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SUBJECT Ontario Big City Mayors Resolution relating to Alcohol Sales

SUMMARY

Memorandum from Mayor B. Mauro, dated March 4, 2021 attaching a letter containing a resolution passed by the Ontario Big City Mayors in opposition to an application to the Alcohol & Gaming Commission of Ontario to allow the sale of alcohol in convenience stores in the province, for information only.

ATTACHMENTS

1 Memorandum from Mayor B. Mauro

Memorandum

Office of the Mayor
Fax: 623-1164
Telephone: 625-3601

TO: Krista Power, City Clerk
FROM: Mayor Bill Mauro
DATE: March 4, 2021
SUBJECT: Ontario Big City Mayors Resolution relating to Alcohol Sales
Committee of the Whole – March 15, 2021

The following resolution was passed at the Ontario Big City Mayors meeting on February 19, 2021. The resolution is in opposition to an application to the Alcohol & Gaming Commission of Ontario to allow the sale of alcohol in convenience stores in the province.

I provide it for your information.

February 26, 2021

The Honourable Doug Downey, Attorney General
McMurtry-Scott Bldg 11th Flr,
720 Bay St, Toronto, ON M7A 2S9
attorneygeneral@ontario.ca

The Honourable Prabmeet Sarkaria,
Associate Minister of Small Business and Red Tape Reduction
Ministry of Economic Development, Job Creation and Trade
7th Floor, 56 Wellesley St. W
Toronto, ON M7A 2E7
minister.sbrtr@ontario.ca

The Honourable Peter Bethlenfalvy
Minister of Finance and President of the Treasury Board
Frost Building S 7th Flr, 7 Queen's Park Crescent
Toronto, ON M7A 1Y7
minister.fin@ontario.ca

The Honourable Steve Clark
Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing
Frost Building S 7th Flr, 7 Queen's Park Crescent
minister.mah@ontario.ca

Dear Ministers,

I am writing on behalf of Ontario's Big City Mayors (OBCM), a group of 29 mayors of Ontario's biggest cities, who collectively represent nearly 70 per cent of Ontario's population.

At its meeting of February 19, 2021, OBCM passed the following resolution:

WHEREAS Ontario's Big City Mayors recognize the ongoing hardships faced by restaurants, pubs and other foodservice businesses as a result of mandated closures and patron limits due to Covid-19;

AND WHEREAS municipalities have been working hard to implement and advocate for business supports (such as providing restaurants the ability to access wine, beer and spirits at wholesale or discounted pricing) to ensure more local businesses survive the pandemic;

AND WHEREAS convenience stores have not been mandated to close during the pandemic and have not endured undue hardship like other industries;

AND WHEREAS 7-Eleven Canada has applied to introduce in-store alcohol service at 61 stores throughout Ontario to leverage their open status as a competitive advantage;

Mayor Jeff Lehman, Chair
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AND WHEREAS approval by the Alcohol and Gaming Commission of Ontario (AGCO) would mean exposing an already vulnerable and hard-hit restaurant/bar industry to further competition;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Ontario's Big City Mayors oppose 7-Eleven Canada's proposal to serve alcohol;

AND THAT this motion be distributed to Hon. Doug Downey, Attorney General; Hon. Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing; Hon. Prabmeet Sarkaria, Associate Minister of Small Business and Red Tape Reduction; Hon. Peter Bethlenfalvy, Minister of Finance; and local OBCM member Councils for consideration.

Thank you for your consideration. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Mayor Jeff Lehman, Chair of OBCM.

Sincerely,



Mayor Jeff Lehman
OBCM Chair



Mayor Jeff Lehman, Chair
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MEETING DATE 03/15/2021 (mm/dd/yyyy)

SUBJECT Ward & Town Hall Meeting Update

SUMMARY

Memorandum from Ms. K. Power, City Clerk, dated March 3, 2021 providing an update relative to the virtual ward meetings held since September 2020, for information.

ATTACHMENTS

1 Memorandum from K. Power

Memorandum

Office of the City Clerk
Fax: 623-5468
Telephone: 625-2230

TO: Mayor & Council

FROM: Krista Power, City Clerk

DATE: March 3, 2021

SUBJECT: Ward & Town Hall Meeting Update
Committee of the Whole – March 15, 2021

Report 95/2020 (City Manager's Office- Office of the City Clerk) was presented to Council in August 2020 providing options for Ward and Town Hall meetings both in person and/or virtually during the pandemic.

There was a preference in September and October by Members of Council to schedule in person meetings; however, due to the transition out of the Green – Prevent Section in the provincial re-opening framework it was recommended that virtual meetings would be the safest option for the community. This continues to be Administration's recommendation during the pandemic.

Eight (8) virtual Ward & Town Hall meetings were held between September 2020 and January 2021. There are currently six (6) meetings scheduled in March and April 2021. Virtual Ward & Town Hall meetings can be viewed online at www.thunderbay.ca/watchcouncil, Shaw Spotlight Ch10, Shaw BlueCurve Ch105, or Tbaytel TV Channel 110.

The public can participate in a virtual meeting by calling 625-2230 or sending an email to OfficeoftheCityClerk@thunderbay.ca. Questions and comments can be sent before or during the public broadcast of the meeting. Since the beginning of Virtual Ward/Town Hall Meetings, the public's engagement has been moderate to high. Questions have been received via telephone and email in advance and during the meeting. Members of Council have received and provided responses to more than 150 questions from the public overall.

There is limited analytics available for live viewings of Ward and Town Hall meetings. Tbaytel provides access for their viewers to watch all Council-related meetings on their OnDemand platform. In 2020, there were 555 views of Ward & Town Hall meetings through OnDemand. The City's website recorded 320 unique viewers.

The financial implications for a virtual Ward/Town Hall meeting were projected in Report 95/2020 at \$400/meeting. The cost included technical support, advertising but did not include indirect administrative costs. There has been no change in this estimate; however, each meeting

varies in requirements so may cost less. Total costs for seven (7) virtual ward and town hall meetings in 2020 were \$1,150.

My office is committed to continue providing support for Ward and Town Hall meetings, either in person or virtual. This initiative and change to a virtual platform has been staff intensive but the result has been significant in providing access for the public to Members of Council to engage in city issues for the public in a meaningful way. Prior to the pandemic, one (1) staffing resource was required to manage a meeting. There are now between 3-5 staff involved in virtual meetings and we are estimating that up to eight (8) staff will be required for an in person meeting, when they are permitted.

We will begin presenting the minutes for the Virtual Ward/Town Hall meetings that have taken place to date to City Council beginning March 22, 2021.

In closing, I would like to acknowledge my thanks for the incredible team in the Office of the City Clerk, both our Council and Operations Team who continue to learn new technology, adapt to changing situations and provide a high level of service and expertise to Council and the public. I would also like to extend my thanks to Council for their patience and willingness to work with Administration within the context of virtual meetings.