



**MEETING:** Committee of the Whole

**DATE:** Monday, December 7, 2020 *Reference No.* COW – 1/52

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**OPEN SESSION in S.H. Blake Memorial Auditorium at 4:30 p.m.**

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

**ELECTRONIC PARTICIPATION: OFFICIALS:**

Councillor A. Aiello  
Councillor S. Ch'ng  
Councillor R. Johnson  
Councillor B. McKinnon  
Councillor K. Oliver  
Councillor A. Ruberto  
Councillor Peng You

Ms. D. Earle, Deputy City Clerk

**OFFICIALS - ELECTRONIC PARTICIPATION:**

Mr. N. Gale, City Manager  
Ms. L. Evans, General Manager – Corporate Services  
& Long Term Care  
Ms. D. Latta, Acting City Solicitor  
Ms. C. Cline, Deputy City Solicitor

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

**MOVED BY:** Councillor Albert Aiello  
**SECONDED BY:** Councillor Brian McKinnon

WITH RESPECT to the establishment of the December 7, 2020 Committee of the Whole - Closed Session meeting, we recommend that the purpose be amended to include the security of the property of the municipality or local board.

CARRIED

**CLOSED SESSION in S.H. Blake Memorial Auditorium at 4:31 p.m.**

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

**ELECTRONIC PARTICIPATION: OFFICIALS:**

Mayor B. Mauro  
Councillor A. Aiello  
Councillor M. Bentz  
Councillor S. Ch'ng  
Councillor A. Foulds  
Councillor C. Fraser  
Councillor R. Johnson  
Councillor B. McKinnon  
Councillor K. Oliver  
Councillor A. Ruberto  
Councillor Peng You

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. D. Latta, Acting City Solicitor  
Ms. C. Cline, Deputy City Solicitor  
Ms. K. Cannon, Director – Revenue  
Mr. J. DePeuter, Manager – Realty Services  
Ms. D. Walker, Law Clerk  
Ms. L. Taylor, Solicitor-Prosecutor

***DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST***

***REPORTS OF MUNICIPAL OFFICERS***

**Potential Land Acquisition**

Report 2020CLS.055 (Realty Services) relative to the above noted, distributed to City Council, City Manager, City Solicitor, General Manager – Corporate Services & Long-Term Care and General Manager – Development & Emergency Services, only.

Mr. M. Smith, General Manager – Development and Emergency Services, Mr. J. DePeuter, Manager – Realty Services, and Ms. D. Walker, Law Clerk entered the meeting room via MS Teams.

Mr. J. DePeuter provided an overview and responded to questions.

It was the consensus of Committee that Administration proceed as directed.

The Deputy City Clerk advised that the recommendation relative to Report 2020CLS.055 (Realty Services) would be presented at the Committee of the Whole meeting to be held later in the evening.

### **Legal Update**

Report 2020CLS.052 (Legal Services) relative to the above noted, distributed to City Council, City Manager, City Solicitor, General Manager – Corporate Services & Long-Term Care and General Manager – Development & Emergency Services, only.

Ms. K. Cannon, Director – Revenue entered the meeting room via MS Teams.

Ms. D. Walker, Law Clerk and Ms. C. Cline, Deputy City Solicitor provided an overview and responded to questions. Mr. J. DePeuter, Manager - Realty Services responded to questions.

It was the consensus of Committee that Administration proceed as directed.

The Deputy City Clerk advised that the recommendation relative to Report 2020CLS.052 (Legal Services) would be presented at the Committee of the Whole meeting to be held later in the evening.

Mr. M. Smith, Ms. K. Cannon, Mr. J. DePeuter and Ms. D. Walker left the meeting room.

### **Tbaytel Shareholder Update**

Mr. D. Topatigh, CEO – Tbaytel and Mr. J. Jamieson, Chair – Tbaytel Board entered the meeting room via MS Teams.

Confidential 3rd Quarter 2020 Operations Report, distributed separately with agenda to City Council, City Manager, City Solicitor and General Manager – Corporate Services & Long-Term Care, only.

Mr. D. Topatigh provided an overview and responded to questions.

Mr. D. Topatigh and Mr. J. Jamieson left the meeting room.

### **Legal Matter**

Ms. L. Taylor, Solicitor-Prosecutor entered the meeting room via MS Teams.

Memorandum from Ms. L. Taylor and Ms. C. Cline, Deputy City Solicitor, dated November 26, 2020 relative to the above noted.

Ms. C. Cline and Ms. L. Taylor provided an overview and responded to questions.

Ms. L. Taylor left the meeting room.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

It was the consensus of Committee to consider the following item of New Business relative to Legal Matter.

### **Legal Matter**

Ms. C. Cline, Deputy City Solicitor provided an overview and responded to questions. Mr. N. Gale responded to questions.

### **Committee of the Whole Recess**

At 5:50 p.m. Closed Session concluded. It was the consensus of Committee that Open Session reconvene at 6:30 p.m.

### **OPEN SESSION in S.H. Blake Memorial Auditorium at 6:31 p.m.**

Committee of the Whole - Operations Session

Vice Chair: Councillor A. Aiello

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

Mayor B. Mauro  
Councillor A. Aiello  
Councillor M. Bentz  
Councillor S. Ch'ng  
Councillor A. Foulds  
Councillor C. Fraser  
Councillor R. Johnson  
Councillor B. McKinnon  
Councillor K. Oliver  
Councillor A. Ruberto  
Councillor Peng You

Ms. D. Earle, Deputy City Clerk  
Ms. L. Lavoie, Committee Coordinator

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

Mr. N. Gale, City Manager  
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. D. Latta, Acting City Solicitor  
Ms. C. Cline, Deputy City Solicitor  
Ms. K. Dixon, Director – Engineering & Operations  
Mr. C. Campbell, Manager – Central Support Division  
Mr. C. Adams, Director – Communications and Technology, Thunder Bay Police Service

***DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST***

***CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA***

Confirmation of Agenda - December 7, 2020 - Committee of the Whole

MOVED BY: Mayor Bill Mauro  
SECONDED BY: Councillor Andrew Foulds

WITH RESPECT to the December 7, 2020 Committee of the Whole meeting, we recommend that the agenda as printed, including any additional information and new business, be confirmed.

CARRIED

***DEPUTATIONS***

**Thunder Bay and Area Food Strategy**

Correspondence from Ms. K. Kerk, Coordinator – Thunder Bay + Area Food Strategy dated November 3, 2020, requesting to provide a deputation relative to Thunder Bay + Area Food Strategy.

Ms. K. Kerk, appeared before Committee via MS Teams, provided a PowerPoint presentation and responded to questions.

**New Business - Crèche on City Property**

Correspondence from Mr. V. Germaniuk, dated November 11, 2020 requesting to provide a deputation relative to crèche on City property, distributed separately on Thursday, December 3, 2020.

Mr. V. Germaniuk, appeared before Committee via MS Teams and responded to questions.

**New Business - Annual Poverty Reduction Report**

Correspondence from Ms. M. Klassen, Director of Services – Lakehead Social Planning Council, dated November 15, 2020 requesting to provide a deputation relative to the 2019 Annual Poverty Reduction Report, distributed separately on Thursday, December 3, 2020.

Ms. M. Klassen and Ms. B. Kryswaty, Coordinator – Poverty Reduction Strategy Committee appeared before Committee via MS Teams, provided a PowerPoint presentation and responded to questions.

**New Business - Transit Fares**

Correspondence from Mr. P. Berger, Poverty Free Thunder Bay dated November 29, 2020 requesting to provide a deputation relative to transit fares, distributed separately on Thursday, December 3, 2020.

Report entitled Fare-Free is Fair, dated October 19, 2020 relative to the above noted, distributed separately on Thursday, December 3, 2020.

Twelve letters of support relative to the above noted, distributed separately on Thursday, December 3, 2020.

Memorandum from Councillor A. Foulds, Chair – EarthCare Advisory Committee dated December 3, 2020 relative to the above noted, distributed separately on Friday, December 4, 2020.

Mr. P. Berger, Ms. T. MacKinnon and Mr. J. Tupker appeared before Committee via MS Teams, provided a PowerPoint presentation and responded to questions.

**Motion - Transit Fares**

Memorandum from Councillor A. Foulds, dated December 4, 2020 containing a motion relative to the above noted, distributed separately on Monday, December 7, 2020.

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

WITH RESPECT to the December 7, 2020 deputation by Poverty Free Thunder Bay relating to fare-free public transit, we recommend that the information be referred to Administration;

AND THAT Administration report back with a memo their recommendation and financial implications of implementing the concepts provided by the deputant;

AND THAT Administration report back on or before February 2, 2021;

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

CARRIED

***REPORTS OF COMMITTEES***

**Clean, Green and Beautiful Committee Minutes**

Minutes of Meetings 02-2020, 03-2020, and 04-2020 of the Clean, Green and Beautiful Committee held on February 19, 2020, September 16, 2020, and October 21, 2020, for information.

**Parking Authority Board Minutes**

Minutes of Meeting 09-2020 of the Parking Authority Board held on September 15, 2020, for information.

***REPORTS OF MUNICIPAL OFFICERS***

**Potential Land Acquisition**

Report 2020CLS.055 (Realty 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 Kristen Oliver

WITH RESPECT to Report 2020CLS.055 (Realty Services), we recommend that Administration proceed as directed in Closed Session.

CARRIED

**Legal Update**

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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 Kristen Oliver  
SECONDED BY: Councillor Andrew Foulds

WITH RESPECT to Report 2020CLS.052 (Legal Services), we recommend that Administration proceed as directed in Closed Session.

CARRIED

## **2021 Local Improvement Projects**

Report R 138/2020 (Infrastructure & Operations – Engineering & Operations) recommending that the local improvement project for curb and gutter on Aspen Street between River Street and Dawson Street be included in the 2021 capital budget.

MOVED BY: Councillor Kristen Oliver  
SECONDED BY: Councillor Andrew Foulds

WITH RESPECT to Report R 138/2020 (Infrastructure & Operations – Engineering & Operations), we recommend that the local improvement project for curb and gutter on Aspen Street between River Street and Dawson Street be included in the 2021 capital budget for consideration for \$68,300 [gross] and \$8,100 [net];

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

CARRIED

## ***PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS***

### **Standards for Winter Control**

At the December 5, 2016 Committee of the Whole meeting, a resolution was passed recommending an operational review to examine ability to respond to winter weather events and to identify options to mitigate the impacts of extreme weather.

Memorandum from Mr. B. Adams, Manager – Roads Division, dated November 10, 2020 containing a motion relative to the above noted.

MOVED BY: Councillor Rebecca Johnson  
SECONDED BY: Councillor Aldo Ruberto

WITH RESPECT to the memorandum from Mr. B. Adams, Manager Roads, dated November 10, 2020, we recommend that Outstanding Item No. 2016-029 relative to an operational review to meet the minimum maintenance standards be removed from the Outstanding List as requested.

CARRIED

### **Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program (ICIP) – COVID-19 Resilience Infrastructure Stream**

Memorandum from Ms. K. Dixon, Director – Engineering & Operations, dated December 4, 2020 containing a motion relative to the above noted, distributed separately on Friday, December 4, 2020.



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

WITH RESPECT to the memorandum from Ms. K. Dixon, Director – Engineering & Operations dated December 4, 2020, we recommend that an application be made to the Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program (ICIP) – COVID-19 Resilience Infrastructure Stream to rehabilitate existing multiuse trails and advance implementation of the Waterfront Trail;

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

CARRIED

### **Waterfront Trail Development**

At the October 26, 2020 Committee of the Whole meeting, a resolution was passed requesting information on sections of the Waterfront Trail that could be completed in 2021 with the associated costs.

Memorandum from Ms. K. Dixon, Director – Engineering & Operations, dated November 20, 2020 relative to the above noted, for information.

### **Eye on the Street**

At the September 28, 2020 City Council meeting, a resolution from the September 14, 2020 Committee of the Whole meeting was passed directing Administration to review the feasibility of transferring the Eye on the Street program to Thunder Bay Police Services and assess the cost to carry out such a transfer.

Memorandum from Mr. C. Campbell, Manager – Central Support Division, dated November 26, 2020 relative to the above noted, for information.

### **Stop Arm Cameras**

At the July 20, 2020 Committee of the Whole meeting, a resolution was passed directing Administration to report back on the City's responsibility and role relative to the installation of stop arm cameras on school buses.

Memorandum from Ms. L. Taylor, Solicitor-Prosecutor and Ms. C. Cline, Deputy City Solicitor, dated November 23, 2020 relative to the above noted, for information.

Correspondence from Mr. C. Murphy, Consortium Manager – Student Transportation Services of Thunder Bay dated December 7, 2020 relative to Stop Arm Cameras, distributed separately on Monday, December 7, 2020.

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

Committee of the Whole - Community Services Session

Chair: Councillor S. Ch'ng

***REPORTS OF COMMITTEES***

**The District of Thunder Bay Social Services Administration Board Minutes**

Minutes of Meetings 15/2020 and 16/2020 (Closed) of The District of Thunder Bay Social Services Administration Board held on October 15, 2020, for information.

**Thunder Bay District Health Unit - Board of Health Minutes**

Minutes of Thunder Bay District Health Unit - Board of Health Meeting, held on October 21, 2020 for information.

***PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS***

**Pilot Project - Operator Protective Shields**

Memorandum from Ms. K. Robertson, General Manager – Community Services, dated November 13, 2020 providing an update on the status of the pilot project relative to installation of operator protective shields in conventional buses, for information.

**Advocacy – Federal Basic Income Program**

Memorandum from Councillor K. Oliver, dated November 20, 2020 containing a motion relative to the above noted.

MOVED BY: Councillor Kristen Oliver

SECONDED BY: Councillor Andrew Foulds

WITH RESPECT to the Memorandum from Councillor K. Oliver dated November 20, 2020, we recommend that Council advocate to the Federal government to implement a Federal Basic Income Program to ensure that all Canadians have an income source to meet their basic needs;

AND THAT a copy of this resolution be sent to Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, Hon. Chrystia Freeland, Minister of Finance, Hon. Anita Anand, Minister of Public Services and Procurement and Accessibility, Hon. Patty Hajdu, Minister of Health, and Marcus Powlowski, MP – Thunder Bay-Rainy River;

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

CARRIED

**Official Recognition - 50th Anniversary of Thunder Bay Volunteer Service Award**

Memorandum from Ms. D. Earle, Deputy City Clerk, dated November 18, 2020, providing an update relative to the above noted, for information.

***NEW BUSINESS***

**Overview of Response to Provincial COVID-19 Response Framework**

Memorandum from Mr. N. Gale, City Manager dated December 7, 2020 relative to the above noted, for information, distributed separately on Monday, December 7, 2020.

**Establishment of Closed Session - December 14, 2020**

MOVED BY: Councillor Rebecca Johnson

SECONDED BY: Councillor Peng You

THAT a Committee of the Whole – Closed Session meeting be scheduled for Monday, December 14, 2020 at 5:00 p.m. in order to receive information relative to advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose; litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the municipality or local board; personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees; labour relations or employee negotiations; and a proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local board.

CARRIED

***ADJOURNMENT***

The meeting adjourned at 10:03 p.m.