



MEETING: Committee of the Whole

DATE: Monday, February 8, 2021

Reference No. COW – 15/52

OPEN SESSION via Microsoft Teams at 5:30 p.m.

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

ELECTRONIC PARTICIPATION: OFFICIALS:

Mayor B. Mauro
Councillor A. Aiello
Councillor M. Bentz
Councillor S. Ch’ng
Councillor A. Foulds
Councillor T. Giertuga
Councillor R. Johnson
Councillor B. McKinnon
Councillor A. Ruberto
Councillor Peng You

Ms. K. Power, 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 Andrew Foulds
SECONDED BY: Councillor Brian McKinnon

WITH RESPECT to the establishment of the February 8, 2021 Committee of the Whole - Closed Session meeting, we recommend that the purpose be amended to include labour relations or employee negotiations; 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

CLOSED SESSION via Microsoft Teams at 5:32 p.m.

Committee of the Whole - Closed Session
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 T. Giertuga
Councillor B. Hamilton
Councillor R. Johnson
Councillor B. McKinnon
Councillor K. Oliver
Councillor A. Ruberto
Councillor Peng You

Ms. K. Power, City Clerk

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Mr. N. Gale, City Manager
Ms. L. Evans, General Manager – Corporate Services
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Ms. C. Cline, Deputy City Solicitor

DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

REPORTS OF MUNICIPAL OFFICERS

Human Resources Matter

Memorandum from Mr. S. Harkness, Interim Senior Labour Relations Consultant, dated February 3, 2021 relative to the above noted, distributed to City Council, City Manager, City Solicitor, General Manager – Corporate Services & Long-Term Care, General Manager – Development & Emergency Services and Director – Human Resources & Corporate Safety, only.

Mr. S. Harkness, Ms. K. Ortgiese, Director – Human Resources & Corporate Safety, Mr. M. Smith, General Manager – Development & Emergency Services, Ms. T. O'Neill, Manager – Labour Relations and Chief W. Gates, Superior North EMS entered the meeting room via MS Teams.

Mr. S. Harkness, Ms. K. Ortgiese, Mr. M. Smith, Ms. T. O'Neill and Chief W. Gates left the meeting room.

Legal Matter - Negotiations

Memorandum from Mr. G. Broere, Director – Facilities, Fleet & Energy Management, dated February 8, 2021 relative to the above noted, distributed to City Council, City Manager, City Solicitor, General Manager – Corporate Services & Long-Term Care and General Manager – Community Services, only.

Mr. G. Broere, Ms. K. Robertson, General Manager – Community Services, Mr. D. Munshaw, Manager – Supply Management and Ms. D. Walker, Law Clerk entered the meeting room via MS Teams.

Mr. N. Gale, City Manager provided an introduction to the matter.

Mr. G. Broere provided an overview and responded to questions.

Ms. K. Power, City Clerk responded to questions.

Ms. C. Cline responded to questions.

Committee of the Whole Recess

At 5:55 p.m. the 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 6:32 p.m.

Committee of the Whole - Planning Session

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 T. Giertuga
Councillor B. Hamilton
Councillor R. Johnson
Councillor B. McKinnon
Councillor K. Oliver
Councillor A. Ruberto
Councillor Peng You

Ms. K. Power, 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. K. Lewis, Director – Corporate Strategic Services
Ms. D. Latta, Acting City Solicitor

DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

Councillor T. Giertuga declared a conflict relative to Not One More Death - Proposals for Cold Weather deputation and motion as he is employed by Thunder Bay Correctional Centre.

CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA

Confirmation of Agenda - February 8, 2021 - Committee of the Whole

MOVED BY: Councillor Kristen Oliver
SECONDED BY: Councillor Brian Hamilton

WITH RESPECT to the February 8, 2021 Committee of the Whole meeting, we recommend that the agenda as printed, including any additional information and new business, be confirmed.

CARRIED

PRESENTATIONS

Thunder Bay Community Economic Development Commission (CEDC) Mining Readiness Strategy Report

Memorandum from Mr. E. Zakrewski, CEO - CEDC and Mr. J. Mason, Project Manager – Mining Services, dated January 26, 2021 requesting to provide a presentation relative to the above noted.

Mr. E. Zakrewski, Mr. J. Mason and Ms. M. Dennhardt, Information and Marketing Officer - CEDC appeared before Committee via MS Teams, provided a PowerPoint presentation and responded to questions.

DEPUTATIONS

Debenture Debt Service Costs

Correspondence from Mr. H. Wojak, dated January 21, 2021 requesting to provide a deputation relative to the above noted.

Mr. H. Wojak appeared before Committee via MS Teams and responded to questions.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Committee of Adjustment Minutes

Minutes of Meetings 03-2020, 04-2020, 08-2020 and 09-2020 of the Committee of Adjustment held on May 27, 2020, June 24, 2020, October 28, 2020 and November 25, 2020, for information.

Heritage Advisory Committee Minutes

Minutes of Meetings 09-2020 and 10-2020 of the Heritage Advisory Committee held on November 26, 2020 and December 17, 2020, for information.

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

Parkades

At the request of the Chair, Councillor A. Foulds assumed the Chair.

Memorandum from Councillor A. Ruberto, dated January 27, 2021 containing a motion relative to the potential of selling both the Waterfront and Victoriaville Parkades.

MOVED BY: Councillor Aldo Ruberto

SECONDED BY: Mayor Bill Mauro

WITH RESPECT to the City of Thunder Bay's Parkades in the north and south core, we recommend that Administration prepare a report on the feasibility of divesting ownership and proceeding with sale of both the Waterfront and Victoriaville Parkades;

AND THAT this report include the financial cost of selling and any potential benefits to the City of Thunder Bay in divesting these assets;

AND THAT the report be received on or before June 14, 2021.

CARRIED

Councillor A. Ruberto resumed the Chair.

OPEN SESSION in the S.H. Blake Memorial Auditorium

Committee of the Whole - Administrative Services Session

Chair: Councillor M. Bentz

DEPUTATIONS

New Business - Not One More Death - Proposals for Cold Weather

Councillor T. Giertuga declared a conflict and refrained from discussion relative to the above noted.

Correspondence from Ms. C. Thornton, Not One More Death, dated February 8, 2021 requesting to provide a deputation relative to Proposals for Cold Weather, distributed separately on Monday, February 8, 2021.

Memorandum from Ms. K. Power, City Clerk, dated February 8, 2021 relative to the above noted, for information, distributed separately on Monday, February 8, 2021.

Ms. C. Thornton appeared before Committee via MS Teams and responded to questions.

Motion - Not One More Death - Proposals for Cold Weather

Memorandum from Councillor A. Foulds dated February 7, 2021 containing a motion relative to the above noted, distributed separately on Monday, February 8, 2021.

The 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.

Councillor T. Giertuga declared a conflict and refrained from discussing or voting on the following resolution.

MOVED BY: Councillor Andrew Foulds
SECONDED BY: Councillor Rebecca Johnson

WITH RESPECT to the deputation received from “Not one More Death” at the February 8, 2021 Committee of the Whole Meeting, we recommend that the applicable contents of the associated deputation be referred to Administration for further exploration and recommendations and funding opportunities where possible;

AND THAT Administration report back to Council on this matter;

AND THAT the City Clerk be directed to schedule a Special Committee of the Whole Meeting if required prior to the next scheduled meeting on March 1, 2021 should Administration require direction for specific work;

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

CARRIED

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

50th Anniversary Celebration Steering Committee Minutes

Minutes of Meeting 06-2020 of the 50th Anniversary Celebration Steering Committee held on December 18, 2020, for information.

Community, Youth and Cultural Funding Program Appeal Committee Minutes

Minutes of Meetings 01-2019 and 02-2019 of the Community, Youth and Cultural Funding Program Appeal Committee held on January 28, 2019 and November 26, 2019, for information.

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

Support for Kraft Hockeyville Submission

Memorandum from Councillor C. Fraser, dated February 1, 2021 containing a motion relative to support for Oliver Paipoonge's Kraft Hockeyville submission.

The 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 Brian McKinnon

WITH RESPECT to the Memorandum from Councillor Cody Fraser dated February 1, 2021, we recommend that support for the submission the title of for Kraft Hockeyville Canada 2021 in Oliver Paipoonge be approved in principle;

AND THAT Administration be directed to work with the organizing committee relative to a potential partnership in hosting the NHL game associated with the event at the Fort William Gardens;

AND THAT Administration report back to City Council with information relative to any financial impacts and economic impact on hosting the NHL game for final approval;

AND THAT a copy of this resolution be sent to the Township of Oliver Paipoonge for their information;

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

CARRIED

NEW BUSINESS

Establishment of Closed Session - March 1, 2021

MOVED BY: Councillor Rebecca Johnson
SECONDED BY: Councillor Andrew Foulds

THAT a Committee of the Whole – Closed Session meeting be scheduled for Monday, March 1, 2021 at 5:30 p.m. in order to receive information relative to the security of the property of the municipality or local board.

CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:58 p.m.