



MEETING: Committee of the Whole

DATE: November 2, 2020

Reference No. COW 40/51

OPEN SESSION in the S.H. Blake Memorial Auditorium at 5:00 p.m.

Committee of the Whole - Open Session
Chair: Councillor T. Giertuga

PRESENT:

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

OFFICIALS:

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. K. Robertson, General Manager – Community
Services
Ms. D. Latta, Acting City Solicitor
Ms. C. Cline, Deputy City Solicitor
Ms. D. Walker, Law Clerk

ELECTRONIC PARTICIPATION:

Councillor M. Bentz
Councillor T. Giertuga
Councillor R. Johnson

Resolution to Amend the Purpose of Closed Session

MOVED BY: Councillor Aldo Ruberto
SECONDED BY: Councillor Albert Aiello

With respect to the establishment of the November 2, 2020 Committee of the Whole – Closed Session meeting, we recommend that the purpose be amended to a trade secret or scientific, technical, commercial or financial information that belongs to the municipality or local board and has monetary value or potential monetary value; and a position, plan, procedure,

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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 in the S.H. Blake Memorial Auditorium at 5:01 p.m.

Committee of the Whole - Closed Session

Chair: Councillor T. Giertuga

PRESENT:

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

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Ms. K. Robertson, General Manager – Community
Services
Ms. D. Latta, Acting City Solicitor
Ms. C. Cline, Deputy City Solicitor
Ms. D. Walker, Law Clerk

ELECTRONIC PARTICIPATION:

Councillor M. Bentz
Councillor T. Giertuga
Councillor R. Johnson

DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

REPORTS OF MUNICIPAL OFFICERS

Contract Related Matter #1

Report No. 2020CLS.045 (Community Services) relative to the above noted was distributed to Members of Council, City Manager, City Solicitor, General Manager – Corporate Services & Long-Term Care and General Manager – Community Services only.

Ms. K. Robertson, General Manager - Community Services provided an overview and responded to questions.

Ms. C. Cline, Deputy City Solicitor responded to questions.

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Ms. L. Evans, General Manager - Corporate Services & Long-Term Care, City Treasurer responded to questions.

It was consensus of Committee that Administration proceed as directed.

The Deputy City Clerk advised that the recommendation relative to 2020CLS.045 (Community Services) would be presented at the Committee of the Whole meeting to be held later in the evening.

Ms. K. Robertson, General Manager - Community Services left the meeting.

Contract Related Matter #2

Report No. 2020CLS.012 (Realty Services) relative to the above noted was distributed to Members of 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 & Emergency Services and Mr. J. DePeuter, Manager - Realty Services entered the meeting.

Mr. J. DePeuter, Manager - Realty Services provided an overview and responded to questions.

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

Mr. M. Smith, General Manager - Development & Emergency Services responded to questions.

Ms. D. Walker, Law Clerk responded to questions.

It was consensus of Committee that Administration proceed as directed.

The Deputy City Clerk advised that the recommendation relative to 2020CLS.012 (Realty Services) would be presented at the Committee of the Whole meeting to be held later in the evening.

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

Committee of the Whole - Operations Session

Chair: Councillor B. McKinnon

PRESENT:

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

ELECTRONIC PARTICIPATION:

Councillor M. Bentz
Councillor T. Giertuga
Councillor R. Johnson

OFFICIALS:

Ms. D. Earle, Deputy City Clerk
Mr. G. Stover, 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
Ms. L. Chevrette, Crime Prevention Coordinator
Mr. C. Halvorsen, Manager – Parks & Open Spaces
Mr. J. Porter, Climate Adaptation Coordinator
Ms. K. Dixon, Director – Engineering & Operations
Mr. M. Miedema, Project Engineer
Mr. M. Vogrig, Project Engineer
Mr. D. Smith, Mobility Coordinator

DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA

Confirmation of Agenda - November 2, 2020 - Committee of the Whole

MOVED BY: Councillor Rebecca Johnson

SECONDED BY: Councillor Brian Hamilton

With respect to the November 2, 2020 Committee of the Whole meeting, we recommend that the agenda as printed, including any additional information and new business, be confirmed.

CARRIED

PRESENTATIONS

2020 Mayor’s Community Safety Awards

Memorandum from Ms. K. Lewis, Director – Corporate Strategic Services, dated October 1, 2020 requesting the presentation of the 2020 Mayor’s Community Safety Awards.

Ms. K. Lewis, Director - Corporate Strategic Services, Mayor B. Mauro, Mr. J. Upton, Chair – Crime Prevention Council and Ms. L. Chevrette, Crime Prevention Coordinator, provided an introduction to the 2020 Mayor’s Community Safety Awards and presented a recognition video.

The following individuals and organizations were recognized in the video for their efforts in making our community safer and more welcoming for everyone:

Community Hero Award sponsored by Apex Investigation and Security to John Kelly

Young Leader Award sponsored by Generator to Noah Barile

Outstanding Community Project sponsored by Circle K to Stop Now and Plan (SNAP) Program

Outstanding Community Project sponsored by Matawa First Nations Management to Tree of Hope Project

Outstanding Community Project sponsored by Enbridge Gas Inc. to PATH 525 - Consumption and Treatment Services

Outstanding Community Project sponsored by Thunder Bay Police Services Board to Elizabeth Fry Society - Northwestern Ontario Food Outreach

DEPUTATIONS

Friends of Chippewa Park - Carousel & Park Update

Letter received from Mr. I. Angus, Project Manager dated October 16, 2020 requesting to appear before Committee to provide a deputation relative to the C.W. Parker Carousel and the 100th Anniversary of Chippewa Park to be held in 2021.

Ms. D. Gilhooly, Co-Chair, Carousel Restoration Committee, Mr. D. Yahn, member of the Carousel Restoration Heritage and Records Committee and Mr. I Angus, Project Manager appeared before Committee via MS Teams (City Hall kiosk), provided a PowerPoint presentation and responded to questions.

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Referral Resolution - Friends of Chippewa Park - Carousel & Park Update

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

With respect to the deputation provided by the Friends of Chippewa Park at the November 2, 2020 Committee of the Whole meeting, we recommend that the request made by the deputants be referred to Administration;

AND THAT Administration report back on or before December 7, 2020;

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

CARRIED

REPORTS OF MUNICIPAL OFFICERS

Contract Related Matter #1

Report No. 2020CLS.045 (Community Services) relative to the above noted was previously presented in Closed Session held earlier in the evening.

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

With respect to Report No. 2020CLS.045 (Community Services), we recommend that Administration proceed as directed in this Report.

CARRIED

Contract Related Matter #2

Report No. 2020CLS.012 (Realty Services) relative to the above noted was previously presented in Closed Session held earlier in the evening.

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

With respect to Report No. 2020CLS.012 (Realty Services), we recommend that Administration proceed as directed in this Report.

CARRIED

Climate Adaptation Update

Report No. R 125/2020 (Infrastructure & Operations - Environment) providing information on progress made in implementing the City of Thunder Bay Climate Adaptation Strategy: Climate-Ready City, for information only.

Memorandum from Mr. J. Porter, Climate Adaptation Coordinator, dated October 14, 2020 requesting to provide a PowerPoint presentation relative to the above noted.

Mr. J. Porter, Climate Adaptation Coordinator appeared before Committee via MS Teams, provided a PowerPoint presentation and responded to questions.

Edward Street & Redwood Avenue – Intersection Control Review

Report No. R 131/2020 (Infrastructure & Operations - Engineering & Operations) recommending that Administration move forward with a roundabout as the preferred intersection control.

MOVED BY: Councillor Shelby Ch'ng
SECONDED BY: Councillor Andrew Foulds

With Respect to Report R 131/2020 (Infrastructure & Operations – Engineering & Operations), we recommend a roundabout as the preferred intersection control at the intersection at Edward Street and Redwood Avenue;

AND THAT new pedestrian crossovers be constructed as outlined in this report as part of the roundabout installation;

AND THAT a roundabout and pedestrian crossover at Edward Street and Redwood Avenue intersection be included in the 2021 Capital Budget for Council’s consideration;

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

CARRIED

Marina Overpass

Report No. 128/2020 (Infrastructure & Operations - Engineering & Operations) recommend that \$500,000.00 be included in the 2021 Capital Budget for extra work and contract administration required to complete the rehabilitation of the Marina Pedestrian Overpass.

Attachment A - Appropriation No. 21 relative to the above noted was distributed separately on Thursday, October 29, 2020.

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

With respect to Report No. R 128/2020 (Infrastructure & Operations - Engineering & Operations) we recommend that purchase orders for Contract 15, 2020 for Tom Jones Corporation and JML Engineering be increased by a maximum of \$500,000 for extra work and contract administration required to complete the rehabilitation of the Marina Pedestrian Overpass; it being noted that final payment for this contract will be based on measured quantities for the completed work;

AND THAT Appropriation No. 21 be approved;

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

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.

Closed Session

At 9:42 p.m. the Committee resolved into Closed Session to discuss the matter at hand.

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

THAT we resolve into Closed Session in order to receive information subject to advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose, that is relative to Report No. R 128/2020 (Infrastructure & Operations – Engineering & Operations) and then revert back to open session to continue with the business at hand.

CARRIED

CLOSED SESSION in the S.H. Blake Memorial Auditorium at 9:42 p.m.

Committee of the Whole - Closed Session

Chair: Councillor A. Ruberto

PRESENT:

Mayor B. Mauro
Councillor A. Aiello
Councillor S. Ch'ng
Councillor A. Foulds
Councillor C. Fraser
Councillor B. Hamilton

OFFICIALS:

Ms. D. Earle, Deputy City Clerk

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Councillor B. McKinnon
Councillor K. Oliver
Councillor A. Ruberto
Councillor Peng You

OFFICIALS - ELECTRONIC PARTICIPATION:

Mr. N. Gale, City Manager
Ms. K. Dixon, Director – Engineering & Operations
Mr. M. Vogrig, Project Engineer
Ms. K. Marshall, General Manager – Infrastructure &
Operations
Ms. D. Latta, Acting City Solicitor

ELECTRONIC PARTICIPATION:

Councillor M. Bentz
Councillor R. Johnson

Marina Overpass

Ms. D. Latta, Acting City Solicitor responded to questions relative to Report No. R 128/2020 (Infrastructure & Operations - Engineering).

At 10:00 p.m., the Committee of the Whole session reconvened.

Marina Overpass - Resolution

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

With respect to Report No. R 128/2020 (Infrastructure & Operations - Engineering & Operations) we recommend that purchase orders for Contract 15, 2020 for Tom Jones Corporation and JML Engineering be increased by a maximum of \$500,000 for extra work and contract administration required to complete the rehabilitation of the Marina Pedestrian Overpass; it being noted that final payment for this contract will be based on measured quantities for the completed work;

AND THAT Appropriation No. 21 be approved;

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

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

Outdoor Rinks - Operation Update

Report No. 127/2020 (Infrastructure & Operations - Parks & Open Spaces) recommending that Administration maintain existing Outdoor Rink service levels in accordance with the existing Outdoor Rink Policy, for information only.

Electric Scooter Pilot Participation

Report No. 96/2020 (Infrastructure & Operations - Engineering & Operations) recommending that Administration monitor results of other municipalities participating in the Ontario Electric Scooter (eScooter) pilot program and report back to Council on the results of the pilot program to inform future decisions on eScooter implementation in the City of Thunder Bay on or before December 2026.

MOVED BY: Councillor Cody Fraser
SECONDED BY: Councillor Peng You

With respect to Report No. R96/2020, we recommend that Administration monitor results of other municipalities participating in the Ontario Electric Scooter (eScooter) pilot program;

AND THAT Administration report back to Council on the results of the pilot program to inform future decisions on eScooter implementation in the City of Thunder Bay on or before December 2026;

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

CARRIED

COVID-19: Phase 2 Fall 2020 Operations Services Level Changes

Report No. R 134/2020 (Community Services) recommending that Administration be directed to implement the Phase 2 Fall 2020 Operations service level changes outlined in Attachment A to this report.

Memorandum from Ms. K. Robertson, General Manager – Community Services, dated November 2, 2020 providing additional information relative to the above noted was distributed separately on Monday, November 2, 2020.

MOVED BY: Councillor Albert Aiello
SECONDED BY: Councillor Aldo Ruberto

With Respect to Report R 134/2020 (Community Services – Recreation & Culture) we recommend that Administration be directed to implement the Phase 2 Fall 2020 Operations service level changes outlined in Attachment A to this report;

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

Amending Motion - COVID-19: Phase 2 Fall 2020 Operations Services Level Changes

MOVED BY: Councillor Albert Aiello
SECONDED BY: Councillor Kristen Oliver

THAT the resolution relative to Report No. R 134/2020 (Community Services – Recreation & Culture), be amended by adding the following paragraph after paragraph one:

“AND THAT Attachment A be amended to include Fort William Gardens in the ‘Recommended Operations to Reopen with Program Modifications’ section to re-open as soon as possible”

CARRIED

Amended Motion - COVID-19: Phase 2 Fall 2020 Operations Services Level Changes

MOVED BY: Councillor Albert Aiello
SECONDED BY: Councillor Aldo Ruberto

With Respect to Report R 134/2020 (Community Services – Recreation & Culture) we recommend that Administration be directed to implement the Phase 2 Fall 2020 Operations service level changes outlined in Attachment A to this report;

AND THAT Attachment A be amended to include Fort William Gardens in the ‘Recommended Operations to Reopen with Program Modifications’ section to re-open as soon as possible;

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

CARRIED

Financial Implications of COVID-19 Pandemic & Budget Variance Report #3

Report No. R 122/2020 (Corporate Services & Long Term Care - Financial Services) providing projections to City Council of the City’s financial position to year-end was distributed separately on Thursday, October 29, 2020.

Deputation request received from Mr. H. Wojak requesting to appear before Committee relative to the above noted was distributed separately on Thursday, October 29, 2020.

Mr. H. Wojak appeared before Committee via MS Teams (audio participation) and responded to questions.

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MOVED BY: Councillor Brian Hamilton
SECONDED BY: Councillor Andrew Foulds

With Respect to Report No. R 122/2020 (Corporate Services & Long Term Care - Financial Services), we recommend that the report be received;

AND THAT Appropriation No. 14 be approved (Attachment A);

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

CARRIED

11:00 P.M. Resolution

During discussion of the above noted item, the following resolution was passed:

MOVED BY: Councillor Kristen Oliver
SECONDED BY: Councillor Albert Aiello

THAT the hour being 11:00 p.m., we continue with the business at hand.

CARRIED

Appointment of Acting Mayors - 2020-2021

Report No. R 114/2019 (City Manager's Office - Office of the City Clerk) providing for the appointment of Acting Mayors for the period commencing December 1, 2020, up to and including November 30, 2021.

MOVED BY: Councillor Rebecca Johnson
SECONDED BY: Councillor Kristen Oliver

With respect to Report No. R 114/2020 (City Manager's Office - Office of the City Clerk), and pursuant to Section 242 of the Municipal Act, 2001, we recommend that the following Members of Council be appointed Acting Mayor, in the Mayor's absence, for the month indicated opposite their name:

December 2020 Councillor Kristen Oliver

January 2021 Councillor Aldo Ruberto

February 2021 Councillor Brian McKinnon

March 2021 Councillor Cody Fraser

April 2021 Councillor Andrew Foulds

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May 2021 Councillor Rebecca Johnson

June 2021 Councillor Shelby Ch'ng

July 2021 Councillor Mark Bentz

August 2021 Councillor Peng You

September 2021 Councillor Brian Hamilton

October 2021 Councillor Albert Aiello

November 2021 Councillor Trevor Giertuga

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

CARRIED

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

Service Level Adjustments to Accommodate Marina Park Budget Reduction

Memorandum from Mr. C. Halvorsen, Manager - Parks & Open Spaces, dated October 8, 2020 providing an overview relative to Service Level Adjustments to Accommodate Marina Park Budget Reduction, for information only.

Standards for Winter Control

Memorandum from Mr. B. Adams, Manager - Roads Division relative to the above noted.

The Deputy City Clerk advised that the above noted memorandum has been withdrawn by Administration and will be presented at the December 7, 2020 Committee of the Whole meeting.

Automated Speed Enforcement (Photo Radar) – Request for Report

Memorandum from Councillor Peng You, dated October 20, 2020 containing a motion recommending that Administration report back the costs and timelines associated with the implementation of automated speed enforcement systems (photo radar) and that Administration consult with the Thunder Bay Police Service to determine the recommended locations.

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MOVED BY: Councillor Peng You
SECONDED BY: Councillor Cody Fraser

With respect to the Memorandum from Councillor Peng You dated October 20, 2020, we recommend that Administration report back the costs and timelines associated with the implementation of automated speed enforcement systems (photo radar);

AND THAT Administration consult with the Thunder Bay Police Service to determine the recommended locations for installation of automated speed enforcement systems;

AND THAT the report be received on or before November 30, 2021;

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

CARRIED

Committee Meals

At the January 29, 2020 Committee of the Whole (2020 Capital and Operating Budget) meeting, a resolution was passed directing Administration to examine ways to reduce meal costs including scheduling meetings outside of meal times where possible, decreasing the volume of food ordered, simplifying menus and seeking efficiencies to reduce the \$32,000 meals budget, and that Administration report back to Council with options and recommendations.

Memorandum from Ms. K. Power, City Clerk, dated October 21, 2020 relative to the above noted.

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

With Respect to the Memorandum from Ms. K. Power dated October 21, 2020 relative to the review of Committee Expenses – Meals (Outstanding Item No. 2020-009) we recommend that the review be deferred until after at least 75% of Committees of Council resume meeting to in-person meetings.

CARRIED

NEW BUSINESS

Resolution to Establish Closed Session - November 9, 2020

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

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MOVED BY: Councillor Rebecca Johnson
SECONDED BY: Councillor Cody Fraser

THAT a Committee of the Whole – Closed Session meeting be scheduled for Monday, November 9, 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; 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; a trade secret or scientific, technical, commercial or financial information that belongs to the municipality or local board and has monetary value or potential monetary value; 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 11:25 p.m.