



MEETING: City Council

DATE: Monday, March 30, 2020

Reference No. CC – 19/51

OPEN SESSION in the S.H. Blake Memorial Auditorium at 8:44 p.m.

City Council

Chair: Mayor B. Mauro

PRESENT:

Mayor B. Mauro
Councillor M. Bentz

ELECTRONIC PARTICIPATION:

Councillor A. Aiello
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

OFFICIALS:

Ms. K. Power, City Clerk
Ms. D. Earle, Deputy City Clerk
Mr. N. Gale, City Manager

OFFICIALS - ELECTRONIC PARTICIPATION:

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. L. Lavoie, Committee Coordinator

OPENING CEREMONIES

One Minute of Silence

DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

Aside from those disclosures already recorded in the previous minutes as presented here, no additional disclosures of interest were announced.

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CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA

Confirmation of Agenda - March 30, 2020 - City Council (Special Session)

MOVED BY: Councillor Kristen Oliver
SECONDED BY: Councillor Cody Fraser

With respect to the March 30, 2020 City Council meeting, we recommend that the agenda as printed, including any additional information and new business, be confirmed.

CARRIED

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

City Council Minutes

The Minutes of the following Meetings of the Thunder Bay City Council, to be confirmed:

1. The Thunder Bay City Council (Special Session) held on March 23, 2020.
2. The Thunder Bay City Council held on March 23, 2020.

MOVED BY: Councillor Trevor Giertuga
SECONDED BY: Councillor Peng You

The Minutes of the following Meetings of the Thunder Bay City Council, to be confirmed:

1. The Thunder Bay City Council - Special Session held on March 23, 2020;
2. The Thunder Bay City Council held on March 23, 2020.

CARRIED

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Committee of the Whole Minutes

The Minutes of the following Committee of the Whole meeting, to be adopted:

1. March 23, 2020 Committee of the Whole

MOVED BY: Councillor Kristen Oliver
SECONDED BY: Councillor Cody Fraser

The Minutes of the following Committee of the Whole meeting, to be adopted:

1. March 23, 2020 Committee of the Whole.

CARRIED

Ratifying Resolutions

New Ambulance Purchase

Report No. R 31/2020 (Development & Emergency Services - Superior North EMS) recommending that the purchase of four (4) new new emergency vehicles be awarded to Crestline Coach Ltd which submitted the successful proposal for the amount of \$559,159.37 plus HST.

The City Clerk advised that the resolution previously adopted by Committee of the Whole held earlier in the evening relative to the above noted required ratification by Council. Under Council's policy a two-thirds vote of Council was necessary.

MOVED BY: Councillor Peng You
SECONDED BY: Councillor Brian McKinnon

With respect to Report No. R 31/2020 (Development & Emergency Services - Superior North EMS), we recommend that the purchase of four (4) new emergency vehicles be awarded to Crestline Coach Ltd. which submitted the successful proposal for the amount of \$549,448.08 plus HST;

AND THAT Crestline Coach Ltd. be the proponent to supply up to four (4) more new emergency vehicles in 2020;

AND THAT the Manager-Supply Management be authorized to issue a purchase order to award this contract;

AND THAT the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to sign any necessary agreement related to the report;

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

CARRIED

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COVID-19 Pandemic – Financial Relief

Report No. R 40/2020 (Corporate Services & Long-Term Care - Financial Services) recommending financial relief options, distributed separately on Friday, March 27, 2020.

The City Clerk advised that the resolution previously adopted by Committee of the Whole held earlier in the evening relative to the above noted required ratification by Council. Under Council's policy a two-thirds vote of Council was necessary.

MOVED BY: Councillor Mark Bentz
SECONDED BY: Councillor Andrew Foulds

With respect to Report No. R 40/2020 (Corporate Services and Long Term Care), regarding COVID-19 Pandemic – Financial Relief we recommend that the May 6, 2020 interim tax levy installment be deferred to July 8, 2020;

AND THAT the water penalty be waived for water bills that are due April 14, 2020, May 15, 2020 and June 15, 2020;

AND THAT the fee for non-sufficient funds (NSF) related to tax and water payments be waived for 90 days;

AND THAT the deadline to apply for the tax and water credit program for low-income seniors and low-income persons with disabilities and the tax and water credit program for low-income persons be extended to September 1, 2020;

AND THAT the payment terms for general accounts receivable invoices generated in April, May, and June 2020 be extended from 30 days to 90 days;

AND THAT all collection work outside of legislative requirements cease until September 30, 2020;

AND THAT business related permit and license fees for 2020 be waived for a 3 month period, and sign permit fees be reduced by 25% for a period of one year;

AND THAT an emergency fund of \$235,000 for Community, Youth & Cultural Funding Program recipients be established, and that Administration report back to Council on recommended funding allocations, and that the source of funding be the Stabilization Reserve Fund;

AND THAT fees associated with the re-issuing of marriage licenses and commissioning services be waived for a 3 month period;

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

CARRIED

Funding Contributions

Memorandum from Ms. K. Lewis, Director - Corporate Strategic Services, dated March 25, 2020 containing a motion relative to funding contributions to Poverty Reduction Strategy (Lakehead Social Planning Council), Thunder Bay Food Strategy (EcoSuperior), and Age Friendly (Thunder Bay Age Friendly Strategy).

The City Clerk advised that the resolution previously adopted by Committee of the Whole held earlier in the evening relative to the above noted required ratification by Council. Under Council's policy a two-thirds vote of Council was necessary.

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

With respect to the memorandum from Ms. K. Lewis, Director – Corporate Strategic Services, dated March 25, 2020, we recommend that funding contributions in the amount of \$35,000 be provided to the following community-based strategies: Poverty Reduction Strategy (Lakehead Social Planning Council), Thunder Bay Food Strategy (EcoSuperior), and Age Friendly (Thunder Bay Age Friendly Strategy) to support coordination of these community-based strategies;

AND THAT representatives of the strategies continue to report back annually on progress in implementing their respective strategy;

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.

CARRIED

Reduced Transit Service Hours During COVID-19 State of Emergency

Memorandum from Mr. B. Loroff, Manager – Transit Services, dated March 25, 2020 containing a motion relative to the above noted.

Confidential memorandum from Ms. T. O'Neill, Manager - Labour Relations, dated March 26, 2020 relative to the above noted, distributed separately on Thursday, March 26, 2020 to Members of City Council and EMT only.

Memorandum from Mr. B. Loroff, Manager – Transit Services, dated March 30, 2020 containing an alternate motion relative to the above noted, distributed separately on Monday, March 30, 2020.

The City Clerk advised that the resolution previously adopted by Committee of the Whole held earlier in the evening relative to the above noted required ratification by Council. Under Council's policy a two-thirds vote of Council was necessary.

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MOVED BY: Councillor Trevor Giertuga
SECONDED BY: Councillor Brian McKinnon

With Respect to the City of Thunder Bay’s COVID-19 response, we recommend that, where delegated authority is otherwise required, that Council authorize the Manager – Transit Services the authority to create, implement, and further amend a reduced service plan in consultation with the Director – Human Resources, where appropriate;

AND THAT this delegated authority to the Manager – Transit Services be in effect until the Province terminates the current state of emergency;

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

CARRIED

BY-LAWS

BL 31/2020 - Amendment to User Fee By-law 028-2007

At the March 23, 2020 City Council meeting, By-law 31/2020 - Amendment to User Fee By-law 028-2007 was presented. A memorandum from Councillor R. Johnson containing a motion relative to By-law 31/2020 was also presented. At that time, the By-law resolution relative to By-law 31/2020 was deferred to the March 30, 2020 City Council meeting.

By-law BL 31/2020, a By-law to amend By-law Number 028-2007, being a by-law to set fees and charges imposed for various Municipal Services, represented.

Delay of Implementation of User Fees - By-law 31/2020 - Amendment to User Fee By-law 028-2007

Memorandum from Councillor R. Johnson, dated March 23, 2020 containing a motion relative to By-law 31/2020 - Amendment to User Fee By-law 028-2007, originally presented at the March 23, 2020 City Council meeting, represented.

MOVED BY: Councillor Rebecca Johnson
SECONDED BY: Councillor Albert Aiello

With Respect to By-law 31/2020 being a by-law to amend the User Fee By-law for the City of Thunder Bay, we recommend that any increases to user fees approved within the 2020 budget be delayed for implementation until the State of Emergency declared by the Province of Ontario has been lifted under the Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act.

LOST

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BL 38/2020 - Site Plan Designation - 1600 Dease Street

A By-law to designate areas of Site Plan Control pursuant to Section 41 of the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, as amended. (1600 Dease Street)

NEW BUSINESS - BL 39/2020 - A By-law to amend By-law 1/2020, being a by-law to provide for a 2020 Interim Tax Levy.

A By-law to amend By-law BL 1/2020, being a by-law to provide for a 2020 Interim Tax Levy with respect to the second property tax installment due date from May 6, 2020 to July 8, 2020.

NEW BUSINESS - BL 41/2020 - A By-law to amend the Business Licensing By-laws of the City of Thunder Bay.

A By-law to amend the City of Thunder Bay Business Licensing By-laws 155-2005, 156-2005, 157-2005, 159-2005, 160-2005, 161-2005, 162-2005, 163-2005, 164-2005, 165-2005 and to repeal By-law 158-2005.

NEW BUSINESS - BL 42/2020 - A By-law to amend By-law BL 17/2018 - Vehicle for Hire and Designated Driver Services

A By-law to amend By-law BL 17/2018, being a By-law to provide for the Licensing and regulation of Vehicles and Drivers providing Vehicle for Hire and Designated Driver Services.

By-law Resolution

By-law Resolution - March 30, 2020

MOVED BY: Councillor Rebecca Johnson

SECONDED BY: Councillor Kristen Oliver

THAT the following By-laws be introduced, read, dealt with individually, engrossed, signed by the Mayor and Clerk, sealed and numbered:

1. A By-law to amend By-law Number 028-2007, being a by-law to set fees and charges imposed for various Municipal Services

By-law Number: BL 31/2020

2. A By-law to designate areas of Site Plan Control pursuant to Section 41 of the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, as amended. (1600 Dease Street)

By-law Number: BL 38/2020

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3. A By-law to amend By-law 1/2020, being a by-law to provide for a 2020 Interim Tax Levy
By-law Number: BL 39/2020
4. A By-law to amend the Business Licensing By-laws of the City of Thunder Bay
By-law Number: BL 41/2020
5. A By-law to amend By-law BL 17/2018 - Vehicle for Hire and Designated Driver Services
By-law Number: BL 42/2020

CARRIED

CONFIRMING BY-LAW

BL 37/2020 - Confirming By-law - March 30, 2020

A By-law to confirm the proceedings of a meeting of Council, this 30th day of March, 2020.

Confirming By-law Resolution - March 30, 2020 - City Council

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

THAT the following By-law be introduced, read, dealt with individually, engrossed, signed by the Mayor and Clerk, sealed and numbered:

1. A By-law to confirm the proceedings of a meeting of Council, this 30th day of March, 2020.
By-law Number: BL 37/2020

CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 9:09 p.m.

Mayor

City Clerk