



**MEETING:** Committee of the Whole

**DATE:** October 26, 2020

*Reference No. 39/51*

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**CLOSED SESSION in the S. H. Blake Memorial Auditorium at 5:30 p.m.**

Committee of the Whole - Closed Session

Chair: Councillor T. Giertuga

Committee of the Whole – Closed Session was cancelled as the confidential agenda item was re-scheduled to a future meeting

**OPEN SESSION in S.H. Blake Memorial Auditorium at 6:33 p.m.**

Committee of the Whole - Administrative Services Session

Chair: Councillor M. Bentz

**PRESENT:**

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

**ELECTRONIC PARTICIPATION:**

Councillor T. Giertuga  
Councillor B. Hamilton  
Councillor R. Johnson  
Councillor B. McKinnon

**OFFICIALS:**

Ms. K. Power, City Clerk  
Ms. K. Piché, Committee Coordinator

**OFFICIALS - ELECTRONIC PARTICIPATION:**

Mr. M. Smith, Acting City Manager  
Ms. L. Evans, General Manager – Corporate Services  
& Long Term Care  
Ms. K. Dixon, Acting General Manager –  
Infrastructure & Operations  
Ms. K. Robertson, General Manager – Community  
Services  
Ms. K. Lewis, Director – Corporate Strategic Services

**DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST**

## **CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA**

Confirmation of Agenda - October 26, 2020 - Committee of the Whole

MOVED BY: Councillor Shelby Ch'ng  
SECONDED BY: Councillor Albert Aiello

With respect to the October 26, 2020 Committee of the Whole meeting, we recommend that the agenda as printed, including any additional information and new business, be confirmed.

CARRIED

## ***PRESENTATIONS***

### **Special Olympics Canada 2020 Winter Games**

Memorandum from Councillor R. Johnson, dated September 1, 2020 requesting that the Special Olympics - Games Organizing Committee provide a PowerPoint presentation relative to the above noted.

Report to the Community – Special Olympics Final Report was distributed separately on Thursday, October 22, 2020.

Mr. B. Streib, Chair - Games Organizing Committee, Ms. J. Tilbury, Vice-Chair - Games Organizing Committee, Mr. B. Smith, Treasurer - Games Organizing Committee, and Mr. D. Henry, Games Manager appeared before Committee via MS Teams, provided a PowerPoint presentation and responded to questions.

### **2nd Year Incident Reporting & Referral Service Program**

Memorandum from Mr. J. Veltri - Chair, Anti-Racism & Respect Advisory Committee, dated October 9, 2020 requesting to present the 2nd Year Report from the Incident Reporting & Referral Service Working Group with Dr. Amy Siciliano, Report Author, Ms. Brenda Reimer - Chair, Incident Reporting & Referral Service Working Group and Ms. M. Klassen, Lakehead Social Planning Council.

Dr. Amy Siciliano, Mr. J. Veltri, Chair - Anti-Racism & Respect Advisory Committee, Ms. B. Reimer, Chair - Incident Reporting Working Group, and Ms. M. Klassen - Lakehead Social Planning Council appeared before Committee via MS Teams, provided a PowerPoint presentation and responded to questions.

***REPORTS OF COMMITTEES***

**Crime Prevention Council Minutes**

Minutes of Meeting No. 02-2020 of the Crime Prevention Council held on June 24, 2020, for information.

**50th Anniversary Celebration Steering Committee Minutes**

Minutes of Meeting No. 02-2020 of the 50th Anniversary Celebration Steering Committee held on August 28, 2020, for information.

***REPORTS OF MUNICIPAL OFFICERS***

**City of Thunder Bay 2019-2022 Corporate Strategic Plan – Implementation Plan and Progress Update**

Report No. R 123/2020 (City Manager's Office - Corporate Strategic Services), presenting “Implementation Plan - 2019-2022 Corporate Strategic Plan: One City, Growing Together”, for information.

Memorandum from Ms. K. Lewis, Director - Corporate Strategic Services, dated October 16, 2020, requesting to appear before Committee to provide a presentation relative to the above noted.

Ms. K. Lewis, Director - Corporate Strategic Services appeared before Committee via MS Teams, provided a PowerPoint presentation and responded to questions

**Calendar of Meetings of Committee of the Whole & City Council**

Report No. R 124/2020 (City Manager's Office - Office of the City Clerk) recommending that the proposed calendars of regularly scheduled meetings of Committee of the Whole, City Council and City Council - Special Session Meetings in 2021 and 2022, be adopted.

MOVED BY: Councillor Kristen Oliver  
SECONDED BY: Councillor Shelby Ch'ng

With respect to Report No. R 124/2020 (City Manager's Office - Office of the City Clerk), we recommend that the proposed calendars of regularly scheduled meetings of Committee of the Whole and City Council in 2021 and 2022, be adopted;

AND THAT City Council – Special Session meetings as listed on the 2021 calendar, be established for the Tbaytel Annual General meeting to be held on Monday, April 26, 2021, the Thunder Bay Hydro Corporation Annual General meeting to be held on Monday, May 10, 2021 and the Thunder

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Bay Community Economic Development Commission Annual General meeting to be held on Monday, June 12, 2021, commencing at 5:00 p.m.;

AND THAT a Committee of the Whole – Special Session meeting be established for the Official Recognition Committee’s Annual Citizens of Exceptional Achievement Awards to be held on Tuesday, April 20, 2021 commencing at 6:30 p.m.;

AND THAT City Council – Special Session meetings as listed on the 2022 calendar, be established for the Tbaytel Annual General meeting to be held on Monday, April 25, 2022, the Thunder Bay Hydro Corporation Annual General meeting to be held on Monday, May 9, 2022, and the Thunder Bay Community Economic Development Commission Annual General meeting to be held on Monday, June 20, 2022 commencing at 5:00 p.m.;

AND THAT a Committee of the Whole – Special Session meeting be established for the Official Recognition Committee’s Annual Citizens of Exception Achievement Awards to be held on Tuesday, April 19, 2022 commencing at 6:30 p.m.;

AND THAT this report authorize that the schedule of meetings be amended as needed by a motion of Committee of the Whole and ratified by the associated Confirming By-law at City Council;

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

CARRIED

### ***PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS***

#### **New Sidewalk Policies & Construction Practices**

At the August 10, 2020 Committee of the Whole meeting, a resolution was passed recommending that Administration review and provide options for updated policies that consider active transportation and accessibility and cost containment.

Memorandum from Mr. R. Harms, Project Engineer - Engineering & Operations dated October 13, 2020 relative to the above noted, for information.

#### **Waterfront Trail Development**

Memorandum from Councillor A. Ruberto, dated October 1, 2020 containing a motion relative to the above noted.

MOVED BY: Councillor Aldo Ruberto  
SECONDED BY: Mayor Bill Mauro

With respect to the Waterfront Trail Improvement Plan, we recommend that Administration develop an implementation plan inclusive of timelines and estimated costs for the section of trail

between Mission Island Marsh and Fisherman's Park, which must include at least one (1) kilometer each year;

AND THAT the implementation plan be received on or before June 30, 2021;

AND THAT Administration report to Council section(s) of the trail that can be completed in 2021 and the costs associated with that work;

AND THAT this report be received on or before December 21, 2020 in order to be considered in the 2021 Budget process;

AND THAT Administration be directed to apply for the Canada Community Healthy Initiatives funding program, if applicable, and other applicable funding programs for the identified trail development in 2021;

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

#### **Amending Resolution - Waterfront Trail Development**

MOVED BY: Councillor Andrew Foulds

SECONDED BY: Councillor Cody Fraser

THAT the sentence "which must include at least one (1) kilometer each year" in paragraph one be deleted;

AND THAT "cost effective" be added before "Implementation Plan" in paragraph two;

AND THAT the words "future years" be added to paragraph three;

AND THAT paragraph five be amended as follows:

"AND THAT Administration be directed to apply for any applicable funding programs for the identified trail development."

CARRIED

#### **Amended Resolution - Waterfront Trail Development**

MOVED BY: Councillor Aldo Ruberto

SECONDED BY: Mayor Bill Mauro

With respect to the Waterfront Trail Improvement Plan, we recommend that Administration develop an implementation plan inclusive of timelines and estimated costs for the section of trail between Mission Island Marsh and Fisherman's Park;

AND THAT the cost effective implementation plan be received on or before June 30, 2021;

AND THAT Administration report to Council section(s) of the trail that can be completed in 2021 and future years and the costs associated with that work;

AND THAT this report be received on or before December 21, 2020 in order to be considered in the 2021 Budget process;

AND THAT Administration be directed to apply for any applicable funding programs for the identified trail development;

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

CARRIED

### **Advocacy - Insurance Rates**

Memorandum from Mayor B. Mauro, dated October 16, 2020, containing a motion relative to the above noted.

MOVED BY: Mayor Bill Mauro  
SECONDED BY: Councillor Kristen Oliver

With respect to advocacy for owners of bars and restaurants in Thunder Bay and the surrounding area relative to increasing insurance rates, we recommend that City Council advocate it's support for businesses relative to this issue;

AND THAT a letter be sent to the Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), Ontario's Big City Mayors (formerly LUMCO) with respect to requesting that the Province review the current situation;

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

CARRIED

### ***NEW BUSINESS***

#### **Bill 218 - Proposed Changes to the Municipal Elections Act**

Memorandum from Ms. K. Power, City Clerk, dated October 23, 2020, containing a motion relative to the above noted.

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 Andrew Foulds  
SECONDED BY: Councillor Cody Fraser

With respect to the memorandum from Ms. K. Power, dated October 23, 2020 relative to Bill 218: Supporting Ontario's Recovery and Municipal Elections Act, that proposes changes to the Municipal Elections Act, we recommend that a letter be sent to the Premier of Ontario, the Honourable Doug Ford; the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, Minister Steve Clark, the Association of Municipal Clerks and Treasurers of Ontario, Association of Municipalities of Ontario, and Ontario's

Big City Mayors (formerly LUMCO) with respect to the lack of consultation on the recommended changes to legislation that affects municipal councils and voters;

AND THAT municipalities be consulted with respect to changes that affect voting processes as outlined in the Municipal Elections Act;

AND THAT the Provincial Government continue to make changes and improvements to the Voters List as outlined in Bill 204, as well as provide for a review and recommendations and/or regulations that guide the application of alternate methods of voting in Ontario;

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

CARRIED

### **Establishment of Closed Session - November 2, 2020**

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

MOVED BY: Mayor Bill Mauro  
SECONDED BY: Councillor Aldo Ruberto

THAT a Committee of the Whole – Closed Session meeting be scheduled for Monday, November 2, 2020 at 5:30 p.m. in order to receive information relative to a proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local board; 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 10:11 p.m.