

ST. JOHN'S

Minutes of Regular Meeting - City Council

Council Chamber, 4th Floor, City Hall

October 15, 2019, 4:30 p.m.

Present:

- Mayor Danny Breen
- Deputy Mayor Sheilagh O'Leary
- Councillor Maggie Burton
- Councillor Sandy Hickman
- Councillor Debbie Hanlon
- Councillor Deanne Stapleton
- Councillor Hope Jamieson
- Councillor Jamie Korab
- Councillor Ian Froude
- Councillor Wally Collins

Regrets:

- Councillor Dave Lane

Staff:

- Kevin Breen, City Manager
- Derek Coffey, Deputy City Manager of Finance & Administration
- Tanya Haywood, Deputy City Manager of Community Services
- Jason Sinyard, Deputy City Manager of Planning, Engineering & Regulatory Services
- Lynnnann Winsor, Deputy City Manager of Public Works
- Cheryl Mullett, City Solicitor
- Elaine Henley, City Clerk
- Ken O'Brien, Chief Municipal Planner
- Maureen Harvey, Legislative Assistant

Land Acknowledgement

The following statement was read into the record:

“We respectfully acknowledge the Province of Newfoundland & Labrador, of which the City of St. John’s is the capital City, as the ancestral homelands of the Beothuk. Today, these lands are home to a diverse population of indigenous and other peoples. We would also like to acknowledge with respect the diverse

histories and cultures of the Mi'kmaq, Innu, Inuit, and Southern Inuit of this Province.”

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

2. **PROCLAMATIONS/PRESENTATIONS**

2.1 **Proclamation - Energy Efficiency Week**

2.2 **Proclamation - Credit Union Day**

2.3 **Proclamation - Rogers Hometown Hockey**

3. **APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

3.1 **Adoption of Agenda - October 15, 2019**

SJMC-R-2019-10-15/440

Moved By Councillor Hanlon

Seconded By Councillor Froude

That the agenda be adopted as presented

MOTION CARRIED

4. **ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES**

4.1 **Adoption of Minutes - October 7, 2019**

SJMC-R-2019-10-15/441

Moved By Councillor Collins

Seconded By Deputy Mayor O'Leary

That the minutes of the Regular Meeting held October 7, 2019 be adopted as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

5. **BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

5.1 **Decision Note dated September 16, 2019 re: Proposed Residential Dwelling, Residential Battery (RB) Zone, DEV 1900148, 52 Outer Battery Road**

SJMC-R-2019-10-15/442

Moved By Councillor Burton

Seconded By Councillor Froude

That Council reject the proposed demo/rebuild for residential dwelling.

MOTION CARRIED

5.2 Decision Note dated October 8, 2019 re: St. John's Development Regulations Amendment 703, 2019 - Proposed Text Amendment - to Consider Body Rub Parlours as a Permitted Use in Various Commercial Zones

SJMC-R-2019-10-15/443

Moved By Councillor Burton

Seconded By Councillor Jamieson

That the motion be amended retaining the phrase "massage parlours" in all material until such time as the public meeting has been held, and consultation has taken place with the NL Association of Massage Therapists.

MOTION CARRIED

SJMC-R-2019-10-15/444

Moved By Councillor Burton

Seconded By Councillor Jamieson

That Council consider the proposed text amendment to allow Body Rub Parlour as a Permitted Use in various Commercial Zones throughout the City. It is recommended that the amendment be advertised for public review and comment and that a public meeting be held on Wednesday, November 6, 2019 in the Foran/Greene Room, City Hall. Following the public meeting the amendment would be referred to a regular meeting of Council for consideration, along with the removal of the moratorium relating to new development applications for body rub parlours.

MOTION CARRIED

6. NOTICES PUBLISHED

7. PUBLIC HEARINGS/MEETINGS

8. COMMITTEE REPORTS

8.1 Committee of the Whole Report - October 2, 2019

1. **Decision Note dated September 23, 2019 re: Application to Rezone Land to the Residential Medium Density (R2) Zone for development of 4 Townhouses - REZ1900012 - 98 Cornwall Avenue (corner of Glenview Terrace)**

SJMC-R-2019-10-15/445

Moved By Councillor Burton

Seconded By Councillor Korab

That Council consider the proposed rezoning at 98 Cornwall Avenue from the Residential Low Density (R1) Zone to the Residential Medium Density (R2) Zone. Further that the application be advertised and referred to a Public Meeting chaired by an independent facilitator. Following the public meeting, the application will be referred to a regular meeting of Council for consideration of adoption.

MOTION CARRIED

2. **Decision Note dated September 26, 2019 re: Rapid Rectangular Flashing Beacons - Rawlins Cross**

SJMC-R-2019-10-15/446

Moved By Councillor Hanlon

Seconded By Councillor Jamieson

That RRFB equipment warranted for future crosswalk improvements be purchased early and installed at the Monkstown Road and King's Road crossings into the centre of Rawlins Cross pending the outcome of the pilot project.

MOTION CARRIED

3. **Decision Note dated October 8, 2019 re: Road Safety Initiatives**

This Decision Note is updated based on discussion at Committee of the Whole.

SJMC-R-2019-10-15/447

Moved By Councillor Hanlon

Seconded By Councillor Burton

The following approach to implementing Road Safety Initiatives be approved.

I. Enforcement - Continue to collaborate with the RNC and work with the Province to support a Provincial photo enforcement initiative.

II. Education & Programming - Coordinate a neighbourhood pace car program and explore possible opportunities to support walking school bus initiatives lead by external organizations

III. City Policy, Priorities, and Maintenance - Incorporate small improvements as part of the annual sidewalk repair program. Update and digitize the City's pavement markings master file through a separate targeted capital expenditure.

IV. Engineering - Implement targeted infrastructure countermeasures at suitable crosswalk locations. Locations will be assessed and prioritized prior to a tender being issued for the work. Improve accessibility of parking through small infrastructure projects.

MOTION CARRIED

8.2 Special Events Advisory Committee Report - October 10, 2019

SJMC-R-2019-10-15/448

Moved By Councillor Jamieson

Seconded By Councillor Hanlon

That Council approve road closures as noted, associated with the Rogers Hometown Hockey Event taking place on October 19 and 20, 2019

MOTION CARRIED

8.3 Development Committee Report - October 8, 2019

1. **Decision Note dated October 10, 2019 re: Proposed Third Accessory Building in the Watershed - INT 1900107 - 961-963 Thorburn Road, Town of Portugal Cove-St. Philips**

SJMC-R-2019-10-15/449

Moved By Councillor Froude

Seconded By Deputy Mayor O'Leary

That the application be deferred.

MOTION CARRIED

9. **RESOLUTIONS**

10. **DEVELOPMENT PERMITS LIST**

10.1 **Development Permits List - October 3-9, 2019**

Council considered, for information, the Development Permits List.

11. **BUILDING PERMITS LIST**

11.1 **Building Permits List for the period October 3-9, 2019**

SJMC-R-2019-10-15/450

Moved By Councillor Hickman

Seconded By Councillor Jamieson

That Council approve the Building Permits List for the period October 3-9, 2019.

MOTION CARRIED

12. **REQUISITIONS, PAYROLLS AND ACCOUNTS**

12.1 **Weekly Payment Vouchers for the week Ending October 9, 2019**

SJMC-R-2019-10-15/451

Moved By Councillor Collins

Seconded By Councillor Hanlon

That Council approve the Weekly Payment vouchers for the Week Ending October 9, 2019 in the amount of \$2,826,175.52

MOTION CARRIED

13. TENDERS/RFPS

13.1 Bid Approval Note 2019178 - Supply and Delivery of Janitorial Products.

This open call contains three sections, two which are awarded in whole and one which is awarded item by item.

SJMC-R-2019-10-15/452

Moved By Councillor Froude

Seconded By Deputy Mayor O'Leary

That Council award this open call to the lowest qualified bidders meeting specifications for the Supply and Delivery of Janitorial Products as per the Public Procurement Act.

MOTION CARRIED

13.2 Bid Approval Note 2019208 - Supply and Delivery of Tires

This open call contains four sections which are each awarded in whole.

SJMC-R-2019-10-15/453

Moved By Councillor Froude

Seconded By Councillor Stapleton

That Council award this open call to the lowest qualified bidders meeting specifications for the Supply and Delivery of Tires, as per the Public Procurement Act.

MOTION CARRIED

13.3 Bid Approval Note 2019226 - 2019 Watermain Improvements

SJMC-R-2019-10-15/454

Moved By Councillor Froude

Seconded By Councillor Collins

That the open call for Bid Approval Note 2019226 for watermain improvements be awarded to Precision Excavation Ltd. for \$287,074.50 (HST included) the lowest bid meeting specifications as per the Public Procurement Act.

MOTION CARRIED

14. NOTICES OF MOTION, RESOLUTIONS QUESTIONS AND PETITIONS**14.1 Climate Emergency Declaration Petition**

Councillor Ian Froude presented a Climate Emergency Declaration Petition, containing approximately 750 names addressing the following:

- According to "The Way Forward on Climate Change", the Provincial Government's climate action plan, the province is already experiencing the effects of climate change;
- Newfoundland and Labrador joined the Pan-Canadian Framework on Clean Growth and climate Change in 2016, but is not on track to meet its 2020 targets;
- The Strategic Plan of the City of St. John's declares sustainability as one of the city's four strategic directions, "today and for future generations";
- The effects and threats of climate change fit the City's official definition of and "emergency":

A copy of this petition is available from the Office of the City Clerk. The petition calls upon the Members of Council to declare a Climate Emergency and take meaningful action to meet emission targets.

Based on petition, Councillor Froude brought forward the following Notice of Motion:

"At a future meeting of Council I will bring forward a motion for debate on recognizing climate change as an emergency and set forward a course of action for the city's sustainability."

15. OTHER BUSINESS**16. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:33 pm

MAYOR

CITY CLERK