

ST. JOHN'S

Minutes of Regular Meeting - City Council

Council Chamber, 4th Floor, City Hall

November 4, 2019, 4:30 p.m.

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

Staff: Kevin Breen, City Manager
Derek Coffey, Deputy City Manager of Finance & Administration
Jason Sinyard, Deputy City Manager of Planning, Engineering & Regulatory Services
Cheryl Mullett, City Solicitor
Susan Bonnell, Manager - Communications & Office Services
Elaine Henley, City Clerk
Ken O'Brien, Chief Municipal Planner
Shanna Fitzgerald, Legislative Assistant

Others: Brian Head, Manager of Parks and Open Spaces

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 **World Town Planning Day - November 8, 2019**

2.2 **Financial Literacy Month - November 2019**

2.3 **Recognition of Rogers TV Volunteers for their many years of Council Meetings Coverage**

3. **APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

3.1 **Agenda of November 4, 2019**

SJMC-R-2019-11-04/490

Moved By Councillor Jamieson

Seconded By Deputy Mayor O'Leary

That the Agenda be adopted as presented.

For (11): Mayor Breen, Deputy Mayor O'Leary, Councillor Burton, Councillor Lane, Councillor Hickman, Councillor Hanlon, Councillor Stapleton, Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Korab, Councillor Froude, and Councillor Collins

MOTION CARRIED (11 to 0)

4. **ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES**

4.1 **Adoption of Minutes - October 28, 2019**

SJMC-R-2019-11-04/491

Moved By Councillor Hanlon

Seconded By Councillor Stapleton

That the minutes of October 28, 2019 be adopted as presented.

For (11): Mayor Breen, Deputy Mayor O'Leary, Councillor Burton, Councillor Lane, Councillor Hickman, Councillor Hanlon, Councillor Stapleton, Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Korab, Councillor Froude, and Councillor Collins

MOTION CARRIED (11 to 0)

5. **BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

5.1 **Presentation of Motion - Climate Change Emergency**

At the Regular Meeting of Council on October 15, 2019 Councillor Froude gave notice that he will be requesting Council's consideration of a motion for debate recognizing climate change as an emergency and set forward a course of action for the city's sustainability.

SJMC-R-2019-11-04/492

Moved By Councillor Froude

Seconded By Councillor Korab

Establishing Climate Mitigation and Adaptation as a Strategic Priority of the City of St. John's

WHEREAS

1. The United Nation's International Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) has established that:
 - a) Human activities have caused approximately 1.0 °C of global warming above pre-industrial levels.
 - b) At current current greenhouse gas (GHG) emission rates, global warming will reach 1.5 °C between 2030 and 2052;
 - c) Climate change is currently jeopardizing the health and survival of many species and other natural environments, stressing local and international eco-systems and economies;
 - d) Ambitious reduction in carbon emissions are necessary to avoid further economic, ecological, and societal loss;
2. Health Canada has established that:
 - a) Climate change is affecting Canadian's health and will continue to pose challenges in the future including impacts to temperature-related morbidity, weather-related natural hazards, as well as impacts to air quality, water and food-borne contaminants, vector-borne disease, and health effects of exposure to ultraviolet rays.
3. Natural Resources Canada has established that:
 - a) Atlantic Canada has experienced an increase in temperature of 0.7 °C;
 - b) The annual precipitation in Atlantic Canada has increased by approximately 11.3%, while snow and ice have declined;
 - c) St. John's has seen a sea level rise of 1.9 mm per year, and temperatures have risen by 0.13°C per decade;
 - d) These regional and local trends are projected to continue and intensify because of climate change, exacerbating social, environmental and economic impacts.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED

4. THAT the City of St. John's officially affirm a climate emergency for the purpose of deepening our commitment to protecting our community, economy, natural assets, and ecosystems from changes in climate.

FURTHER THAT the City of St. John's affirms action on climate change as a strategic priority.

FURTHER THAT the City of St. John's commit to the Global Covenant of Mayors for Climate & Energy (GCoM).

FURTHER THAT the City of St. John's direct staff to bring a report to Council for its consideration before the end of 2019 that describes an approach for creating a Sustainability Plan, which incorporates Climate Change Adaptation and Mitigation including, but not be limited to:

- a. The assessment of climate risks and vulnerabilities and, ultimately, actions for the City of St. John's to increase local adaptation and resilience;
- b. The development of specific greenhouse gas emissions reduction targets for 2030 and 2050 and, ultimately, actions and strategies for the City of St. John's to achieve its targets;
- c. The development of reporting systems for energy utilization, greenhouse gas emissions, and weather impacts to inform policy and budgeting choices;
- d. The identification of funding sources and collaboration opportunities to support the implementation of the plan.

For (11): Mayor Breen, Deputy Mayor O'Leary, Councillor Burton, Councillor Lane, Councillor Hickman, Councillor Hanlon, Councillor Stapleton, Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Korab, Councillor Froude, and Councillor Collins

MOTION CARRIED (11 to 0)

6. NOTICES PUBLISHED

6.1 16 Mahogany Place - Residential Low Density (R1) Zone - Ward 5

A Discretionary Use application has been submitted requesting permission to operate a Home Occupation for a Hair Salon at 16 Mahogany Place.

The floor area for the proposed business is 10.4m². The Hair Salon would include colors, cuts, stylings, etc. Hours of operation will be Monday -

Friday, 5:30 – 9:30 p.m. and Sunday 11 a.m. - 6 p.m. by appointment only with only 1 client per appointment (1 – 3 hour duration). Applicant is the sole-employee and on-site parking is provided.

8 submissions received.

SJMC-R-2019-11-04/493

Moved By Councillor Collins

Seconded By Councillor Lane

That the application be approved subject to all applicable City requirements.

For (11): Mayor Breen, Deputy Mayor O'Leary, Councillor Burton, Councillor Lane, Councillor Hickman, Councillor Hanlon, Councillor Stapleton, Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Korab, Councillor Froude, and Councillor Collins

MOTION CARRIED (11 to 0)

7. PUBLIC HEARINGS/MEETINGS

8. COMMITTEE REPORTS

9. RESOLUTIONS

10. DEVELOPMENT PERMITS LIST

10.1 Development Permits List for the period October 24 to October 30, 2019

Council considered for information the Development Permits List for the Period October 24-30, 2019. It was noted that 10 Virginia Road is located in Ward 2.

11. BUILDING PERMITS LIST

11.1 Building Permits List for the period October 24 to October 30, 2019

SJMC-R-2019-11-04/494

Moved By Councillor Hanlon

Seconded By Councillor Jamieson

That the Building Permits List for the period October 24 - October 30, 2019 be approved as presented.

For (11): Mayor Breen, Deputy Mayor O'Leary, Councillor Burton, Councillor Lane, Councillor Hickman, Councillor Hanlon, Councillor Stapleton, Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Korab, Councillor Froude, and Councillor Collins

MOTION CARRIED (11 to 0)

12. REQUISITIONS, PAYROLLS AND ACCOUNTS

12.1 Weekly Payment Vouchers for the Week Ending October 30, 2019

SJMC-R-2019-11-04/495

Moved By Councillor Stapleton

Seconded By Councillor Korab

That the weekly payment vouchers in the amount of \$8,852,393.40 for the week ending October 30, 2019 be approved as presented.

For (11): Mayor Breen, Deputy Mayor O'Leary, Councillor Burton, Councillor Lane, Councillor Hickman, Councillor Hanlon, Councillor Stapleton, Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Korab, Councillor Froude, and Councillor Collins

MOTION CARRIED (11 to 0)

13. TENDERS/RFPS

13.1 Bid Approval Note - RFP118028008A - Standing Offer Agreement for Office Supplies

SJMC-2019-10-28/496

Moved By Councillor Froude

Seconded By Councillor Lane

That the open call RFP118028008A be awarded to Dicks and Company Ltd. as issued by the Province as per the Public Procurement Act.

MOTION CARRIED

13.2 Bid Approval Note - 2019227 - Fire Retardant Uniforms

Approved via E-poll October 31, 2019

SJMC-R-2019-11-04/497

Moved By Councillor Froude

Seconded By Councillor Hickman

That Bid Approval Note 2019227 for the supply and delivery of fire-retardant uniforms for the St. John's Regional Fire Department be awarded to Uniform Works Limited in the amount of \$158,610.30, including HST, the lowest bidder meeting specification.

For (11): Mayor Breen, Deputy Mayor O'Leary, Councillor Burton, Councillor Lane, Councillor Hickman, Councillor Hanlon, Councillor Stapleton, Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Korab, Councillor Froude, and Councillor Collins

MOTION CARRIED (11 to 0)

13.3 Bid Approval Note - 2019200 - Retaining Wall Rehabilitation Program Contract (Phase 2)

SJMC-R-2019-11-04/498

Moved By Councillor Froude

Seconded By Deputy Mayor O'Leary

That Bid Approval Note 2019220 be awarded to CAREW SERVICES LIMITED in the amount of \$190,734.40 (including HST) the lowest and only bidder meeting specifications as per the Public Procurement Act.

For (11): Mayor Breen, Deputy Mayor O'Leary, Councillor Burton, Councillor Lane, Councillor Hickman, Councillor Hanlon, Councillor Stapleton, Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Korab, Councillor Froude, and Councillor Collins

MOTION CARRIED (11 to 0)

14. NOTICES OF MOTION, RESOLUTIONS QUESTIONS AND PETITIONS

15. OTHER BUSINESS

15.1 Decision Note dated October 30, 2019 re: 226 Water Street, Royal Bank of Canada (RBC) Building - Designated Heritage Building - Façade Renovations

SJMC-R-2019-11-04/499

Moved By Councillor Burton

Seconded By Councillor Lane

That Council approve the façade renovations at 226 Water Street, as proposed.

For (11): Mayor Breen, Deputy Mayor O'Leary, Councillor Burton, Councillor Lane, Councillor Hickman, Councillor Hanlon, Councillor Stapleton, Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Korab, Councillor Froude, and Councillor Collins

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15.2 Other Business Raised by Councillors

1. Deputy Mayor O'Leary
 - Asked that staff inquire as to the status of the RFI for the new mental health facility.
2. Councillor Hanlon
 - Asked that staff consider permanent city wide free parking for veterans to be discussed at a future Committee of the Whole.

16. **ADJOURNMENT**

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

MAYOR

CITY CLERK