

ST. JOHN'S

Minutes of Committee of the Whole - City Council

Council Chambers, 4th Floor, City Hall

June 10, 2020, 9:00 a.m.

Present:

- Mayor Danny Breen
- 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

Regrets:

- Deputy Mayor Sheilagh O'Leary

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
- Lynnann Winsor, Deputy City Manager of Public Works
- Cheryl Mullett, City Solicitor
- Susan Bonnell, Manager - Communications & Office Services
- Elaine Henley, City Clerk
- Ken O'Brien, Chief Municipal Planner
- Shanna Fitzgerald, Legislative Assistant
- Garrett Donaher, Manager of Transportation Engineering

Others

- Karen Sherriffs, Manager - Community Development
- Crystal Barron, Community Services Coordinator
- Jennifer McGrath, Fieldworker II
- Marc Dyke, GIS Developer Desktop/Web

1. **Call to Order**

2. **Approval of the Agenda**

Recommendation

Moved By Councillor Hickman

Seconded By Councillor Hanlon

That the agenda be adopted as presented.

For (10): Mayor Breen, Councillor Burton, Councillor Lane, Councillor Hickman, Councillor Hanlon, Councillor Stapleton, Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Korab, Councillor Froude, and Councillor Collins

MOTION CARRIED (10 to 0)

3. **Adoption of the Minutes**

3.1 **Adoption of Minutes - May 27, 2020**

Recommendation

Moved By Councillor Burton

Seconded By Councillor Stapleton

That the minutes of the Committee of the Whole meeting held May 27, 2020 be adopted as presented.

For (10): Mayor Breen, Councillor Burton, Councillor Lane, Councillor Hickman, Councillor Hanlon, Councillor Stapleton, Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Korab, Councillor Froude, and Councillor Collins

MOTION CARRIED (10 to 0)

4. **Presentations/Delegations**

4.1 **Neighborhood Profiles - Connecting St. John's Neighborhoods**

Karen Sherriffs, Crystal Barron, Jennifer McGrath, and Marc Dyke of Community Services presented phase one of Neighbourhood Profiles to Council.

Neighbourhood Profiles are intended to present characteristics identified in 28 distinct neighbourhoods. These neighbourhoods are defined by their history, landscape, and unique cultural heritage and together they create the character of our city. An online neighborhood profile system includes distinct neighbourhoods within stable working boundaries.

Neighbourhood Profiles includes information for residents and visitors of St. John's and will assist those seeking data for program planning, community outreach, development, and for those who may be relocating. The social information included can help increase awareness of the many activities, amenities and history that is available to residents in their own neighbourhood as well as neighbouring areas. This information is also helpful to both staff and council in supporting decisions on program and services offered.

The 28 neighbourhood profiles were developed to assist community organizations, businesses, and governments with their short and long-term planning by creating meaningful boundaries to support the collection of data. Neighbourhood boundaries are simply a tool, they do not diminish the importance of wards or existing neighbourhood identification.

The boundaries for these neighbourhoods were developed using the following criteria:

1. originally based on planning areas, former municipal boundaries, and existing local cultural area neighbourhood boundaries;
2. respect of natural boundaries (rivers), and man-made boundaries (streets, highways, etc.);
3. recognize smaller neighbourhood sections within the larger neighbourhood boundaries; and
4. the final number of neighbourhood areas be manageable for the purposes of data presentation and reporting.

Council viewed the phase one Neighborhood Profiles online platform as presented. It was noted that consideration will be made for neighborhoods within communities in future phases. Community engagement and feedback will be welcomed as the project is launched.

Recommendation

Moved By Councillor Stapleton

Seconded By Councillor Hickman

That Council approve the launch of phase one of Neighbourhood Profiles – Connecting St John's.

For (10): Mayor Breen, Councillor Burton, Councillor Lane, Councillor Hickman, Councillor Hanlon, Councillor Stapleton, Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Korab, Councillor Froude, and Councillor Collins

MOTION CARRIED (10 to 0)

- 5. **Finance & Administration - Councillor Dave Lane**
- 6. **Public Works & Sustainability - Councillor Ian Froude**
- 7. **Community Services - Councillor Jamie Korab**
- 8. **Special Events - Councillor Hope Jamieson**
- 9. **Housing - Deputy Mayor Sheilagh O'Leary**

9.1 Affordable Housing Working Group Membership

Council considered the recommended membership approval for the Affordable Housing Working Group.

Recommendation

Moved By Councillor Jamieson

Seconded By Councillor Hanlon

That Council appoint Curtis Mercer as the temporary representative for CHBA and reaffirm the membership of the following members to the Affordable Housing Working Group:

- 1. Gail Thornhill, Stella's Circle – extend until May 2022
- 2. Jill Snow, CMHC – extend until May 2022
- 3. Andrew Harvey, First Light NL – extend until May 2022
- 4. Ayon Shahed, Choices for Youth – extend until December 2020

For (10): Mayor Breen, Councillor Burton, Councillor Lane, Councillor Hickman, Councillor Hanlon, Councillor Stapleton, Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Korab, Councillor Froude, and Councillor Collins

MOTION CARRIED (10 to 0)

- 10. **Economic Development - Mayor Danny Breen**

11. **Tourism and Culture - Councillor Debbie Hanlon**
12. **Governance & Strategic Priorities - Mayor Danny Breen**
13. **Planning & Development - Councillor Maggie Burton**

13.1 Built Heritage Experts Panel Report - May 27, 2020

1. 69 Patrick Street, Exterior Renovation

Councillor Burton outlined the application for exterior renovations at 69 Patrick Street for Council. At the May 27, 2020 Built Heritage Experts Panel (BHEP) meeting, the Panel reviewed an application for exterior renovations at 69 Patrick Street which did not meet the Heritage Area Standards of the St. John's Development Regulations. The BHEP recommended changes to the design and the applicant has revised the design based on those recommendations. The revised application was presented to the Panel on June 3, 2020 through e-vote for a recommendation to Council. As the revised design, including the roof deck, now meet the Heritage Area Standards, the design has been recommended for approval as proposed.

Recommendation

Moved By Councillor Burton

Seconded By Councillor Lane

That Council approve the design for exterior renovations at 69 Patrick Street, as proposed.

For (10): Mayor Breen, Councillor Burton, Councillor Lane, Councillor Hickman, Councillor Hanlon, Councillor Stapleton, Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Korab, Councillor Froude, and Councillor Collins

MOTION CARRIED (10 to 0)

13.2 25 Sea Rose Avenue, REZ2000002

Council considered a rezoning application for land at 25 Sea Rose Avenue from the Commercial Regional (CR) Zone to the Commercial Office (CO) Zone to allow for an 8-storey office building and 10-storey parking garage.

Recommendation**Moved By** Councillor Burton**Seconded By** Councillor Stapleton

That Council consider rezoning the property at 25 Sea Rose Avenue from the Commercial Regional (CR) Zone to the Commercial Office (CO) Zone. Further, that the application be advertised for public review and comment and that the applicant provide a shadow analysis prior to public notification.

For (10): Mayor Breen, Councillor Burton, Councillor Lane, Councillor Hickman, Councillor Hanlon, Councillor Stapleton, Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Korab, Councillor Froude, and Councillor Collins

MOTION CARRIED (10 to 0)

14. Transportation and Regulatory Services - Councillor Sandy Hickman

14.1 Quidi Vidi Village Traffic Complaints

The City continues to receive traffic complaints from residents in Quidi Vidi Village. Most requests focus on the volume of traffic in the core of the Village, the parking situation, and the constrained right of way on Quidi Vidi Village Road. Councillor Hickman outlined the action taken to date and Council was presented with options regarding these complaints.

Councillor Hickman made the following motion, and in the midst of extensive discussion, subsequently withdrew it to facilitate a new motion put forth by Councillor Jamieson.

Recommendation**Moved By** Councillor Hickman**Seconded By** Councillor Korab

That Council direct staff to maintain status quo while continuing to monitor traffic and parking issues in Quidi Vidi Village and, if there is a significant change in the facts of the situation, bring that information to Council with any recommended actions.

WITHDRAWN

Recommendation

Moved By Councillor Jamieson

Seconded By Councillor Hickman

That Council approve the installation of temporary speed cushions for the 2020 season in Quidi Vidi Village with further monitoring of the traffic and parking issues and further survey of residents for possible permanent installation in 2021. Further, that the area east of Quidi Vidi Village be referred for consideration to the 2021 capital budget.

For (10): Mayor Breen, Councillor Burton, Councillor Lane, Councillor Hickman, Councillor Hanlon, Councillor Stapleton, Councillor Jamieson, Councillor Korab, Councillor Froude, and Councillor Collins

MOTION CARRIED (10 to 0)

15. Other Business

16. Adjournment

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 10:46 am.

Mayor