



Environment and Climate Change Committee

Minutes

Meeting #: 2
Date: Tuesday, March 21, 2023
Time: 9:30 am
Location: Champlain Room, 110 Laurier Avenue West, and by electronic participation

Present: Chair: Councillor Shawn Menard, Vice-chair: Councillor Marty Carr, Councillor Riley Brockington, Councillor David Brown, Councillor Cathy Curry, Councillor Sean Devine, Councillor David Hill, Councillor Theresa Kavanagh, Councillor Rawlson King, Councillor Matt Luloff, Councillor Tim Tierney

1. Notices and meeting information for meeting participants and the public
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Accessible formats and communication supports are available, upon request.
Except where otherwise indicated, reports requiring Council consideration will be presented to Council on April 12, 2023 in Environment and Climate Change Committee Report 2.
The deadline to register by phone to speak, or submit written comments or visual presentations was 4 pm on March 20, 2023, and the deadline to register to speak by email was 8:30 am on March 21, 2023.

This draft Minutes document contains a summary of the disposition of items and actions taken at the meeting. This document does not include all

of the text that will be included in the final Minutes, such as the record of written and oral submissions. Recorded votes and dissents contained in this draft Minutes document are draft until the Minutes of the meeting are confirmed by the Committee. The final draft Minutes will be published with the agenda for the next regular Committee meeting and, once confirmed, will replace this document.

2. Declarations of Interest

No Declarations of Interest were filed.

3. Confirmation of Minutes

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Carried

4. Communications and Correspondence

4.1 By-law Exemption for Tree Cutting near Tewin Area

Reference No : ACS2023-OCC-CCS-0050 – Cumberland (19)

As this was a 'Communications' item, not normally subject to Committee consideration and discussion, the following Motion was introduced to raise the item onto the agenda for that purpose:

MOTION N^o ECCC 2023 02-01

Moved by Councillor S. Menard:

That, pursuant to Subsection 89(3) of the Procedure By-law (being By-law N^o 2022-410), the Environment and Climate Change Committee approve that the Rules of Procedure be suspended to allow for the consideration of the item listed as:

Communications – Memo – Tree Clearing Near Tewin Area (Memos to Council dated 7 March and 28 February 2023)

Carried

The Committee heard from Mr. Don Herweyer, Interim General Manager, Planning, Real Estate and Economic Development Department (PRED), who provided background on an incident in February 2023 pertaining to tree cutting in the Tewin Lands area of Ottawa by the Tewin Ownership Group, as outlined in two memoranda to Council, issued on 7 March 2023 and 28 February 2023, respectively.

Also in attendance were Ms Martha Copestake, Program Manager, Natural Systems and Rural Affairs, PRED and Mr. Stuart Huxley, Senior Legal Counsel, Legal Services Department.

The Committee heard from the following public delegations:

1. Mr. William van Geest, Program Coordinator, Ecology Ottawa
2. Mr. Sam Hersh
3. Ms Angela Keller-Herzog, Executive Director, Community Associations for Environmental Sustainability (CAFES)
4. Mr. Paul Johanis, Chair, Greenspace Alliance
5. Ms Donna DuBreuil, President, Ottawa-Carleton Wildlife Centre
6. Dr. Ole Hendrickson, PhD, Chair, National Conservation Ctee, Sierra Club Canada Foundation
7. Ms Monica Brewer
8. Ms Pamela O'Donnell
9. Ms Meral Aduli*
10. Ms Jane Keeler
11. Mr. Phil Mount
12. Ms Moe Garahan, Exec. Dir., Just Food Ottawa / Project Dir., Food Communities Network
13. Mr. J.P. Unger

Correspondence was also received from the following individuals:

1. Ms Della Wilkinson*, Chair, Glebe Community Association Environment Committee
2. Ms Jo Saunders*

[Individuals / groups marked with an asterisk above either provided comments in writing or by e-mail; all submissions and presentations are held on file with the Office of the City Clerk]*

Following Committee discussions, the following Directions to Staff were provided:

Direction to Staff:

Chair S. Menard

Direct staff to investigate and report back on potential changes to Exemption 82 (7) of the City's Tree Protection By-law to require landowners obtain a formal exemption with evidence provided and communicate with neighbours, the local city councillor and City staff prior to tree removals including where a permit is not required by By-law (e.g., where the activity is exempt from the provisions of By-law).

Councillor T. Kavanagh

That the tree cutting incident near the Tewin lands be referred to the Normal Farming Practices Protection Board.

In response to questions from Councillor Kavanagh regarding her Direction to Staff to refer the Tewin tree cutting incident to the Normal Farming Practices Protection Board, Mr. Stuart Huxley, Legal Services Department, recommended that the Direction to refer the matter to the Board for a determination of whether the action taken had constituted a normal farm practice (under the *Farming and Food Production Protection Act, 1998*), rise to Council for Council's consideration.

Chair Menard noted that the Direction provided by Councillor Kavanagh would rise as a Committee recommendation to Council, with the opportunity for it to be amended at Council, subject to further consultation with Legal Services.

5. Office of the City Clerk

5.1 End-of-Term Report 2019-2022 - Environmental Stewardship Advisory Committee (ESAC)

File No. ACS2023-OCC-CCS-0033 - City-wide

Report recommendation

That the Environment and Climate Change Committee receive this report for information.

The Committee heard from Mr. Kris Nanda, Chair, Environmental Stewardship Advisory Committee (ESAC), who spoke to provide context for the Environmental Stewardship Advisory Committee 2019-2022 End of Term Report. Following questions to the delegation, the report recommendation was put before the Committee and the report was 'RECEIVED' for the Committee's information.

Received

5.2 Status Update – Environment and Climate Change Committee Inquiries and Motions for the period ending March 10, 2023

File No. ACS2023-OCC-CCS-0034 - City-wide

Report recommendation

That the Environment and Climate Change Committee receive this report for information.

Received

6. Planning, Real Estate and Economic Development Department

6.1 Wastewater Energy Transfer (WET) Pilot Project – 665 Albert Street

File No. ACS2023-PRE-EDP-0011 – Somerset (14)

Report recommendations

That the Environment and Climate Change Committee recommend Council:

1. **Authorize the General Manager of Infrastructure and Water Services, or their designate, to review and consider the approval of a connection to the City's wastewater infrastructure to supply wastewater to a proposed Wastewater Energy Transfer (WET) system for the Dream LeBreton development, subject to receipt of a detailed design, a third-party review and to the satisfaction of General Manager;**

2. **Approve the proposed WET System Design Review Fee and an annual Energy Transfer Fee for the WET system connection to the City's wastewater infrastructure based on a required flow rate (\$/L/sec) being considered to support anticipated energy demands for the Dream LeBreton development;**
3. **Delegate the authority to the General Manager of Infrastructure and Water Services, or designate, to negotiate, enter into, execute and amend a Wastewater Energy Transfer Agreement with Theia Partners Inc. / Envari Holding Inc. Partnership and any other agreements necessary to give effect thereto upon such terms and conditions satisfactory to the General Manager of Infrastructure and Water Services, guided by the proposed Draft Term Sheet attached as Document 3, and in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor;**
4. **Direct staff to report back to Council by Q4 2024 on a review of existing procedures to enable district energy infrastructure to locate within the municipal road allowance / rights-of-way, including addressing instances where such infrastructure may cross property lines; and**
5. **Direct staff to report back on the results of the WET System pilot project, no later than 18 months following implementation of the WET System.**

The Committee received a slide presentation overview of the report from Ms Melissa Jort-Conway, Planner, Planning, Real Estate and Economic Development (PRED) Department. A copy of this presentation is held on file with the Office of the City Clerk. Ms. Jort-Conway also introduced Ms Andrea Flowers, Manager, Strategic Projects, PRED, and Ms Marilyn Journeaux, Director, Water Services (Linear), Infrastructure and Water Services Department, who were present to respond to questions.

The Committee then heard from Mr. Scott Demark*, theia partners, who spoke to a slide presentation to illustrate his points. A copy of this presentation is also held on file with the Office of the City Clerk.

*[* Individuals / groups marked with an asterisk above either provided comments in writing or by e-mail; all submissions and presentations are held on file with the Office of the City Clerk.]*

Following questions to the delegation and to staff, the report recommendations were put before the Committee and were 'CARRIED', as presented.

Carried

7. Public Works Department

7.1 Financial Statements for In-House Solid Waste Collection – External Audit Results

File No. ACS2023-PWD-SWS-0001 – City-wide

Report recommendation

That the Environment and Climate Change Committee recommend Council receive this report for information.

Mr. Alain Gonthier, General Manager, Public Works Department (PWD, introduced Ms Shelley McDonald, Director, Solid Waste Services, PWD, who gave a brief slide presentation which served as an overview of the report. A copy of this presentation is held on file with the Office of the City Clerk. Ms Isabelle Jasmin, Deputy City Treasurer, Corporate Finance, Finance and Corporate Services Department, was also present to respond to questions.

At the conclusion of questions to staff, the report recommendation was put before the Committee. The report was 'RECEIVED' by Committee, and the recommendation that Council also receive the report was 'CARRIED', as presented.

Received and Carried

8. In Camera Items

There were no *in camera* items.

9. Motions of Which Notice has been Previously Given

9.1 Councillor R. King - Electric Vehicle Parking Meter Stations

File No. ACS2023-OCC-CCS-0032 - City-wide

Motion No. ECCC 2023-02-02

Moved by R. King

WHEREAS On April 24, 2019, City Council declared a Climate Emergency for the purposes of naming, framing, and deepening our commitment to protecting our economy, our eco systems, and our community from climate change; and

WHEREAS this declaration provides additional direction to staff for expanded work on the Climate Change Master Plan, Energy Evolution, and the future Climate Resiliency Plan; and

WHEREAS Energy Evolution identifies transitioning from gas and diesel vehicles to electric vehicles as one of the most important actions required to meet Ottawa's target to reduce greenhouse gas emissions to zero by 2050 and identified a Personal Electric Vehicle Strategy as one of 20 priority projects; and

WHEREAS the City of Ottawa has 53 public chargers on City property and in the Right of Way; and

WHEREAS public chargers on City property are a pay for use service with fees, as outlined in the Corporate EV Policy, and the City is obligated to provide accessible services to people with disabilities, including Accessible Parking Permit holders; and

Whereas Section III of the *Highway Traffic Act, 1990* allows for the provision of Accessible Parking Permits in Ontario, and Part C of the City's Traffic and Parking Bylaw includes provisions and exemptions for Accessible Parking Permit holders; and

WHEREAS future spending allocations from the Parking Reserve Fund have been identified in the Parking Services Capital Program Plan to expand the network of EV charging stations on-street and at City of Ottawa owned paid parking lots; and

WHEREAS charging stations are part of the City's efforts to support the uptake of electric vehicles in Ottawa, as public charging infrastructure is a major contributor to adoption of electric vehicles amongst Ottawa residents; and

WHEREAS EV charging stations have been installed leveraging partnerships and funding supports from other levels of government including for example, the right of way chargers which were installed

with support from the federal government under the Zero Emission Vehicle Infrastructure Program, and Envari, an affiliate of Hydro Ottawa; and

WHEREAS privately-owned companies as well as organizations such as Carleton University and the Science and Technology Museum currently offer charging stations in their paid parking lots and garages; and

WHEREAS the public stations may help attract visitors to travel and spend extra time in Ottawa that otherwise may not have visited the downtown due to its limited EV charging capabilities;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that staff be directed to report back to Environment and Climate Change Committee with recommended updates to the Corporate EV Policy that describe how charging stations are installed and operate on City of Ottawa property, including considerations for:

- a. Best practices including reviewing benchmark pricing and competitive bidding practices from other jurisdictions including municipalities, private businesses, and commercial properties
- b. Implications of providing free charging in pay-to-use parking facilities
- c. Prioritization of sites according to safety, accessibility, cost for installation, and electrical capacity
- d. Reporting metrics for asset management including current condition, replacement cost, estimated lifespan, and repair history
- e. Resource requirements for upgrading existing facilities, maintenance, training, technical support, and upkeep of charging stations
- f. Safety design standards for on-street and off-street installations, including considerations for indoor and outdoor charging stations and appropriate fire suppression
- g. Corporate governance and decision making for charging station projects including procurement, ownership, operation, maintenance, replacement, renewal, revenue and expenses

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that staff provide a report on the role for the City of Ottawa in supporting the adoption of Electric Vehicles through a Personal EV Strategy, including considerations for:

- a. **Geographic coverage of public charging equipment across neighbourhoods and identification of gaps**
- b. **Municipal policy tools to advance home charging for multiple built forms including condominiums, rentals, and multi-unit dwellings**
- c. **EV charging in long term City plans such as the Zoning By-law, Transportation Master Plan, Asset Management Plans, and Long-Range Financial Plans**
- d. **Resource requirements and/or partners to implement the Personal EV Strategy**
- e. **Education and outreach activities to accelerate EV adoption in the community**
- f. **Compatibility of EV charging with City of Ottawa Complete Streets Framework**

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that

- a. **The placement and locations of off-street EV charging stations do not interfere or diminish the rights of Accessible Parking Permit holders to regulated amounts of accessible parking spaces, and**
- b. **The placement and locations of on-street EV charging stations do not interfere with no parking zones, which are designated accessible parking spaces for Accessible Parking Permit holders, as described in Part C of the City's Traffic and Parking Bylaw and**
- c. **Staff will develop the Corporate EV Policy and Personal EV Strategy with requirements to ensure access for Accessible Parking Permit holders, including visitors and residents with disabilities**

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that staff engage with key stakeholders including Hydro Ottawa, the Accessibility Office, and the Accessibility Advisory Committee throughout the policy update and strategy development process to ensure alignment of strategic priorities and identification of risks and opportunities.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that staff provide an opportunity for public feedback on the Personal EV Strategy and consider community priorities.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that staff report back in Q4 2023 on recommendations related to both the Corporate EV Policy and the Personal EV Strategy.

At the Environment and Climate Change Committee meeting of Tuesday, 21 February 2023, Councillor Rawlson King introduced the following, as a Notice of Motion:

MOTION N^o ECCC 2023 01-03

Introduced by Councillor R. King:

WHEREAS On April 24, 2019, City Council declared a Climate Emergency for the purposes of naming, framing, and deepening our commitment to protecting our economy, our eco systems, and our community from climate change;

WHEREAS this declaration provides additional direction to staff for expanded work on the Climate Change Master Plan, Energy Evolution, and the future Climate Resiliency Plan;

WHEREAS part of this plan has included commitment to supporting the transition to electric vehicles and has installed several electric vehicle charging stations across Ottawa. Transitioning from gas and diesel vehicles to electric vehicles is one of the most important actions required to meet Ottawa's target to reduce greenhouse gas emissions to zero by 2050;

WHEREAS the city launched 24 new on-street charging stations. The charging stations are at 12 locations in the urban area such as Beechwood Avenue, Daly Avenue, Wellington Street West, Cartier Street, Main Street and Laurier Avenue East;

WHEREAS each site is equipped with two level 2 chargers which provide 35 to 45 km per hour of charging. Users are charged \$2 per hour;

WHEREAS the charging stations are part of the City's efforts to support the uptake of electric vehicles in Ottawa;

WHEREAS this project was completed with support from the federal government under the Zero Emission Vehicle Infrastructure Program, and Envari, an affiliate of Hydro Ottawa.

WHEREAS privately-owned companies as well as organizations such as the Ottawa Airport Authority currently offer charging stations in their paid parking lots and garages;

WHEREAS the City has also recently installed charging stations at a City-owned park and ride station at Chapel Hill Park and Ride; and

WHEREAS Park and Ride spaces are purchased and paid for monthly, much like paying for parking across the city.

WHEREAS the City continues to review locations and will be making recommendations for additional EV charging in Ottawa;

WHEREAS the City of Peterborough approved the installation of eight parking charging stations for electric cars free to use with paid parking;

WHEREAS the public charging stations planned for Peterborough will be free to charge with paid parking;

WHEREAS providing free charging aligns with the current public EV charging approach the City already offers;

WHEREAS the gradual charging speed of EV stations may keep drivers longer in the city center that may lead to greater economic activity for downtown businesses.

WHEREAS the public stations may help attract visitors to travel and spend extra time in Ottawa that otherwise may not have visited the downtown due to its limited EV charging capabilities.

WHEREAS on-street parking rate proposed rate for Ottawa's 2023 Budget is set at a maximum of \$4 per hour;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Staff explore the ability to use unspent dollars from the Climate Change Master Plan and Energy Evolution to fund the purchase and retrofitting that may be required to fund the cost of public-use EV chargers in already established parking metered spaces.

THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this project consider and ensure that:

- a. **The appropriate duration and location of time for downtown metered spaces**
- b. **Feasibility of locations with proximity to current electrical conduits, such as newly resurfaced Montreal Road and other complete streets in the city**
- c. **Local municipal parking garages are included**
- d. **Parking enforcement of a 4-hour parking limit is not exceeded to allow for multiple EVs re-energizing per day.**
- e. **Parking in these spots would be restricted to electric vehicles and only while charging.**
- f. **There is opportunity to align with High Performance Development Standards (HPDS), in terms of its requirements for private development, to induce developers to add EV chargers (cost recouped through a “preferred parking” fee) for resident parking and/or visitor parking at their private developments of multi-unit residential buildings (MURBs).**

THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED staff report back in Q3 2023 on the feasibility and implementation of this project.

In the interim, Councillor King had substituted a newer version of his Motion (see further below) for the one he had introduced at Committee on 21 February, and he spoke to provide context for the new Motion. Ms. Andrea Flowers, Manager, Strategic Projects, Planning, Real Estate and Economic Development Department, was present to respond to questions.

The Committee then heard from the following public delegations:

1. Ms Angela Keller-Herzog⁺, Executive Director, Community Associations for Environmental Sustainability (CAFES)
2. Mr. Raymond Leury⁺, President, Electric Vehicle Council of Ottawa
3. Ms Lise Wayne

[⁺ Slide presentations/visuals/videos held on file with the Office of the City Clerk.]

[^{} Individuals / groups marked with an asterisk above either provided comments in writing or by e-mail; all submissions and presentations are held on file with the Office of the City Clerk.]*

Responding to a question as to whether the revised Motion could be shared with Hydro Ottawa in advance of Council's consideration of this item, Councillor King confirmed that he was amenable to the suggestion.

Following questions to the delegations and to staff, and with Committee discussions having concluded, Councillor King's revised Motion was put before Committee and was 'CARRIED', as presented.

REVISED MOTION N° ECCC 2023 02-02

Moved by Councillor R. King:

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WHEREAS this declaration provides additional direction to staff for expanded work on the Climate Change Master Plan, Energy Evolution, and the future Climate Resiliency Plan; and

WHEREAS Energy Evolution identifies transitioning from gas and diesel vehicles to electric vehicles as one of the most important actions required to meet Ottawa's target to reduce greenhouse gas emissions to zero by 2050 and identified a Personal Electric Vehicle Strategy as one of 20 priority projects; and

WHEREAS the City of Ottawa has 53 public chargers on City property and in the Right of Way; and

WHEREAS public chargers on City property are a pay for use service with fees, as outlined in the Corporate EV Policy, and the City is obligated to provide accessible services to people with disabilities, including Accessible Parking Permit holders; and

Whereas Section III of the Highway Traffic Act, 1990 allows for the provision of Accessible Parking Permits in Ontario, and Part C of the City's Traffic and Parking Bylaw includes provisions and exemptions for Accessible Parking Permit holders; and

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WHEREAS charging stations are part of the City's efforts to support the uptake of electric vehicles in Ottawa, as public charging infrastructure is a major contributor to adoption of electric vehicles amongst Ottawa residents; and

WHEREAS EV charging stations have been installed leveraging partnerships and funding supports from other levels of government including for example, the right of way chargers which were installed with support from the federal government under the Zero Emission Vehicle Infrastructure Program, and Envari, an affiliate of Hydro Ottawa; and

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- c. Prioritization of sites according to safety, accessibility, cost for installation, and electrical capacity**

- d. Reporting metrics for asset management including current condition, replacement cost, estimated lifespan, and repair history**
- e. Resource requirements for upgrading existing facilities, maintenance, training, technical support, and upkeep of charging stations**
- f. safety design standards for on-street and off-street installations, including considerations for indoor and outdoor charging stations and appropriate fire suppression**
- g. Corporate governance and decision making for charging station projects including procurement, ownership, operation, maintenance, replacement, renewal, revenue and expenses**

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- a. Geographic coverage of public charging equipment across neighbourhoods and identification of gaps**
- b. Municipal policy tools to advance home charging for multiple built forms including condominiums, rentals, and multi-unit dwellings**
- c. EV charging in long term City plans such as the Zoning By-law, Transportation Master Plan, Asset Management Plans, and Long-Range Financial Plans**
- d. Resource requirements and/or partners to implement the Personal EV Strategy**
- e. Education and outreach activities to accelerate EV adoption in the community**
- f. Compatibility of EV charging with City of Ottawa Complete Streets Framework**

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that

- a. the placement and locations of off-street EV charging stations do not interfere or diminish the rights of Accessible Parking Permit holders to regulated amounts of accessible parking spaces, and
- b. the placement and locations of on-street EV charging stations do not interfere with no parking zones, which are designated accessible parking spaces for Accessible Parking Permit holders, as described in Part C of the City's Traffic and Parking Bylaw and
- c. Staff will develop the Corporate EV Policy and Personal EV Strategy with requirements to ensure access for Accessible Parking Permit holders, including visitors and residents with disabilities

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that staff engage with key stakeholders including Hydro Ottawa, the Accessibility Office, and the Accessibility Advisory Committee throughout the policy update and strategy development process to ensure alignment of strategic priorities and identification of risks and opportunities.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that staff provide an opportunity for public feedback on the Personal EV Strategy and consider community priorities.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that staff report back in Q4 2023 on recommendations related to both the Corporate EV Policy and the Personal EV Strategy.

Carried

That the Environment and Climate Change Committee recommend Council:

- 1. Direct staff to report back to Environment and Climate Change Committee with recommended updates to the Corporate EV Policy that describe how charging stations are installed and operate on City of Ottawa property, including considerations for:
 - a. Best practices including reviewing benchmark pricing and competitive bidding practices from other jurisdictions including municipalities, private businesses, and commercial properties

- b. **Implications of providing free charging in pay-to-use parking facilities**
 - c. **Prioritization of sites according to safety, accessibility, cost for installation, and electrical capacity**
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 - f. **safety design standards for on-street and off-street installations, including considerations for indoor and outdoor charging stations and appropriate fire suppression**
 - g. **Corporate governance and decision making for charging station projects including procurement, ownership, operation, maintenance, replacement, renewal, revenue and expenses**
2. **Direct staff to provide a report on the role for the City of Ottawa in supporting the adoption of Electric Vehicles through a Personal EV Strategy, including considerations for:**
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 - b. **Municipal policy tools to advance home charging for multiple built forms including condominiums, rentals, and multi-unit dwellings**
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 - e. **Education and outreach activities to accelerate EV adoption in the community**
 - f. **Compatibility of EV charging with City of Ottawa Complete Streets Framework**
3. **Approve that**

- a. the placement and locations of off-street EV charging stations do not interfere or diminish the rights of Accessible Parking Permit holders to regulated amounts of accessible parking spaces, and
 - b. the placement and locations of on-street EV charging stations do not interfere with no parking zones, which are designated accessible parking spaces for Accessible Parking Permit holders, as described in Part C of the City's Traffic and Parking Bylaw and
 - c. Staff will develop the Corporate EV Policy and Personal EV Strategy with requirements to ensure access for Accessible Parking Permit holders, including visitors and residents with disabilities
4. Direct staff to engage with key stakeholders including Hydro Ottawa, the Accessibility Office, and the Accessibility Advisory Committee throughout the policy update and strategy development process to ensure alignment of strategic priorities and identification of risks and opportunities.
 5. Direct staff to provide an opportunity for public feedback on the Personal EV Strategy and consider community priorities.
 6. Direct staff to report back in Q4 2023 on recommendations related to both the Corporate EV Policy and the Personal EV Strategy.

Carried

10. Notices of Motions (For Consideration at Subsequent Meeting)

10.1 Vice-chair M. Carr - City of Ottawa becoming signatory to the Montreal Pledge on Biodiversity

WHEREAS Levels of nature loss and species extinction globally are occurring at rates unprecedented in known human history; and

WHEREAS There is an urgent need for a municipal role in halting and reversing the alarming loss of biodiversity; and

WHEREAS the City of Ottawa through its Urban Forest Management Plan and Official Plan specifically recognizes the crucial role that cities and local governments play in the pursuit of a sustainable

future through mainstreaming biodiversity and nature-based solutions into planning at the local level; and

WHEREAS City Councillors Carr and Councillor Plante were declared delegates by City Council from the City of Ottawa and attended the 7th Summit for Subnational Governments & Cities at the 15th Conference of the Parties (COP15) to the United Nations Convention on Biological diversity in Montréal; and

WHEREAS staff advise that many of the City's existing and planned policies and programs already support many of the actions in the biodiversity pledge, so becoming a signatory is consistent with the City's strategic directions; and

WHEREAS the Montréal pledge on biodiversity is a commitment for cities to take 15 tangible actions towards pursuing their efforts to preserve ecosystems: and

WHEREAS 47 cities internationally have signed the Montreal pledge including Toronto, Montréal, Gatineau, Québec, Boston, Toyko, Berlin, Buenos Aires, Los Angeles, and Melbourne

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City move forward with signing the Montréal Pledge on biodiversity; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that staff continue their efforts to implement policies and programs supporting the 15 commitments in the Montréal Pledge on biodiversity and report back as further resources be deemed necessary.

11. Inquiries

11.1 Councillor D. Hill - Climate Change Master Plan and 2023 Budget

At the February 21st meeting of the Environment and Climate Change Committee, staff provided the Committee with high level information on how the \$5 million in funding to implement the City's Climate Change Master Plan would be spent. Namely, that the money would be used to support studies into community heating, district energy, and renewable natural gas studies and for three pilot projects on varied building retrofits.

Following that discussion, please consider the following supplemental questions:

1. In addition to the three building retrofits projects (municipal, residential, and commercial) are there any other pilot programs that the \$5 million allocated in the 2023 budget will be spent on?
2. What are the specific budgets for each individual study or project captured by the \$5 million? For example, how much money has been set aside for the municipal residential pilot project?
3. What Key Performance Indicators will be used to measure the success or failure of each building retrofit program, or any other pilot program captured by the CCMP spending? How will those KPIs be measured?
4. When will those KPIs, and associated data be provided to committee?
5. When can council expect to receive the studies funded by the 2023 CCMP spending?

12. Other Business

There was no other business.

13. Adjournment

Next Meeting - April 18, 2023.

The meeting adjourned at 2:07 pm.

Original signed by
C. Zwierzchowski, Committee
Coordinator

Original signed by Councillor
S. Menard, Chair