



Emergency Preparedness and Protective Services Committee

Minutes

Meeting #: 03
Date: Thursday, April 20, 2023
Time: 9:30 am
Location: Champlain Room, 110 Laurier Avenue West, and by electronic participation

Present: Councillor Riley Brockington, Councillor David Hill, Councillor Jessica Bradley, Councillor Sean Devine, Councillor Laine Johnson, Councillor Matt Luloff, Councillor Stéphanie Plante

Absent: Councillor Steve Desroches, Councillor Laura Dudas, Councillor Allan Hubley, Councillor Clarke Kelly

1. Notices and meeting information for meeting participants and the public
Notices and meeting information are attached to the agenda and minutes, including: availability of simultaneous interpretation and accessibility accommodations; *in camera* meeting procedures; information items not subject to discussion; personal information disclaimer for correspondents and public speakers; notices regarding minutes; and remote participation details.
Accessible formats and communication supports are available, upon request.
Except where otherwise indicated, reports requiring Council consideration will be presented to Council on Wednesday, April 26, 2023 in Community and Protective Services Committee Report 3.
The deadline to register by phone to speak, or submit written comments or visual presentations was 4 pm on Wednesday, April 19, 2023, and the deadline to register to speak by email was 8:30 am on Thursday, April 20, 2023.

2. Declarations of Interest

No Declarations of Interest were filed.

3. Confirmation of Minutes

3.1 EPPSC Minutes 2 – Thursday 30 March 2023

Carried

4. Emergency and Protective Services Department

4.1 By-law and Regulatory Services 2021 and 2022 Annual Reports

File No. ACS2023-EPS-BYL-0001 - City-wide

At the outset, Mr. Kim Ayotte, General Manager, Emergency and Protective Services (EPS) Department, introduced Mr. Roger Chapman, Director, By-law and Regulatory Services (BLRS) EPS, who in turn introduced the following members of By-law and Regulatory Services staff who were present to assist with the presentation and to respond to the Committee's questions: Ms Christine Hartig, Program Manager, Operational Support and Regulatory Services, Ms Jennifer Therkelsen, Program Manager, By-law Enforcement Services, Ms Myrka Khorrami, Program Manager, Parking Enforcement and Logistics, Ms Kayla Woods, Bylaw Issues Management Specialist, and Ms Alison Sandor, Public Information Officer.

Also present to respond to questions were Ms Valerie Bietlot, Manager, Public Policy Development, Ms Beth Gooding, Director, Public Safety Services, Mr. Paul Hutt, Fire Chief, Mr. Ryan Perrault, Business and Technical Support Services, and Mr. Pierre Poirier, Chief, Ottawa Paramedic Services.

Mr. Chapman and other members of staff spoke to a 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.

Following questions to staff, the report recommendation was put before the Committee and was 'CARRIED', as presented.

Report recommendation

That the Emergency Preparedness and Protective Services Committee recommend that Council receive this report for information.

Carried

5. In Camera Items

There were no In Camera Items.

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

6.1 Councillor S. Devine (for Councillor T. Kavanagh) -
Inventory of Generators in High-Rise Apartment Buildings

Whereas the City of Ottawa is experiencing more frequent storms and unpredictable weather; and

Whereas outages of power have become lengthier due to severity of storms; and

Whereas power outages result in elevators and water pumps not functioning; and

Whereas people with mobility issues, the elderly, and parents of young children are stranded in their apartments; and

Whereas buildings that are higher than 6 floors without a generator often means that water cannot be pumped to their unit; and

Whereas it would be helpful to emergency service teams, such as Fire and Paramedics to know in advance which buildings have generators and which do not;

Therefore be it resolved that City Staff undertake creating an inventory of residential buildings six-storeys or taller in Ottawa without generators; and

Therefore be it further resolved that councillors be surveyed to list buildings they are aware of that do not have generators and require extra assistance, so as to help formulate a comprehensive list.

7. Inquiries

There were no Inquiries.

8. Other Business

- Verbal Update – City’s Response to Flooding

At the Chair’s request, Mr. Kim Ayotte, General Manager, Emergency and Protective Services Department, invited Ms Beth Gooding, Director, Public Safety Services, EPS, to speak to the City’s preparedness and response to recent flooding in a number of vulnerable flood-prone areas of the City.

- Chair Brockington also made note of the following key dates:

- May 4th – International Firefighters’ Day
- May 7th – 13th – Emergency Preparedness Week

9. Adjournment

Next Meeting - Thursday, 18 May 2023.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:32 am.

C. Zwierzchowski, Committee
Coordinator

Councillor R. Brockington, Chair