



Ottawa City Council

Minutes

Meeting #: 32

Date: March 6, 2024

Time: 10 am

Location: Andrew S. Haydon Hall, 110 Laurier Avenue West, and by electronic participation

1. Call to order and moment of reflection

The Council of the City of Ottawa met at Andrew S. Haydon Hall, 110 Laurier Avenue West, Ottawa, on Wednesday, March 6, 2024 beginning at 10:00 a.m. The Mayor, Mark Sutcliffe, presided over the meeting from Council Chambers with some Members attending in person and the remaining Members participating remotely by Zoom.

Mayor Sutcliffe led Council in a moment of reflection.

2. Public notices and meeting information

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; notices regarding minutes; and remote participation details.

Accessible formats and communication supports are available, upon request.

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 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 Council meeting and, once confirmed, will replace this document.

3. National Anthem

The National Anthem was performed by the 4th Grade Class from St Patrick's Elementary School

4. Roll Call

All Members of Council were present except Councillors L. Johnson and T. Tierney.

5. Confirmation of Minutes

5.1 Minutes of the Council meeting of February 21, 2024

Carried

6. Declarations of Interest Including Those Originally Arising from Prior Meetings

No Declarations of Interest were filed.

7. Communications

The communications were received.

7.1 Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) Communications

8. Regrets

Councillors L. Johnson and T. Tierney advised that they would be absent from the City Council meeting of 6 March 2024.

9. Motion to Introduce Reports

Motion No. **2024 - 32-01**

Moved by R. Brockington

Seconded by J. Bradley

That the Light Rail Sub-Committee Report 9 and Planning and Housing Committee Report 23 be received and considered; and

That the Rules of Procedure be suspended to receive and consider the Finance and Corporate Services Report 12 and the report from the Selection Panel for the Police Services Board entitled "Appointment to the Police Services Board" due to the time sensitivity of the items contained in the reports.

Carried

10. Finance and Corporate Services Committee Report 12

Rising from the Finance and Corporate Services Committee of March 5, 2024

10.1 2023 Statement of Remuneration, Benefits and Expenses Paid to Members of Council and Council Appointees

File No. ACS2024-FCS-FSP-0004 – City-wide

Committee Recommendations as amended

That Council receive this report for information including revised Document 2.

Received

10.2 Kanata North Nuisance Mosquito Control Program (Councillor Curry)

File No. ACS2024-OCC-GEN-0002 – Kanata North (Ward 4)

Committee Recommendations

That Council:

1. **Receive the results of the community-wide vote on the proposed continuation of the Kanata North Nuisance Mosquito Control Program and related area-specific levy; and**
2. **Approve the continuation of the Kanata North Mosquito Nuisance Program special levy from 2024 through 2027 for the area identified in Document 1;**
 - a. **Direct the City Solicitor to prepare the necessary by-laws for Council's enactment;**
 - b. **Direct the Chief Financial Officer to administer the special levy for the annual amounts identified in Document 2, from**

**2024 through 2027 for the area identified in Document 1;
and**

- c. Delegate the authority to the General Manager of Public Works, in consultation with the City Solicitor and the Ward Councillor, to award, finalize, execute and manage the contract to GDG Environment.**

Carried

11. Light Rail Sub-Committee Report 9

11.1 Update on the LRT Action Plan – Response to OLRT Public Inquiry Recommendations

File No. ACS2024-TSD-TS-0001 – City-wide

Committee recommendation

That Council direct Transit Services to provide further updates to the Transit Commission on any remaining items in the Action Plan that are still in progress, which relate to Transit operations, until such time that all recommendations are closed.

Carried

12. Planning and Housing Committee Report 23

12.1 Zoning By-law Amendment - 845 Champlain Street

ACS2024-PRE-PSX-0006 - Orléans East-Cumberland (1)

Committee Recommendation

That Council approve an amendment to the Zoning By-law (By-law No. 2008-250) for 845 Champlain Street, as shown in Document 1, to permit a stacked dwelling with 10 units and a parking lot, as detailed in Document 2.

Carried

12.2 Zoning By-law Amendment - 3317 Navan Road

ACS2024-PRE-PS-0017 - Orléans South-Navan (19)

Carried with Councillors C. Kelly, C. Kitts, and A. Troster dissenting.

Committee Recommendation

That Council approve an amendment to the Zoning By-law (By-law No. 2008-250) for 3317 Navan Road, as shown in Document 1, to permit the development of three four-storey apartment buildings on the subject property, as detailed in Document 2.

Carried

12.3 Zoning By-law Amendment – 266 and 268 Carruthers Avenue and 177 Armstrong Street

ACS2024-PRE-PS-0040 - Kitchissippi (15)

Committee Recommendations as amended

That Council:

1. **approve an amendment to Zoning By-law 2008-250 for 266 and 268 Carruthers Avenue and 177 Armstrong Street, as shown in Document 1, to permit a Planned Unit Development (PUD) consisting of two three-and-one-half storey apartment buildings, as detailed in Document 2.**
2. **waive demolition control approval and allow the Owner to proceed directly to demolition of 266 Carruthers Avenue, via a Demolition Permit, making the site safe for the public.**

Carried as amended

Motion No. **2024 - 32-02**

Moved by G. Gower

Seconded by J. Leiper

WHEREAS Report ACS2024-PRE-PS-0040 (the “Report”) recommends amending the City of Ottawa’s Zoning By-law to permit a Planned Unit Development (PUD) consisting of two three-and-one-half storey apartment buildings at 266 and 268 Carruthers Avenue and 177 Armstrong Street; and

WHEREAS the Report seeks to add a new zoning schedule to Part 17 of the Zoning By-law; and

WHEREAS the Details of Recommended Zoning in Document 2 do not include a provision to add a new zoning schedule to Column II of the amended Exception 2701;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Council amend Planning and Housing Committee Report 23, Item 4: Zoning By-law Amendment – 266 and 268 Carruthers Avenue and 177 Armstrong Street by replacing Document 2 – Details of Recommended Zoning with the document attached to this motion as Attachment 1; and

THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that there be no further notice pursuant to Section 34(17) of the *Planning Act*.

Carried

12.4 Motion – Councillor T. Kavanagh - St Paul's Church Identification Signage with Message Centre

Committee Recommendations

That Council approve, in respect of 971 Woodroffe Avenue, an exemption to Sections 103 (b) and 112 (b) (ii) of the Permanent Signs on Private Property By-law (2016-326), as amended, to allow:

1. **The installation of a digital message centre on a property listed on the City's Heritage Register, and**
2. **The installation of a digital message centre less than 45 m from a residential use in a residential zone, where it is visible from that use.**

Carried

13. Office of the City Clerk

13.1 Appointment to the Police Services Board

File No.: ACS2024-OCC-CCS-0025 - City Wide

Report Recommendations

That, further to the deliberations of the Selection Panel, Council:

1. **Suspend the Rules of Procedure to consider this report to allow the appointment of the public member of the Police Services Board;**

2. **Approve the appointment of David Donaldson to the Police Services Board, with his term to be effective upon Council approval, for the remainder of the 2022-2026 Term of Council.**

Carried

14. Bulk Consent Agenda

14.1 Planning and Housing Committee Report 23

14.1.1 Zoning By-law Amendment – 266 Park Street

ACS2024-PRE-PS-0011 - Rideau-Vanier (12)

Committee Recommendation

That Council approve an amendment to Zoning By-law 2008-250 for 266 Park Street, as shown in Document 1, to permit a low-rise apartment building, as detailed in Document 2.

Carried

15. In Camera Items

Motion No. **2024 - 32-03**

Moved by R. Brockington

Seconded by J. Bradley

BE IT RESOLVED that the Rules of Procedure be suspended to add to the agenda the item entitled “Staffing Update – City Clerk ”; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that City Council resolve in camera to consider the “Staffing Update – City Clerk” pursuant to Procedure By-law 2022-410, Subsection 13(1)(b), “personal matters about an identifiable individual, including staff and 13(1)(d) “labour relations or employee negotiations.”

Carried

Council resolved in camera at 10:13 am

In Camera Session

In Council (Open Session)

Council resumed in open session at 10:59 am.

Upon resuming in open session, Mayor Sutcliffe advised that Council just met in camera pursuant to the Procedure By-law (By-law No. 2022-410), Subsection 13(1)(b), “personal matters about an identifiable individual, including staff and 13(1)(d) “labour relations or employee negotiations” with respect to the staffing update for the City Clerk.

During the closed session, no votes were taken other than procedural motions and/or directions to staff.

15.1 Staffing Update – City Clerk

To be considered in camera pursuant to Procedure By-law 2022-410, Subsection 13(1)(b), “personal matters about an identifiable individual, including staff and 13(1)(d) “labour relations or employee negotiations.”

Reporting Out Date: Upon Council Approval.

Councillor C. Kitts introduced the following Motion (Motion 2024-32-04):

Motion No. **2024 - 32-04**

Moved by C. Kitts

Seconded by M. Sutcliffe

WHEREAS the *Municipal Act*, section 228 provides that the municipality shall appoint a Clerk; and

WHEREAS the City of Ottawa has engaged upon a comprehensive internal and external recruitment process to identify potential candidates and to ultimately determine the new City Clerk upon the post becoming vacant with the retirement of the current interim City Clerk

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED That Caitlin Salter MacDonald be appointed City Clerk effective April 12, 2024 and a by-law to formalize this appointment be listed at the next meeting of Council.

Carried

16. Disposition of Items Approved by Committees under Delegated Authority

That Council receive the list of items approved by its Committees under Delegated Authority, attached as Document 1.

Received

17. Motion to Adopt Reports

Motion No. **2024 - 32-05**

Moved by R. Brockington

Seconded by J. Bradley

That the Finance and Corporate Services Committee Report 12; Light Rail Sub-Committee Report 9; the Planning and Housing Committee Report 23, and the report from the Selection Panel for the Police Services Board entitled “Appointment to the Police Services Board” be received and adopted as amended.

Carried

18. Motions of Which Notice Has Been Previously Given

18.1 International Women’s DayMotion No. **2024 - 32-06**

Moved by A. Troster

Seconded by T. Kavanagh

WHEREAS in 1910 women delegates from around the world met in Copenhagen to propose that Women’s Day become an international event to promote equal rights for women; and

WHEREAS the first International Women’s Day was held in 1911 with the support of over a million people; and

WHEREAS in 1977, the General Assembly of the United Nations officially called for all countries to mark a day for the recognition of women's economic, political and social achievements; and

WHEREAS municipalities can play a profound role in promoting and advancing gender equity; and

WHEREAS local and international activists, organizations, and affected communities have shown us more work is required to achieve gender equity; and

WHEREAS every year thousands of events are held around the world to inspire, celebrate and honour women.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Ottawa City Council declare March 8, 2024, to be International Women's Day in the City of Ottawa.

Carried

18.2 Support for Improving Municipal Codes of Conduct and Enforcement

Motion No. **2024 - 32-07**

Moved by A. Troster

Seconded by M. Sutcliffe

WHEREAS all Ontarians deserve and expect a safe and respectful workplace; and,

WHEREAS municipal governments as the democratic institutions most directly engaged with Ontarians need respectful discourse; and,

WHEREAS several incidents in recent years of disrespectful behaviour and workplace harassment have occurred amongst members of municipal councils; and,

WHEREAS these incidents seriously and negatively affect the people involved and lower public perceptions of local governments; and,

WHEREAS municipal Codes of Conduct are helpful tools to set expectations of council member behaviour; and,

WHEREAS municipal governments do not have the necessary tools to adequately enforce compliance with municipal Codes of Conduct;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Ottawa City Council supports the call of the Association of Municipalities of Ontario for the Government of Ontario to introduce legislation to strengthen municipal Codes of Conduct and compliance with them in consultation with municipal governments; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the legislation consider encompassing the Association of Municipalities of Ontario's recommendations for:

- **Updating municipal Codes of Conduct to account for workplace safety and harassment;**

- **Creating a flexible administrative penalty regime, adapted to the local economic and financial circumstances of municipalities across Ontario;**
- **Increasing training of municipal Integrity Commissioners to enhance consistency of investigations and recommendations across the province;**
- **Allowing municipalities to apply to a member of the judiciary to remove a sitting member if recommended through the report of a municipal Integrity Commissioner.**

Carried

18.3 Mississippi-Rideau Source Protection Committee Appointment 2024

Motion No. **2024 - 32-08**

Moved by S. Menard

Seconded by D. Brown

WHEREAS under the Clean Water Act, a Source Protection Committee representing multiple stakeholders is required for each source protection region in Ontario; and

WHEREAS the Source Protection Committee (SPC) oversees the Source Protection Program, and the composition ensures that a variety of local interests are represented at the decision-making table; and

WHEREAS the City of Ottawa is a member of the Mississippi-Rideau Source Protection Committee (SPC); and

WHEREAS the City of Ottawa has had one member on the Mississippi-Rideau SPC since May 2017, and previously had two members since 2007; and

WHEREAS the Mississippi-Rideau SPC membership undergoes a renewal every five years to ensure that it remains in compliance with Ontario Regulation 288/07, the regulation that governs Source Protection Committees under Ontario's Clean Water Act; and

WHEREAS the City of Ottawa received a letter from the Mississippi-Rideau Source Protection Region on November 16, 2023, requesting

the City to submit the name of the Council appointed member to the SPC before March 22, 2024; and

WHEREAS Michel Kearney, Senior Project Manager, Infrastructure Planning, Infrastructure and Water Services Department, is the City's current representative and is willing to remain on the Source Protection Committee for another term.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approve the selection of Michel Kearney to sit as the representative for the City of Ottawa on the Mississippi-Rideau Source Protection Committee.

Carried

18.4 Private Approaches and Encroachments on the Ferndale Avenue and Beechgrove Avenue Integrated Renewal Project

Motion No. **2024 - 32-09**

Moved by J. Leiper

Seconded by R. Brockington

WHEREAS beginning in 2024 the City will undertake an integrated road reconstruction project in Ward 15, including the reconstruction of Ferndale Avenue and Beechgrove Avenue; and

WHEREAS the project limits include reinstating some private approaches on Ferndale Avenue (Churchill Avenue to Selby Avenue); and

WHEREAS some of the driveway widths within the project limits are not in full conformance with the City's front yard parking restrictions and Private Approach By-law; and

WHEREAS some of the driveway's minimum distance to adjacent properties within the project limits are not in full conformance with the City's front yard parking restrictions and Private Approach By-law; and

WHEREAS, for existing properties, front yard parking restrictions and private approach by-law are normally enforced only on a complaint-driven basis; and

WHEREAS there have been no complaints with respect to non-compliant driveways (private approaches) or front-yard parking in this area; and

WHEREAS the area residents support providing relief for residents with existing driveways (private approaches) while acknowledging that any future driveways (private approaches) and front-yard parking must be in accordance with City by-laws; and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Council approve that, in respect of the reconstruction Ferndale Avenue, private approaches be reinstated as they were immediately prior to the reconstruction of this street

Carried

18.5 Commemorative Trees

Motion No. **2024 - 32-10**

Moved by T. Kavanagh

Seconded by A. Troster

WHEREAS in 2022, 22 year old Masha Amini was killed while in police custody in the Islamic Republic of Iran; and

WHEREAS after her death, protests against the Iranian Governments treatment of women broke out across Iran and sparked a campaign to support 'Jin, Jiyan, Azadi' (Women, Life, Freedom); and

WHEREAS in September 2022, a 16 year old named Komar Daroftade was killed while participating in the Jin, Jiyan, Azadi (Women, Life, Freedom) demonstrations; and

WHEREAS a resident of Bay Ward has requested two trees be planted to commemorate the lives of Masha and Komar and honour the sacrifices made by Iranians in fighting for freedom and women's rights;

THEREFORE IT BE RESOLVED that to commemorate the lives and sacrifice of these two young activists, the City of Ottawa approves the installation of two trees with to be planted in Britannia Park with plaques that read the following:

Plaque 1

In memory of Jina Amini (1999-09-29 to 2022-09-16), a Kurdish woman killed by Iran's morality police in Tehran.

À la mémoire de Jina Amini (29 septembre 1999 - 16 septembre 2022), femme kurde tuée à Téhéran par la police de la moralité de l'Iran.

Plaque 2

In memory of Komar Daroftade (2006-08-16 to 2022-10-30), killed by Iran's IRGC during Jin, Jiyan, Azadi Revolution.

À la mémoire de Komar Daroftade (16 août 2006 - 30 octobre 2022), tué par le Corps des gardiens de la révolution islamique (CGRI) d'Iran au cours du mouvement Jin, Jiyan, Azadi.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all costs related to the tree and plaque will be covered by the requester.

Carried

19. Motions Requiring Suspension of the Rules of Procedure

19.1 230 Queen Street Lease for Transitional Housing

Motion No. **2024 - 32-11**

Moved by A. Troster

Seconded by L. Dudas

That the Rules of Procedure be suspended to consider the following motion due to the emergency nature of the situation, to advance the work being done by the Emergency Shelter Crisis Taskforce.

WHEREAS On October 26, 2023, Mayor Sutcliffe and Councillor Dudas launched an Emergency Shelter Crisis Taskforce, alongside Councillors Carr, Hubley, Kavanagh, Plante and Troster, to raise awareness and our collective commitment to address the unprecedented demand and shortage of shelter beds in Ottawa; and

WHEREAS the Integrated Transition to Housing Strategy (ITHS), approved by Council on July 13, 2023, projected that by the end of 2024, there would be a need for up to 293 new shelter beds for single adults to address demands for shelter placements; and

WHEREAS the demand surpassed projections in December 2023 and is now at an all-time high with 450 clients being served at temporary locations; and

WHEREAS Ottawa has made the commitment that any resident in need is able to access a shelter bed; and

WHEREAS three City-owned recreational facilities are being used as Physical Distancing - Emergency Overflow Centres and these facilities need to be returned to their intended recreational use as quickly as possible; and

WHEREAS the City of Ottawa has an opportunity to enter into a lease agreement at 230 Queen Street and to convert 29,634 square feet of office space to provide transitional housing for up to 130 individuals.

WHEREAS the Corporate Real Estate Office (CREO) has confirmed that the basic rent consideration noted below is supported by a market value estimate and an external appraisal, and is within fair market rates.

WHEREAS the General Manager, Planning, Real Estate, and Economic Development has delegated authority to approve the acquisition of real property when the total value of the transaction is \$2,000,000 or less as per Delegation of Authority (Bylaw No. 2023-67), Schedule I, Section 63 (4), and the proposed business parameters contemplate a value that exceeds this upset limit.

WHEREAS a motion is being brought to City Council for approval to expedite the process.

WHEREAS Finance and Corporate Services Department has confirmed the budget for basic rent, building operating expense and capital fit-up expenses related to this proposed lease, as described in the business parameters.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that City Council approve the following business parameters that will serve as the basis for a lease agreement between The City of Ottawa and ÉDIFICE 230 QUEEN INC./230 QUEEN BUILDING INC. for use of 230 Queen Street:

- **The lease structure is to be net to the landlord, where the City pays a Base Rent, as well as Operating Expenses which include property taxes, building insurance, maintenance and utilities;**

- The City will use the facility for the purpose of providing transitional housing which is considered a Residential Care Facility and permitted under the City of Ottawa Zoning Bylaw;
- The lease term will be for 10 years with two, five-year renewal options;
- The total base rent consideration has been negotiated to be \$4.38M over the initial term with a capital inducement for fit-up improvements of \$1.48M; and
- The landlord has provided concurrence to allow the City to seek a municipal capital facility designation for realty tax exemption on the subject space;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that City Council Delegate authority to the Acting Director, Corporate Real Estate Office to negotiate, enter into, conclude, execute, amend, and implement a Lease Agreement for the facility in accordance with the business parameters in principle of this motion;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that City Council direct Corporate Real Estate Office (CREO) staff to report back on the delegated actions of this motion as part of its semi-annual reporting of all CREO delegated actions to the Finance and Corporate Services Committee.

Carried

19.2 CUTA Spring Summit

Motion No. **2024 - 32-12**

Moved by G. Gower

Seconded by D. Hill

That the Rules of Procedure be suspended to consider the following motion to take advantage of early-bird pricing for conference registration prior to March 31, 2024.

WHEREAS the City of Ottawa is a member of the Canadian Urban Transit Association (CUTA); and

WHEREAS Councillor Wilson Lo is a member of the Canadian Urban Transit Association – Transit Board Members Committee (TBMC); and

WHEREAS the TBMC's membership is comprised of municipal elected officials from across Canada and provides a venue for discussion and the promotion of public transportation among municipal decision-makers, and serves as a forum to share knowledge, insights, and experience, and help identify new and prevailing issues of interest to the sector and aid in addressing them; and

WHEREAS meetings of the TBMC are held at the call of the chair 2-3 times a year, with the next meeting to be held in conjunction with the CUTA Spring Summit and Annual General Meeting taking place May 5-7, 2024, in Halifax, Nova Scotia; and

WHEREAS if a Member of Council is participating on a board in their capacity related to their role as a Member, that participation be approved by Council; and

WHEREAS, subject to Council Approval, the Council Administration Budget will fund the travel costs associated with the participation of Council's representatives to external municipal organizations; and

WHEREAS all City-funded travel shall be subject to the requirements of the Council Expense Policy;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Council approve the continued participation of Councillor Wilson Lo on the Canadian Urban Transit Association's Transit Board Members Committee; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Council approve the attendance of Councillor Lo in the CUTA Spring Summit and Annual General Meeting being held May 5-7, 2024, in Halifax, Nova Scotia; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the costs for Councillor Lo's participation in the CUTA Spring Summit and Annual General Meeting conference and future meetings of the Transit Board Members Committee be funded from the Council Administration Budget.

Carried

20. Notices of Motion (for Consideration at Subsequent Meeting)

20.1 Waiver of Demolition Control – 181 - 183 Holland Avenue

Moved by J. Leiper
Seconded by A. Troster

WHEREAS the buildings on the parcels of land known as 181 and 183 Holland Avenue are vacant; and

WHEREAS given the poor condition of the building and the risk to public safety, it would be in the public interest to demolish the building; and

WHEREAS there is currently no building permit application for a replacement building.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Council approve demolition control for the existing buildings on the property subject to the following conditions:

1. That the property Owner pay PRED \$5,339.42 (includes \$1,028.00 Legal Fee + HST) which is the fee associated with a demolition control application.
2. That a replacement building be substantially completed with five years from the date of this approval and in default thereof, the City Clerk shall enter on the collector's roll the sum of \$8,667.00 for each of the two residential dwelling units to be demolished.
3. That until the time of the construction of the first replacement building, the registered Owner shall landscape the property to the satisfaction of the General Manager of Planning, Real Estate and Economic Development. The registered Owner shall prohibit the use of the property for other interim uses and maintain the property in accordance with the Property Standards By-law;
4. The landscaping shall include permanent, transparent fencing prohibiting access to the property, as well as soft landscaping along the entire frontage to a depth of 4 metres, which may include grass, and low shrubs. The remainder of the property may be granular or wildflower seed mix;
5. The Owner shall pay fifty percent securities to the City for the value of landscaping the property, with the securities to be released once these works are completed;

6. **The registered Owner shall enter into an Agreement with the City of Ottawa to include the foregoing conditions and pay all costs associated with the registration of said Agreement. At such time as a building permit is issued to redevelop the site and the replacement building is in place, the Agreement will become null and void and will be released upon request of the Owner. The Owner shall pay all costs associated with the release of the agreement;**
7. **The registered Owner agrees that a demolition permit will not be issued and the buildings cannot be demolished until such time that the Agreement referenced herein has been executed and registered on title;**
8. **This approval is considered null and void if the Agreement is not executed within six months of Council's approval.**

20.2 Exemption to Section 4.1 of the Council Expense Policy for the Stittsville Community Enrichment Initiative micro-grant program

Moved by G. Gower

Seconded by A. Troster

WHEREAS the Stittsville Community Enrichment Initiative is a councillor-led micro-grant program that would be available through an application process to Stittsville residents and organizations who want to establish new events and initiatives to encourage social connection and interaction in Stittsville; and

WHEREAS the Constituency Services Budget is intended to provide Members of Council with the resources to administer their offices, including supporting and promoting activities or community groups within their ward and in the community at large; and

WHEREAS the Council Expense Policy is intended to provide Members of Council with the flexibility to allocate their respective Constituency Services Budget in the most efficient way to meet their own requirements; and

WHEREAS the Council Expense Policy allows contribution expenses in the form of sponsorships or donations to community-based groups up to a maximum of 3.5% of the annual Constituency Services Budget; and

WHEREAS contributions in the form of donations or sponsorships must be accompanied by a request from the organization with details about the mandate of the group and the purpose of the contribution; and

WHEREAS contribution expenses are itemized and a description of the expense including the name of the recipient and the purpose of the funds is included in routine public disclosure of office expenses on Ottawa.ca; and

WHEREAS Section 4.1 of the Council Expense Policy prohibits contributions to individuals, businesses or City funded services and departments unless otherwise approved by motion of Council;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Council approve an exemption to Section 4.1 of the Council Expense Policy to allow for the allocation of funds to individuals in the form of micro-grants from the Ward 6 Constituency Services Budget for the purposes of the Stittsville Community Enrichment Initiative within the 3.5% annual budget limit on donations and sponsorships; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that any micro-grant awarded in the context of the Stittsville Community Enrichment Initiative be subject to all other provisions of the Council Expense Policy, including requirements for public disclosure of the contributions and the micro-grant recipients.

20.3 Ottawa Shawarma Capital

Moved by L. Dudas

Seconded by G. Darouze

WHEREAS Ottawa's Shawarma has become a multicultural symbol for one of Canada's most multicultural cities;

WHEREAS Ottawa's Shawarma industry is a major employer and economic driver, with Ottawa home to nearly 200 Shawarma restaurants, spread out to all corners of the city;

WHEREAS Ottawa's Shawarma is unquestionably the best in Canada;

WHEREAS Ottawa's Shawarma is a civic institution and is objectively delicious;

WHEREAS Ottawa’s Shawarma is the great uniter, bringing together Ottawa residents from all backgrounds, whether rural or urban, east or west, Ravens or Gee-Gees;

WHEREAS Ottawa hearts have enough love for Poutine, Beavertails and Shawarmas;

WHEREAS Shawarma leftovers are a perfectly acceptable breakfast, and lunch, and likely also another dinner;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Ottawa City Council officially recognize, and bestow our City with the title of, “The Shawarma Capital of Canada”.

20.4 Use of Mooney’s Bay Parking Lot

Moved by R. Brockington

Seconded by M. Sutcliffe

WHEREAS the St. Elias Antiochian Orthodox Parish located at 750 Ridgewood Avenue is expecting significant attendance during the Orthodox Easter period that will result in overflow parking needs that cannot be accommodated on their site; and

WHEREAS the parish has requested the ability for their parishioners to use the Mooney’s Bay Park parking lot during the Easter season; and

WHEREAS, with 1600 families in the parish, there have been community concerns with accommodating overflow parking on the local residential streets during the Orthodox Easter period; and

WHEREAS parking at City parks for unrelated uses is not generally permitted if it is unrelated to use of the park ; and

WHEREAS the Parks and Facilities By-law 2004-276 provides the general hours of operation of parks is 5am to 11pm;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Council approve the issuance of a park permit to allow the St. Elias Antiochian Orthodox Parish to use the Mooney’s Bay Park parking lot during their Orthodox Easter events on the following dates and times:

- **Sunday, April 28th: 9:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.**
- **Friday, May 3rd: 5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.**

- Saturday, May 4th: 9:30 p.m. to 3:00 a.m. on Sunday, May 5
- Sunday, May 5: 9:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Council waive the associated park rental fee; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Council approve a temporary waiver of the Parks and Facilities By-law to allow parking at Mooney's Bay Park from : 9:30pm, Saturday May 4, 2024, to 3 am, Sunday May 5, 2024.

20.5 National Youth Week

Moved by R. King

Seconded by R. Brockington

WHEREAS recreation benefits individuals, families, neighbourhoods and communities and the City of Ottawa provides high quality programs and leisure opportunities for residents to lead healthy, active lives through recreation and to make our community a great place to live, work and play; and

WHEREAS it is vital to uplift youth voices, as they are the generation most deeply impacted by the civic, social, and environmental outcomes of our decisions; and

WHEREAS meaningful youth engagement through recreation emphasizes access, equity and social justice and leads to positive youth development; and

WHEREAS National Youth Week reminds us all of the valuable contributions that recreation and parks can make to youth development and that youth can make to community development; and

WHEREAS National Youth Week has existed for over a decade and continues to grow, with many cities across Canada currently recognizes the first week of May as a Youth Week, including but not limited to Calgary, Toronto, Peterborough, Kingston, Edmonton, Regina and Halifax; and

WHEREAS organizations including Youth Ottawa, Youth Services Bureau of Ottawa, YNRA, BGC, and Uniting for Children and Youth

**support recognition of National Youth Week in the City of Ottawa;
and**

**WHEREAS last year the City proclaimed National Youth Week,
resulting in numerous activities and sporting events promoting and
encouraging youth engagement across the city;**

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that in recognition of its benefits and
values and to provide a focal point within the year for increasing
awareness concerning youth development, the City of Ottawa hereby
proclaims May 6 to May 12, 2024 as National Youth Week.**

21. Notice of Intent

Notice of Intent from the Auditor General to submit the Annual Report at the Audit Committee meeting of March 8, 2024

22. Motion to Introduce By-laws

22.1 Three Readings

Motion No. **2024 - 32-13**

Moved by R. Brockington

Seconded by J. Bradley

That the by-laws listed on the Agenda under Motion to Introduce By-laws, Three Readings, be read and passed.

2024-103 A by-law of the City of Ottawa to designate certain lands at promenade Hosta Drive as being exempt from Part Lot Control.

2024-104 A by-law of the City of Ottawa to amend By-law No. 2017-180 respecting the appointment of Municipal Law Enforcement Officers in accordance with private property parking enforcement.

2024-105 A by-law of the City of Ottawa to establish certain lands as common and public highway and assume them for public use (March Valley Road, Upper Dwyer Hill Road, Cannon Smith Drive, Old Birch Road, Donnelly Drive, Old Almonte Road, Bank Street, 8th Line Road, Marvelville Road, Long Island Drive, Driscoll Drive, Farmview Road, Paden Road, Johnston Road, Dilworth Road, St. Joseph Boulevard, Gallagher Road, Minaki Avenue and Melfa Crescent).

2024-106 A by-law of the City of Ottawa to designate certain lands at cercle Trailway Circle as being exempt from Part Lot Control.

2024-107 A by-law of the City of Ottawa to amend By-law No. 2002-189 respecting the repeal of regulations for tow service operators, tow truck

drivers, and vehicle storage facility operators.

2024-108 A by-law of the City of Ottawa to amend By-law No. 2008-250 to change the zoning of lands known municipally as 3317 Navan Road.

2024-109 A by-law of the City of Ottawa to amend By-law No. 2008-250 to change the zoning of lands known municipally as 266 Park Street.

2024-110 A by-law of the City of Ottawa to amend By-law No. 2008-250 to change the zoning of lands known municipally as 845 Champlain Street.

2024-111 A by-law of the City of Ottawa to amend By-law No. 2008-250 to change the zoning of lands known municipally as 266 and 268 Carruthers, and 177 Armstrong Street.

2024-112 A by-law of the City of Ottawa to correct by-law references within the Delegation of Authority By-law.

2024-113 A by-law of the City of Ottawa to designate Southminster United Church, 1040 Bank Street, to be of cultural heritage value or interest.

2024-114 A by-law of the City of Ottawa to designate 415 Kenwood Avenue to be of cultural heritage value or interest.

2024-115 A by-law of the City of Ottawa to designate 430 Churchill Avenue North, Westboro Masonic Hall, to be of cultural heritage value or interest.

Carried

23. Confirmation By-law

Motion No. **2024 - 32-14**

Moved by R. Brockington

Seconded by J. Bradley

That the following by-law be read and passed:

To confirm the proceedings of the Council meeting of March 6, 2024.

Carried

24. Inquiries

24.1 S. Menard - Alcohol in parks pilot project

Councillor S. Menard - Inquiry OCC 2024-03

Section 7.1(f) of The Parks and Facilities (By-law No. 2004-276) prohibits the possession of alcoholic beverages in Ottawa parks without a permit.

Despite this, consumption of alcohol in Ottawa parks seems to be relatively common.

Longstanding concerns regarding the prohibition of alcohol in public parks include that it disproportionately impacts poor and working-class residents, and that it penalizes responsible consumption.

Municipalities have taken steps in recent years to change this approach to alcohol in parks. This includes the City of Toronto, which established a pilot program in August of last year that allows for alcohol to be consumed in select city parks with certain common-sense parameters such as:

- Washroom access
- No adjoining school
- Drinking water access
- High visibility and accessible by first responders
- Public transportation access
- Minimal impact to natural and programmable areas

All parks included in the pilot program were confirmed by the local councillor.

Here in Ottawa, we have yet to take such steps, or to implement such a pilot program.

Given the Parks and Facilities By-law (No. 2004-276) is currently under review, with a report back anticipated for fall of this year can staff confirm whether they are considering a pilot program for Ottawa, along the lines of what Toronto has done?

If so, what is the earliest we could see such a pilot program in Ottawa?
Could one be implemented for the upcoming summer season?

25. Adjournment

Motion No. **2024 - 32-15**

Moved by R. Brockington

Seconded by J. Bradley

That the proceedings of the City Council meeting of March 6, 2024 be adjourned.

Carried

The meeting adjourned at 11:34 am.

City Clerk

Mayor