



Community Services Committee

Minutes

Meeting #: 16
Date: Tuesday, May 27, 2025
Time: 9:30 am
Location: Champlain Room, 110 Laurier Avenue West, and by electronic participation

Present: Chair Laura Dudas, Vice-Chair Jessica Bradley, Councillor Riley Brockington, Councillor David Brown, Councillor Marty Carr, Councillor David Hill, Councillor Theresa Kavanagh, Councillor Rawlson King, Councillor Wilson Lo, Councillor Stéphanie Plante, Councillor Ariel Troster

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 hybrid 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, June 11, 2025, in Community Services Committee Report 16.

The deadline to register by phone to speak, or submit written comments or visual presentations is 4 pm on Monday, May 26, 2025, and the deadline to register to speak by email is 8:30 am on Tuesday, May 27, 2025.
2. Declarations of Interest

No Declarations of Interest were filed.

3. Confirmation of Minutes

3.1 CSC Minutes 15 – Tuesday, April 22, 2025

Carried

4. Responses to Inquiries

4.1 OCC 2025-02 - Clarity and transparency over Newcomer Reception Centre

4.2 CSC-2025-02 - Options for non-virtual ads for community centre programs

4.3 CSC-2025-03 - Shared use agreements impacting City and school venues

5. Community and Social Services Department

5.1 Service Agreements Under the Housing Services Act, 2011

File No. ACS2025-CSS-GEN-008 – Citywide

Kale Brown, Director, Housing, answered questions from Committee.

Committee received a letter from Co-operative Housing Federation of Canada, dated May 26, and a copy is filed with the Office of the City Clerk.

The following members of the public spoke before the Committee and provided comments on the item:

- Simone Swail (Co-operative Housing Federation of Canada)
- Sarah Button (Centretown Citizens Ottawa Corporation)

Following discussions, the Committee considered the report recommendation(s) as follows:

Report recommendation(s)

That the Community Services Committee recommend that Council delegate authority to the Director, Housing and Homelessness Services, to:

1. **Negotiate and execute service agreements under the Housing Services Act, 2011 for the administration and funding of projects designated under Ontario Regulation 367/11 to operate as Part VII.1 housing projects, in accordance with the framework outlined in this report;**

2. **Approve mortgage refinancing for new capital repair projects for Part VII.1 housing projects with expired mortgages, where necessary, provided that the outcome is revenue neutral to the City of Ottawa, with approval from the City Treasurer;**
3. **Retain and redirect savings from expired mortgages and apply these annual savings to operational and capital shortfalls within new Part VII.1 projects; and**
4. **Negotiate and execute exit agreements as permitted under the Housing Services Act, 2011 and subject to the requirements outlined in this report.**

Carried

6. Recreation, Cultural and Facility Services Department

6.1 Parks and Facilities By-law Review

File No. ACS2025-RCF-GEN-0006 – Citywide

Dan Chenier, General Manager, Recreation, Cultural and Facility Services, presented an overview of the report and answered questions from the Committee. A copy of the slide presentation is filed with the Office of the City Clerk.

The following were also in attendance and/or answered questions from Committee:

- Viola-Marie Rached, Program and Project Management Officer, and Joshua Kerr, Program and Project Management Officer (Recreation, Cultural and Facility Services Department)
- Roger Chapman, Director, By-Law and Regulatory Services (Emergency and Protective Services Department)
- Dr. Trevor Arnason, Interim Medical Officer of Health (Ottawa Public Health)

There were no written submissions on this item.

Cheryl Parrott (in a personal capacity) spoke before the Committee and provided comments on the item.

Following discussions, the Committee considered the report recommendation(s) and motion as follows:

Report recommendation(s)

That the Community Services Committee recommend that Council approve the proposed Parks and Facilities By-law as described in this report and in the general form set out in Document 1 and repeal the Parks and Facilities By-law 2004-276.

Carried as amended

Motion No. CSC 2025-16-01

Moved by A. Troster

Moved by Councillor Troster on behalf of Councillor S. Menard:

WHEREAS many Canadian cities, including Edmonton and Toronto, implemented pilot phases as a key step in larger reviews of policies governing alcohol consumption in public parks; and

WHEREAS some Councillors have indicated a desire for a pilot to both gather more information on program implementation and park criteria suitability;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Option 1, at page 11 of the report, be amended to read as follows:

Option 1: Apply the criteria prescribed in this by-law to identify parks where personal consumption can be allowed from July 1 to October 31, 2025, to allow the Councillor in each ward to work in consultation with the General Manager and their communities to identify eligible parks and decide on designating them, or not, to permit personal consumption of alcohol.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Committee recommend that Council direct staff to implement Option 1 as amended; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Committee direct staff to report back on data from the pilot to Community Services Committee by Q2 2026.

Carried

6.2 Recreation Membership & Admission Fee Remodel

File No. ACS2025-RCF-GEN-0007 – Citywide

Dan Chenier, General Manager, Recreation, Cultural and Facility Services, Tracey McGarry, Director, Complexes, Aquatics and Specialized Services, and Chantal Laporte, Program Manager, Recreation Complex Operations 2, presented an overview of the report and answered questions from the Committee. A copy of the slide presentation is filed with the Office of the City Clerk.

There were no public submissions on this item.

Following discussions, the Committee considered the report recommendation(s) as follows:

Report recommendation(s)

That Community Services Committee recommend Council to approve:

1. **The revised membership pass and admission model and pricing structure; and**
2. **The phased-in implementation of fees as outlined in this report.**

Carried

7. In Camera Items

There were no *in camera* items.

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

There were no Notices of Motion.

9. Inquiries

There were no Inquiries.

10. Other Business

There was no other business.

11. Adjournment

Next Meeting: Tuesday, June 24, 2025.

The meeting adjourned at 12:09 pm.

E. Pelot, Committee Coordinator

Councillor L.Dudas, Chair