

SPECIAL OTTAWA CITY COUNCIL

Wednesday, 25 March 2020 10:00 am

Andrew Haydon Hall, 110 Laurier Avenue W.

MINUTES 30

Note: Please note that the Minutes are to be considered DRAFT until confirmed by Council.

The Council of the City of Ottawa met on Wednesday, 25 March 2020 beginning at 10:00 a.m. Mayor Watson and Councillor R. Brockington were in attendance in Andrew S. Haydon Hall, with the remaining Members participating by teleconference.

The Mayor, Jim Watson, presided and led Council in a moment of reflection.

ROLL CALL

All Members were present with the exception of Councillor D. Deans

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Confirmation of the Minutes of the regular Council meeting of February 26, 2020, and the special City Council meeting of March 9, 2020 is postponed to the next regular meeting of Council.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST INCLUDING THOSE ORIGINALLY ARISING FROM PRIOR MEETINGS

No declarations of interest were filed.

COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were received:

Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)

- Queen's Park Update: New Provincial Legislation to Allow Virtual Municipal Council Meetings
- AMO COVID-19 Update: Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act Invoked
- AMO Providing New Resources for Municipal Councils COVID-19
- COVID-19: AMO Update
- COVID-19 Update Provinces Announces \$200 Million of Social Services Funding

REGRETS

Councillor D. Deans advised she would be absent from the City Council meeting of 25 March 2020 (See Motion No. 20/1 of September 25, 2019).

OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

 MOTION TO AMEND THE PROCEDURE BY-LAW 2019-8 TO PERMIT REMOTE PARTICIPATION IN ACCORDANCE WITH BILL 187, MUNICIPAL EMERGENCY ACT, 2020 AND RELATED PROCEDURAL MATTERS REQUIRED AS A RESULT OF THE NOVEL CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19) PANDEMIC

MOTION NO 30/01

Moved by Councillor G. Darouze Seconded by Mayor J. Watson

BE IT RESOLVED that the Rules of Procedure be suspended to permit the introduction of the following motion, in order to respond in a timely manner to the restrictions in place as a result of the Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Rules of Procedure be suspended to provide that Members of Council may participate in consideration of, and vote on, the following motion through electronic participation by way of telephone at the Special Meeting of City Council on March 25, 2020, in accordance with subsections 238(3.1) to 238(3.4) of the Municipal Act, 2001:

WHEREAS the Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic continues to evolve and is causing significant effects across the world and in the City of Ottawa; and

WHEREAS the ongoing COVID-19 situation and associated recommendation from Ottawa Public Health that social distancing be practiced in order to decrease transmission may result in some Members of Council being unable to physically attend the City Council meeting of March 25, 2020, and other Council meetings in an unknown period of time thereafter; and

WHEREAS Subsection 238(3.1) of the *Municipal Act, 2001* (the *Act*), as amended by Bill 68, the *Modernizing Ontario's Municipal Legislation Act, 2017*, provides that a municipality's *Procedure By-law* "may provide that a member of council, of a local board or of a committee of either of them, can participate electronically in a meeting which is open to the public to the extent and in the manner set out in the by-law provided that any such member shall not be counted in determining whether or not a quorum of Members is present at any point in time"; and

WHEREAS on March 19, 2020, Bill 187, the *Municipal Emergency Act, 2020*, received Royal Assent and amended the *Municipal Act, 2001* such that a municipality's *Procedure By-law* may provide that, during any period where an emergency has been declared to exist in all or part of the municipality under Section 4 or 7.0.1 of the *Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act*:

- 1. A Member of Council, of a local board or of a committee of either of them "who is participating electronically in a meeting may be counted in determining whether or not a quorum of Members is present at any point in time" [the new Subsection 238(3.3)(a) of the *Municipal Act, 2001*], and
- 2. A Member of Council, of a local board or of a committee of either of them "can participate electronically in a meeting that is closed to the public" [the new Subsection 238(3.3)(b) of the *Municipal Act, 2001*]; and

WHEREAS Subsection 238(3.4) of the *Municipal Act, 2001*, as amended by Bill 187, provides that "a municipality or local board may hold a special meeting to amend an applicable procedure by-law for the purposes of [Subsection 238(3.3) of the *Municipal Act, 2001*] during any period where an emergency has been declared to exist in all or part of the municipality under section 4 or 7.0.1 of the *Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act* and despite [Subsection 238(3.1) of the *Municipal Act, 2001*], a member participating electronically in such a special meeting may be counted in determining whether or not a quorum of Members is present at any time during the meeting"; and

WHEREAS on March 17, 2020, an emergency related to the COVID-19 outbreak was declared in the whole of the Province of Ontario, pursuant to Section 7.0.1 of the *Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act*, as set out in Order in Council 518/2020;

WHEREAS the Mayor has convened the Ottawa City Council meeting of March 25, 2020, as a Special Meeting of Council, as permitted under the new Subsection 238(3.4) of the *Municipal Act*, 2001; and

WHEREAS the City of Ottawa's *Procedure By-law* (No. 2019-8) does not provide for electronic participation at meetings of Ottawa City Council, and Section 28 of the *Procedure By-law* requires that, "When the Mayor calls for the vote on a question, each Member shall occupy their seat until the result of the vote has been declared by the Mayor ..." and that, "A Member not in a seat reserved for Council at the time that Member's name is called shall not be entitled to vote"; and

WHEREAS, under the current circumstances relating to COVID-19, allowing Members of Council to participate electronically in a meeting of Council pursuant to Council's discretionary authority under the *Act* would provide an opportunity for Members unable to physically attend the meeting to participate and exercise their statutory roles and responsibilities as an elected representative; and

WHEREAS staff recommend that in consideration of the current circumstances, electronic participation at a meeting of Council should include the following parameters:

- 1. While a quorum of 13 Members may be physically present at the meeting, any Member participating electronically, including those Members currently excused by a Council motion to attend at meetings, can be counted in determining whether or not a quorum is present, as permitted by statute;
- 2. A Member shall be permitted to participate electronically in a meeting which is closed to the public, as permitted by statute;
- Electronic participation shall be conducted by way of telephone, following instructions provided by the City Clerk in order to ensure that the meeting may proceed in the most transparent and successful manner under the current timelines and circumstances; and
- 4. Subject to the above-noted parameters, a Member who participates electronically shall have the same rights and responsibilities as if they were in physical attendance, including the right to vote; and

WHEREAS it is necessary to limit the consideration of routine and non-timesensitive business at Committee and Council while the emergency declaration is in effect, while ensuring that Chairs have the procedural flexibility to bring forward statutorily-required and time-sensitive matters during this period;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that City Council approve that the *Procedure By-law* (No. 2019-8) be amended to provide for Members to participate electronically in the Council meeting of March 25, 2020, and in all meetings of City Council held thereafter while the emergency declaration set out in Order in Council 518/2020 remains in effect, pursuant to subsections 238(3.1) to 238(3.3) of the *Municipal Act, 2001* and in accordance with the parameters described in this motion; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Council waive the requirement under Section 28 of the *Procedure By-law*, as described in this motion, such that when the Mayor calls for the vote on a question, any Member participating electronically at that time shall be entitled to vote; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT, in order to respond to evolving circumstances, Council suspend the notice requirements set out in Subsection 99(3) of the *Procedure By-law* such that these emergency provisions may be amended or revisited by a majority of Council at a future meeting; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that, while the emergency declaration set out in in Order in Council 518/2020 remains in effect, all Council and Committee meetings may be convened as Special Meetings in accordance with Sections 14 and 87 of the *Procedure By-law*, as amended by the following:

- a) Agendas shall be limited to items that, in the opinion of the Chair, informed by operational staff and the Clerk's Office, are of a time sensitive nature such that they must be considered during the emergency period; and
- b) Subject to the minimum six-hour notice provisions in the *Procedure By-law*, Committee Chairs and the City Clerk's Office shall endeavour to publish agendas in accordance with the timelines for a regular meeting, and where not possible, with as much notice as possible under the circumstances; and
- c) That, during this emergency period, additional items may be added to such Special Meeting agendas, with less than six hours notice, with the approvals of ¾ of Members present and voting (instead of the unanimous consent currently provided for in Subsection 14(5) and 87(3) of the *Procedure By-law*.

CARRIED on a division of 22 YEAS and 0 NAYS, as follows:

YEAS (22): Councillors K. Egli, A. Hubley, E. El-Chantiry, R. King, G. Gower,

R. Brockington, T. Tierney, M. Luloff, C. A. Meehan, R. Chiarelli,

J. Cloutier, M. Fleury, J. Harder, C. McKenney, G. Darouze,

J. Sudds, S. Menard, S. Moffatt, J. Leiper, T. Kavanagh, L. Dudas,

Mayor J. Watson

NAYS (0):

MOTION TO INTRODUCE REPORTS / MOTIONS MOTION NO 30/02

Moved by Councillor M. Luloff Seconded by Councillor L. Dudas

That the motions and reports listed on the Final Council agenda for the Special City Council Meeting of March 25th, 2020 be received and considered.

CARRIED

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AND RELATED MATTERS

2. COVID-19 REMARKS BY MAYOR WATSON

Mayor Watson advised Council that a State of Emergency under Subsection 4(1) of the *Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act* had been declared effective March 25, 2020 for the City of Ottawa, in response to the increasing spread of COVID-19 in the community.

A copy of the Mayor's remarks and the Declaration of Emergency are on file with the Office of the City Clerk.

MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

3. COVID-19 VERBAL UPDATE FROM THE MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

Council received a verbal update from Doctor Vera Etches, Medical Officer of Health, with respect to COVID-19. A copy of the presentation is on file with the City Clerk's Office.

CITY MANAGER

4. COVID-19 AND 2020 SPRING FRESHET/FLOODING VERBAL UPDATE FROM THE CITY MANAGER

Council received a verbal update from the City Manager with respect to COVID-19 and the 2020 spring freshet / flooding risks. Mr. Kanellakos briefed Council on the current situation and the City's ongoing emergency operations in response to same. A copy of the presentation is on file with the City Clerk's Office.

DIRECTIONS TO STAFF:

That, in light of new distancing protocols, staff work with interested Councillors on targeted measures to extend pedestrian and active transportation space on appropriate right-of-ways within existing resources (Councillor C. McKenney).

That the funding associated with the targeted measures to extend pedestrian and active transportation space on appropriate right-of-ways be funded by the appropriate Ward Councillors' office budgets. (Mayor J. Watson)

That staff look at feasibility of reprogramming automated push buttons (beg buttons) where safe to do so, in order reduce the need for people to physically touch these buttons to safely cross a street (Councillor S. Menard)

MOTIONS (LIMITED TO THOSE STATUTORILY REQUIRED OR OF A TIME-SENSITIVE NATURE)

OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

5. DECLARATION OF VACANT OFFICE ON COUNCIL - WARD 19 (CUMBERLAND) AND RELATED MATTERS

MOTION NO 30/03

Moved by Councillor M. Luloff Seconded by Mayor J. Watson

WHEREAS on February 27, 2020, Stephen Blais was elected to be the Member of Provincial Parliament for Orléans and, in accordance with Subsection 260(1) of the *Municipal Act, 2001*, provided the Clerk with written notice of his resignation as City Councillor for Ward 19 (Cumberland) on March 5, 2020, effective that same day; and

WHEREAS in accordance with Section 262 of the *Municipal Act, 2001*, when a Member resigns, Council is statutorily mandated to declare the Office to be vacant at its "next meeting", being the meeting of March 25, 2020; and

WHEREAS in accordance with Section 263 of the *Municipal Act, 2001*, within 60 days of declaring the Office vacant, Council shall either appoint a new Member, or pass a by-law requiring a by-election to be held in accordance with the *Municipal Elections Act, 1996*; and

WHEREAS the Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic continues to evolve and is causing significant, ongoing and shifting effects throughout the City of Ottawa; and

WHEREAS the memorandum issued to Council on February 28, 2020 [attached as Appendix A (held on file with the City Clerk)] sets out staff's original recommendation of holding a by-election in Ward 19 (Cumberland) under the shortest possible statutory timelines with nominations opening on March 25, 2020 and Voting Day taking place on June 8, 2020; and

WHEREAS the administration of a by-election is major undertaking led by the Office of the City Clerk, but supported by all City departments, particularly Information Technology Services, Legal Services, Procurement, Public Information and Media Relations; and

WHEREAS the majority of staff across the Office of the City Clerk, Information Technology Services, Legal Services, Procurement, Public Information and Media Relations, are presently focused on the COVID-19 emergency and/or working remotely under unusual circumstances due to social distancing, self-isolation and/or the closure of most daycares and schools; and

WHEREAS the Clerk is now of the view that a by-election on the shortest statutory timeline is no longer considered feasible given the requirements of the provincial emergency orders and the health and safety protocols put forward by Ottawa Public Health including practicing social distancing and for residents to remain at home; and

WHEREAS the Clerk's Office continues to consult with the Medical Officer of Health and the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing to provide Council with all of its options with respect to filling the Ward 19 vacancy in light of both the legislation and the need for social distancing and isolation; and

WHEREAS to assist residents with day-to-day constituency matters, there are a number of legislative and administrative matters that must be addressed to ensure that Ward 19 matters are dealt with in a timely manner; and

WHEREAS the Delegation of Authority By-law requires the concurrence by the Ward Councillor prior to various planning approvals being given, and other City procedures and processes also provide for Ward Councillor concurrence; and

WHEREAS there will be routine bills to pay from the Ward 19 (Cumberland)
Constituency Services Budget and human resources matters relating to the Ward
19 (Cumberland) Office that need to be addressed;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Council declare the Office of City Councillor for Ward 19 (Cumberland) to be vacant, in accordance with Section 262 of the *Municipal Act*, 2001; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Council approve the following interim delegations of authority with respect to Ward 19 (Cumberland) matters until such time that a new Councillor is sworn in and takes Office:

- a) That concurrence under the Delegation of Authority By-law for Ward 19 (Cumberland) matters, and the provision of Councillor Comments on staff reports related to Ward 19 (Cumberland), may be provided by Councillors Darouze, Luloff and Dudas; and
- b) That the City Clerk and the Manager of Committee and Council Services be delegated the interim authority to approve the payment of expenses from the Ward 19 (Cumberland) Office Budget arising from routine matters, and to address human resources matters relating to the Ward 19 (Cumberland) Office; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Council direct the Office of the City Clerk to report back to Council within the 60-day statutory timeline with a detailed report on the options to appoint or hold a by-election in Ward 19 (Cumberland), including the projected cost and staff's "operational readiness" to deliver on any presented option.

CARRIED with no Members dissenting.

Councillor R. Chiarelli advised he was leaving the teleconference at approximately 12:50 pm, during Agenda Item five and was not present for the vote on this item or any subsequent agenda items.

CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER/ CITY TREASURER

6. MOTION - 2020 PROPERTY TAX COVID-19 HARDSHIP
DEFERRAL PROGRAM AND WATER PAYMENT GRACE PERIOD

MOTION NO 30/04

Moved by Mayor J. Watson Seconded by Councillor L. Dudas

WHEREAS on March 11, 2020 the World Health Organization assessed COVID-19 as a global pandemic; and

WHEREAS on March 17, 2020 the Province of Ontario declared a State of Emergency related to the presence of COVID-19 within the province; and

WHEREAS, the City of Ottawa has been implementing measures to slow the spread of the virus, including the cancellation of all recreational and cultural programming and the closure of public service counters at City facilities, and encouraging residents to socially distance and self-isolate as required; and

WHEREAS, small businesses are the backbone of our local economy and facing financial uncertainty in this evolving situation; and

WHEREAS to ensure that the City could provide a grace period for tax payment and tax deferrals for financially impacted residents, including small businesses as soon as possible and without an undue administrative burden, the City Treasurer has established the criteria for eligibility for property tax deferral of the interim and final tax bill in 2020 as further described in Schedule "A"; in accordance with Council's authority under section 342 of the *Municipal Act*, 2001; and

WHEREAS to ensure that the City could provide a grace period for water and corporate accounts receivable payments for financially impacted customers;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approve a penalty free payment grace period to April 15, 2020 for all property owners for the interim tax bill in 2020; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Treasurer be directed to develop a 2020 Property Tax Hardship Deferral Program for City of Ottawa residential property owners and small business property owners in accordance with the eligibility criteria identified in Schedule A as soon as possible following the adoption of this motion; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Treasurer provide residents and small businesses with information on their tax deferral options as soon as possible following the adoption of this motion; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Council approve an interest free 30-day payment grace period for all unpaid water bills issued before April 1, 2020, and a 30-day due date extension for all water bills issued between April 1, 2020 and October 30, 2020; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Council approve an interest free 30-day payment grace period for all unpaid Corporate Accounts Receivable invoices issued before April 1, 2020 and a 30-day due date extension for all Corporate Accounts Receivable invoices issued between April 1, 2020 and April 30, 2020; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that landlords be asked to pass the deferral and grace periods on to their tenants.

CARRIED with no Members dissenting.

EMERGENCY AND PROTECTIVE SERVICES

7. MOTION - AUTHORITY TO EXTEND EXPIRY DATES FOR BUSINESS LICENSE RENEWALS

MOTION NO 30/05

Moved by Councillor C. McKenney Seconded by Councillor M. Fleury

WHEREAS the City of Ottawa has enacted a Licensing By-law No. 2002-189, as amended, to regulate businesses for purposes of public health and safety, consumer protection and community nuisance control;

AND WHEREAS there are 34 business licensing categories regulated under the Licensing By-law, each with annual renewal requirements and an expiry date;

AND WHEREAS the licenses of a number of those categories will be expiring at the end of March, April and beyond, in 2020;

AND WHEREAS, given the circumstances surrounding COVID-19, the client service counters, including the one at By-law & Regulatory Services' Headquarters, where many licensees would have been renewing their licenses, have been temporary closed to prevent the spread of the virus;

AND WHEREAS licensees and staff will require additional time to renew, and process renewals respectively, given alternative mechanisms currently being operationalized for that purpose;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approve an amendment to the Licensing By-law No. 2002-189, as amended, to delegate the authority to the Chief License Inspector to:

- (1) approve and extend the timelines for renewals, beyond the timelines provided under the said By-law, under one or more of the following conditions:
 - (a) a State of Emergency has been called either at the federal, provincial or municipal level;
 - (b) City of Ottawa client service counters have been closed for in excess of five (5) business days; or,
 - (c) any other circumstances deemed appropriate by the Chief License Inspector that would impact the ability for licensees to renew licenses or for staff to process renewals, that are beyond the control of licensees or staff and, where requested, licensees may be required to provide proof to the satisfaction of the Chief License Inspector.
- (2) The exercise of delegated authority pursuant to subsection (1) shall be reported to the appropriate Standing Committee at least once in each calendar year.

CARRIED with no Members dissenting

PLANNING, INFRASTRUCTURE AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

8. MOTION - PART LOT CONTROL EXEMPTION - DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY

MOTION NO 30/06

Moved by Councillor J. Harder Seconded by Councillor E. El-Chantiry

WHEREAS in many instances the ability to convey title in new homes requires the lifting of part lot control; and

WHEREAS in order to be able to register a part lot control by-law, the legal description, including the subdivision plan number must be contained within the by-law; and

WHEREAS there may closings relating to a registered plan of subdivision that will not

be able to proceed if a part lot control exemption by-law is not enacted; and

WHEREAS the *Municipal Act*, sections 9, 10, 11 and 23.1 permit the City to delegate the power to enact certain by-laws;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Council approves the following:

- 1. Between March 25, 2020 and May 31, 2020, inclusive, Council delegates to the Director of Planning Services of the Planning, Infrastructure and Economic Development Department, the authority to enact by-laws for the exemption from Part Lot Control pursuant to the *Planning Act*, section 50 in respect of the land for which a part lot control exemption is sought.
- 2. Such authority shall be dependent upon the Director having received the concurrence of the Ward Councillor prior to enactment.

CARRIED with no Members dissenting

9. MOTION - DEVELOPMENT CHARGE INDEXING DATE

MOTION NO 30/07

Moved by Councillor J. Harder Seconded by Councillor G. Gower

WHEREAS, in the Development Charges By-laws enacted in May, 2019, the indexing date was moved from August 1 to April 1 to avoid indexing during the summer months; and

WHEREAS the indexing provision has been appealed to the Local Planning Appeal Tribunal; and

WHEREAS the rate for indexing only becomes known at the end of February; and

WHEREAS staff have been reminded of a Council motion in 2002 that at least three months notice should be provided of the rate of increase pursuant to indexing; and

WHEREAS moving to an indexing date of October 1 will avoid indexing during the summer months, allow for three months notice to be given and resolve the appeals of this provision to the Local Planning Appeal Tribunal; an

WHEREAS during these extraordinary circumstances, Building Code Services could not effectively manage a rush of permit applications if applicants wished to take advantage of the current rates;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

- 1. Council endorse a resolution of the appeals to the indexing provision through the modification of the By-law 2019-156 to provide that the indexing date be October 1 rather than April 1.
- 2. Council approve that, pending an order of the Local Planning Appeal Tribunal, that the indexation for 2018 and 2019 set to proceed on April 1, 2020 be deferred to October 1, 2020.

CARRIED with no Members dissenting

10. MOTION - RENTAL ADJUSTMENTS FOR BUSINESSES AFFECTED BY CITY OF OTTAWA FACILITY CLOSURES

MOTION NO 30/08

Moved by Mayor J. Watson Seconded by Councillor L. Dudas

WHEREAS COVID-19 has been declared a pandemic by the World Health Organization and the Ontario Government has declared a state of emergency to respond to this Public Health Crisis; and

WHEREAS the City of Ottawa acted decisively and swiftly to protect its residents with measures including closing a number of City facilities; and

WHEREAS a number of City facilities closed contain third party businesses as tenants; and

WHEREAS these businesses have been significantly impacted by these decisions that were taken to protect the overall health of our community;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Council direct staff to provide rental adjustments for businesses affected by City of Ottawa facility closures to reflect the amount of time that these facilities are closed in response to the COVID-19 Pandemic.

CARRIED with no Members dissenting

11. RESCHEDULING OF ADDITIONAL OFFICIAL PLAN JOINT
MEETING OF AGRICULTURE AND RURAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE
AND PLANNING COMMITTEE

MOTION NO 30/09

Moved by Councillor J. Harder Seconded by Councillor E. El-Chantiry

WHEREAS Council approved on December 11th, 2019 that an additional joint meeting of Agriculture and Rural Affairs Committee and Planning Committee pursuant to the *Planning* Act, section 26 would take place in March 2020 to consider growth management policies, intensification, urban land needs and an overview of timelines and milestones; and

WHEREAS this meeting was scheduled for March 30, 2020; and

WHEREAS due to the release of the Provincial Policy Statement, 2020 and the current extraordinary circumstances it is necessary that this joint meeting be rescheduled;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the additional Joint Meeting of Agriculture and Rural Affairs Committee and Planning Committee take place at a time and date to be determined by the Chairs of these two Committees.

CARRIED with no Members dissenting.

IN-CAMERA

INNOVATIVE CLIENT SERVICES – LEGAL SERVICES

12. STRATEGIC COLLECTIVE BARGAINING/MANDATE FOR NEGOTIATIONS - IN CAMERA - REPORTING OUT DATE: UPON RATIFICATION OF THE AGREEMENT (AS CONSIDERED IN CAMERA BY THE FINANCE AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE ON MARCH 9, 2020

RECEIVED in open session with no Members dissenting.

13. STRATEGIC COLLECTIVE BARGAINING/MANDATE FOR
NEGOTIATIONS - AMALGAMATED TRANSIT UNION, LOCAL 279
(CONVENTIONAL) AND AMALGAMATED TRANSIT UNION,
LOCAL 1760 - IN CAMERA - REPORTING OUT DATE: UPON
RATIFICATION OF THE AGREEMENT

RECEIVED in open session with no Members dissenting.

Mayor Watson noted that, while the details of the Collective Agreements will be reported out publicly following ratification of the agreements, details of the City's Collective Bargaining strategy will not be reported out.

MOTION TO ADOPT REPORTS

MOTION NO 30/10

Moved by Councillor M. Luloff Seconded by Councillor L. Dudas

That the motions and reports listed on the Final Council agenda for the Special City Council Meeting of March 25th, 2020 be received and adopted as amended.

CARRIED

MOTIONS REQUIRING SUSPENSION OF THE RULES OF PROCEDURE MOTION NO 30/11

Moved by Councillor T. Kavanagh Seconded by Councillor J. Leiper

That the Rules of Procedure be suspended to consider the following Motion:

WHEREAS on March 11, 2020 the World Health Organization declared coronavirus (COVID-19) a global pandemic

WHEREAS the Province of Ontario is now in a state of emergency and COVID-19 pandemic continues to force drastic social distancing measures

WHEREAS Over the past two weeks we as a City, as a country and as a world have had to adjust our daily lives quickly to an ever-evolving environment as a result of COVID-19 and

WHEREAS health care providers and other workers have continued to put themselves at risk to provide us access to food, transportation and other essential services while most of our population are able to self isolate

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Mayor and City Council Members invite the entire city of Ottawa, to show our appreciation and gratitude to our healthcare workers and all the essential workers who are putting themselves at risk on the front lines to help us as we fight the COVID-19 so we may have access to health care, access to food, transportation and other essential services, to step outdoors from their place of social distancing and self isolation on Wednesday evenings from 6:30 pm to 6:45 pm commencing March 25 until April 8 with their voices, their hands, an instrument to express a raucous cheer in support.

CARRIED

NOTICES OF MOTION (FOR CONSIDERATION AT SUBSEQUENT MEETING) MOTION

Moved by Councillor McKenney Seconded by Mayor J. Watson

WHEREAS the City of Ottawa currently is providing encroachment permits to JADCO Inc. and Claridge Homes Inc. to facilitate their residential developments located at the intersection of Nepean Street and Metcalfe Street; and

WHEREAS as construction progresses to the next phase City staff have determined, in consultation with the Provincial Ministry of Labour, that in the interest of public safety a portion of Nepean Street between O'Connor and Metcalfe must be closed to all vehicular, cyclist and pedestrian traffic for approximately 18 months beginning this June to facilitate construction; and

WHEREAS to ensure that construction can continue City staff have worked with both proponents on a traffic mobility plan that includes turning a portion of Nepean Street to two-way traffic; and

WHEREAS the aforementioned change to two-way traffic will increase the probability of pedestrian/bike/vehicle conflict at the intersection of Nepean Street and the O'Connor Street bikeway, an intersection already of concern, as noted by a recent safety audit; and

WHEREAS upon the completion of these two residential towers staff believe that this intersection will require full signalization; and

WHEREAS the cost of this signalization has been estimated to be approximately \$450,000:

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the General Manager of Planning, Infrastructure and Economic Development be delegated the authority to enter into a cost-sharing agreement with JADCO Inc. and Claridge Homes Inc. with the upset limit of the City's contribution being \$250,000 funded by Right of Way, Heritage and Urban Design Services revenues; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT as part of City staff's review of the Encroachment By-law currently underway that City staff review how to minimize the impact of temporary construction encroachments on all modes of mobility, including consideration to how pedestrian facilities are maintained throughout zero lot-line development.

MOTION TO INTRODUCE BY-LAWS

MOTION NO 30/12

Moved by Councillor M. Luloff Seconded by Councillor L. Dudas

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

CARRIED

BY-LAWS

Councillors M. Luloff and L. Dudas

THREE READINGS

- 2020-84. 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.
- 2020-85. A by-law of the City of Ottawa to establish certain lands as common and public highway and assume them for public use (placette Trident Mews, ruelle Rathburn Lane, voie Odyssey Way, place Wooler Place, promenade Shuttleworth Drive, terrasse Highgarden Terrace, Rotary Way).
- 2020-86. A by-law of the City of Ottawa to amend By-law No. 2020-19 respecting stormwater service fees.
- 2020-87. A by-law of the City of Ottawa to amend By-law No. 2019, designating community safety zones.
- 2020-88. A by-law of the City of Ottawa to amend By-law No. 2002-189 respecting the delegation of authority to extend timelines for business license renewals under certain circumstances.

RECEIVED

CONFIRMATION BY-LAW

MOTION NO 30/13

Moved by Councillor M. Luloff Seconded by Councillor L. Dudas

That the following by-law be read and passed:

To confirm the proceedings of the Council meeting of March 25, 2020.

CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT

Council adjourned the meeting at 1:23 p.m.

CITY CLERK MAYOR