Community and Protective Services Committee MINUTES 15/ PROCÈS-VERBAL 15

Thursday, 17 May 2012, 9:30 a.m.

Champlain Room, 1/10 Laurier Avenue West

Present: Councillørs M. Taylor (Chair / Président), S. Qadri (Vice-Chair / Vice-président) R. Chiarelli, E. El-Chantiry, M. Fleury, K. Hobbs, D. Holmes

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations of interest were filed.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Minutes 14 of the meeting held on Thursday, 22 March 2012 were confirmed.

Note: 1. Please note that these Minutes are to be considered DRAFT until confirmed by Committee.

- 2. Please note that any written or verbal submissions (including names but excluding personal contact information) will form part of the public record and be made available to City Council and the public.
- 3. Except where otherwise indicated, reports requiring Council consideration will be presented to Council on 13 June 2012 in Community and Protective Services Committee Report 14.

COMMUNICATIONS

Responses to Inquiries:

CC 03-12 Salvation Army - Labour Dispute

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PRESENTATION

1. SPECIAL PRESENTATION

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ARTS, HERITAGE AND CULTURE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

2. ONTARIO HERITAGE TRUST – NOMINATIONS FOR THE HERITAGE COMMUNITY RECOGNITION PROGRAM 2012
ACS2012-CMR-AHC-0001 CITY-WIDE

REPORT RECOMMENDATION:

That the Arts, Heritage and Culture Advisory Committee recommend the Community and Protective Services Committee refer the nomination contained in Document 1 to Council for approval.

CARRIED

CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE

CITY CLERK AND SOLICITOR DEPARTMENT

3. STATUS UPDATE - COMMUNITY AND PROTECTIVE SERVICES COMMITTEE INQUIRIES AND MOTIONS - FOR THE PERIOD ENDING 10 MAY 2012

ACS2012-CMR-CCB-0039

CITY WIDE

REPORT RECOMMENDATION:

That the Community and Protective Services Committee receive this report for information.

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4. 2011-2014 CITY STRATEGIC PLAN ACS2012-CMR-CPS-0007

CITY WIDE

REPORT RECOMMENDATION:

That the Community and Protective Services Committee consider and recommend to Council, approval of Appendix G to the 2011-2014 City Strategic Plan.

Councillor M. Fleury raised questions with regards to the Parks and Recreation Master Plan as found in Appendix G Section 39. Dan Chenier, General Manager Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services responded briefly to the Councillor's satisfaction.

The report recommendation was then put to Committee and CARRIED, as presented

5. UPDATE ON THE HEAD INJURY PREVENTION STRATEGY ACS2012-CMR-CPS-0008 CITY WIDE

REPORT RECOMMENDATION:

That the Community and Protective Services Committee receive this report for information.

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CITY OPERATIONS

EMERGENCY AND PROTECTIVE SERVICES

6. OTTAWA FIRE SERVICES 2011 ANNUAL REPORT ACS2012-COS-EPS-0021

CITY-WIDE

REPORT RECOMMENDATION:

That Community and Protective Services Committee receive this report for information.

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7. SECURITY AND EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT BRANCH – ANNUAL UPDATE ACS2012-COS-EPS-0022 CITY-WIDE

REPORT RECOMMENDATION:

That Community and Protective Services Committee receive the Security and Emergency Management Branch 2011 Annual Report.

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8. NOISE BY-LAW AMENDMENT – PROGRESSIVE ENFORCEMENT – PROPERTY OWNERS/LESSEES ACS2012-COS-EPS-0020 CITY-WIDE

REPORT RECOMMENDATIONS:

That the Community and Protective Services Committee recommend that Council approve amendments to Sections 2 and 3 of the Noise By-law (By-law No. 2004-253) to establish that no person shall cause or permit any unusual noise, shouting, or other noises prohibited in those sections, in a manner likely to disturb the inhabitants of the City, as outlined in this report and provided in Document 1.

Susan Jones, General Manager, Emergency and Protective Services and Linda Anderson, Chief By-Law Officer gave a summary and brief PowerPoint presentation. A copy of the presentation is held on file with the City Clerk's office.

The report stems from a direction to staff from the 15 April 2010 meeting of Community and Protective Services Committee.

Following the presentation Councillors questioned staff regarding various issues such as rooming houses, absentee landlords, higher fines and that this is no longer an inner city problem.

The Committee then heard from the following delegations:

- 1) Christopher Collmorgen, President, Action Sandy Hill
- 2) May Morpaw, resident of Sandy Hill
- 3) Camille Papanek, resident of Sandy Hill
- 4) John Dickie, Chair, Eastern Ontario Landlord Association
- 5) Camille Lechasseur, resident
- 6) John Legg, resident Sandy Hill
- 7) Cheryl Parrott, Hintonburg Community Association

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- 8) Leanne Moussa, resident Sandy Hill
- 9) Carl Martin, resident Sandy Hill
- 10) Andre Longtin, resident Sandy Hill
- 11) Norah Comeau, resident of Alta Vista
- 12) Clarence Dungy, landlord and manager of condominiums
- 13) Jim Holton, South Keys / Greenboro Community Association

Some delegations provided written speaking notes which are held on file with the City Clerk's office. All delegations were in favour of the staff report and are hoping that it may go further. Many residents in Sandy Hill stated that the St. Patrick's Day party which occurred was of great concern and actions need to be taken with the University of Ottawa. They feel that higher fines from the beginning will be a good deterrent.

Following the public delegations, staff responded to member's questions and the members introduced the following motions:

MOTION No. CPS 15/1

Moved by Councillor M. Fleury

WHEREAS noise is an increasingly prevalent community concern in neighbourhoods with high density; and,

WHEREAS By-law Enforcement Officers are on duty until 2:00 a.m. daily, year-round; and,

WHEREAS noise disturbances often occur after 2:00 a.m., after which time they become the responsibility of the Ottawa Police Service, for which noise is not a priority; and,

WHEREAS By-law and Regulatory Services has undertaken a pilot program in which a small complement of enforcement staff is on duty until 3:30 a.m. on Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT staff report back on the efficacy of the pilot and the feasibility of implementing it on a permanent basis, if appropriate, along with any other initiatives to improve response.

CARRIED

MOTION No. CPS 15/2

Moved by Councillor M. Fleury

WHEREAS noise is an increasingly prevalent community concern in neighbourhoods with high density; and

WHEREAS property owners are not currently made aware of violations of the Noise By-law committed by their tenants; and,

WHEREAS notifying property owners of their tenants' behaviour would make them aware of the impact of the behaviour on the surrounding community, as well as provide information concerning problematic units;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law and Regulatory Services be directed to, in consultation with Legal Services, review the potential for the implementation of a system which would notify property owners of violations by their tenants of the Noise By-law (2004-253) and the Property Standards By-law (2005-207)

CARRIED

MOTION No. CPS 15/3

Moved by Councillor M. Fleury

WHEREAS there are concerns about inadequate monetary penalties for noise offences; and,

WHEREAS the Noise By-law (2004-253) contains an "Offence and Penalties" section that was enacted under previous provisions of the *Municipal Act, 2001*; and,

WHEREAS it would appear that the existing fines do not constitute an actual deterrent with respect to future breaches of the by-law; and,

WHEREAS the *Municipal Act, 2001* has since been amended to provide authority for more extensive penalties;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Noise By-law be further amended to incorporate the newer penalty provisions of the *Municipal Act, 2001*, and staff be directed to review the charges and fines related to all Provincial Offence Notices once per term of Council.

CARRIED

MOTION No. CPS 15/4

Moved by Councillor M. Fleury

WHEREAS the City of Ottawa is home to four post-secondary institutions with a sizable student population living on and off-campus;

AND WHEREAS the City of Ottawa currently does not have a dedicated City staff resource to work on the many issues in which the City of Ottawa interacts with post-secondary institutions, such as off-campus housing, UPASS, and other City initiatives and projects that post-secondary institutions have a stakehold in;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the City of Ottawa identify a City of Ottawa employee to facilitate collaboration and discussion with the University of Ottawa, Carleton University, Saint-Paul University and Cité Collégiale on an assortment of issues related to the interactions between post-secondary institutions, the City of Ottawa and the community.

CARRIED

MOTION No. CPS 15/5

Moved by Councillor D. Holmes

That staff, in consultation with Legal Services, Ottawa Police, the Alcohol Gaming Commission of Ontario, bar owners, and Social Services agencies review options with respect to addressing noise and other disturbances occurring in public spaces.

CARRIED

The report recommendations and amendments were then put to Committee.

That the Community and Protective Services Committee recommend that Council:

- 1. approve amendments to Sections 2 and 3 of the Noise By-law (By-law No. 2004-253) to establish that no person shall cause or permit any unusual noise, shouting, or other noises prohibited in those sections, in a manner likely to disturb the inhabitants of the City, as outlined in this report and provided in Document 1.
- <u>2.</u> <u>direct staff report back on the efficacy of the pilot and the feasibility of implementing it on a permanent basis, if appropriate, along with any other initiatives to improve response.</u>

- 3. direct By-law and Regulatory Services to, in consultation with Legal Services, review the potential for the implementation of a system which would notify property owners of violations by their tenants of the Noise By-law (2004-253) and the Property Standards By-law (2005-207)
- 4. approve the Noise By-law further amended to incorporate the newer penalty provisions of the *Municipal Act, 2001*, and staff be directed to review the charges and fines related to all Provincial Offence Notices once per term of Council.
- 5. approve that a City of Ottawa employee be identified to facilitate collaboration and discussion with the University of Ottawa, Carleton University, Saint-Paul University and Cité Collégiale on an assortment of issues related to the interactions between post-secondary institutions, the City of Ottawa and the community.
- 6. direct staff to review, in consultation with Legal Services, Ottawa Police, the Alcohol Gaming Commission of Ontario, bar owners, and Social Services agencies options with respect to addressing noise and other disturbances occurring in public spaces.

CARRIED as amended

COMMUNITY AND SOCIAL SERVICES

9. CAPITAL ALLOCATION FOR SOCIAL HOUSING REPAIR ACS2012-COS-CSS-0007

CITY WIDE

REPORT RECOMMENDATIONS:

That the Community and Protective Services Committee recommend that Council approve the following:

1) For the 2012 fiscal year, authorize the Administrator of Housing Services to allocate the funding envelope for Social Housing Repair as outlined in the Housing and Poverty Reduction Investment Plan (ACS20011-COS-CSS-0005) approved by Council May 11, 2011, on a per unit basis to all eligible social housing providers with projects currently under the administration of the City of Ottawa as the Service Manager; and

2) For 2013 and beyond, an amendment to the Delegation of Authority By-law, By-law Number 2012-109, to delegate authority to the Administrator of Housing Services to allocate the funding envelope for Social Housing Repair as referenced in report ACS20011-COS-Css-0005 to prescribed Housing Providers currently in receipt of annualized capital subsidy contributions as outlined in legislation and operating agreements, in a manner supported by data indentified in the 2012 Capital Building Program as outlined in this report and the current level of capital subsidy contributions received from the Service Manager.

CARRIED

PARKS, RECREATION AND CULTURAL SERVICES

10. AUTHORIZATION TO ADJUST SERVICE OFFERINGS – PARKS, RECREATION AND CULTURAL SERVICES ACS2012-COS-PRC-0007 CITY-WIDE

REPORT RECOMMENDATION:

That the Community and Protective Services Committee recommend that Council approve an amendment to the Delegation of Authority By-law, By-law Number 2012-109, to delegate authority to the General Manager of Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services to adjust service offerings, including participant, admission rental and other fees, not to exceed Council approved fees, to increase participation and revenue generation in department programs and services as outlined in this report.

CARRIED

11. OTTAWA ARTS COURT FOUNDATION – 2012 FUNDING ACS2012-COS-PRC-0008

CITY-WIDE

REPORT RECOMMENDATIONS:

That the Community and Protective Services Committee recommend Council approve:

1. That the Ottawa Arts Court Foundation be granted 60 days to explore a merger with the Council for the Arts in Ottawa, and that Cultural Services assess the viability of the merger and report back at the end of August 2012 on the results; and

2. That the Ottawa Arts Court Foundation receive three final funding installments of \$15,252 on May 24, June 24 and July 24, 2012 to be used exclusively to maintain summer theatre operations serving the arts community and to sustain the organization.

Chair Taylor gave a brief summary of the staff report and stated that Dan Chenier, General Manager, Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services was present to answer any questions if necessary.

The Committee heard from the following delegations:

- 1. <u>Susan Annis, Chair, Ottawa Arts Court Foundation</u>, stated that the idea of merging the Ottawa Arts Court Foundation and the Council for the Arts in Ottawa was not a new one and they are looking forward to working with the Council towards a possible working solution to their present dilemma.
- Peter Honeywell, Executive Director, Council for the Arts in Ottawa, commented that his Board had met and agreed to the 60 day review period. He will take the lead on behalf of the Council and is looking forward to working with the Foundation without putting the Council in financial risk or debt.

Following the presentation and delegations staff responded to members' questions.

The report recommendation was then put to Committee and CARRIED, as presented.

INFORMATION PREVIOUSLY DISTRIBUTED

A. USE OF DELEGATED AUTHORITY DURING 2011 BY THE COMMUNITY AND SOCIAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT, AS SET OUT IN SCHEDULE "B" CITY OPERATIONS PORTFOLIO, BY-LAW 2011-28 - IPD

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| <u>ADJOURNMENT</u> | | |
| The m | neeting adjourned at 12:25 p.m. | |
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