

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 2023
AT 7:00 PM IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, CIVIC ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, BRANDON,
MANITOBA**

PRESENT: Mayor Jeff Fawcett, Councillor Shawn Berry, Councillor Shaun Cameron, Councillor Barry Cullen, Councillor Kris Desjarlais, Councillor Greg Hildebrand, Councillor Heather Karrouze, Councillor Bruce Luebke, Councillor Glen Parker, Councillor Jason Splett, Councillor Tyson Tame

ABSENT: Nil

It was noted that in accordance with Section 109 of Procedure By-law No. 6634, Councillor Desjarlais participated in the meeting electronically

ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

Splett-Luebke

188 That the Agenda for the regular meeting of City Council to be held on Monday, February 6, 2023 be adopted as presented. CARRIED.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES:

Cameron-Parker

189 That the Minutes of the Special Meeting of City Council held Monday, January 16, 2023 be taken as read and so adopted, all statutory requirements having been fulfilled. CARRIED.

Cullen-Cameron

190 That the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of City Council held Monday, January 16, 2023 be taken as read and so adopted, all statutory requirements having been fulfilled. CARRIED.

Cameron-Splett

191 That the Minutes of the Special Meeting of City Council held Thursday, January 19, 2023 be taken as read and so adopted, all statutory requirements having been fulfilled. CARRIED.

Parker-Hildebrand

192 That the Minutes of the Special Meeting of City Council held Monday, January 23, 2023 be taken as read and so adopted, all statutory requirements having been fulfilled. CARRIED.

Splett-Tame

193 That the Minutes of the Special Meeting of City Council held Tuesday, January 24, 2023 be taken as read and so adopted, all statutory requirements having been fulfilled. CARRIED.

HEARING OF PRESENTATIONS:

(A) JENNIFER COEY – VISION ZERO UPDATE

Jennifer Coey, Manager of Strategic Infrastructure, appeared before Council to provide information on the Vision Zero initiative as well as an update on the Task Force. She provided an overview of the history, principals, and adoption of Vision Zero throughout Canada. Ms. Coey outlined the ways that the initiative had contributed to a cultural shift in how road related incidents were being approached and understood.00

Ms. Coey advised that Engineering staff had developed the Task Force the first meeting occurred on November 29, 2022. She concluded by outlining the objectives to develop traffic related safety initiatives, policies, and activities into an Action Plan. The Task Force would oversee the Action Plan with updates presented to City Council annually.

Hildebrand-Splett

194 That the presentation by Jennifer Coey regarding Vision Zero be received.

(B) MARK ALLARD – DURUM DRIVE SPEED LIMIT REDUCTION PILOT PROJECT

Mark Allard, Director of Engineering Services, appeared before Council with an update on the speed reduction study conducted on Durum Drive. He provided an overview of data collected throughout the 2022 year and what impacts the reduced speed limit had on traffic in the area. Mr. Allard presented several options being considered to encourage or enforce the reduced speed limits on Durum Drive.

Mr. Allard concluded by advising Council that consideration was being given to extending the reduced speed limit into several other Brandon neighborhoods.

Berry-Cullen

195 That the presentation by Mark Allard regarding the Durum Drive speed limit reduction pilot project be received.

(C) LINDSAY HARGREAVES – UPDATE ON SINGLE USE PLASTICS

Lindsay Hargreaves, Environmental Coordinator, appeared before Council to provide an update on the ban of single-use plastics. She advised that the Federal Government of Canada had implemented regulations prohibiting the manufacture, import, and sale of six categories of common single-use plastics. She provided an overview of the various dates when enforcement of the prohibition would come into effect. Ms. Hargreaves concluded by noting how additional information could be found at www.Canada.ca/single-use-plastic-ban.

Splett-Cullen

- 196 That the presentation by Lindsay Hargreaves, Environmental Coordinator, with respect to an update on single use plastics be received.

COMMUNITY COMMENTS/FEEDBACK:

(A) PARK COMMUNITY CENTER

Devryn Ross, area resident addressed Council with respect to the Park Community Center. He noted concerns that while the rebuilding of the Park Community Center does not fit with the City of Brandon Recreational Plan, removing the Park Community Center is not supported by the public. He suggests that based on the budget for the project, there are alternate sources of funding available. He discussed that community centers builds and supports community; a new center would improve the downtown neighborhood. He would like to see a Habitat for Humanity build at this location. He requested that Council consider delaying a decision for the Park Community Center for 90 days to create a Community Center Renewal Task Force and for Council to revisit the City's Recreation Plan.

Drew Caldwell was unable to attend in-person and provided a letter to be read by the City Clerk. Mr. Caldwell wrote that the Park Community Center is of critical importance to the health and well-being to Brandon's most vulnerable area, the downtown core. Failure to renewing the Park Community Center will a loss for the community and goes against civic policy. Removing the Park Community Center will further detriment the downtown area. He discussed that the best and more responsible course to move forward to benefit the community is to proceed with the RFP process to rebuild the Park Community Center. He offered his services as a previous City Councillor and MLA to move the renewal of the Park Community Center project forward.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

(A) COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE VERBAL FEBRUARY 6, 2023

The City Clerk advised that City Council had met in a Committee of the Whole meeting on February 6, 2023, closed to the public to consider matters currently in preliminary stages of discussion. Received were reports relating to the Rapid Housing Initiative Update, land exchange for 1220 17th Street East, Scarth Street land exchange for 1009 34th Street, and the Keystone Centre funding agreement.

Cameron-Parker

- 197 That the verbal reports from the Committee of the Whole, Age Friendly, Keystone Centre and Western Manitoba Centennial Auditorium be received. CARRIED.

(B) AGE FRIENDLY VERBAL FEBRUARY 6, 2023

Councillor Karrouze provided a verbal report from the meeting of the Age Friendly Committee held on January 12, 2023. She advised that discussion had focused on appointing co-chairs for the 2023 year, distribution of the newest edition of the seniors' resource guide, and the Age Friendly Committee action plan.

Cameron-Parker

197 That the verbal reports from the Committee of the Whole, Age Friendly, Keystone Centre and Western Manitoba Centennial Auditorium be received. CARRIED.

(C) KEYSTONE CENTRE VERBAL FEBRUARY 6, 2023

Councillor Luebke provided a verbal report from the Keystone Centre Board of Directors annual organization meeting held on January 25, 2023. He advised that the Board had approved the 2023 committee appointments and set meeting dates for the 12 months. Discussion also included a potential long-term funding agreement with the City of Brandon and Province of Manitoba.

Councillor Luebke also noted that the Board had approved the commissioning of an economic impact assessment as well as a market rent study. He concluded by announcing that a three-year lease agreement had been signed to hold the Canadian High School Rodeo Finals at the Keystone Centre, the first event to occur August 2-6, 2023.

Cameron-Parker

197 That the verbal reports from the Committee of the Whole, Age Friendly, Keystone Centre and Western Manitoba Centennial Auditorium be received. CARRIED.

(D) WESTERN MANITOBA CENTENNIAL AUDITORIUM VERBAL FEBRUARY 6, 2023

Councillor Cameron provided a verbal report from the Western Manitoba Centennial Auditorium Committee. He announced that the new General Manager of the WMCA had been selected and welcomed Kaitlyn Mitchell to the role.

Cameron-Parker

197 That the verbal reports from the Committee of the Whole, Age Friendly, Keystone Centre and Western Manitoba Centennial Auditorium be received. CARRIED.

ENQUIRIES:

(32) INCREASED LIGHTING RICHMOND AVENUE EAST

Councillor Tame advised that he had received complaints from area residents with respect to insufficient lighting on Richmond Avenue East from 1st Street to Elderwood Drive. He enquired if this area could be reviewed and consideration given to increased lighting along this stretch of roadway.

At the request of His Worship the Mayor, the City Manager explained that, in most instances, lighting within the City was the responsibility of Manitoba Hydro with the City of Brandon responsible for the costs of installation and operating. He advised that Engineering Services would bring this request to Manitoba Hydro for review with a report on same to be provided upon completion of the review.

(33) TRAFFIC LIGHTS AT 1ST STREET AND RICHMOND AVENUE

Councillor Tame advised that he was raising this concern on behalf of himself and Councillor Desjarlais. He noted that increased traffic volume, particularly at peak hours, made it very difficult to turn east on Richmond Avenue at 1st Street, with only one vehicle able to make the turn before the light changed. He enquired if a left turn arrow could be considered for the lights at this intersection.

His Worship the Mayor agreed to take this matter under advisement.

(34) SOUTH END WALKING PATHS

Councillor Splett enquired when the doggie doo bags were expected to be installed on the new garbage/recycling bins recently installed on the walking paths in the south end.

At the request of His Worship the Mayor, the City Manager responded that installation of the mutt mitt dispensers for the doggie doo bags was expected to be completed this week.

(35) SNOW CLEARING - BOULEVARDS

Councillor Splett advised that concerns had been raised with respect to small cars being unable to see past the snowbanks to make turns on Sycamore and Magnolia Drives. He enquired if there was a way for residents to see when boulevards had been cleared the same way they were able to see street clearing updates.

At the request of His Worship the Mayor, the City Manager responded that, barring any large snowfalls, boulevard clearing was expected to begin the week of February 13, 2023. Mr. Bowles advised that currently residents were only able to see streets cleared on the snow clearing map,

however, accessibility to see boulevard clearing was possible and same would be available on the map for the 2023/2024 snow season.

(36) CULTURAL PLAN

Councillor Desjarlais referred to the 2016 City of Brandon Cultural Plan adopted by City Council and enquired if an update on same could be provided in the near future.

His Worship the Mayor agreed to take this matter under advisement.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

BRANDON POLICE BOARD SPECIAL MEETING

Councillor Berry announced that a special meeting of the Brandon Police Board was to be held on Friday, February 10, 2023 at 9:30 a.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall. He reminded residents that the meeting was open to the public and invited all to attend.

JOINT WARD 3 & 4 MEETING

Councillor Cameron announced that together with Councillor Cullen a joint ward meeting of wards 2 and 3 was to take place on February 16, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. in the Vincent Massey High School library. He noted that anticipated topics for discussion were the City Plan, a budget debrief, planning for growth, concerns related to E. Fotheringham Drive, and Valleyview School area parking. He advised that members of Administration would be present and welcomed all residents to attend.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

(A) PARK COMMUNITY CENTRE

Considered was a report from the Director of Engineering dated February 1, 2023 with respect to the above.

Parker-Luebke

198 That Council not award the Design-Build RFP for the Park Community Centre due to insufficient funds available within the Parks Reserve. NOT VOTED ON.

Berry-Cullen

199 That the pending motion regarding the Park Community Centre Design-Build RFP be tabled to the March 6, 2023 City Council Meeting. CARRIED.

(B) SUBDIVISION - 1309 STICKNEY AVENUE

City Council considered a report from the Planning & Buildings Department dated January 25, 2023 with respect to the above.

Tame-Cameron

200 That Brandon City Council approve the application to subdivide (4500-22-727) 1309 Stickney Avenue (Lots 1/2, Block 112, Plan 2 & Parcel "A", Plan 69852 BLTO) to create two (2) lots in the Residential Low Density (RLD) Zone, subject to the owner or successor entering into a development agreement with the City of Brandon, to be registered in series with the subdivision, with the following conditions:

1. The Developer agrees to create two residential lots for the construction of a detached dwelling on each lot in general consistency with the attached site plan.
2. The Developer agrees to contribute \$435.48 for cash in lieu of land dedication of public reserve. This contribution is due in full upon execution of the development agreement.
3. The Developer agrees to contribute to the Brandon School Division in lieu of land dedication. Evidence of such payment is due prior to issuance of the Certificate of Final Approval for subdivision.
4. The Developer agrees to construct a sidewalk along the entire width of the property. Such sidewalk shall connect to the existing sidewalk located to the west of the property. The Developer will be required to submit design drawings as prepared by a professional engineer with such design being subject to review and acceptance by the City Engineer.
5. The Developer agrees to construct a shared access on Stickney Avenue for both properties. Such access shall be centered on the proposed shared property line and be no greater than 9 meters in combined width for the portion located in the Stickney Avenue right-of-way.
6. The Developer agrees to save harmless the City by way of inclusion of save harmless clauses in the development agreement as the property is located within Methane Gas Zone 2.
7. The Developer agrees to limit post-development stormwater runoff in order to be equivalent to pre-development stormwater events. The Developer will be required to submit design drawings as prepared by a professional engineer with such design being subject to review and acceptance by the City Engineer.

And that Administration be authorized to prepare said Development Agreement containing all conditions and requirements to protect the City's interests in accordance with any procedures, policies, by-laws, and Acts. CARRIED.

(C) ADOPTION OF COUNCIL'S 2023-2026 STRATEGIC PLAN

Submitted for consideration was a report from the City Manager dated January 30, 2023 with respect to the above.

Luebke-Splett

- 201 That the City of Brandon 2023 - 2026 Strategic Plan be adopted, that Council receive quarterly performance reporting from administration and that Council reviews the plan in the spring of 2024 and 2025. CARRIED.

(D) MANITOBA WATER SERVICES BOARD FUNDING APPLICATION

City Council considered a report from the Director of Engineering dated February 1, 2023 with respect to the above.

Berry-Cullen

- 202 That Council approve the submission of a Manitoba Water Services Board Capital Project Request Form for cost sharing of the Southwest Lift Station Project should authority to borrow \$30 M under By-law No. 7338 be approved. CARRIED.

BY-LAWS:

- NO. 7345 TO CLOSE AND CONVEY A PORTION OF SCARTH STREET
1ST READING
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Submitted for consideration was a report from the Director of Planning & Buildings dated January 4, 2023 with respect to the above.

Tame-Splett

- 203 That By-law No. 7347 to rezone most of 353 - 16th Street North (Lots 1/14, Block 8, Plan 228 BLTO) from IR Industrial Restricted to EI Educational & Institutional be read a first time. CARRIED.

NO. 7347 REZONING OF 353 - 16TH STREET NORTH

1ST READING

City Council considered a report from the Planning & Buildings Department dated January 25, 2023 with respect to the above.

Luebke-Desjarlais

204 That By-law No. 7347 to rezone most of 353 - 16th Street North (Lots 1/14, Block 8, Plan 228 BLTO) from IR Industrial Restricted to EI Educational & Institutional be read a first time. CARRIED.

NO. 7349 TO CLOSE AND CONVEY PUBLIC LANE SOUTH OF MCGREGOR AVENUE AND NORTH OF PARKER BOULEVARD

1ST READING

Considered was a report from the Director of Planning & Buildings dated February 1, 2023 with respect to the above.

Cameron-Splett

205 That By-law No. 7349 to close and convey a portion of a public lane lying in Block 8, Plan 228 BLTO (Attachment A) located south of McGregor Avenue north of Parker Boulevard, be read a first time. CARRIED.

GIVING OF NOTICE:

Nil

ADJOURN:

Berry-Luebke

That the meeting do now adjourn. (8:57 p.m.) CARRIED.

MAYOR

CITY CLERK