MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2024 AT 7:00 PM IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, CIVIC ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, BRANDON, MANITOBA

PRESENT:

Councillor Glen Parker In The Chair, Councillor Shawn Berry, Councillor Shaun Cameron, Councillor Barry Cullen, Councillor Kris Desjarlais, Councillor Greg Hildebrand, Councillor Heather Karrouze, Councillor Bruce Luebke, Councillor Jason Splett, Councillor Tyson Tame

**ABSENT:** 

Mayor Jeff Fawcett

## **ADOPTION OF AGENDA:**

# Splett-Hildebrand

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That the Agenda for the regular meeting of City Council to be held on Monday, September 16, 2024 be adopted as presented. CARRIED.

# **CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES:**

# Tame-Karrouze

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That the Minutes of the Special Meeting of City Council held Wednesday, August 28, 2024, be taken as read and so adopted, all statutory requirements having been fulfilled. CARRIED.

#### Cullen-Cameron

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That the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of City Council held Tuesday, September 3, 2024, be taken as read and so adopted, all statutory requirements having been fulfilled. CARRIED.

#### Cameron-Karrouze

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That the Minutes of the Special Meeting of City Council held Thursday, September 5, 2024, be taken as read and so adopted, all statutory requirements having been fulfilled. CARRIED.

# **HEARING OF PRESENTATIONS:**

## (A) NATASHIA MARION - BRANDON URBAN ABORIGINAL PEOPLES' COUNCIL

Natashia Marion, Coordinator of Brandon Urban Aboriginal Peoples' Council (BUAPC) provided a presentation on the 2024-2029 BUAPC Strategic Plan and an update on the Truth and Reconciliation week (TRW) 2024 events. Natashia noted the four strategic

directions of the Strategic Plan being indigenization, public awareness and education, relationships and advocacy, community presence and engagement. Natashia provided an outline of the Truth and Reconciliation week (TRW) 2024 events taking place Friday, September 27 to Friday, October 4. Natashia concluded by thanking the City of Brandon and the Province of Manitoba for their sponsorship and support.

# Luebke-Desjarlais

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That the presentation by Natashia Marion with respect to the 2024-2029 BUAPC Strategic Plan and an update on the Brandon Urban Aboriginal Peoples' Council be received. CARRIED.

## **COMMUNITY COMMENTS/FEEDBACK:**

# (A) BRANDON URBAN ABORIGINAL PEOPLES' COUNCIL TRW2024

Douglas Gerrard spoke with respect to BUAPC and Truth and Reconciliation. He then spoke to residential school survivors, and the importance of all members of Council attending Indigenous ceremonies within the community. He noted the importance of the Indigenous voice at Council, and suggested council take time out on September 30th and attend TRW2024 events.

### **HEARING OF DELEGATIONS:**

Nil

# **PUBLIC HEARINGS:**

Nil

### **COMMUNICATIONS & PETITIONS:**

Nil

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

(A) PERSONNEL COMMITTEE VERBAL SEPTEMBER 16, 2024

Considered was a recommendation put forth by the Personnel Committee regarding The Brandon Professional Firefighters/Paramedics Association (E-911/Police Operator – Dispatcher Division) union contract.

## Berry-Cullen

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That the City of Brandon enter into a five (5) year agreement with The Brandon Professional Firefighters / Paramedics Association (E-911 / Police Operator – Dispatcher Division) for a period January 1, 2024 to December 31, 2028 whereby general wages shall be increased as follows:

- January 1, 2024 2%
- o January 1, 2025 1.5%
- o July 1, 2025 1.5%
- o January 1, 2026 1.5%
- o July 1, 2026 1.5%
- January 1, 2027 1.5%
- o July 1, 2027 1.5%
- o January 1, 2028 1.5%
- July 1, 2028 1.5%. CARRIED.

Councillor Cameron abstained from voting on the above motion as his family member is employed by this organization.

# (B) COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE VERBAL SEPTEMBER 16, 2024

The City Clerk advised that City council had met in a closed Committee of the Whole meeting earlier in the evening to consider a report from the Director of Planning & Buildings with respect to the sale of City owned property located at 6th Street North. As well, a report from the Director of Finance with respect to 2024 Tax Sale.

# Desjarlais-Luebke

That under the City of Brandon Land Transaction Policy the development status Phase 1 and Phase 2 lands as on 6th Street North as shown on the attached Development Concept (Attachment B) be changed from "surplus potential" to "surplus affordable". CARRIED.

### Desjarlais-Luebke

That the Phase 1 and Phase 2 lands on 6th Street North as shown on Attachment B be sold to Habitat for Humanity Ltd. (HFH) for \$1 to facilitate the construction of affordable housing, subject to HFH applying for permits to construct housing on all the lots within five (5) years from the possession date.

That the City provide support to HFH to off-set a portion of infrastructure costs prior to the transfer of lands by either:

- (a) Permitting HFH to sell lot one at market value; or
- (b) Providing \$150,000 from the housing accelerator funds to HFH (equivalent to the estimated sale value of lot 1) for the development of affordable housing by HFH or another proponent with permits issued prior to January 1, 2027.

That Administration be authorized to execute the associated agreements required to protect the City's interests in accordance with any procedures, policies, by-laws and Acts. CARRIED.

### Desjarlais-Cameron

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The City of Brandon place a reserve bid on Roll 27664 in the amount of all arrears and costs in respect to of the property pursuant to S. 372 of the Municipal Act.

And further, that the Director of Planning, Ryan Nickel, be appointed a designated officer of the City of Brandon to bid on or purchase property on the City of Brandon's behalf at the 2024 tax sale.

That the designated bidder be authorized to bid up to the maximum amount as approved by City Council in order to redeem property from the City's 2024 tax sale, whereby said funds shall be expended from the Land Acquisition Reserve. CARRIED.

### (C) BRANDON GENERAL MUSEUM & ARCHIVES INC. VERBAL SEPTEMBER 16, 2024

Councillor Splett provided a verbal report from the recent meeting of the Brandon General Museum & Archives Inc. held on September 3, 2024. He noted topics of discussion focused on staff reports, a review of the 2024-2025 Budget, and strategic plan.

### (D) COMMUNITY WELLNESS COLLABORATIVE VERBAL SEPTEMBER 16, 2024

Councillor Desjarlais provided a verbal report from the Community Wellness Collaborative held last week, which was the first meeting with the absorbed members from the Poverty Committee.

#### Splett-Cameron

That the verbal reports from the Personnel Committee, Committee of the Whole, Brandon General Museum & Archives Inc. and the Community Wellness Collaborative be received. CARRIED.

## **ENQUIRIES:**

### (174) SUNKEN CURBS - 2600 BLOCK MCDONALD AVENUE

Councillor Cameron advised that he had received complaints from area residents with respect to sunken curbs in the 2600 Block of McDonald Avenue causing tripping hazards. He enquired if this issue could be addressed as soon as possible.

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

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

#### **BRANDON POLICE BOARD MEETING**

Councillor Berry announced that a Brandon Police Board meeting was to be held September 20, 2024 at noon in the Council Chambers at City Hall. He reminded residents that the meeting was open to the public and invited all to attend.

### **GENERAL BUSINESS:**

#### Luebke-Cullen

That the presentation by Brian Putre, on behalf of BetterFleet, with respect to the results of the City of Brandon's Fossil Fuel Reduction Fleet Study be postponed until after all items under General Business have been considered. CARRIED.

# (A) STRATEGIC PLAN UPDATE

Submitted for consideration was a Strategic Plan Quarter 2 update.

Acting City Manager Terry Parlow provided an overview of the quarter 2 Strategic Plan update.

# Cameron-Luebke

1015 That the Strategic Plan Quarter 2 update be received. CARRIED.

### (B) REPLACEMENT OF SEWER STACK AT CIVIC ADMINISTRATION BUILDING TENDER

Considered was a report from the Public Works Department dated September 13, 2024 with respect to the above.

### Berry-Hildebrand

1016 That the bid from Innovative Plumbing and Heating Inc. in the amount of \$123,424.50 for the Replacement of the Sewer Stack at the Civic Administration Building be accepted. And further, that a \$145,000 be expended from the Municipal Building Maintenance Reserve to support the project cost and contingency that is beyond the amount included in the 2024 Budget for this project. CARRIED. (C) BRIAN PUTRE O/B/O BETTERFLEET - CITY OF BRANDON'S FOSSIL FUEL **REDUCTION FLEET STUDY** City Council considered a presentation from Betterfleet with respect to the above. <u>Desjarlais-Cameron</u> 1017 That the presentation by Brian Putre, on behalf of BetterFleet, with respect to the results of the City of Brandon's Fossil Fuel Reduction Fleet Study be received. CARRIED. **BY-LAWS:** Nil **GIVING OF NOTICE:** Nil ADJOURN: Berry-Luebke

That the meeting do now adjourn. (8:31 p.m.) CARRIED.

CITY CLERK

MAYOR