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**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY, JULY 29, 2024
AT 7:00 PM IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, CIVIC ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, BRANDON,
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PRESENT: Mayor Jeff Fawcett In The Chair, 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: Councillor Shawn Berry

ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

Splett-Desjarlais

941 That the Agenda for the regular meeting of City Council to be held on Monday, July 29, 2024 be adopted as presented. CARRIED.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES:

Cameron-Parker

942 That the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of City Council held Monday, July 8, 2024 be taken as read and so adopted, all statutory requirements having been fulfilled. CARRIED.

Karrouze-Cameron

943 That the Minutes of the Special Meeting of City Council held Monday, July 15, 2024 be taken as read and so adopted, all statutory requirements having been fulfilled. CARRIED.

HEARING OF PRESENTATIONS:

(A) EMMY SANDERSON - BRANDON DOWNTOWN BIZ UPDATE

Emmy Sanderson, Executive Director of the Brandon Downtown Biz, appeared before Council with respect to an update on the Brandon Downtown Biz. She highlighted projects, membership, and the incorporation of the Biz, noting a weekly calendar of downtown events can be found on their website BrandonDowntown.biz. In conclusion she thanked the City of Brandon for their support and funding to get the Downtown Biz up and running.

Desjarlais-Splett

944 That the presentation by Emmy Sanderson with respect to the annual update on the Brandon Downtown BIZ be received. CARRIED.

COMMUNITY COMMENTS/FEEDBACK:

- (A) ENQUIRY #154 REPORT IMPROVEMENTS TO TRANSIT FOR VISUALLY IMPAIRED RIDERS
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Tom Keep spoke in support of the report regarding enquiry #154 Improvements to transit for visually impaired riders, noting the replacement of traffic control devices with audible alert systems.

HEARING OF DELEGATIONS:

Nil

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

Nil

COMMUNICATIONS & PETITIONS:

Nil

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- (A) PERSONNEL COMMITTEE WRITTEN JULY 23, 2024
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Councillor Cullen provided an overview of the written report.

Cullen-Tame

945 That the report of the Personnel Committee dated July 23, 2024 be received. CARRIED.

Cullen-Splett

946 That the resignation of Ron Bowles from the position of City Manager be accepted, with last day in the office to be August 30, 2024. CARRIED.

Cullen-Karrouze

947 That Terry Parlow be hereby appointed the Acting City Manager to fulfill the duties, responsibilities and powers of the position as provided for in the City Manager By-law No. 6505, effective August 8, 2024. CARRIED.

Cullen-Cameron

948 That MNP be issued the Executive Search Firm to assist in the recruitment of a City Manager effective immediately. CARRIED.

(B) AUDIT & FINANCE VERBAL JULY 29, 2024

Councillor Parker provided a verbal report from the recent meeting of the Audit and Finance Committee held on July 16, 2024. He advised that the committee had discussed the June budget review projecting a \$350,000 surplus in the General Fund, a \$160,000 surplus in the Utility Fund, and an overview of the 2024 Capital Budget.

(C) KEYSTONE CENTRE VERBAL JULY 29, 2024

Councillor Luebke provided a verbal report from the recent special meeting of the Keystone Centre Board held on July 24, 2024. He noted the main topic discussed was approval of the 2024-2025 Budget review and business plan. He noted there the increase in operating expenses, with the Keystone Centre increasing room and ice rental rates.

(D) TAXI APPEAL COMMITTEE VERBAL JULY 29, 2024

Councillor Hildebrand provided a verbal report from the Taxi Review Committee meeting held on July 9, 2024 with respect to the presentation from URide on ride sharing. URide will provide information they submitted to other cities regarding By-laws that allow for ride sharing. Councillor Hildebrand concluded by stating there was an informal discussion on whether the name of the Taxi Appeal Committee should be changed.

Splett-Parker

949 That the verbal reports of the Audit and Finance Committee, Keystone Centre and Taxi Review Committee be received. CARRIED.

ENQUIRIES:

(169) 18TH STREET REBUILD ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION

Councillor Hildebrand enquired if any improvements to active transportation were planned with the upcoming repairs to 18th Street, and if not, could the Province of Manitoba be requested to consider same.

At the request of His Worship the Mayor, the City Manager responded that, although the current project would not allow for improvements to active transportation, further discussions with the Province of Manitoba with respect to active transportation were expected to take place in the near future.

(170) 19TH STREET AND COLLEGE AVENUE ROAD CLOSED SIGN

Councillor Hildebrand advised that the "Road Closed" Sign had been taken from the 19th Street and College Avenue construction site. He noted that this issue had been previously reported and enquired when the sign was expected to be replaced as this caused a dangerous situation for drivers in the area.

At the request of His Worship the Mayor, the City Manager responded that the sign had now been replaced and the contractor was requested to inspect the job site daily to ensure proper signage was always in place.

(171) UPDATE RRFB CROSSWALK INSTALLATION AT BRANDON AVENUE AND 22ND STREET

Councillor Hildebrand enquired when the installation of the rectangle rapid flashing beacons at the corner of Brandon Avenue and 22nd Street was expected to be completed. He also requested an updated on other potential sites for the installation of RRFBs.

At the request of His Worship the Mayor, the City Manager responded that RRFBs were to be installed at the crosswalks at 22nd Street and Brandon Avenue as well as 13th Street and Stickney Avenue, Patricia Avenue and Tracey Street and finally, Kirkcaldy Drive and Kasiurak Bay by the end of 2024.

(172) PROGRESS UPDATE ON OUTDOOR SPORTS COMPLEX

Councillor Luebke enquired if an update on the progress at the Outdoor Sports Complex could be provided, inclusive of whether or not the project was still on track to have the facility playable in 2025.

At the request of His Worship the Mayor, the City Manager responded that the tender had been awarded in May 2024, Phase 2 remained on track and the expectation was that the fields would be playable in Summer 2025.

(173) UPDATE ON OUTSTANDING STREET, CURB AND SIDEWALK REPAIRS

Councillor Luebke requested an update on numerous outstanding street, curb and sidewalk repairs and underground work throughout the City of Brandon, inclusive of if the work was expected to be completed this year.

At the request of His Worship the Mayor, the City Manager responded that Streets and Roads crews continued to work on outstanding restoration work in systematic order to fully complete as many dig sites as possible during the current construction season. He noted that asphalt crews would remain working until the hot-mix asphalt production ended in mid-November and concrete crews would proceed in replacing sidewalk, gutter and curbing until consistent overnight freezing temperatures occur and underground utilities continued to dig through winter months for as long as possible.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

SYLVIA BARR - FREE PANTRY

Councillor Luebke congratulated Sylvia Barr, a citizen in his ward that began a free pantry in her neighborhood located at the former South End community Centre. He noted it's been operating since June 1, 2024 and has had no concerns of vandalism or abuse, the free pantry has been successful with people not only taking food items, but also donating items in return.

SAFETY WELLBEING PLAN SURVEY

Mayor Fawcett announced that the City of Brandon seeks residents' input for Community Safety and Wellbeing plan. City of Brandon is excited to announce the launch of a community survey in understanding resident's perception of Safety and wellbeing. He concluded by advising the public who wish to participate in the survey to visit SurveyMonkey or request a paper copy by contacting CSWBPLAN@Brandon.ca.

REMINDER TREE TRIMMINGS TO LANDFILL

Councillor Cameron reminded residents that the City of Brandon appreciates the trimming of trees in back lanes and properties however, the tree trimmings are not accepted as compost in your green bin. He noting all tree trimmings must be brought directly to the Eastview landfill site.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

(A) ENQUIRY #154 IMPROVEMENTS TO TRANSIT FOR VISUALLY IMPAIRED RIDERS

City Council considered a report from the Director of Transportation dated July 19, 2024 with respect to the above.

Hildebrand-Desjarlais

950 That the report on improvements to Transit for visually impaired riders be received by Council for review. CARRIED.

(B) MODIFIED COLLECTION PROGRAM UPDATE

Submitted for consideration was a report from the Director of Public Works dated July 8, 2024 with respect to the above.

Parker-Splett

951 That the update from the Solid Waste Section be received. CARRIED.

(C) APPOINTMENT SECRETARY TO BOARD OF REVISION

Considered was a report from the Legislative Services Department dated July 7, 2024 with respect to the above.

Cullen-Splett

952 That Debbie Nelson be appointed as Secretary to the Board of Revision of the City of Brandon pursuant to S.35 (4) of the Municipal Assessment Act. CARRIED.

(D) FUNDS MITIGATION AND PREPAREDNESS PROGRAM RESERVE FOR FLOOD PROTECTION SUBSIDY PROGRAM

City Council considered a report from the Finance Department dated July 22, 2024 with respect to the above.

Cameron-Parker

953 That the remaining funds in the Mitigation and Preparedness Program Reserve, including any interest accrued, be authorized to be transferred into the operating budget for the purposes of continuing the Flood Protection Subsidy Program. CARRIED.

(E) STREET NAME LOCATED AT 1910 VICTORIA AVENUE EAST

Submitted for consideration was a report from the Director of Planning & Buildings dated July 2, 2024 with respect to the above.

Tame-Parker

- 954 That the proposed street name being Steel Avenue submitted by Kit Harrison for the industrial development of 1910 Victoria Avenue East in the NW 1/4 18-10-18 WPM, be approved. CARRIED.

BY-LAWS:

NO. 7363 AMEND COMPLIANCE BY-LAW NO. 7198 - SOLID WASTE COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL
2ND & 3RD READINGS

City Council considered a report from the Legislative Services Department dated June 21, 2024 with respect to the above.

Desjarlais-Parker

- 955 That By-law No. 7363 to amend Compliance By-law No. 7198 regarding the Solid Waste Collection and Disposal updated ticket codes and fine amounts be read for a second time. NOT VOTED ON.

Luebke-Desjarlais

- 956 That the above motion with respect to By-law No. 7363 be tabled until the August 19, 2024 meeting of City Council. CARRIED.

NO. 7379 TO REPEAL AND REPLACE AFFORDABLE HOUSING INCENTIVE PROGRAM BY-LAW NO.
7294
1ST READING

Submitted for consideration is a report from the Planning and Buildings Department dated July 12, 2024 with respect to the above.

Desjarlais-Parker

- 957 That By-law No. 7379 to repeal and replace Affordable Housing Incentive Program By-law No. 7294 be read a first time. CARRIED.

NO. 7391 REZONE 1600 - 33RD STREET EAST
AMENDMENT
2ND & 3RD READINGS

City Council considered a report from the Legislative Services Department dated July 15, 2024 with respect to the above.

Tame-Desjarlais

958 That By-law No. 7391 to rezone part of 1600 - 33rd Street East (Parcels C/E, Plan 55244 BLTO) from Development Reserve (DR) to Industrial General (IG) zone, be amended by deleting Section 3 in its entirety and substituting therefor as follows:

3. This By-law will come into force when the development agreement required under this By-law is executed with the City and registered in the Brandon Land Titles Office.
4. This By-law will be repealed without coming into force one year after the date of this By-law's adoption unless the development agreement required under this By-law is executed with the City and is registered in the Brandon Land Titles Office.
CARRIED.

Tame-Desjarlais

959 That By-law No. 7391 as amended be read a second time. CARRIED.

Tame-Parker

960 That the by-law be read a third and final time. CARRIED.

In accordance with Section 137 of The Municipal Act, a recorded vote was taken on the motion to give By-law No. 7391 third reading.

FOR

AGAINST

Mayor Jeff Fawcett
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

NO. 7394 TO AMEND ORGANIZATIONAL BY-LAW NO. 6650 - DISSOLUTION OF POVERTY
COMMITTEE
1ST READING

City Council considered a report from the Legislative Department dated July 15, 2024 with respect to the above.

Desjarlais-Tame

961 That By-law No. 7394 to amend Organizational By-law No. 6650 to delete Section 22(f) in its entirety and dissolve the Poverty Committee, be read a first time. CARRIED.

NO. 7395 TO REZONE PART OF PROPERTY LOCATED AT 2728 VICTORIA AVENUE
1ST READING

City Council considered a report from the Planning & Buildings Department dated July 18, 2024 with respect to the above.

Cameron-Cullen

962 That By-law No. 7395 to rezone part of property located at 2728 Victoria Avenue (Lot 1, Plan 945 BLTO, Exc SLY 112.5 Feet in NW ¼ 15-10-19 WPM) from CAR Commercial Arterial zone to CG Commercial General Zone be read a first time. CARRIED.

GIVING OF NOTICE:

Nil

ADJOURN:

Tame-Luebke

That the meeting do now adjourn. (8:09 p.m.) CARRIED.

MAYOR

CITY CLERK