

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY, JANUARY 5, 2026 AT 7:00 PM IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CIVIC ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, BRANDON, MANITOBA

PRESENT: Mayor Jeff Fawcett 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 Glen Parker, Councillor Jason Splett, Councillor Tyson Tame

ABSENT: Nil

ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

Parker-Cullen
1611 That the Agenda for the regular meeting of City Council to be held on Monday, January 5, 2026 be adopted as presented. CARRIED.

RECOGNITIONS:

Nil

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES:

Cameron-Karrouze
1612 That the Minutes of the regular meeting of City Council held Monday, December 15, 2025 be taken as read and so adopted, all statutory requirements having been fulfilled. CARRIED.

COMMUNITY COMMENTS & FEEDBACK:

Nil

HEARING OF PRESENTATIONS:

Nil

HEARING OF DELEGATIONS:

Nil

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

Nil

COMMUNICATIONS & PETITIONS:

Nil

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Nil

ENQUIRIES:

(292) TREE PLANTING DATA

Councillor Luebke enquired about the survival rate of the trees that get planted by the city.

At the request of His Worship the Mayor, the City Manager advised that the first-year survival rate for newly planted trees was approximately 90 percent. The City Manager further noted that the City of Brandon followed a three-year watering program to help ensure the long-term survival of planted trees.

(293) BRANDON UNIVERSITY SPEEDING

Councillor Cameron enquired about prevention of speeding within the school zones surrounding Brandon University.

At the request of His Worship the Mayor, the City Manager advised that the City would continue to monitor the intersection corridor for speeding non-compliance and recommend enforcement and traffic calming improvements to the Brandon Police Services.

(294) CROSSING AT 26TH AND MARYLAND

Councillor Berry enquired about installing crosswalks with push buttons and flashing warning lights on the corners of 26th Street and Durum Drive, and 26th Street and Ottawa Avenue.

At the request of His Worship the Mayor, the City Manager advised that crosswalk improvements were planned as part of the intersection reconstruction project at 26th Street and Maryland Avenue. The City Manager further advised that the Engineering Department would prioritize the crossings at 26th Street and Durum Drive, as well as 26th Street and Ottawa Avenue, within the Crosswalk Improvement Program. In addition, a risk model was being developed to assist in prioritizing crosswalk improvements for future capital budgets.

(295) SHRUB REMOVAL AT 26TH AND OTTAWA

Councillor Hildebrand enquired about the removal of a bush at 26th Street and Ottawa Avenue.

At the request of His Worship the Mayor, the city manager advised that the bush at 26th Street and Ottawa Avenue had been removed.

(296) BRANDON SIGNAGE

Councillor Hildebrand enquired about undertaking research into the benefits of installing a large-scale “BRANDON” sign and reporting the findings to Council, including whether such a sign would provide a benefit to the City of Brandon and identifying potential funding sources, in time for consideration during the current year’s budget deliberations.

At the request of His Worship the Mayor, the City Manager advised that the Economic Development Department was researching the request and would have a response to Council prior to budget deliberations.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Nil

GENERAL BUSINESS:

(A) 2026 Budget Overview

Troy Tripp, Director of Finance, appeared before City Council and provided a power point overview of the proposed 2026 budget.

1613 Luebke-Cameron

That the presentation from the Director of Finance on the overview of the 2026 Budget be received. CARRIED.

BY-LAWS:

Nil

GIVING OF NOTICE:

Nil

ADJOURN:

Berry-Luebke

That the meeting do now adjourn. (8:32 p.m.) CARRIED.

MAYOR

CITY CLERK