

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2025 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:

Cullen-Splett
1539 That the Agenda for the regular meeting of City Council to be held on Monday, November 3, 2025 be adopted as presented. CARRIED.

RECOGNITIONS:

Nil

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES:

Splett-Parker
1540 That the Minutes of the Special Meeting of City Council held Monday, October 20th, 2025 be taken as read and so adopted, all statutory requirements having been fulfilled. CARRIED.

Cameron-Desjarlais
1541 That the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of City Council held Monday, October 20th, 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:

(A) WESTERN MANITOBA REGIONAL LIBRARY UPDATE

Erika Martin, Director of Library Services, and Michelle Boudreau, branch supervisor of the Shoppers Mall Library appeared before City Council with respect to an update on the Western Manitoba Regional Library. Ms. Martin provided a presentation with respect to the 2026 budget review and overview of Library programming and services.

Cameron-Karrouze

1542 That the presentation by Erika Martin and Michelle Boudreau with respect to the above be received. CARRIED.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

Nil

COMMUNICATIONS & PETITIONS:

Nil

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Nil

ENQUIRIES:

(277) DOWNTOWN PARKING METERS

Councillor Desjarlais enquired about the process to modernize the downtown parking meters.

At the request of His Worship the Mayor, the City Manager advised that to further understand the costs and implementation process of upgrading to a modern online app-based system the City will be meeting with a parking management provider, and the budget proposal may be adjusted at that time.

(278) RECYCLING NOTICE

Councillor Berry enquired about the dates mentioned on a recent City of Brandon social media post relating to the above.

At the request of His Worship the Mayor, the City Manager noted that a correction to the social media post was made, as well as highlighted that service levels and schedules will be reviewed at 2026 budget deliberations.

(279) VETERANS CROSS WALK

Councillor Cameron enquired about an update on the citizen request from 2024 regarding the installation of a crosswalk dedicated to veterans.

At the request of His Worship the Mayor, the City Manager advised that a request has been submitted for this decorative crosswalk and, once approved, the City would work with the applicant in 2026 or have the item added during budget deliberations.

(280) PROGRESS UPDATE - CROSSWALK INSTALLATION VICTORIA AVENUE AND RUSSELL STREET #88592

Councillor Parker enquired about the progress of the crosswalk installation at Victoria Avenue and Russell Street, noting that the motion had been put forward and approved during the 2025 Budget Deliberations.

His Worship the Mayor advised that the matter would be taken under advisement.

(281) UPDATE ON ADVANCE LEFT TURN SIGNALS - 1ST STREET AND RICHMOND AVENUE INTERSECTION

Councillor Tame referred to a previous enquiry whereby he had requested that the installation of left turn signals at the 1st Street and Richmond Avenue Intersection. He noted there was a recent accident at the intersection.

His Worship the Mayor advised that the matter would be taken under advisement.

(282) BUS STOP ON 18TH AND BRAECREST

Councillor Karrouze enquired about enhancing access to a bus stop north of the intersection on Braecrest Drive and 18th Street.

His Worship the Mayor advised that the matter would be taken under advisement.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Nil

GENERAL BUSINESS:

(A) SNOW CLEARING PLAN

City Council considered a report from the Public Works Department dated October 24, 2025 with respect to the above.

Berry-Cameron

1543 That the report from administration detailing the proposed snow clearing initiatives regarding communication and service delivery during a snow event be received as presented and that the proposed change be adopted by Council for implementation as recommended. CARRIED.

(B) MEDICAL CAMPUS AT BRANDON UNIVERSITY

Submitted for consideration was a report from the Legislative Services Department dated October 24, 2025, with respect to the above.

Parker-Cameron

1544 WHEREAS communities across Manitoba continue to experience significant physician shortages; and

WHEREAS addressing these shortages requires a transformative, made-in-Manitoba approach that expands medical education and training opportunities beyond Winnipeg; and

WHEREAS establishing a four-year Medical Campus at Brandon University, in partnership with the University of Manitoba's Max Rady College of Medicine, would strengthen Manitoba's capacity to train, retain, and deploy physicians where they are needed most; and

WHEREAS this partnership should aim to develop a framework that prioritizes rural admissions, sustainable funding, and meaningful service commitments to ensure long-term success;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Brandon expresses its full support for the establishment of a four-year Medical Campus at Brandon University in partnership with the University of Manitoba's Max Rady College of Medicine. CARRIED AS AMENDED.

Luebke-Cullen

1545 That the above motion be amended by adding the following clause immediately following the third WHEREAS clause:

Whereas a medical school would significantly impact the Westman region by addressing healthcare workforce shortages, boosting the local economy, and enhancing access to care, particularly in underserved areas; and CARRIED.

(C) DISASTER FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE - 2025 WILDFIRES

Considered was a report from Emergency Management dated October 30, 2025 with respect to the above.

Splett-Desjarlais

1546 WHEREAS the City of Brandon was a host community that received requests and took measures to support the evacuees affected by the 2025 Wildfires;

AND WHEREAS the Manitoba government has announced a Disaster Financial Assistance Program regarding the 2025 Wildfire Disaster;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Brandon respectfully requests to participate in the DFA program as it has incurred financial costs as a result of this unprecedented Wildfire event. CARRIED.

BY-LAWS:

NO. 7439 TO REZONE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 2202 ROSSER AVENUE
1ST READING

Council considered a report from the Planning & Buildings Department dated October 23, 2025 with respect to the above.

Cameron-Tame

1547 That By-law No. 7439 to rezone property located at 2202 Rosser Avenue (Lots 27 And 28 And E ½ Lot 26 Block 21, Plan 15 BLTO) from RLD Residential Low Density to RMD Residential Moderate Density be read a first time. CARRIED.

NO. 7440 TO REZONE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 215 - 12TH STREET NORTH
1ST READING

The Council considered a report from the Planning & Building Department dated October 21, 2025, with respect to the above.

Desjarlais-Splett

1548 That By-law No. 7440 to rezone property located at 215 – 12th Street North (Parcels A/D, Plan 70110 BLTO) from Industrial Restricted (IR) to Educational & Institutional (EI) be read a first time. CARRIED.

GIVING OF NOTICE:

Nil

ADJOURN:

Berry-Luebke

That the meeting do now adjourn. (7:55 p.m.) CARRIED.

MAYOR

CITY CLERK