

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY, AUGUST 13, 2012 AT 7:30 PM IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, CIVIC ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, BRANDON, MANITOBA

PRESENT: Mayor S. Decter Hirst in the Chair, Councillor S. Berry, Councillor M. Blight, Councillor J. Chaboyer, Councillor J. Fawcett, Councillor J. Harwood, Councillor L. Isleifson, Councillor J. McCrae, Councillor S. Montague, Councillor G. Rice (retired 9:07 p.m.), Councillor C. Roberts

ABSENT: Nil

ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

Harwood-Chaboyer
722 That the Agenda for the Regular Meeting of City Council to be held on Monday, August 13, 2012 be adopted as presented. CARRIED.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES:

Blight-Berry
723 That the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of City Council held Monday, July 23, 2012 be taken as read, all statutory requirements having been fulfilled. CARRIED.

HEARING OF DELEGATIONS:

(A) SUZANNAH DUFF AND CARISSA TAYLOR - ROCK THE BLOCK STREET PARTY

Suzannah Duff and Carissa Taylor of the Brandon University Students' Union (BUSU) appeared before City Council to outline the details of the upcoming "Rock the Block" street party to be held September 14, 2012 on Rosser Avenue and request that this event be designated as a Community Event in the City of Brandon.

Isleifson-Roberts
724 That the presentation by Suzannah Duff and Carissa Taylor of the Brandon University Students' Union with respect to the designation of the "Rock the Block" street party as a Community Event in the City of Brandon be received. CARRIED.

Harwood-Montague
725 That the annual "Rock the Block" street party to be held September 14, 2012 be designated as a Community Event in the City of Brandon. CARRIED.

(B) LESLIE ALLEN - UPDATE ON WESTMAN IMMIGRANT SERVICES

Leslie Allen on behalf of Westman Immigrant Services (WIS), who provided an update on activities at WIS's new location at the former CPR Station building on Pacific Avenue. As part of her report, Allen reported that on any given week, more than 500 new resident students access their services, which consists of four different settlement and language programming streams.

Blight-Chaboyer
726 That the presentation by Leslie Allen on behalf of Westman Immigrant Services be received. CARRIED.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

Nil

COMMUNITY QUESTION PERIOD:

REDEVELOPMENT OF 638 PRINCESS AVENUE

Mr. Doug Derouin appeared before City Council regarding the redevelopment of 638 Princess Avenue. Mr. Derouin referred to the increased costs of the redevelopment due to the addition of the multi-cultural and youth centre components and enquired if the original budgeted amount would be sufficient without same. He also noted that many community centres were underutilized and enquired if the use of same for the multicultural and youth centre components could be considered.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Nil

ENQUIRIES:

(288) EXTENSION OF BUS SERVICE TO ACCOMMODATE EXTENDED SUNDAY SHOPPING HOURS

Councillor Rice enquired if the potential cost of providing Sunday bus service to accommodate the extended Sunday shopping hours could be provided.

At the request of Her Worship the Mayor, Tim Sanderson, the Director of Transportation Services responded that the cost to operate 5 buses from 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on Sundays and Statutory Holidays was estimated to be \$286,000 per year, exclusive of any off-setting revenue. He noted that provincial funding would cover 50 per cent of those costs and revenue was expected to be \$20,000 per year, leaving approximately \$140,000 to \$150,000 in annual costs to the City of Brandon.

(289) RECYCLING DEPOT AT 34TH STREET AND VICTORIA AVENUE

Councillor Berry advised that the dumping of inappropriate items at the recycling depot at 34th Street and Victoria Avenue continued to be a problem. He enquired if larger, more visible signs, inclusive of the maximum fine for littering could be considered.

At the request of Her Worship the Mayor, the City Manager responded that the new signage would be installed in the very near future.

(290) UPDATE ON EASTERN ACCESS ROUTE

Councillor Isleifson requested an update on the Eastern Access Route.

At the request of Her Worship the Mayor, the City Manager responded that a report from Manitoba Infrastructure and Transportation (MIT) in July 2012 had indicated that, barring any unforeseen circumstances, the Eastern Access Route was expected to be open to traffic by the end of November 2012.

(291) UPDATE ON PIPELINE CONSTRUCTION ON 33RD STREET EAST

Councillor Isleifson enquired when the pipeline construction was expected to be completed and 33rd Street East re-opened to traffic.

At the request of Her Worship the Mayor, the City Manager responded that the pipeline work to connect the City of Brandon's main wastewater pumping station to the new reclamation facility at 65th Street East was expected to be completed by the end of September 2012.

(292) GIFT-IN-KIND CONTRIBUTION TO DISPLAY BUILDING NO. II RESTORATION PROJECT

Councillor Harwood noted that at a previous meeting City Council had agreed to provide a gift-in-kind contribution to the Provincial Exhibition of Manitoba for their Display Building No. II Restoration Project. He requested an update on the status of same, inclusive of the attached dollar value.

At the request of Her Worship the Mayor, the City Manager advised that a report on this issue would be provided at the September 17, 2012 City Council meeting.

(293) NORTH HILL TRAFFIC AND PARKING CONCERNS

Councillor Fawcett enquired if the no parking area on the northwest side of Cater Drive could be extended to Pilling Drive; larger pedestrian crossing signs at Kirkcaldy Drive and 3rd Street North could be considered; and, the existing pedestrian crossing at the intersection of Braecrest and Knowlton Drives be studied further.

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

(294) BROWNFIELD DEVELOPMENT INCENTIVE PROGRAM

Councillor Roberts noted that there were a number of brownfields and large vacant buildings within the City of Brandon. He enquired if an incentive program involving increased taxes or additional fees on such properties could be considered with the funds raised to be used for clean-up and green space enhancement.

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

(295) ACCEPTABLE FIRE PITS

Councillor Chaboyer noted that she had received complaints regarding the improper use of fire pits within the City of Brandon. She enquired if an awareness campaign could be launched, inclusive of the regulations for fire pits within the City and the required permits for same.

At the request of Her Worship the Mayor, the City Manager agreed to work with the Director of Communications to ensure that the information was made available in the media and on the City's website.

(296) SKATEBOARDING ON SIDEWALKS

Her Worship the Mayor enquired if the use of skateboards on city sidewalks was prohibited and if so, what the fines were for non-compliance.

At the request of Her Worship the Mayor, the Chief of Police responded that skateboard use on sidewalks was in violation of the City of Brandon Traffic By-law, however tickets were issued only to repeat offenders. He agreed to launch a media campaign advising the public that it was illegal and the reasons why.

(297) IMPACT OF THE IRRIGATION PROJECTS AT RIVERS, MANITOBA ON THE CITY OF BRANDON'S WATER SUPPLY

Councillor Chaboyer requested information on the potential impact of the irrigation projects at Rivers, Manitoba on the City of Brandon's water supply.

Her Worship the Mayor responded that a report on same would be provided by the City of Brandon's members of the Assiniboine Hills Conservation District.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

BRANDON GENERAL MUSEUM AND ARCHIVES INC. 2ND ANNUAL FUNDRAISING DINNER AND AUCTION

Councillor Harwood announced that the 2nd Annual Brandon General Museum and Archives Inc. Fundraising Dinner and Auction would be held September 13, 2012 at the Victoria Inn with tickets available at the museum or by calling (204) 717-1514.

CANADIAN NATIONAL ARABIAN AND HALF-ARABIAN HORSE SHOW

Her Worship Mayor Decter Hirst announced that the City of Brandon was hosting the Canadian National Arabian and Half-Arabian Horse Show at the Keystone Centre from August 13 -18, 2012 with over 700 horses competing in a variety of events.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

(A) CITY OF BRANDON TRENDS IN CRIME STATISTICS

Police Chief Keith Atkinson appeared before City Council and provided an update on the trends in crime statistics in the City of Brandon as of August 2012.

McCrae-Isleifson

727 That the presentation by the Chief of Police attached to his report dated July 30, 2012 with respect to the trends in crime statistics in the City of Brandon be received as information. CARRIED.

Following the presentation, the Chief of Police announced his official retirement from the Brandon Police Service effective January 25, 2013.

(B) 2011 HIGH WATER EVENT COSTS

Considered was a report from the General Manager of Development Services dated August 8, 2012 with respect to the above.

Blight-Harwood

728 That the presentation by the General Manager of Corporate Services attached to his report dated August 8, 2012 providing a detailed account of the costs associated with the 2011 High Water Event be received as information. CARRIED.

(C) TENDER - BRANDON TRANSIT AUTOFARE

City Council considered a report from the Director of Transportation Services dated July 31, 2012 with respect to the above.

Berry-Blight

729 That the low bid of Fare Logistics for the supply of an Autofare System for Brandon Transit as per tender and specifications at a cost of \$483,799.43 (excluding GST) be accepted;

and further, that as the total cost of the Autofare System project will amount to \$525,829.03 of which \$500,000 was budgeted, authority be granted to expend the remaining cost of \$25,829.03 from the Transit Gas Tax Reserve. CARRIED.

(D) REDEVELOPMENT OF 638 PRINCESS AVENUE

Submitted for consideration was a report from the General Manager of Development Services dated August 1, 2012 with respect to the above.

Roberts-Blight

730 That the redevelopment of 638 Princess Avenue proceed to include the Development Services Division and Community Development Department's administration office space as well as a multi-cultural component, a youth centre, a backup site for the E911 Centre as well as house the Emergency Operations Centre and administrative office space for the Emergency Response Coordinator, Risk Management Coordinator and Safety Inspector and further that the budget for this redevelopment be increased from \$1,300,000 to \$3,000,000 to accommodate the added expense. NOT VOTED ON.

Blight-Harwood

731 That the matter of the redevelopment of 638 Princess Avenue be referred back to Administration for further review and report back to City Council for its meeting to be held October 1, 2012. CARRIED.

(E) QUOTATION - HAZARDOUS MATERIALS REMOVAL FORMER BRANDON INN HOTEL

Considered was a report from the General Manager of Development Services dated July 30, 2012 with respect to the above.

Roberts-Isleifson

732 That the low bid of Advance Robotic Duct Cleaning Inc. to carry out the removal of hazardous building materials from the former Brandon Inn Hotel as per quotation and specifications at a cost of \$307,921.39 (excluding GST) be accepted;

and further that funds in the amount of \$327,921.39 be transferred from the Land Acquisition Reserve to the Development Services operating account to cover the cost of the subject removal and for engineering services for the demolition of the remaining building. CARRIED.

(F) TENDER - CONTRACT A ROAD BUILDING WORKS

City Council considered a report from the General Manager of Development Services dated July 26, 2012 with respect to the above.

Harwood-Blight

733 That the low bid of C ' C Construction Co Ltd. to carry out the Contract A Road Building Works as per tender and specifications at a cost of \$709,060.75 (excluding GST) be accepted. CARRIED.

(G) TENDER - CONTRACT D CURB AND SIDEWALK WORKS

Submitted for consideration was a report from the General Manager of Development Services dated July 26, 2012 with respect to the above.

734 McCrae-Berry
That the low bid of Zenith Paving Ltd. to carry out the Contract D Curb ' Sidewalk Works as per tender and specifications at a cost of \$345,215.86 (excluding GST) be accepted. CARRIED.

(H) 2013 SCHEDULE OF CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS

Considered was a report from the City Clerk dated August 2, 2012 with respect to the above.

735 Blight-Isleifson
That pursuant to Organizational By-law No. 6650, regular meetings of City Council be held on the following dates in 2013:

Monday, January 7, 2013	Tuesday, July 2, 2013
Monday, January 21, 2013	Monday, July 15, 2013
Monday, February 4, 2013	Monday, August 12, 2013
Tuesday, February 19, 2013	Tuesday, September 3, 2013
Monday, March 4, 2013	Monday, September 16, 2013
Monday, March 18, 2013	Monday, October 7, 2013
Tuesday, April 2, 2013	Monday, October 21, 2013
Monday, April 15, 2013	Monday, November 4, 2013
Monday, May 6, 2013	Monday, November 18, 2013
Tuesday, May 21, 2013	Monday, December 2, 2013
Tuesday, June 4, 2013	Monday, December 16, 2013
Monday, June 17, 2013	CARRIED.

(I) FEDERAL GOVERNMENT INFRASTRUCTURE FUNDING TO MUNICIPALITIES

City Council considered a report from Councillor Garth Rice dated August 2, 2012 with respect to the above.

736 Fawcett-Berry
WHEREAS The Building Canada Plan and a number of important federal-provincial transfer agreements vital to Canada's cities and communities will expire in March 2014;

AND WHEREAS Federal Government investments over the last few years have helped to slow the decline of our cities and communities and the Government of Canada has committed to develop a new long-term plan for municipal infrastructure funding in consultation with municipal and provincial/territorial governments;

AND WHEREAS a seamless transition from the Building Canada Plan to a new long term plan is necessary to ensure that municipalities can continue planning their capital spending effectively;

AND WHEREAS the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) has launched a campaign to ensure the new plan reflects municipal priorities across the country and asks its member municipalities to pass a Council resolution supporting the campaign;

AND WHEREAS the City of Brandon has continuing infrastructure needs that can only be met through the kind of long-term planning and investment made possible by a national plan;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the City of Brandon hereby endorses the FCM campaign and urges The Honourable Denis Lebel, Minister of Transport, Infrastructure and Communities to work with FCM to ensure the new long-term infrastructure plan meets the core infrastructure needs of cities and communities and that the new long-term plan is fully in place when existing programs expire in 2014; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be sent to The Honourable Denis Lebel, to The Honourable Ron Lemieux, Minister of Local Government for the Province of Manitoba, to Merv Tweed, Member of Parliament for Brandon-Souris, to the Federation of Canadian Municipalities and to the Association of Manitoba Municipalities; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a media release be issued to announce the City of Brandon's support for the FCM's campaign to ensure the new infrastructure plan reflects municipal priorities across the country. CARRIED.

(J) TENDER - WATER TREATMENT FACILITY BUILDING ADDITION FOR STANDBY DIESEL GENERATOR SET

Submitted for consideration was a report from the General Manager of Development Services dated August 3, 2012 with respect to the above.

Blight-Fawcett

737 That the bid of Gardon Construction Ltd. to carry out the Water Treatment Facility Building Addition for Standby Diesel Generator Set as per tender and specifications at a cost of \$666,671.00 (exclusive of GST) be accepted. CARRIED.

(K) JOINT USE OF BUILDING AND LAND AGREEMENT CITY OF BRANDON AND BRANDON SCHOOL DIVISION

Considered was a report from the General Manager of Operational Services with respect to the above.

Isleifson-Chaboyer

738 That the City of Brandon enter into an agreement with the Brandon School Division for the joint use of buildings and land which are or may be devoted to recreational and leisure purposes for the benefit of the citizens of the City and the Brandon School Division. CARRIED.

(L) CITY OF BRANDON GIFT-IN-KIND SUPPORT TO HOCKEY BRANDON TOURNAMENT OF CHAMPIONS

City Council considered a report from Councillor Shawn Berry dated August 7, 2012 with respect to the above.

Berry-Montague

739 That the City of Brandon enter into an agreement with Hockey Brandon for the period 2013 to 2015 inclusive whereby the City of Brandon shall provide to Hockey Brandon for its Tournament of Champions as a gift-in-kind, non-prime time ice at the Sportsplex from approximately 12:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Thursdays and from approximately 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Fridays over the two weeks the tournament operates for a total of 24 hours per fiscal year. CARRIED.

(M) PROPOSAL - WATER UTILITY MASTER PLAN

Submitted for consideration was a report from the General Manager of Development Services dated August 7, 2012 with respect to the above.

McCrae-Blight

740 That the proposal of AECOM to carry out the Water Utility Master Plan as per the Request for Proposals at a cost of \$291,511.00 (exclusive of GST) be accepted. CARRIED.

BY-LAWS:

NO. 7031 TO AMEND PLANNING COMMISSION BY-LAW NO. 6843 RE: GENERAL HOUSEKEEPING

It was noted that this by-law had received first reading on July 23, 2012.

741 Montague-Berry
That By-law No. 7031 to amend Planning Commission By-law No. 6843 be read a second time. CARRIED.

741 Montague-Berry
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. 7031 third reading.

<u>FOR</u>	<u>AGAINST</u>
Her Worship Mayor Decter Hirst	Nil
Councillor Berry	
Councillor Blight	
Councillor Chaboyer	
Councillor Fawcett	
Councillor Harwood	
Councillor Isleifson	
Councillor McCrae	
Councillor Montague	
Councillor Roberts	

NO. 7032 TO AMEND ZONING BY-LAW NO. 6642 REGARDING DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS FOR MOBILE/MODULAR HOMES

Considered was a report from the Acting Senior Planner dated July 31, 2012 with respect to the above.

743 Fawcett-Isleifson
That By-law No. 7032 to amend Section 37(b)(5) of Zoning By-law 6642 to allow for a minimum 4.5m rear yard separation between mobile homes be read a first time. CARRIED.

GIVING OF NOTICE:

Nil

ADJOURN:

Berry-Chaboyer
That the meeting do now adjourn (11:09 p.m.) CARRIED.

MAYOR

CITY CLERK