

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY,
MARCH 17, 2014 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. LoRegio, Councillor S. Montague, Councillor G. Rice, Councillor C. Roberts

ABSENT: Nil

ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

Harwood-Blight
1488 That the Agenda for the Regular Meeting of City Council to be held on Monday, March 17, 2014 be adopted as presented. CARRIED.

PRESENTATIONS AND RECOGNITION OF GUESTS:

(A) **LAURIE BLOCK - WORLD POETRY DAY**

Laurie Block, an award winning Canadian poet and storyteller from Brandon, Manitoba, provided two poetry readings entitled: "Gathering Dust" and "Coming To My Senses" from his book *Time Out of Mind* in recognition of World Poetry Day to be held March 21, 2014.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES:

Roberts-Rice
1489 That the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of City Council held Monday, March 3, 2014 be taken as read, all statutory requirements having been fulfilled. CARRIED.

HEARING OF DELEGATIONS:

(A) **M. BONAR, BRANDON UNIVERSITY - HEALTHY LIVING CENTRE**

Maureen Bonar, Facility Manager of the Healthy Living Centre at Brandon University appeared before City Council to provide a report on the use of the Healthy Living Centre, the types of events hosted, and student and community use. Ms. Bonar noted that a Community Access Agreement between Brandon University and the City of Brandon was in place, which guaranteed a certain percentage of facility operational hours were available for public use. She advised that access to the facility calendar, information on membership prices, Campus Recreation and Bobcat Athletics could be found on the website at www.booking.ca/bkbupub/calendars/facilities/index.asp and that work continued on making the Healthy Living Centre a central hub of the community.

Harwood-Blight
1490 That the presentation Maureen Bonar, Facility Manager of Brandon University with respect to an update on the Healthy Living Centre be received. CARRIED.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

(A) **VARIANCE APPLICATION - 1637 - 8TH STREET (FEHR/ENNS)**

City Council sat to hear representation on the appeal of the Planning Commission's decision to approve the variance application of John Fehr and Darrell Enns for 1637 - 8th Street.

Darrell Enns, co-applicant, appeared in favor of the variance application, stating that the intent was to build two personal retirement homes for his family on the property. Mr. Enns addressed several of the concerns raised by area residents including lot size, proposed use of the property and snow removal in the back lane.

Todd and Gloria Misanchuk appeared in opposition to the variance application. Mr. Misanchuk stated his objection to the reduction in lot size which would increase density, and eliminate any green space. He noted that the lots did not fit in with the neighbourhood and there was nothing to stop the development from becoming revenue property. Mr. Misanchuk also expressed concerns with snow removal in the back lane.

Patrick Pulak, Director of Engineering and Water Services appeared to clarify the requirements of the development agreement in place for this property with respect to maintenance of the back lane, including snow removal. He also confirmed that conditions of development agreement would run with the property as the agreement would be registered against the title of the property.

Ryan Nickel, Acting Principal Planner advised that non-compliance of the requirements of a development agreement would be addressed with the current property owner. He stated that a notice of non-compliance would be issued and if not corrected, the City would do any work required and charge the costs of same against the taxes of property. Mr. Nickel indicated that consideration was given to the site line setback of 6.5m from the front property line, which was consistent with other properties in the area that ranged between 6-8 meters. He advised that the green space for the proposed development met the required 60% of the lot coverage.

No further written or verbal representation was put forward either in support of or in opposition to the application.

Roberts-Harwood

1491 That the Public Hearing for Variance Order V-27-13-B for 1637 - 8th Street be concluded. CARRIED.

Roberts-Harwood

1492 That Variance Application V-27-13-B to reduce the minimum required site width from 12.1m to 9.1m, and to reduce the minimum required site area from 372m² to 334m² at 1637 - 8th Street (Lot 2, Plan 26296 BLTO) in accordance with the intent of the application (A-1), the attached letter of intent (A-2) and the attached site plan (B-1) and elevation plans (B-3, B-4, B-5) be approved. CARRIED.

(B) 2014 FINANCIAL PLAN

City Council sat to hear representation on the City of Brandon's 2014 Financial Plan.

Dean Hammond, General Manager of Corporate Services appeared before City Council and provided a power point presentation which provided an overview of the 2014 Financial Plan. Items highlighted included a review of the proposed operating and capital expenditures, reserve appropriations, the City's overall debt position, and the impact of the proposed 2014 budget on residential taxes. Mr. Hammond noted that this evening's presentation and a copy of the financial plan were available for viewing on the City of Brandon's website.

No further written or verbal representation was put forward either in support of or in opposition to the application.

Fawcett-Roberts

1493 That the Public Hearing on the City of Brandon's 2014 Financial Plan be concluded. CARRIED.

COMMUNITY QUESTION PERIOD:

ELIMINATION OF DOOR-TO-DOOR MAIL DELIVERY SERVICE.

Dr. Lawrence Jones referred to the recent announcement by Canada Post with respect to door-to-door mail delivery and enquired if City Council was aware of or had any information regarding delivery to the physically disabled and senior citizens. Dr. Jones also questioned the statistical data provided by Canada Post, the actual financial standing of Canada Post and the expected impact on the City of Brandon and its citizens, inclusive of the loss of jobs and the placement of the proposed community mail boxes on city-owned property.

Her Worship the Mayor thanked Dr. Jones for his questions and agreed to take this matter under advisement.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

(A) PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

FEBRUARY 6, 2014

Councillor Rice declared a conflict of interest in this matter as he would soon be resigning his seat on City Council to become an employee of the City of Brandon and member of CUPE Local No. 69, and left the Council Chamber without any further discussion.

Mayor and Council
The City of Brandon

Your PERSONNEL COMMITTEE, at its meeting held this 6th day of February, 2014, begs leave to report as follows and submits recommendations where deemed necessary and expedient:

Present: Committee Members:

Mayor Shari Decter Hirst, Chair
Councillor Shawn Berry
Councillor. Jeff Harwood
Councillor Len Islietson

Resource Personnel:

Mr. Scott Hildebrand, City Manager
Mrs. Vicki Fifi, Director of Human Resources
Ms. Linda Poole, Deputy Director of Human Resources

Contract Settlement - Canadian Union of Public Employees, Local 69

The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the recent negotiations with the Canadian Union of Public Employees, Local 69.

Mayor Decter Hirst called the meeting to order.

Councillor Berry-Councillor Harwood

That the Committee resolve into closed session. Carried.

Ms. Poole presented a summary of the negotiations and advised that should the Personnel Committee authorize her to accept the Union's final offer this would be presented to the membership for its ratification vote on March 10, 2014 as per the Memorandum of Settlement. The Committee members requested clarity on some issues related to the proposed settlement.

Highlights of the negotiated settlement include:

- Salary increases:
 - 2.5% on January 1, 2014
 - 2.0% on January 1, 2015
 - 2.0% on January 1, 2016
- Increase safety boot allowance by \$20 for an annual total of \$110
- Establish language with regard to use of sick medical leave benefit
- Establish notice period required when resigning from a position
- Establish process for reducing trial period for job performance reviews
- Incorporate an additional pay level for the Information Technologists classification and process necessary changes in the relevant Best Practices Guideline
- General clean-up of clauses and renew pertinent letters of understanding
- Three year contract set to expire December 31, 2016

Councillor Harwood

That the Committee resolve into open session. Carried.

Councillor Berry-Councillor Isleifson

That the proposed settlement as presented be recommended to City Council as follows:

“That the City of Brandon enter into a three (3) year agreement with the Canadian Union of Public Employees Local No. 69 for the period January 1, 2014 to December 31, 2016 as per the Memorandum of Settlement whereby wages shall be increased 2.5% on January 1, 2014, 2.0% on January 1, 2015, and 2.0% on January 1, 2016.” Carried Unanimously.

Councillor Isleifson

That the meeting now adjourn. Carried.

Respectfully submitted

S. Decter Hirst
Chair

Isleifson-LoRegio

1495 That the report of the Personnel Committee dated February 6, 2014 be received. CARRIED.

Isleifson-Berry

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Following the above motions being voted on, Councillor Rice re-entered the Council Chamber.

(B) ASSINIBOINE HILLS CONSERVATION DISTRICT MARCH 14, 2014

Mr. Neil Zalluski, Manager of the Assiniboine Hills Conservation District provided City Council with a power point presentation on the work of the Assiniboine Conservation District and the projects undertaken since Brandon became a member of the District in 2012. Mr. Zalluski advised City Council that since Brando joined the organization, \$120,000 in funding had been provided to 7 projects to improve water quality along the Assiniboine River corridor including remediation work on the erosion of the banks of Willow Creek.

Colleen Cuvelier, Manager of the Little Saskatchewan River Conservation District shared information on dam building projects in the Arrow-Oak River Watershed and the Little Saskatchewan River Watershed to control water flow.

Dean Brooker, Manager of West Souris River Conservation District provided details on the construction of shale traps along the Assiniboine River to reduce the amount of sediment and shale in the river and improving the water quality.

Ryan Canart, District Manager of the Upper Assiniboine River Conservation District, concluded the presentation by highlighting projects to address water quality and flow by providing fencing and an on offsite watering system for livestock to keep them from damaging the river bank.

Isleifson-Fawcett

1494 That the report and presentation of the Assiniboine Hills Conservation District be received. CARRIED.

(C) POVERTY COMMITTEE

MARCH 11, 2014

Brandon, Manitoba
March 11, 2014

Mayor and Councillors
City of Brandon

Committee Members: Councillor Jan Chaboyer (Chairperson); Councillor Shawn Berry; Councillor Corey Roberts; Betty Peloquin; Katy Singleton; Kim Longstreet; Nathan Peto (on behalf of the City Manager); Alexis Sukaroff (Recording Secretary).

Your Poverty Committee has met and wishes to report as follows and submit recommendations where deemed necessary and expedient:

The City of Brandon Poverty Committee hosted the 2013 Poverty Forum entitled, People Ending Poverty, and invited the community and concerned groups to a “P.E.P Talk” on November 7, 2013 from 4-8pm in the foyer of City Hall. Fourteen organizations presented, including the Brandon Friendship Centre; Child and Family Services; Samaritan House; Helping Hands Soup Kitchen; Post-Secondary Student Associations; Brandon Neighbourhood Renewal Corporation; John Howard Society; Brandon Police Service; Mary’s House; 7th Street Access Centre; Brandon and District Labour Council; Westman Senior’s Co-op; Brandon Affordable Housing Corporation, and Brandon Community Builders. Interested members of the public as well as representatives from local and provincial government were in attendance.

Focus remained on two priorities for those facing poverty in Brandon and surrounding areas, being both affordable housing and food security. These concerns were not only echoed by the presenters, but were also listed in action plans based on the province’s All Aboard: Poverty Reduction and Social Inclusion Strategy consultations held in 2013.

Affordable Housing

Affordable housing is a broad term that can have several meanings. On average, less than 30% of total household income should be required for housing. At the base level, for individuals with little to no income and in some cases considered “homeless”, a lack of emergency shelters, particularly during extreme weather, is a primary concern. The rotating shelter locations system of 2012 proved problematic for being inaccessible and lacking schedule awareness, however we are pleased to note that immense progress has been made with the pilot “Safe and Warm Emergency Shelter” operating from the Helping Hands location downtown and serviced through Samaritan House.

Community sponsorships as well as partial funding through the City of Brandon has helped to put the shelter in effect during extreme weather temperatures already faced in January. The next step in more permanent solutions to housing issues remains the need for transitional housing. In some cases during transitions such as being released from incarceration or rehabilitation, or development displacement, there is a need for safe but temporary accommodations while seeking stable employment or more permanent housing options. Without reliable basic resources available, desperate measures can lead to circular patterns and being unable to move forward out of disadvantaged living standards. Lastly, it is unfortunate that even those with steady employment, or more stable resources in place, are often still in need of housing that is both affordable and safe.

In cases of those with families, or living on a fixed income such as a pension, adequate size and decent value can be near impossible on an average income based on minimum wage, yet they are often overqualified for provincial subsidies or assistance and have limited options.

Food Security

Food security exists “when all people at all times have access to sufficient, safe, nutritious food to maintain a healthy and active life.” (World Food Summit, 1996). Appropriate cultural and dietary preferences should also be considered. Helping Hands Soup Kitchen serves 145 meals daily, and the Samaritan House gives out approximately 1500 hampers per month. Sadly, neither the meals nor the hampers are considered healthy or nutritious and cannot always meet health needs such as diabetes. With storage and transport issues, more coordination and funding are required to work with local food growers and include perishable foods such as fruits and vegetables. The goal is to move towards making healthy foods available to all and create self-sufficiency so that all people are able and equipped to eat nutritious food at home.

In conclusion, the Poverty Committee feels that P.E.P. 2013 was an informative and worthwhile Forum where stakeholders had the opportunity to share their challenges and offer ideas for improvements in services. We hope the City of Brandon can provide leadership in addressing some of the critical issues facing those living in poverty.

Recommendations:

That the Report of the Poverty Committee dated March 11, 2014, be received.

That the Province of Manitoba be advised that the Council of the City of Brandon and its Poverty Committee strongly appeal for continued increases to the shelter allowance and more permanent emergency shelter for the homeless.

That Administration conduct a review and provide recommendations to City Council on the Building and/or Zoning By-laws requiring a component of affordable housing for those on low or modest income as part of new developments.

That when possible, city owned land be designated to allow for the development of affordable housing for those on low or modest income and that the Province of Manitoba be lobbied to do the same.

That the Brandon Food Charter attached to and forming part of the report of the Poverty Committee dated March 11, 2014 be endorsed, acted upon and executed on behalf of the City of Brandon whereby there shall be representation from the City of Brandon on all Food Councils or food assessment groups when established and such representation is requested.

That the Manitoba Food Charter attached to and forming part of the report of the Poverty Committee dated March 11, 2014 be endorsed by the Council of the City of Brandon.

Respectfully submitted,

Councillor Jan Chaboyer,
Chairperson, Poverty Committee

Chaboyer-Berry

1497 That the Report of the Poverty Committee dated March 11, 2014, be received. CARRIED.

Berry-Chaboyer

1498 That the Province of Manitoba be advised that the Council of the City of Brandon and its Poverty Committee strongly appeal for continued increases to the shelter allowance and more permanent emergency shelter for the homeless. CARRIED.

Berry-Chaboyer

1499 That Administration conduct a review and provide recommendations to City Council on the Building and/or Zoning By-laws requiring a component of affordable housing for those on low or modest income as part of new developments. CARRIED AS AMENDED.

AMENDMENT

Berry-Chaboyer

1500 That the above motion be amended by deleting the word: "requiring" and substituting therefor the words: "that may require". CARRIED.

Berry-Roberts

1501 That when possible, city owned land be designated to allow for the development of affordable housing for those on low or modest income and that the Province of Manitoba be lobbied to do the same. CARRIED.

Chaboyer-Berry

1502 That the Brandon Food Charter attached to and forming part of the report of the Poverty Committee dated March 11, 2014 be endorsed, acted upon and executed on behalf of the City of Brandon whereby there shall be representation from the City of Brandon on all Food Councils or food assessment groups when established and such representation is requested. CARRIED.

Chaboyer-Berry

1503 That the Manitoba Food Charter attached to and forming part of the report of the Poverty Committee dated March 11, 2014 be endorsed by the Council of the City of Brandon. CARRIED.

Councillor Loregio abstained from voting on the above motion as he had concerns with portions of the Food Charter.

ENQUIRIES:

(534) HOURS FOR SPRAY PARKS DURING THE UPCOMING SUMMER

Councillor Berry noted that the spray parks had been open from 10:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. in the summer of 2013 and enquired if they were expected to maintain those same hours for the upcoming summer.

At the request of Her Worship the Mayor, the City Manager responded that an agreement with the YMCA for the operation of the spray parks, paddle pools and outdoor pools was expected to be reached in the near future, with the hours expected to remain the same as in 2013. He noted that in the event an agreement could not be reached with the YMCA, alternative solutions for the operation of these facilities would be sought.

(535) RECONSTRUCTION OF VICTORIA AVENUE FROM 1ST STREET TO 18TH STREET

Councillor Harwood referred to a recent newspaper article which had indicated that the City of Brandon would be partnering with the Province of Manitoba for the repairs to Victoria Avenue between 1st and 18th Streets and requested an update on same.

At the request of Her Worship the Mayor, the City Manager responded that while the resurfacing of Victoria Avenue was the sole responsibility of the Province of Manitoba, any underground work such as repairs to watermains would be completed by the City of Brandon while the road was torn up.

(536) INSTALLATION OF STREET LIGHTS ALONG 8TH STREET NORTH

Councillor Roberts noted that the decorative lighting along the walkway on 8th Street North had been turned off due to flooding and requested an update on the status of the installation of street lights in the area.

At the request of Her Worship the Mayor, the City Manager responded that street lights had been installed by Manitoba Hydro along 8th Street between Stickney Avenue and Parker Boulevard with same expected to be operational in the near future. He added that the cost of installing street lights along Parker Boulevard from 8th Street North to 14th Street North was also being researched with more information to be made available on that issue in May 2014.

(537) UPDATE ON 8TH STREET BRIDGE CONSTRUCTION

Councillor Roberts requested an update on the status of the repairs to the 8th Street Bridge.

At the request of Her Worship the Mayor, the City Manager responded that a further review of the structural assessment of the bridge had caused the need for revisions to the original plan and resulted in a several week delay, however, the tender had now been issued and work was expected to commence in mid-April.

(538) STATUS OF 701 ROSSER AVENUE

Councillor Roberts requested an update on the status of the property located at 701 Rosser Avenue.

At the request of Her Worship the Mayor, the City Manager responded that the owner of the property had applied for a building permit for interior and exterior renovations for restaurant use and the permit would be issued upon receipt of the engineer's drawings by the Planning and Building Safety Department. He confirmed that the owner was issued a demolition permit for work completed to date.

(539) FINES FOR VEHICLES SPLASHING PEDESTRIANS

Councillor LoRegio enquired if motorists who drove through puddles and splashed pedestrians could be fined.

At the request of Her Worship the Mayor, the City Manager responded that this issue was not addressed in current City of Brandon By-laws or the Provincial Highway Traffic Act, therefore, there were no legal ramifications for this act at this time.

(540) SPRING DRAINAGE PREPARATIONS

Councillor Chaboyer requested an update on the preparations for the spring thaw, inclusive of the clearing of drains and catch basins, information for residents on preparing for overland flooding and the availability of sandbags.

At the request of Her Worship the Mayor, the General Manager of Operational Services responded that staff from the Streets and Roads Section had moved from snow hauling to clearing rutted streets and removing snow from intersections where catch basins may be covered. He advised that the sand-bagging machine would be mobilized this week with a small inventory to be maintained in preparation for spring run-off. The General Manager invited residents in need of sandbags to stop by the Public Works Complex at 900 Richmond Avenue East where they would be provided with 25 empty bags to be filled from the sand pile at the back of the Complex.

He advised that pothole repairs were underway and encouraged residents to call the Pothole Hotline at (204) 729-2200 to report any problem areas and confirmed that this line was monitored throughout the day with crews dispatched accordingly.

The General Manager stated that staff were thawing catch basins, culverts and drainage ditches with culverts being excavated as necessary. He noted that watermain breaks were being repaired and crews were also dealing with frozen water lines in some areas of the City of Brandon. The General Manager advised that flood preparations were also underway with crews expected to start sand bagging catch basins and manholes in the vicinity of the Assiniboine River in the near future.

He encouraged residents concerned about overland flooding to check their property and remove any snow build-up from around the foundation of their homes and ensure that eaves troughs were clear of any ice or debris and connected to the downspouts.

Mr. Sage advised that, with the current backlog, repairs to frozen water lines were expected to take up to 48 hours, however, temporary water service was being provided to most residents in the interim. He encouraged residents with any issues regarding frozen water services to contact the Meter Shop at (204) 729-2192 during the day or after hours at (204) 729-2285, noting that staff would be called in after hours in the case of an emergency.

(541) POTHOLES ON 1ST AND 18TH STREET BRIDGES

Councillor Chaboyer enquired if repairs to the numerous potholes on the 1st Street and 18th Street Bridges could be undertaken as soon as possible.

At the request of Her Worship the Mayor, the City Manager responded that repairs and maintenance of certain roadways within the City of Brandon, including both 1st and 18th Streets, were the responsibility of the Province of Manitoba, and therefore were not included in the city's pothole patching program. He advised that Provincial staff regularly monitored and repaired all provincially maintained roads within the City of Brandon and encouraged residents to report any issues to the Province at 1-866-626-4862.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

RESIGNATION OF COUNCILLOR RICE

Councillor Rice announced his resignation from Brandon City Council effective March 31, 2014. He stated that he was honoured to have represented the South Centre Ward residents and the citizens of Brandon for the past twelve years and thanked all members of City Council, past and present, for their ongoing support over the years.

Her Worship the Mayor, on behalf of the residents of Brandon, thanked Councillor Rice for his service and commitment to the community. She also thanked him for his leadership and guidance during her time of transition into her new role as Mayor.

At the request of Her Worship the Mayor, the City Clerk advised that, upon receipt of a resignation, the City Manager was required to formally advise City Council at which time a decision would be made on whether a by-election would be called. He confirmed that this issue would be discussed at the April 7, 2014 meeting of City Council.

SENIOR B FEMALE PROVINCIAL HOCKEY TOURNAMENT

Councillor Isleifson announced that he had been pleased to represent City Council at the 2014 Hockey Manitoba Senior B Female Provincial Championships hosted by the Assiniboine Community College (ACC) Cougars where he had participated in the opening ceremonies and dropped the puck. He presented Her Worship the Mayor with the ceremonial puck and congratulated the ACC Cougars on their having won the tournament.

ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE - LOW-FLOW TOILET CREDIT PROGRAM

On behalf of the Environment Committee, Councillor Isleifson announced the start of the City of Brandon's 2014 Low-Flow Toilet Credit Program on April 1, 2014. He advised that the 2013 program had been very successful and encouraged residents to switch out their high-flow toilets for low-flow toilets during the campaign to receive a rebate. He advised that further information was available on the city's website at www.brandon.ca.

FIREFIGHTERS' ROOFTOP CAMPOUT FOR MUSCULAR DYSTROPHY

Councillor Berry congratulated the four ladies who participated in the 2014 Brandon Firefighters' Rooftop Campout for Muscular Dystrophy held March 12 to 15, 2014. He thanked them for their dedication to this cause as they camped out on the roof of Fire Hall No. 2 for three nights and raised over \$23,000 in total.

CONGRATULATIONS TO COUNCILLOR RICE

Councillor LoRegio congratulated Councillor Rice on his new position with the City of Brandon and wished him the best of luck.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

(A) KEYSTONE CENTRE LONG-TERM CAPITAL FUNDING REQUEST

City Council considered a report from the City Clerk dated March 5, 2014 with respect to the above.

LoRegio-Montague

1504 That the request by the Keystone Centre for additional capital funding by the City of Brandon in the amount of \$1 million annually for the period 2014 to 2018 inclusive be denied. CARRIED.

Councillor Roberts retired from the meeting and left the Council Chamber at 10:30 p.m.

(B) ELIMINATION OF DOOR-TO-DOOR MAIL DELIVERY SERVICE BY CANADA POST

Submitted for consideration was a report from Mayor Decter Hirst dated March 4, 2014 with respect to the above and in accordance with her notice of motion given at the regular meeting of City Council held March 3, 2014.

Decter Hirst-Rice

1505 WHEREAS Canada Post announced on December 11th, 2013 that it plans to convert door-to-door delivery to community mailbox (CMB) delivery; and

WHEREAS going to CMB delivery would be especially hard on seniors and people with disabilities and could undermine their ability to live independently;

AND WHEREAS this proposed change would entail the downloading of responsibilities, costs, and liabilities to local governments, including requirements for municipal land and rights-of-way, infrastructure such as paving and lighting, snow removal, and policing related to vandalism, graffiti, and mail theft;

AND WHEREAS this fundamental change to Canada's postal system is unprecedented in other G7 countries, and has been announced in the absence of any meaningful consultation with local governments, Canada Post customers, or employees;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Brandon send a letter to the Minister responsible for Canada Post, The Honourable Lisa Raitt that informs the Minister that the City of Brandon wants to maintain the current system of residential door-to-door delivery, and requests that the government consult with Canadians about what kind of postal service they need. CARRIED.

Councillor Montague abstained from voting on the above motion as he supported the request for consultation but not maintenance of the current system of delivery.

AMENDMENT

Montague-Harwood

1506 That the above motion be amended by deleting the words: "wants to maintain the current system of door-to-door deliver, and" in last paragraph. LOST.

(C) 2014 CITIZEN APPOINTMENTS TO THE PLANNING COMMISSION

Considered was a report from the Deputy City Clerk dated February 21, 2014 with respect to the above.

Harwood-Fawcett

1507 That Calvin Coey and Andrew Sieklicki be hereby appointed to the Planning Commission with terms of office to commence April 1, 2014 and expire March 31, 2017. CARRIED.

(D) APPOINTMENTS OF CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS TO ACCOMMODATION TAX REVIEW COMMITTEE

City Council considered a report from the City Clerk dated March 7, 2014 with respect to the above.

Rice-Isleifson

1508 That Councillor Shawn Berry, Councillor Jeff Fawcett, Councillor Jeff Harwood and Councillor Stephen Montague be appointed to the committee established to undertake a review of capital funding from the accommodation tax. CARRIED.

(E) REIMBURSEMENT OF DEVELOPMENT COSTS FOR SYCAMORE DRIVE

Submitted was a report from the General Manager of Development Services dated February 24, 2014 with respect to the above.

Montague-LoRegio

1509 That the City of Brandon pay to VBJ Developments \$219,176.80 as reimbursement of the expense for the construction of watermain, land drainage, hydro and communication utilities for Sycamore Drive with said funds to be transferred from the Capital Development Reserve to the Engineering operating account. CARRIED.

BY-LAWS:

NO. 7070 TO AMEND ZONING BY-LAW NO. 6642 RE: PUBLIC OUTREACH REGULATIONS

Considered was a report from the City Clerk dated March 4, 2014 with respect to the above.

Chaboyer-Berry

1510 That Motion No. 1485 adopted by City Council at its meeting held March 3, 2014 with respect to By-law No. 7070 - Public Outreach Regulations be amended by deleting the date: "March 17, 2014" and substituting therefor, the date: "April 7, 2014". CARRIED.

NO. 7080 TO ADOPT THE SOUTHWEST BRANDON SECONDARY PLAN

It was noted that this by-law had received first reading at the December 16, 2013 meeting of City Council.

Berry-LoRegio

1511 That By-law No. 7080 to adopt the Southwest Brandon Secondary Plan be amended by deleting Schedule "A" thereto and substituting therefor Schedule "A" attached to the report of the Community Planner dated February 12, 2014. CARRIED.

Berry-LoRegio

1512 That the by-law, as amended, be read a second time. CARRIED.

Berry-LoRegio

1513 That third reading of the by-law be held in abeyance pending the objectors to the by-law being given notice of their right to file a further objection. CARRIED.

NO. 7087 TO NAME MATHESON AVENUE AND MARSHALL LANE LOCATED NORTH OF MIDDLETON AVENUE

It was noted that this by-law had received first reading at the February 18, 2014 meeting of City Council.

Fawcett-Isleifson

1514 That the by-law be That By-law No. 7087 to name the new east/west road located north of Middleton Avenue from PTH No. 10 to Deer Ridge Road as "Matheson Avenue" and the north/south road between 925 and 1025 Middleton Avenue as "Marshall Lane" in the SW 1/4 1-11-19 WPM be read a second time. CARRIED.

Fawcett-Isleifson

1515 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. 7087 third reading.

FOR

Her Worship Mayor Decter Hirst
Councillor Berry
Councillor Blight
Councillor Chaboyer
Councillor Fawcett
Councillor Harwood
Councillor Isleifson
Councillor LoRegio
Councillor Montague
Councillor Rice

AGAINST

Nil

NO. 7089 TO REZONE 947 - 1ST STREET FROM RSF RESIDENTIAL SINGLE FAMILY ZONE TO RLD RESIDENTIAL LOW DENSITY MULTIPLE FAMILY ZONE

City Council considered a report from the Planning and Building Safety Department dated February 21, 2014 with respect to the above.

Chaboyer-Harwood

1516 That By-law No. 7089 to rezone 947 - 1st Street (Sly 4', Lot 12, Block 33, Plan 9 BLTO and Lots 13/15, Block 33, Plan 9 BLTO) from RSF Residential Single Family Zone to RLD Residential Low Density Multiple Family Zone be read a first time. CARRIED.

NO. 7090 TO REZONE 1660 - 34TH STREET (PHASE VII) FROM DR DEVELOPMENT RESERVE ZONE TO RSF RESIDENTIAL SINGLE FAMILY ZONE, PR PARKS & RECREATION ZONE, AND OS OPEN SPACE ZONE

Submitted was a report from the Planning and Building Safety Department dated February 26, 2014 with respect to the above.

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1517 That By-law No. 7090 to rezone 1660 - 34th Street (Pt. NE ¼ 9-10-19 WPM) from DR Development Reserve Zone to RSF Residential Single Family Zone, PR Parks and Recreation Zone and OS Open Space Zone be read a first time. CARRIED.

GIVING OF NOTICE:

Nil

ADJOURN:

Rice-Chaboyer

That the meeting do now adjourn (11:25 p.m.) CARRIED.

MAYOR

CITY CLERK