

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY,
FEBRUARY 2, 2015 AT 7:00 PM IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, CIVIC
ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, BRANDON, MANITOBA**

PRESENT: Mayor Rick Chrest, Councillor Shawn Berry, Councillor Ron W. Brown, Councillor Barry Cullen, Councillor Jeff Fawcett, Councillor Vanessa Hamilton, Councillor Jeff Harwood, Councillor John LoRegio, Councillor Lonnie Patterson

ABSENT: Councillor Jan Chaboyer, Councillor Kris Desjarlais

ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

Harwood-Hamilton
125 That the Agenda for the Regular Meeting of City Council to be held on Monday, February 2, 2015 be adopted as presented. CARRIED.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES:

Patterson-Berry
126 That the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of City Council held on Monday, January 19, 2015 be taken as read and so adopted, all statutory requirements having been fulfilled. CARRIED.

HEARING OF DELEGATIONS:

(A) KERRA MRUSS, MMM GROUP - TRAFFIC SIGNAL COORDINATION STUDY

Ms. Kerra Mruss of MMM Group provided a power point presentation to City Council with respect to the Traffic Signal Coordination Study recently conducted by MMM Group. Ms. Mruss advised that the study had been commissioned by Manitoba Infrastructure and Transportation and the City of Brandon whereby the entire traffic signal network within the City had been reviewed. She reported that efforts were made to make the current system as efficient as possible with consideration given to existing conditions and numerous signal timing factors. Ms. Mruss noted that recommendations had been made to improve traffic flow in some intersections and that the final report would be available on the City of Brandon website at the end of March 2015.

Harwood-LoRegio
127 That the presentation by Kerra Mruss, on behalf of MMM Group with respect to the Traffic Signal Coordination Study in the City of Brandon be received. CARRIED.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

Nil

COMMUNITY QUESTION PERIOD:

Nil

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

(A) KEYSTONE CENTRE BOARD

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Councillor Patterson provided a verbal report from the Keystone Centre Board. She advised that the Board was working on finalizing its strategic plan, roof repairs were ongoing, and the 2015 Safeway Manitoba Curling Championships would be held later this week.

Berry-Fawcett

128 That the report of the Keystone Centre Board be received. CARRIED.

ENQUIRIES:

(28) UPDATE ON THE SALE OF 2105 BRANDON AVENUE

Councillor LoRegio requested an update on the status of the sale of city-owned property at 2105 Brandon Avenue.

At the request of His Worship the Mayor, the City Manager responded that the public reserve closure process and the environmental assessment of the property were completed and the Request for Proposals was to be issued upon receipt of the necessary approvals from the Province of Manitoba in Spring 2015. He confirmed that the process was underway for the sale of the 60' strip of land to the adjacent property owners with the first reading of the by-law regarding same to be presented at the February 17, 2015 City Council meeting.

(29) STREET LIGHTS AT 18TH STREET AND VICTORIA AVENUE

Councillor Harwood noted that the street light outage at the intersection of 18th Street and Victoria Avenue continued to be a safety hazard for both pedestrians and motorists and enquired when repairs were expected to take place.

At the request of His Worship the Mayor, the City Manager responded that he had contacted Manitoba Hydro and agreed to advise City Council as soon as a response was received.

(30) AIRPORT TERMINAL UPGRADES

Councillor Harwood requested an update on the redevelopment of the Brandon Municipal Airport.

At the request of His Worship the Mayor, the City Manager responded that the final design was expected to be completed in the near future with the tender to be issued in early summer. He advised that the project was expected to be completed by late 2016.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

JOINT WARD MEETING - VICTORIA, UNIVERSITY, MEADOWS-WAVERLY AND LINDEN LANES WARDS

Councillor LoRegio announced that a joint Victoria, University, Meadows-Waverly and Linden Lanes Ward Meeting would take place on Wednesday, February 4, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. at Westridge Community Centre. He advised that items to be discussed would include the 2015 Budget, infrastructure projects, and any other city or ward issues.

CONGRATULATIONS TO BRUCE LUBKE AND BARBARA EHNES

Councillor Fawcett congratulated Bruce Luebke on being named to the Media Honor Roll of the Manitoba Sportswriters and Sportscasters Association at the recent annual awards banquet.

Councillor Fawcett also congratulated Barbara Ehnes who was presented with a Lifetime Achievement Award at the Distinction Awards for Excellence in Dance at the recent gala hosted by Dance Manitoba. He noted that the award honoured individuals who had dedicated their life to dance in Manitoba.

LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR'S WINTER FESTIVAL

Councillor LoRegio thanked the volunteers who had worked tirelessly to make the Lieutenant Governor's Winter Festival held January 29-31, 2015 a huge success.

His Worship Mayor Chrest reiterated Councillor LoRegio's accolades and advised that he had spent time at each pavilion and enjoyed all of the entertainment. His Worship also thanked the volunteer committee for their hard work in organizing the event.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

(A) 2014 ENVIRONMENTAL INITIATIVES UPDATE

City Council considered a report from the Environmental Initiatives Section dated January 19, 2015 with respect to the above.

Harwood-Patterson

That the report of the Environmental Initiatives Section dated January 19, 2015, providing an update on environmental initiatives being addressed in Brandon be received as information. CARRIED.

(B) SALE OF 47 KIRKHAM CRESCENT (BLOCK 55, PLAN 12 BLTO) LOCATED SOUTH OF ROSS AVENUE BETWEEN KIRKHAM CRESCENT AND 4TH STREET

Submitted for consideration was a report from Property Administration dated January 23, 2015 with respect to the above.

Fawcett-Cullen

- 130 That an approximate 955 square foot portion of 47 Kirkham Crescent (Block 55, Plan 12, BLTO) be disposed of to the adjacent property owner of 45 Kirkham Crescent (Lots 38/40, Block 55, Plan 12 BLTO) for the sum of \$2,721.75 plus G.S.T; and an approximate 845 square feet portion of 47 Kirkham Crescent (Block 55, Plan 12 BLTO) be disposed of to the property owner of 432 Ross Avenue (Lots 1/2, Block 55 Plan 12) for the sum of \$2,408.25 plus G.S.T. whereby all applicable application costs shall be cost shared between the Purchasers. CARRIED.

(C) CREATION OF ACCOMMODATION TAX REVIEW AD HOC COMMITTEE

Considered was a report from Councillor Lonnie Patterson dated January 27, 2015 with respect to the above and in accordance with her notice of motion given at regular meeting of City Council held January 19, 2015.

Patterson-Fawcett

- 131 That an Ad Hoc Committee be established comprised of three Councillors and His Worship the Mayor to review Accommodation Tax By-law No. 7014 and implementation whereby the Committee shall present its findings and recommendations at the June 15, 2015 meeting of City Council with potential changes to the by-law to be prepared for first reading at the Council meeting to be held July 20, 2015. CARRIED.

Cullen-Brown

- 132 That Councillors Fawcett, Patterson and Cullen and Mayor Chrest be appointed to the Accommodation Tax Review Committee. CARRIED.

BY-LAWS:

- NO. 7108 TO OPEN 18 – 19TH STREET NORTH (LOT 46, BLOCK 7, PLAN 15 BLTO) AS A PUBLIC LANE
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It was noted that the by-law was read a first time at the January 19, 2015 meeting of City Council.

Harwood-Patterson

- 133 That By-law No. 7108 to open 18 - 19th Street North (Block 7, Plan 15 BLTO) as a public lane be read a second time. CARRIED.

Harwood-Patterson

- 134 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. 7108 third reading.

FOR

Mayor Rick Chrest
Councillor Shawn Berry
Councillor Ron W. Brown
Councillor Barry Cullen
Councillor Jeff Fawcett
Councillor Vanessa Hamilton
Councillor Jeff Harwood
Councillor John LoRegio
Councillor Lonnie Patterson

AGAINST

Nil

NO. 7111

TO OPEN A PUBLIC LANE BETWEEN RUSSELL AND FREDERICK STREET, SOUTH OF
ROSSER AVENUE EAST (SLY 4' OF LOTS 22/25, BLOCK 26, PLAN 4 BLTO)

City Council considered a report from Property Administration dated January 15, 2015 with respect to the above.

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Hamilton-LoRegio

That By-law No. 7111 to open a public lane over the Southerly 4' of Lots 22/25, Block 26, Plan 4 BLTO between Russell and Frederick Street, south of Rosser Avenue East be read a first time.
CARRIED.

GIVING OF NOTICE:

(A) ESTABLISH AD-HOC COMMITTEE TO ADDRESS CIVIC ENGAGEMENT

In accordance with Rule 60 of City Council Procedure By-law No. 6634, Councillor Patterson gave notice of her intent to introduce at the February 17, 2015 meeting of City Council a motion to establish an ad-hoc committee to address civic engagement.

ADJOURN:

Cullen-Patterson

That the meeting do now adjourn. (8:05 p.m.) CARRIED.

MAYOR

CITY CLERK