

PUBLIC MINUTES

STANDING POLICY COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

Monday, May 8, 2017, 2:00 p.m. Council Chamber, City Hall

- PRESENT: Councillor R. Donauer, Chair Councillor C. Block Councillor S. Gersher Councillor A. Iwanchuk His Worship Mayor C. Clark (Ex-Officio), at 2:14 p.m.
- ABSENT: Councillor Z. Jeffries, Vice-Chair
- ALSO PRESENT: General Manager Transportation and Utilities J. Jorgenson Solicitor J. Manastyrski Deputy City Clerk S. Bryant Committee Assistant J. Fast

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Chair called the meeting to order.

2. CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA

Moved By: Councillor Iwanchuk

- 1. That the letter from Kevin Tobin, Item 6.1.1, be moved to Matters Requiring Direction and renumbered as Item 6.2.3;
- 2. That the letter from Todd Brandt, President & CEO, Tourism Saskatoon, dated May 4, 2017 requesting to speak be added to Item 6.2.3;
- 3. That the letter from Wes Cameron, dated May 7, 2017 requesting to speak be added to Item 7.1.3;
- 4. That the letters from the following requesting to speak be added to Item 7.1.4:a. Carlo Triolo, dated May 5, 2017
 - b. Saskatchewan TaxiCab Association, dated May 5, 2017
 - c. Wes Cameron, dated May 7, 2017
- 5. That the letters from the following requesting to speak be added to Item 7.1.5:
 - a. Saskatchewan TaxiCab Association, dated May 5, 2017;
 - b. Wes Cameron, dated May 7, 2017;
- 6. That the letter from Randy Pshebylo, Riversdale Business Improvement District, dated May 5, 2017 requesting to speak be added to Item 7.2.3; and
- 7. That the agenda be confirmed as amended.

In Favour: Councillor Donauer, Councillor Block, Councillor Gersher and Councillor Iwanchuk

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3. DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

3.1 Councillor Gersher - Transportation Network Companies - Update [File No. CK. 7000-1]

Councillor Gersher declared a conflict of interest on the above item due to her family's involvement in the taxi industry.

3.2 Councillor Gersher - Transportation Network Companies: Taxi and Limousine Stakeholder Engagement [Files CK 7000-1, x307-1 and AF 7000-003]

Councillor Gersher declared a conflict of interest on the above item due to her family's involvement in the taxi industry.

3.3 Councillor Gersher - Issues Regarding the Taxi Industry [Files CK 307-1 and AF 307-1]

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4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Moved By: Councillor Iwanchuk

That the minutes of regular meeting of the Standing Policy Committee on Transportation held on April 4, 2017 be adopted.

In Favour: Councillor Donauer, Councillor Block, Councillor Gersher and Councillor Iwanchuk

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- 6. COMMUNICATIONS (requiring the direction of the Committee)
 - 6.1 Delegated Authority Matters
 - 6.2 Matters Requiring Direction

6.2.1 2016 Annual Report - Traffic Safety Committee [File No. CK 430-59]

Moved By: Councillor Gersher

That the 2016 Annual Report of the Traffic Safety Committee be received as information and forwarded to City Council for information.

In Favour: Councillor Donauer, Councillor Block, Councillor Gersher and Councillor Iwanchuk

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

6.2.2 2018 Proposed Budget - Traffic Safety Committee [File No. CK 1704-5]

The following budget proposal from the Traffic Safety Committee was provided:

• \$6,500 (same as 2017 budget) for traffic safety education/awareness initiatives.

Moved By: Councillor Gersher

That the proposed budget of the Traffic Safety Committee be included in the 2018 Business Plan and Budget for consideration.

In Favour: Councillor Donauer, Councillor Block, Councillor Gersher and Councillor Iwanchuk

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

6.2.3 Kevin Tobin - Request to Waive Fees for Parking Meter Hooding - Saskatchewan Jazz Festival [Files CK 6120-3 and x205-1]

A communication from Kevin Tobin, Artistic Director, Saskatchewan Jazz Festival and Brent Penner, Executive Director, Downtown Saskatoon, dated April 27, 2017 was provided.

A request to speak was added to this item from Todd Brandt, President & CEO, Tourism Saskatoon.

> Mr. Todd Brandt spoke regarding the challenges faced by volunteers when planning for events and stated the application of parking meter fees is a deficit for events. Mr. Brandt referenced a study commissioned by Tourism Saskatoon which identifies the need for a new innovative approach as to how to support development and delivery of events in downtown Saskatoon. Mr. Brandt was requested to provide a copy of the report to the City Clerk's Office.

Mayor Clark entered the meeting at 2:14 p.m., during discussion of the matter.

The Committee expressed interest in recommending waiving the fees in this instance, however, would want to see a report from Administration on the impact.

Moved By: Councillor Iwanchuk

That the information be received and forwarded to the Administration for a report to the May 23, 2017 Regular Business meeting of City Council on the implications of hooding the meters as outlined in the communication.

In Favour: Councillor Donauer, Councillor Block, Councillor Gersher, Councillor Iwanchuk and Mayor Clark

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

6.3 Requests to Speak (new matters)

7. REPORTS FROM ADMINISTRATION

7.1 Delegated Authority Matters

7.1.1 Request for Encroachment Agreement - 127 116th Street West [Files CK 4090-2 and PL 4090-2]

Moved By: Councillor Iwanchuk

- 1. That the existing encroachment at 127 116th Street West (Lot K, Block 2, Plan No. 76S2102-1) be recognized;
- 2. That the City Solicitor be requested to prepare the appropriate encroachment agreement, making provision to collect the applicable fees; and

- 3. That His Worship the Mayor and the City Clerk be authorized to execute the agreement under the Corporate Seal and in a form that is satisfactory to the City Solicitor.
- In Favour: Councillor Donauer, Councillor Block, Councillor Gersher, Councillor Iwanchuk and Mayor Clark

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7.1.2 2012 to 2016 Provision of Civic Services Program Update [Files CK 1871-9, x205-0 and TS 205-1]

Moved By: Councillor Iwanchuk

That the report of the General Manager, Transportation & Utilities Department dated May 8, 2017, be received as information and forwarded to City Council for information.

In Favour: Councillor Donauer, Councillor Block, Councillor Gersher, Councillor Iwanchuk and Mayor Clark

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Moved By: Mayor Clark

That Tourism Saskatoon, the Business Improvement Districts, as well as other community stakeholders, be engaged as part of the process with regard to future reporting.

In Favour: Councillor Donauer, Councillor Block, Councillor Gersher, Councillor Iwanchuk and Mayor Clark

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7.1.3 Moving Around - Saskatoon's Transportation Strategy [Files CK 6330-1 and TS 6330-1]

A request to speak was added to this item from Wes Cameron.

Mr. Wes Cameron provided a powerpoint presentation and stated the future is determined by decisions made today and noted the City is in a unique position in choosing which transportation models to promote.

> Councillor Gersher excused herself during the presentation due to a possible conflict of interest regarding Transportation Network Companies.

Moved By: Councillor Iwanchuk

That the report of the General Manager, Transportation & Utilities Department dated May 8, 2017, be received as information.

(Councillor Gersher was not present for the vote.)

In Favour: Councillor Donauer, Councillor Block, Councillor Iwanchuk and Mayor Clark

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7.1.4 Transportation Network Companies - Update [File No. CK 7000-1]

Councillor Gersher declared a conflict of interest on the above item due to her family's involvement in the taxi industry.

The following requests to speak were added to this item from:

- Carlo Triolo
- Saskatchewan TaxiCab Association
- Wes Cameron

It was noted that Wes Cameron and Carlo Triolo no longer wished to speak to this item.

Ms. Shondra Boire, Saskatchewan TaxiCab Association requested the City of Saskatoon to allow current taxi brokerages to begin offering flex service to better serve the public at peak times.

Moved By: Councillor Iwanchuk

That the report of the City Solicitor dated May 8, 2017 be received as information.

In Favour: Councillor Donauer, Councillor Block, Councillor Iwanchuk and Mayor Clark

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7.1.5 Transportation Network Companies: Taxi and Limousine Stakeholder Engagement [Files CK 7000-1, x307-1 and AF 7000-003]

Councillor Gersher declared a conflict of interest on the above item due to her family's involvement in the taxi industry.

The following requests to speak were added to this item from:

- Saskatchewan TaxiCab Association
- Wes Cameron

It was noted that the Saskatchewan TaxiCab Association did not wish to address the Committee at this time.

Mr. Wes Cameron spoke regarding research that exists regarding transportation network companies and the effect they may have of reducing "driving under the influence" occurrences and noted this has not been fully researched.

Moved By: Mayor Clark

That the report of the CFO/General Manager, Asset and Financial Management Department dated May 8, 2017, be received as information.

In Favour: Councillor Donauer, Councillor Block, Councillor Iwanchuk and Mayor Clark

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Moved By: Mayor Clark

That the Administration create a stakeholder group that includes, drivers, companies and appropriate stakeholders, in order to prepare for a report on further regulations regarding transportation network companies.

In Favour: Councillor Donauer, Councillor Block, Councillor Iwanchuk and Mayor Clark

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7.2 Matters Requiring Direction

7.2.1 Issues Regarding the Taxi Industry [Files CK 307-1 and AF 307-1]

Councillor Gersher declared a conflict of interest on the above item due to her family's involvement in the taxi industry.

Discussion followed regarding recommending whether the passenger cleaning fee be a flexible amount to a maximum of \$100 or a fixed amount, with consensus for it being a fixed amount.

Moved By: Councillor Iwanchuk

That the Standing Policy Committee on Transportation recommend to City Council:

- 1. That the report of the CFO/General Manager, Asset and Financial Management Department, dated May 8, 2017, be received as information;
- 2. That Bylaw No. 9070, The Taxi Bylaw, 2014, be amended to include a passenger cleaning fee of \$100; and
- 3. That the City Solicitor be requested to amend Bylaw No. 9070, The Taxi Bylaw, 2014.
- In Favour: Councillor Donauer, Councillor Block, Councillor Iwanchuk and Mayor Clark

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The Committee recessed at 3:57 pm and reconvened at 4:07 pm. Mayor Clark was not present.

7.2.2 Traffic Safety Reserve Program - 2017 Budget Adjustment [Files CK 6150-3, x1815-1 and TS 1815-1]

Mayor Clark re-entered the meeting at 4:10 pm.

Moved By: Councillor Block

That the Standing Policy Committee on Transportation recommend to City Council:

 That the amount of \$100,000 be approved for Capital Project #2446 – Pedestrian Crossing Improvements from the Traffic Safety Reserve;

- 2. That the amount of \$70,000 be approved for specific enforcement activities from the Traffic Safety Reserve;
- That the amount of \$30,000 be approved for Capital Project #1512 – Neighbourhood Traffic Reviews from the Traffic Safety Reserve;
- That the amount of \$40,000 be approved for Capital Project #2446 –Pedestrian Crossing Improvements from the Traffic Safety Reserve;
- That the amount of \$45,000 be approved for Capital Project #1512 – Neighbourhood Traffic Reviews from the Traffic Safety Reserve; and
- 6. That the City Solicitor be directed to amend Bylaw No. 6774, The Capital Reserve Bylaw as outlined in this report.
- In Favour: Councillor Donauer, Councillor Block, Councillor Gersher, Councillor Iwanchuk and Mayor Clark

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7.2.3 Rail Relocation versus Grade Separation Feasibility Study -Award of Contract [Files CK 6170-1 and TS 6170-1]

A request to speak was added to this item from Randy Pshebylo, Riversdale Business Improvement District.

Mr. Randy Pshebylo, on behalf of the Combined Business Group, spoke in support of the awarding of the contract for the rail relocation versus grade separation feasibility study. Mr. Pshebylo also spoke on behalf of the Riversdale Business Improvement District, and noted concerns on behalf of property and business owners with regard to the future viability of their businesses and property values. Mr. Pshebylo provided the Committee with a copy of his presentation.

Moved By: Councillor Iwanchuk

That the Standing Policy Committee on Transportation recommend to City Council:

- That the City enter into an agreement with HDR Corporation for the provision of engineering services to complete a Rail Relocation versus Grade Separation Feasibility Study at a total upset cost of \$599,616 (including taxes); and
- 2. That the City Solicitor be requested to prepare the appropriate agreement and that His Worship the Mayor and the City Clerk

be authorized to execute the agreement under the Corporate Seal.

In Favour: Councillor Donauer, Councillor Block, Councillor Gersher, Councillor Iwanchuk and Mayor Clark

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7.2.4 Silverspring Neighbourhood Traffic Review [Files CK 6320-1 and TS 6320-1]

Moved By: Councillor Block

That the Standing Policy Committee on Transportation recommend to City Council:

That the Neighbourhood Traffic Review for the Silverspring neighbourhood be adopted as the framework for future traffic improvements in the area, to be undertaken as funding is made available through the annual budget process.

In Favour: Councillor Donauer, Councillor Block, Councillor Gersher, Councillor Iwanchuk and Mayor Clark

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8. URGENT BUSINESS

- 9. MOTIONS (Notice Previously Given)
- 10. GIVING NOTICE
- 11. IN CAMERA AGENDA ITEMS
- 12. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 4:33 pm.

Councillor R. Donauer, Chair

S. Bryant, Deputy City Clerk