



## **PUBLIC MINUTES**

### **SASKATOON ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

**November 10, 2016, 11:30 a.m.**

**Committee Room A, Second Floor, City Hall**

**PRESENT:** Ms. K. Aikens, Chair  
Mr. B. Sawatzky, Vice-Chair  
Councillor M. Loewen  
Mr. S. Homenick  
Dr. D. McGrane  
Ms. A. Bugg  
Ms. K. Palmer  
Ms. S. Harrison  
Ms. K. Engele-Carter

**ABSENT:** Ms. A. Garg  
Dr. S. Moshiri

**ALSO PRESENT:** Director of Environmental & Corporate Initiatives B. Wallace  
Committee Assistant D. Sackmann

#### **1. CALL TO ORDER**

The Chair called the meeting to order.

#### **2. CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA**

**Moved By:** K. Palmer

That the agenda be confirmed as presented.

**CARRIED**

**3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

**Moved By:** K. Engele-Carter

That the minutes of Regular Meeting of the Saskatoon Environmental Advisory Committee held on September 8, 2016 be adopted.

**CARRIED**

**4. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**5. REPORT OF THE CHAIR (CK. 175-9)**

Congratulations were passed along to Councillor Loewen on her re-appointment, His Worship Mayor Clark and Councillors, the Committee looks forward to continue working with City Council.

The following updates were provided:

- The City of Saskatoon has released its Preliminary Business Plan and Budget for 2017; there is some pertinent information that is of interest to SEAC such as bus rapid transit funding, along with funding for retrofitting civic buildings, and Recovery Park.
- The Paris Climate Change Agreement came into force on November 4, 2016. The 22nd Conference of Parties (COP), hosted by the UN Framework convention on Climate Change is currently taking place in Marrakech.
- A global covenant of Mayors for Climate and Energy is the result of a merger between the Compact of Mayors group and the European Covenant of Mayors. Saskatoon is a signatory.
- November 10, 2016 marks the launch of a new assessment tool for reporting of climate adaptation measures. There will be a panel at COP on November 15, 2016 and on the same day an online twitter forum of City Solutions for Climate Change starting at 9:00 a.m. local time.

Mr. Homenick entered the meeting at 11:41 a.m.

**Moved By:** B. Sawatzky

That the information be received.

**CARRIED**

**6. COMMUNICATIONS**

## **7. REPORTS FROM ADMINISTRATION**

### **7.1 Environmental & Corporate Initiatives (CK. 7550-1)**

Director of Environmental & Corporate Initiatives Wallace provided an update on the following:

- There are a number of reports from Environmental & Corporate Initiatives being presented to the Standing Policy Committee on Environment, Utilities & Corporate Services December 6, 2016 meeting and the Committee members are encouraged to attend the meeting.
- The Federation of Canadian Municipalities' (FCM) new program regarding climate change provides an opportunity to seek funding for 2017.

Director of Environmental & Corporate Initiatives Wallace asked the Committee for its input regarding community stakeholders, public engagement, and communication opportunities regarding sharing the direction and some of the changes that the City has for its overarching Community Environment vision. Discussion ensued revolving around awareness building as opposed to a consulting approach.

**Moved By:** S. Harrison

1. That the information be received; and
2. That the Saskatoon Environmental Advisory Committee put forth requests to speak to the Standing Policy Committee on Environment, Utilities & Corporate Services at its November and December 2016, and January 2017 meetings of the Committee.

**CARRIED**

## **8. GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS SUBCOMMITTEE - UPDATE (CK. 375-4)**

The Subcommittee provided an update regarding the timeline for SEAC's social media campaign completion and presentation.

It was reported that the release date of the social media campaign was not possible prior to the Civic Election due to Advisory Committee guidelines and procedures for during the election period.

The Subcommittee continues to work with Unite Digital. Unite Digital will be responsible for the animation and the Subcommittee will be responsible for the voice-over of the video. The conceptualization for the video is to have a "neighbour-type" feel. The final script will be circulated to the Committee for its review and approval. The intent is to present the video to the Committee in January 2017 and then to the Standing Policy Committee on Environment, Utilities & Corporate Services.

**Moved By:** S. Homenick

1. That the information be received; and
2. That a promotional strategy along with funding requirements be determined by the Committee at its January 2017 meeting.

**CARRIED**

**9. STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES (CK. 1704-5)**

The Committee Assistant submitted a Statement of Expenditures for the Committee's review.

**Moved By:** K. Engele-Carter

That the information be received.

**CARRIED**

**10. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 12:42 p.m.

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Ms. K. Aikens, Chair

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Ms. D. Sackmann, Committee Assistant