



PUBLIC MINUTES

STANDING POLICY COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

Monday, December 4, 2017, 2:00 p.m.
Council Chamber, City Hall

PRESENT: Councillor A. Iwanchuk, Chair
Councillor R. Donauer, Vice Chair
Councillor C. Block
Councillor B. Dubois
Councillor M. Loewen

ABSENT: His Worship Mayor C. Clark (Ex-Officio)

ALSO PRESENT: CFO/General Manager, Asset & Financial Management K. Tarasoff
Solicitor B. Bleakney
Deputy City Clerk D. Kanak
Committee Assistant H. Thompson

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 2:00 p.m.

2. CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA

Moved By: Councillor Block

1. That Item 7.2.7 be deferred until the next regular meeting of the Standing Policy Committee on Finance; and
2. That the agenda be confirmed as amended.

In Favour: (5): Councillor Iwanchuk, Councillor Donauer, Councillor Block, Councillor Dubois, and Councillor Loewen

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3. DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of conflict of interest.

4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Moved By: Councillor Dubois

That the minutes of Regular Meeting of the Standing Policy Committee on Finance held on October 30, 2017 be adopted.

In Favour: (5): Councillor Iwanchuk, Councillor Donauer, Councillor Block, Councillor Dubois, and Councillor Loewen

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

6. COMMUNICATIONS (requiring the direction of the Committee)

6.1 Delegated Authority Matters

6.1.1 Statement of Work - Internal Auditor - Parks Internal Audit Project [File No. CK. 1600-14]

A report from PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP, Internal Auditors, was provided.

Mr. Jesse Radu from Internal Auditors, PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP, presented the report.

Moved By: Councillor Dubois

That the Statement of Work - Parks Internal Audit Project, provided by PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP, be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

6.2 Matters Requiring Direction

6.3 Requests to Speak (new matters)

7. REPORTS FROM ADMINISTRATION

7.1 Delegated Authority Matters

**7.1.1 Internal Audit Budget Information Update – November 2017
[File No. CK. 1600-3 and AF. 1600-1]**

Moved By: Councillor Dubois

That the information be received.

In Favour: (5): Councillor Iwanchuk, Councillor Donauer, Councillor Block, Councillor Dubois, and Councillor Loewen

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**7.1.2 2017 Year-End Update on Key Strategic Risks [File No. CK.
1600-3 and AF. 1600-1]**

Moved By: Councillor Block

That the information be received and forwarded to City Council for information.

In Favour: (5): Councillor Iwanchuk, Councillor Donauer, Councillor Block, Councillor Dubois, and Councillor Loewen

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**7.1.3 Carrying Costs of Serviced Land Holdings [File No. CK 4020-1,
AF 4110-1 and LA 4110-1]**

Moved By: Councillor Dubois

That the information be received.

In Favour: (5): Councillor Iwanchuk, Councillor Donauer, Councillor Block, Councillor Dubois, and Councillor Loewen

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**7.1.4 Reoffering of Single-Family Lots – Open Market Sales
Approach for 2018 Sales [File No. CK. 4215-1, AF. 4110-1 and
LA. 4110-1]**

Moved By: Councillor Dubois

1. That the Director of Saskatoon Land be authorized to reoffer lots in inventory in the Parkridge, Evergreen, Hampton Village, and Rosewood neighbourhoods through an open market (standard terms) sales approach in compliance with the terms and conditions outlined in the report of the CFO/General Manager, Asset and Financial Management dated December 4, 2017; and
2. That payment terms for all single-family lots in inventory include no interest being charged for the first 12 months of the lot being under an Agreement for Sale be approved.

In Favour: (5): Councillor Iwanchuk, Councillor Donauer, Councillor Block, Councillor Dubois, and Councillor Loewen

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7.1.5 Extension of Single-Family Lot Sales Incentives [File No. CK. 4215-1, AF. 4131-1 and LA. 4110-1]

Moved By: Councillor Loewen

That the extension of front-driveway and front-landscaping rebate incentives for 2018 single-family lots sales be approved as outlined in the report of the CFO/General Manager, Asset and Financial Management dated December 4, 2017.

In Favour: (5): Councillor Iwanchuk, Councillor Donauer, Councillor Block, Councillor Dubois, and Councillor Loewen

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7.1.6 Additional Audit Fees 2016 Year-End – External Auditor [File No. CK. 1610-9 and AF. 1610-1]

Moved By: Councillor Loewen

That the invoice from Deloitte in the amount of \$5,350, plus GST and PST, for additional audit fees for completion of the 2016 year-end financial audit be approved for payment.

In Favour: (5): Councillor Iwanchuk, Councillor Donauer, Councillor Block, Councillor Dubois, and Councillor Loewen

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7.2 Matters Requiring Direction

7.2.1 Saskatoon Regional Economic Development Authority Inc. – 2017/2018 Report [File No. CK. 1870-10, AF.1870-10 x 3500-1]

Mr. Alex Fallon, President and Chief Executive Officer, Saskatoon Regional Economic Development Authority Inc., provided an overview of their submitted report which was attached to the Administrative report.

Moved By: Councillor Donauer

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

1. That a bonus payment of \$116,625 to the Saskatoon Regional Economic Development Authority Inc. be approved; and
2. That the Saskatoon Regional Economic Development Authority Inc.'s 2018 Performance Indicators and Targets be approved.

In Favour: (5): Councillor Iwanchuk, Councillor Donauer, Councillor Block, Councillor Dubois, and Councillor Loewen

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**7.2.2 Saskatoon Regional Economic Development Authority Inc. –
Business Incentives – 2017 Tax Abatements [File No. CK.
3500-13, AF. 3600-2-1 x 1965-1]**

Moved By: Councillor Donauer

That the Standing Policy Committee on Finance recommend to City Council that the incentive abatements as determined by the Saskatoon Regional Economic Development Authority (SREDA) be approved.

In Favour: (5): Councillor Iwanchuk, Councillor Donauer, Councillor Block, Councillor Dubois, and Councillor Loewen

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**7.2.3 Tourism Saskatoon Destination Management Services
Agreement [File No. CK. 1870-10 and AF.1870-1]**

Moved By: Councillor Dubois

That the Standing Policy Committee of Finance recommend to City Council:

1. That the Destination Management Services Agreement between the City of Saskatoon and the Saskatoon Visitor & Convention Bureau Inc. for the term January 1, 2018 to December 31, 2022 be approved; and
2. That the City Solicitor prepare the necessary agreement in accordance with the terms set out in the report of the CFO/General Manager, Asset and Financial Management dated December 4, 2017 and that His Worship the Mayor and the City Clerk execute the agreement under the Corporate Seal.

In Favour: (5): Councillor Iwanchuk, Councillor Donauer, Councillor Block, Councillor Dubois, and Councillor Loewen

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7.2.4 Municipal Asset Management Program Grant [File No. CK. 1860-1 and AF. 1860-002]

Moved By: Councillor Dubois

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

1. That the Administration apply for a grant from the Federation of Canadian Municipalities' Municipal Asset Management Program for the Culvert Assessment and Drainage Study project; and
2. That if approved for the grant funding, the City of Saskatoon
 1. commit to conducting the activities proposed in the application to the Federation of Canadian Municipalities; and
 2. increase Capital Project No. 1619 TU – Storm Sewer Trunk and Collection for the amount of approved grant funding and commit the City of Saskatoon's share of this initiative from the already existing 2018 Budget in Capital Project No. 1619.

In Favour: (5): Councillor Iwanchuk, Councillor Donauer, Councillor Block, Councillor Dubois, and Councillor Loewen

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7.2.5 Property Tax: Recognition of Unique Property Impacts [File No. CK. 1616-1 and AF. 1620-1]

Moved By: Councillor Block

That the report of the CFO/General Manager, Asset and Financial Management Department, be forwarded to City Council for information.

In Favour: (5): Councillor Iwanchuk, Councillor Donauer, Councillor Block, Councillor Dubois, and Councillor Loewen

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Moved By: Councillor Block

That the Administration report back on options to address communications about coefficients in assessment to provide better understanding of the process.

In Favour: (5): Councillor Iwanchuk, Councillor Donauer, Councillor Block, Councillor Dubois, and Councillor Loewen

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Moved By: Councillor Block

That the Administration explore options in policy that may go beyond assessment to more adequately reflect unique circumstances where the City is unable to provide similar services.

In Favour: (2): Councillor Block, and Councillor Loewen

Against: (3): Councillor Iwanchuk, Councillor Donauer, and Councillor Dubois

DEFEATED

7.2.6 Transfer of Unpaid Utilities to Property Tax [File No. CK. 1550-1 x 1920-1 and AF. 1550-1]

Moved By: Councillor Dubois

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

1. That the Landlord-Tenant Agreement be amended as outlined in the report of the CFO/General Manager, Asset and Financial Management dated December 4, 2017;
2. That the City Solicitor be instructed to amend the Landlord-Tenant Agreement; and
3. That the City Solicitor be instructed to amend the Rules and Regulations sections as required in Bylaw No. 7567, The Waterworks Bylaw, 1996 and Bylaw No. 2685, otherwise known as The Electric Light and Power Bylaw.

In Favour: (5): Councillor Iwanchuk, Councillor Donauer, Councillor Block, Councillor Dubois, and Councillor Loewen

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7.2.7 An Overview of Municipal Development Corporations [File No. CK. 4000-1, x 1600-24 and CC. 4000-1]

As per earlier resolution, this matter was deferred to the next regular meeting of the Standing Policy Committee on Finance.

- 8. URGENT BUSINESS**
- 9. MOTIONS (notice previously given)**
- 10. GIVING NOTICE**
- 11. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 3:12 p.m.

Councillor A. Iwanchuk, Chair

D. Kanak, Deputy City Clerk