

AT REGINA, SASKATCHEWAN, TUESDAY, MAY 1, 2012

AT A MEETING OF THE FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION
COMMITTEE
HELD IN PUBLIC SESSION

AT 4:00 PM

Present: Councillor Sharron Bryce
Councillor Terry Hincks
Councillor Wade Murray

Regrets: Councillor Louis Browne
Councillor Michael Fougere

Also in Attendance: Deputy City Clerk, Amber Smale
Legal Counsel, Jana-Marie Odling
Deputy City Manager, Corporate Services, Brent Sjoberg
Deputy City Manager, Community Planning & Developm, Jason Carlston
Deputy City Manager, City Operations, Dorian Wandzura
Director, Assessment and Proprety Taxation, Don Barr
Director of Community Services, Chris Holden
Director of Finance, Chuck McDonald
Director, Fire & Protective Services, Richard McCullough
Committee Assistant, Todd Blyth

Adoption of the Agenda

Councillor Bryce moved, AND IT WAS RESOLVED, that the agenda for this meeting be approved, as submitted.

Administration Reports

FA12-13 Community Investment Funding for Economic & Promotional Initiatives

Recommendation

That the Canadian Western Agribition application for community investment funding be approved for \$45,000 and funded from the Economic & Promotional Initiatives budget.

This report will be forwarded to the May 14, 2012 City Council meeting.

Councillor Terry Hincks moved, AND IT WAS RESOLVED, that the recommendations contained in the report be concurred in.

Delegation: Marty Seymour

FA12-14 Municipal Incentive Policy for the Preservation of Heritage Properties

Recommendation

1. That a tax exemption for the property located at 1504 Victoria Avenue be approved in an amount equal to the lesser of:
 - (a) Fifty percent of eligible costs as described in Appendix C;
 - (b) \$150,000; or
 - (c) An amount equivalent to the total property taxes payable for the years 2013 to 2017 inclusive.
2. That the provision of the property tax exemption be subject to the following conditions:
 - (a) Eligibility for the property tax exemption includes the requirement that the property possesses and retains its formal designation as Municipal Heritage Property in accordance with *The Heritage Property Act*.
 - (b) The property owner shall submit detailed written documentation of payments made for actual costs incurred (i.e. itemized invoices and receipts) in the completion of identified conservation work, as described in Appendix C. In the event that actual costs exceed the corresponding estimates by more than 10 percent, the property owner shall provide full particulars as to the reason(s) for such cost overruns. It is understood that the City may decline to approve any cost overrun, or portion thereof, if considered not to be reasonably or necessarily incurred for eligible work.
 - (c) Any property tax exemption shall be applied in the year following the completion of the eligible work items or any portion thereof, or in the current year for any work items completed and confirmed by the City prior to December 31, and shall be limited to 50 percent of actual costs.
3. That the City Solicitor be instructed to prepare the necessary agreement and authorizing bylaw for the property tax exemption as detailed in the prepared report.

This report will be forwarded to the May 14, 2012 City Council meeting.

Councillor Sharron Bryce moved, AND IT WAS RESOLVED, that the recommendations contained in the report be concurred in.

FA12-15 Buffalo Pound Water Treatment Plant – Lease Extension Agreement

Recommendation

1. That the proposed lease extension agreement between the City of Regina (the “City”) and Her Majesty the Queen in Right of the Province of Saskatchewan as represented by the Minister of Tourism, Parks, Culture and Sport (the “Minister”), as outlined in the body of this report, be approved;

2. That the City Manager be authorized to resolve the final terms and conditions of the lease extension agreement as outlined in this report;
3. That the City Clerk be authorized to execute the lease extension agreement documents after review by the City Solicitor; and
4. That this report be forwarded to the May 14, 2012 meeting of City Council.

This report will be forwarded to the May 14, 2012 City Council meeting.

Councillor Sharron Bryce moved, AND IT WAS RESOLVED, that the recommendations contained in the report be concurred in.

FA12-16 Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) Green Municipal Fund (GMF) Grant Application for Studies Supporting the Regina Revitalization Initiative

Recommendation

1. That the City Manager or designate be authorized to pursue a Green Municipal Fund (GMF) grant application to support background studies related to the Regina Revitalization Initiative;
2. If the grant application is approved, that the City Manager or designate be authorized to approve the subsequent GMF Agreement between the City of Regina and FCM; and
3. That the City Clerk be authorized to execute the FCM GMF Agreement.

This report will be forwarded to the May 14, 2012 City Council meeting.

Councillor Terry Hincks moved, AND IT WAS RESOLVED, that the recommendations contained in the report be concurred in.

FA12-17 Debt Limit

Recommendation

That the Deputy City Manager & CFO make application to the Saskatchewan Municipal Board to have the City's debt limit increased to \$350 million.

This report will be forwarded to the May 14, 2012 City Council meeting.

Councillor Terry Hincks moved, AND IT WAS RESOLVED, that the recommendations contained in the report be concurred in.

FA12-18 First Nations Metis Recruitment

Recommendation

That a final report be presented at the August 7, 2012 Finance and Administration Committee meeting.

Councillor Terry Hincks moved, AND IT WAS RESOLVED, that the recommendations contained in the report be concurred in.

Resolution for Private Session

Councillor Sharron Bryce moved, AND IT WAS RESOLVED, that in the interest of the public, the balance of agenda items for this meeting be considered in private session.

Chairperson

Secretary