AT REGINA, SASKATCHEWAN, WEDNESDAY, APRIL 2, 2014

AT A MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE HELD IN PUBLIC SESSION

AT 11:45 AM

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Present: Councillor Bob Hawkins, in the Chair

Mayor Michael Fougere Councillor Sharron Bryce Councillor Bryon Burnett Councillor John Findura Councillor Jerry Flegel Councillor Shawn Fraser Councillor Terry Hincks Councillor Wade Murray Councillor Mike O'Donnell Councillor Barbara Young

Also in Chief Legislative Officer & City Clerk, Jim Nicol

Attendance: A/Deputy City Clerk, Erna Hall

City Manager & CAO, Glen Davies

Executive Director of Legal & Risk, Byron Werry Deputy City Manager & COO, Brent Sjoberg

Acting CFO, Pat Gartner

A/Executive Director, Planning, Kelly Scherr

A/Executive Director, City Services, Neil Vandendort

Director, Transit, Brad Bells

APPROVAL OF PUBLIC AGENDA

Councillor Sharron Bryce moved, AND IT WAS RESOLVED, that the agenda for this meeting be approved, as submitted, and that the delegations be heard in the order they are called by the Chairperson

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Councillor Wade Murray moved, AND IT WAS RESOLVED, that the minutes for the meeting held on March 12 and 14, 2014 be adopted, as circulated.

ADMINISTRATION REPORTS

EX14-13 Regina Revitalization Initiative (RRI) - Stadium Project Delegation of Authority, Financial Model Update and External Financing

Recommendation

- 1. That the following delegation of authority be approved:
 - a. That all authority delegated to the Deputy City Manager & CFO, Corporate Services in City Council reports CR 13-6, CR 13-8 and CR13-96 be reassigned to the Deputy City Manager & COO or his or her delegate.
 - b. That City Council authorizes the Deputy City Manager & COO or his or her delegate to prepare, negotiate, review, amend and approve any additional documentation, instruments, assurances and auxiliary closing documents as may be necessary, to give full effect to the Project Agreement entered into with the successful proponent identified and to complete the Project (the "Additional Documentation").
 - c. That City Council authorize the City Clerk to execute any additional documentation after review and approval from the City Solicitor.
- 2. That the information contained within this report, updating the financial model estimates previously approved by City Council in CR13-6, be received and filed.
- 3. That City Council authorizes the Deputy City Manager & COO to negotiate external financing, including signing any necessary documents, to a maximum of \$100.4 million to address the loan financing requirements of the RRI Stadium Project.
- 4. That a report summarizing the financing arrangements to be negotiated, to a maximum of \$100.4 million, be forwarded to City Council with a bylaw once the external financing has been arranged.

Chad Novak, representing the Saskatchewan Taxpayers Advocacy Group addressed the Committee.

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

OTHER REPORTS

EX14-15 Downtown Transportation Study (DTS) Phases Two and Three and Direction for Downtown Transit in Regina

Recommendation

- 1. That the Downtown Transportation Study (DTS) Phases Two and Three Report as outlined in Appendix A be APPROVED and the Administration be directed to incorporate the specific initiatives in the DTS as outlined in Appendix B into the appropriate work plans as budget and resources permit.
- 2. That, recognizing that 11th Avenue is a major destination for transit customers, Regina Transit buses continue to serve stops on 11th Avenue and measures be put in place to mitigate the impacts of these transit stops on businesses fronting 11th Avenue, including:
 - Providing adequate transit stop amenities including waste receptacles and attractive shelters to reduce littering and discourage use of building entrances;
 - Relocation of eastbound bus stops from in front of Old City Hall Mall to the block between Lorne Street and Cornwall Street, with modifications to Lorne Street to ensure appropriate turning movements can be provided;
 - Design of a dual street transit hub that includes Lorne Street between 11th and 12th Avenues, reducing the number of transfers on 11th Avenue;
 - Expanding existing security patrols over the entire business day on 11th Avenue between Cornwall Street and Hamilton Street;
 - Adjusting schedules and timing points of transit routes to minimize layover time on 11th Avenue;
 - Reviewing ridership patterns and adjusting bus route assignments to stops to reflect available sidewalk space; and,
 - Undertaking a passenger education and awareness program to discourage loitering in private buildings and littering.
- 3. That \$200,000 in funding be allocated from the General Fund Reserve for the enhanced security patrol, transit stop amenities, increasing transit activities on Lorne Street and the relocation of bus stops from in front of Old City Hall and that opportunities for supplemental or shared funding from Regina Downtown Business Improvement District (RDBID) and others be explored.
- 4. That a downtown transit shuttle service, to replace regular transit services is not feasible at this time, but that the City of Regina retain the concept as a long-term option to support redevelopment and connect the downtown with the new stadium, the Regina Revitalization Initiative (RRI), and the Warehouse District.

- 5. That the recommended plan for additional cycling facilities on downtown streets as identified in the DTS be included in the City-wide Transportation Master Plan.
- 6. That Administration be directed to establish a Downtown Transportation Working group to provide open channels of communication to address emergent issues related to downtown transportation and that this working group include representation from RDBID, Regina Transit, City Operations, and the Accessibility Advisory Committee.
- 7. That strategies for the management and supply of parking in the downtown be finalized through the Downtown and Vicinity Parking Study.
- 8. That item MN13-4 Downtown Transit Shuttle Service be removed from the List of Outstanding Items for City Council.
- 9. That the Administration explore a partnership with other organizations to build a new parking structure downtown.
- 10. That this report be forwarded to the April 14, 2014 City Council meeting for consideration.

The following addressed the Committee:

Chad Novak, representing the Saskatchewan Taxpayers Advocacy Group; John Klein, representing himself; Jim Elliott, representing himself; Jamie McKenzie, representing himself; Florence Stratton, representing Regina Citizens Public Transit Coalition; and Chris Chepil and Judith Veresuk, representing Regina Downtown BID

(Councillors Bryce and Hincks left the meeting)

Councillor Mike O'Donnell moved, AND IT WAS RESOLVED, that the recommendations contained in the report be concurred in.

EX14-14 SAMA Annual Meeting

Recommendation

That the Executive Committee make a recommendation to City Council for a member of City Council to be the voting delegate for Regina at the Saskatchewan Assessment Management Agency (SAMA) Annual Meeting on April 16, 2014.

Mayor Michael Fougere moved, AND IT WAS RESOLVED, that Councillor Wade Murray be appointed as the voting delegate for Regina at the Saskatchewan Assessment Management Agency (SAMA) Annual Meeting on April 16, 2014.

RESOLUTION FOR PRIVATE SESSION

Councillor John Findura moved, AND IT WAS RESOLVED that in the interests of the public, the remainder of the items on the agenda be considered in private.

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Councillor Jerry Flegel moved, AND IT WAS RESOLVED that the meeting recess for five minutes.	
Meeting recessed at 1:50 p.m.	
Chairperson	Secretary