

AT REGINA, SASKATCHEWAN, FRIDAY, MARCH 20, 2020

AT A MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL

AT 10:00 AM

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Present: Mayor Michael Fougere, in the Chair  
Councillor Lori Bresciani (Teleconference)  
Councillor Sharron Bryce (Teleconference)  
Councillor John Findura (Teleconference)  
Councillor Jerry Flegel  
Councillor Bob Hawkins (Teleconference)  
Councillor Jason Mancinelli (Teleconference)  
Councillor Joel Murray (Teleconference)  
Councillor Mike O'Donnell (Teleconference)  
Councillor Andrew Stevens (Teleconference)  
Councillor Barbara Young (Teleconference)

Also in Attendance: City Clerk, Jim Nicol  
Deputy City Clerk, Amber Ackerman  
City Manager, Chris Holden  
City Solicitor, Byron Werry  
Executive Director, Citizen Experience, Innovation & Performance,  
Louise Folk  
Executive Director, Citizen Services, Kim Onrait  
Executive Director, City Planning & Community Development,  
Diana Hawryluk (Teleconference)  
Executive Director, Financial Strategy & Sustainability, Barry Lacey  
Director, Citizen Experience, Jill Sveinson

#### CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA

**Councillor Sharron Bryce moved, seconded by Councillor Bob Hawkins, AND IT WAS RESOLVED, that the agenda for this meeting be approved, as submitted, and the items be heard in the order they are called forward by Mayor Fougere.**

**Councillor Andrew Stevens moved, seconded by Councillor Bob Hawkins, that a Motion be introduced as urgent business regarding a Saskatchewan Health Authority (SHA) Assessment of Temporary Work Camps at the Co-op Refinery Complex.**

Mayor Fougere ruled that the addition of the Motion was new business and required unanimous consent to allow the Motion to be introduced at this meeting as urgent business.

**Councillor Bob Hawkins moved that the decision of the Chair be overruled as the Motion is not new business and could be considered as an complementary amendment.**

**Mayor Fougere called for the vote on Councillor Hawkins' challenge:**

<b>Councillor Barbara Young</b>	<b>No</b>
<b>Councillor Bob Hawkins</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Councillor Andrew Stevens</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Councillor Lori Bresciani</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Councillor John Findura</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Councillor Joel Murray</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Councillor Sharron Bryce</b>	<b>No</b>
<b>Councillor Mike O'Donnell</b>	<b>No</b>
<b>Councillor Jason Mancinelli</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Councillor Jerry Flegel</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Mayor Michael Fougere</b>	<b>No</b>

**The motion was put and declared CARRIED.**

#### CITY MANAGER REPORT, COMMUNICATIONS & RELATED BYLAWS

CP20-4 Regina Hotels Association: State of Regina's Hotel Industry - COVID-19

CP20-5 Harvard Developments: COVID-19 Economic Support for Business

CP20-6 Regina & District Chamber of Commerce: COVID 19

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**The City Clerk read the following Communications into the record:**

**CP20-4 Regina Hotels Association: State of Regina's Hotel Industry - COVID-19**

**CP20-5 Harvard Developments: COVID-19 Economic Support for Business**

**CP20-6 Regina & District Chamber of Commerce: COVID 19**

**Councillor Andrew Stevens moved, seconded by Councillor Joel Murray, AND IT WAS RESOLVED, that CP20-4 - Regina Hotels Association: State of Regina's Hotel Industry - COVID-19, CP20-5 - Harvard Developments: COVID-19 Economic Support for Business, and CP20-6 - Regina & District Chamber of Commerce: COVID 19, be received and filed.**

CM20-7 COVID-19 Update

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#### **Recommendation**

That City Council:

1. Direct the City Solicitor to amend the following bylaws:

- a. *Bylaw No. 2003-69, The Regina Administration Bylaw*, to change the tax payment deadline for paying 2020 taxes from June 30, 2020 to September 30, 2020;
  - b. *Bylaw No. 8942, The Regina Water Bylaw and Bylaw No. 2016-24, The Wastewater and Storm Water Bylaw, 2016*, to provide that from March 20, 2020 until September 30, 2020 that no new late payment charges be added to customers' utility accounts for recycling, sewer and drainage and water services; and
  - c. *Bylaw No. 4173, The Transit System Bylaw* for Transit and Paratransit to provide that the collection of fares be discontinued effective March 20, 2020 until the state of emergency has been cancelled and the public health crisis is controlled.
2. Change Monday-Friday Transit Services to a Saturday Service Model.
  3. Approve the course of action that Administration has undertaken to date and/or will be implementing over the short term, as outlined in the report.

Pursuant to Section 14(5) of *The Procedure Bylaw*, the requirement for the Mayor to leave the Chair for the purpose of taking part in the debate was waived as nine of the eleven members of City Council were attending the meeting via teleconference, including the Deputy Mayor.

**Councillor Barbara Young moved, seconded by Councillor Bob Hawkins, that City Council:**

1. **Direct the City Solicitor to amend the following bylaws:**
  - a. ***Bylaw No. 2003-69, The Regina Administration Bylaw***, to change the tax payment deadline for paying 2020 taxes from June 30, 2020 to September 30, 2020;
  - b. ***Bylaw No. 8942, The Regina Water Bylaw and Bylaw No. 2016-24, The Wastewater and Storm Water Bylaw, 2016***, to provide that from March 20, 2020 until September 30, 2020 that no new late payment charges be added to customers' utility accounts for recycling, sewer and drainage and water services; and
  - c. ***Bylaw 2009-22, The Regina Transit Fare Bylaw, 2009*** for Transit and Paratransit to provide that the collection of fares be discontinued effective March 20, 2020 until the state of emergency has been cancelled and the public health crisis is controlled.

2. **Change Monday-Friday Transit Services to a Saturday Service Model.**
3. **Approve the course of action that Administration has undertaken to date and/or will be implementing over the short term, as outlined in the report.**

**Councillor Andrew Stevens moved, in amendment, seconded by Councillor Jerry Flegel, that City Council call upon the provincial government to use emergency powers, as required, to enable vacant housing units to be used to house residents experiencing housing insecurity during this crisis.**

**The motion was put and declared LOST.**

**Councillor Lori Bresciani moved, in amendment, seconded by Councillor Andrew Stevens, AND IT WAS RESOLVED, that City Council recommend that the Provincial government close down all daycares with the exception of daycares that provide services to essential services workers.**

**Councillor Bob Hawkins moved, in amendment, seconded by Councillor Sharron Bryce, AND IT WAS RESOLVED, that City Council call upon the Provincial government to use emergency powers to close all dental offices during the duration of the emergency, except for essential and emergency dental services.**

**Mayor Michael Fougere moved, in amendment, seconded by Councillor Barbara Young, AND IT WAS RESOLVED, that a letter be sent to the Premier and the Saskatchewan Minister of Finance to ensure that business interruption insurance provided by SGI is honoured.**

In light of further information from the Province, the motion to close all daycares with the exception of daycares that provided services to essential services workers will not be included as an order in the declaration of a local emergency.

**Mayor Michael Fougere moved, in amendment, seconded by Councillor Bob Hawkins, that the City of Regina declare a local emergency, effective March 20, 2020, and that the following orders be included:**

- **Restrict group meetings to no more than five persons, except involving essential workers;**
- **Restaurants, bars and nightclubs close immediately, with drive thru, take-out or delivery, being permitted until further notice from the Province of Saskatchewan; and**
- **Dental offices be closed, except for essential and emergency services;**

**And that Administration bring forward an implementation plan immediately.**

RECESS

**Councillor Jerry Flegel moved, seconded by Councillor Barbara Young, AND IT WAS RESOLVED, that Council recess for one-half hour.**

The meeting recessed at 12:37 p.m.

The meeting reconvened at 1:10 p.m. with all members of City Council present.

**Mayor Michael Fougere moved, seconded by Councillor Lori Bresciani, AND IT WAS RESOLVED, that Administration bring back information on what constitutes a daycare, at 6:00 p.m. on March 20, 2020.**

**The motion that the City of Regina declare a local emergency was put and declared CARRIED.**

RECESS

**Councillor Sharron Bryce moved, seconded by Councillor Barbara Young, AND IT WAS RESOLVED that the meeting recess until 6:00 p.m.**

The meeting recessed at 2:00 p.m.

The meeting reconvened at 6:00 p.m. with all members of City Council present.

**The main motion, as amended, was put and declared CARRIED.**

**Mayor Michael Fougere moved, seconded by Councillor Jerry Flegel, AND IT WAS RESOLVED, that the Declaration of Local Emergency and list of orders be reconsidered.**

**Councillor Sharron Bryce moved, in amendment, seconded by Councillor Joel Murray, that the following retail stores be closed, but still able to offer delivery or curbside service, effective March 23, 2020:**

- Clothing
- Shoes
- Sporting
- Furniture
- Toy
- Craft; and
- Gaming

**The motion was put and declared LOST.**

**Councillor Joel Murray moved, seconded by Councillor Sharron Bryce, AND IT WAS RESOLVED, that Council reconsider the motion that an order respecting the closure of retail stores be included in the declaration of a local emergency.**

**The motion that the following retail stores be closed, but still able to offer delivery or curbside service effective March 23, 2020:**

- Clothing
- Shoes
- Sporting
- Furniture
- Toy
- Craft; and
- Gaming

**was put to a re-vote and the motion was CARRIED.**

**Councillor Jerry Flegel moved, seconded by Councillor Jason Mancinelli, that Council reconsider the declaration of a local emergency, effective March 20, 2020.**

**The motion of reconsideration was put and declared LOST.**

**Councillor John Findura moved, seconded by Councillor Jason Mancinelli, that Council reconsider the motion that City of Regina declare a local emergency effective March 20, 2020 with respect to the order to restrict group meetings from to 5 persons to 25 persons, except essential services.**

**The motion of reconsideration was put and declared LOST.**

**The main motion, as amended, was put and declared CARRIED.**

2020-19 THE REGINA TAX RELIEF BYLAW, 2020

2020-20 THE REGINA UTILITY RELIEF BYLAW, 2020

2020-21 THE REGINA TRANSIT FARE AMENDMENT BYLAW, 2020

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**Councillor Andrew Stevens moved, seconded by Councillor Sharron Bryce, AND IT WAS RESOLVED, that Bylaws No. 2020-19, 2020-20, and 2020-21 be introduced and read a first time.**

**Bylaws were read a first time.**

**Councillor Andrew Stevens moved, seconded by Councillor Bob Hawkins, AND IT WAS RESOLVED, that Bylaws No. 2020-19, 2020-20, and 2020-21 be introduced and read a second time. Bylaws were read a second time.**

**Councillor Andrew Stevens moved, seconded by Councillor Barbara Young, that City Council hereby consent to Bylaws No. 2020-19, 2020-20, and 2020-21 going to third and final reading at this meeting.**

To confirm unanimous consent for the bylaws to proceed to third reading, the City Clerk polled each member of City Council.

**The motion was put and declared CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**Councillor Andrew Stevens moved, seconded by Councillor Lori Bresciani, AND IT WAS RESOLVED, that Bylaws No. 2020-19, 2020-20, and 2020-21 be read a third time.**

**Bylaws were read a third and final time.**

#### RECESS

**Councillor Jerry Flegel moved, seconded by Councillor John Findura, AND IT WAS RESOLVED, that Council recess for five minutes.**

The meeting recessed at 7:26 p.m.

The meeting reconvened at 7:31 p.m.

**Councillor Andrew Stevens moved, seconded by Councillor Mike O'Donnell, AND IT WAS RESOLVED that City Council call upon the Saskatchewan Health Authority (SHA) to release a public health assessment of the replacement and temporary worker camps at or near the Co-op Refinery Complex and that Administration call upon the provincial government to enable the City to pull the occupancy permit if health officials deem the site to be a public health risk.**

**Councillor Joel Murray moved, seconded by Councillor Sharron Bryce, AND IT WAS RESOLVED, that the order to close retail clothing stores, shoe stores, sporting equipment stores, furniture stores, toy stores, craft and gaming stores, except those stores that offer pick up or delivery service stipulate that this is to be effective March 23, 2020.**

The City Clerk read the formal Declaration of Local Emergency into the record.

#### ADJOURNMENT

**Councillor Jerry Flegel moved, seconded by Councillor Bob Hawkins, AND IT WAS RESOLVED, that the meeting adjourn.**

The meeting adjourned at 7:53 p.m.

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Chairperson

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Secretary