

AT REGINA, SASKATCHEWAN, TUESDAY, JUNE 2, 2015

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

AT 4:00 PM

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Present: Councillor, Wade Murray, in the Chair
Councillor, Shawn Fraser
Councillor, Bob Hawkins
Councillor, Barbara Young

Regrets: Councillor, Bryon Burnett

Also in Attendance: Council Officer, Ashley Thompson
Legal Counsel, Jana-Marie Odling
Executive Director, City Planning and Development, Diana Hawryluk
Executive Director, City Services, Kim Onrait
Executive Director, Human Resources, Pat Gartner
Director, Assessment and Property Taxation, Don Barr
Director, Communications, Chris Holden
Manager, Communications, Myrna Stark Leader
Manager, Corporate Accounting, Lorrie Schmalenberg
Manager, Strategy Management, Dawn Martin
Sr. Financial Reporting & Policy Advisor, Breanne Howden

APPROVAL OF PUBLIC AGENDA

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

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Councillor Barbara Young moved, AND IT WAS RESOLVED, that the minutes for the meeting held on May 5, 2015 be adopted, as circulated.

ADMINISTRATION REPORTS

FA15-15 2014 City of Regina Annual Report and Public Accounts

Recommendation

That this report be forwarded to the June 22, 2015 City Council meeting for approval.

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

FA15-16 Property Tax Exemption - Ahmadiyya Muslim Jama`at (AMJ)

Recommendation

1. That the request from the Ahmadiyya Muslim Jama`at (AMJ) for a two year tax exemption agreement for the property at 3810 Eastgate Drive, under the condition that if the land is sold during that time period that AMJ would be responsible for the taxes be APPROVED;
2. That the request for an abatement for previous year's taxes be DENIED;
3. That the City solicitor be instructed to bring forward the necessary two year tax exemption agreement and bylaw to provide for the property tax exemption; and
4. That this report be forwarded to be considered at the June 22, 2015 City Council meeting.

Muhammad Fiaz, representing Ahmadiyya Muslim Jama`at, addressed the Committee.

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

FA15-17 Sale of 1555 8th Avenue

Recommendation

1. That the sale of the property of 1555 8th Avenue to the tenant at market value without a public offering be APPROVED;
2. That the City Manager or his delegate be authorized to negotiate the terms and conditions of the sale as outlined in this report;
3. That item CR14-138 be removed from the list of outstanding items for the Finance and Administration Committee; and
4. That this report be forwarded for consideration to the June 22, 2015 meeting of City Council after public notice has been provided.

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

FA15-18 Regina Flying Club Request for Property Tax Exemption

Recommendation

1. That the request from the Regina Flying Club for a tax exemption for the property at 2610 Airport Road for the 2015 tax year be DENIED; and
2. That this report be forwarded to the June 22, 2015 meeting of City Council.

Dave Atkinson, representing The Regina Flying Club, addressed the Committee.

Councillor Bob Hawkins moved, that the recommendations contained in the report be concurred in.

The motion was put and declared LOST.

Councillor Barbara Young moved, that the Regina Flying Club be provided a one year tax exemption to provide time to build a business plan and apply for grants.

The motion was put and declared LOST.

The Chair noted that both votes were a tie and the report would be forwarded to City Council without recommendations.

FA15-19 Tartan Curling Club Cooperative and Highland Curling Club Request for Property Tax Exemption

Recommendation

1. That the requests from the Tartan Curling Club Cooperative at 1464 Broadway Avenue and Highland Curling Club located at 348 Broad Street for five year property tax exemptions be DENIED; and
2. That this report be forwarded to the June 22, 2015 meeting of City Council.

(Councillor Shawn Fraser declared a conflict of interest on FA15-19 and left the meeting prior to the delegation.)

Ken Dishaw and Allen Bratt, representing Tartan Curling Club and Travis Netterfield, representing Highland Curling Club, addressed the Committee.

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

FA15-20 Request for \$100,000 from Golf Course Reserve

Recommendation

1. That City Council approve the withdrawal of \$100,000 from the Golf Course Reserve and allocate the funds to the Parks & Open Space Golf Course Capital account to allow golf course restoration projects initiated in the fall of 2014 to be completed and for 2015 projects to proceed.
2. That this report be forwarded to the June 22, 2015 meeting of City Council for approval.

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

ADJOURNMENT

Councillor Bob Hawkins moved, AND IT WAS RESOLVED, that the meeting adjourn.

The meeting adjourned at 5:45 p.m.

Chairperson

Secretary