

AT REGINA, SASKATCHEWAN, WEDNESDAY, MARCH 24, 2021

AT A MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL

AT 1:00 PM

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Present: Mayor Sandra Masters, in the Chair
Councillor Lori Bresciani (Videoconference)
Councillor John Findura (Videoconference)
Councillor Bob Hawkins (Videoconference)
Councillor Dan LeBlanc (Videoconference)
Councillor Jason Mancinelli (Videoconference)
Councillor Landon Mohl (Videoconference)
Councillor Terina Shaw (Videoconference)
Councillor Cheryl Stadnichuk (Videoconference)
Councillor Andrew Stevens (Videoconference)
Councillor Shanon Zachidniak

Also in Attendance: City Clerk, Jim Nicol
Deputy City Clerk, Amber Ackerman
City Manager, Chris Holden
City Solicitor, Byron Werry (Videoconference)
Chief of Police, Evan Bray
Executive Director, Citizen Experience, Innovation & Performance, Louise Folk (Videoconference)
Executive Director, Citizen Services, Kim Onrait (Videoconference)
Executive Director, City Planning & Community Dev., Diana Hawryluk (Videoconference)
Executive Director, Financial Strategy & Sustainability, Barry Lacey
Director, Citizen Experience, Jill Sveinson (Videoconference)
Director, Parks, Recreation & Cultural Services, Laurie Shalley (Videoconference)
Director, Roadways & Transportation, Chris Warren (Videoconference)
Director, Water, Waste & Environment, Kurtis Doney (Videoconference)
Manager, Budget & Financial Services, Trevor Black
Manager, Budget & Long-term Financial Planning, Curtis Smith
Manager, Environmental Services, Greg Kuntz (Videoconference)

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

Mayor Sandra Masters acknowledged the recent passing of Sally Elliott.

CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA

Councillor Bob Hawkins moved, seconded by Councillor Lori Bresciani, AND IT WAS RESOLVED, that the agenda for this meeting be approved, as submitted, at the call of the Chair after adding:

- **The written submission from Florence Stratton, regarding CM21-3 2021 General and Utility Operating Budget and 2021 - 2025 General and Utility Capital Plan, as item DE21-82.**
- **The written submission from Florence Stratton, regarding CR20-108 Regina Police Service 2021 Operating and Capital Budget, as item DE21-71.**
- **The written submission from Deborah Karpa, regarding CM21-3 2021 General and Utility Operating Budget and 2021 - 2025 General and Utility Capital Plan, as item DE21-84.**

(Councillor Zachidniak arrived at the meeting.)

TABLED REPORT AND RELATED REPORT

The following addressed and answered questions of City Council on CM21-3 2021 General and Utility Operating Budget and 2021 - 2025 General and Utility Capital Plan:

- DE21-69 Terri Sleeva, Regina Citizens Public Transit Coalition
- DE21-78 John Hopkins, Regina & District Chamber of Commerce
- DE21-80 Chris Gbekorbu, Saskatchewan REALTORS Association
- DE21-79 Jim Elliott
- DE21-81 Lesley Farley
- DE21-82 Florence Stratton
- DE21-83 Rebecca Granovsky-Larsen
- DE21-84 Deborah Karpa
- DE21-85 Joanne Havelock and Jim Elliott, Friends of the Regina Public Library
- DE21-86 Shayna Stock, Heritage Community Association
- DE21-87 Jeannie Mah

RECESS

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 33(2.1) of City Council's Procedure Bylaw No. 9004, Mayor Masters called for a 15 minute recess.

Council recessed at 2:43 p.m.

Council reconvened at 2:58 p.m.

CM21-3 2021 General and Utility Operating Budget and 2021 - 2025 General and Utility Capital Plan

Recommendation

That City Council:

1. Approve the 2021 tax-supported General Operating Budget as outlined in Appendix A, including the following details:
 - a. Gross expenditures of \$480,239,000 and a net property tax levy of \$269,373,000;
 - b. 2021 mill rate of 9.45130 representing a 2.34% increase for all programs and services;
 - c. Funding for the Provincial Capital Commission (PCC), Economic Development Regina Inc. (EDR) and Regina Exhibition Association Limited (REAL); and
 - d. Regina Board of Police Commissioners recommendation of gross expenditures totalling \$99,563,000 and revenues totalling \$10,318,000, be allocated to the Regina Police Service (RPS) budget.
2. Approve the 2021-2025 General Capital Budget with total gross expenditures of \$132,505,000 in 2021, as summarized in the City of Regina 2021 Budget, attached as Appendix A beginning on page 89.
3. Approve the General Capital Budget as outlined on page 88 of Appendix A for multi-year projects that require future year commitments with gross expenditures of \$200,000 underway in 2021, be approved as follows:
 - a. 2022 - \$810,000; and
 - b. 2023 - \$810,000.
4. Approve the 2021 Recreation & Culture Capital Budget with total gross expenditures of \$5,336,000 in 2021, as summarized in Appendix D with funding provided by the funds described in Recommendation 2 of this report.
5. Approve funding for the Provincial Capital Commission (PCC), Economic Development Regina Inc. (EDR), and Regina Exhibition Association Limited (REAL), as outlined on page 19 of this report, with funding provided by the funds described in Recommendation 1 of this report.
6. Approve the Regina Public Library Board approved budget and mill rate request of 0.85098 representing a 2.9% increase for the Regina Public Library.
7. Instruct the City Solicitor to prepare and bring forward any property tax

bylaws needed to implement the above approved mill rates for the City and the Regina Public Library in spring 2021 once the City receives the education mill rate from the Government of Saskatchewan and approves the mill rates for the Business Improvement Districts.

8. Approve a transfer of \$1,036,000 from the previously approved Parliament/Queen Lot Servicing project to the Land Development Reserve ensuring these funds are available to fund development of the Land Development Master Plan as described on page 12 of this report.
9. Approve a transfer of \$7,200,000 from the previously approved 2020 capital programs that were not spent due to COVID-19 as outlined on page 13 of this report as follows:
 - a. \$4.7 million to the General Fund reserve to fund Aquatics Infrastructure; and
 - b. \$2.5 million to the Social Development Reserve to ensure sufficient 2021 funding for the Housing Incentive Program.
10. Approve the following 2021 Alley Maintenance Special Tax levies, proposed revenues and estimated costs:

Paved Alleys:
Levy \$3.90 per assessable foot
Proposed Revenue \$3,476,298
Estimated Cost: \$3,476,298

Gravel Alleys:
Levy \$2.72 per assessable foot
Proposed Revenue \$1,676,137
Estimated Cost \$1,676,137
11. Direct the City Solicitor to prepare the 2021 Alley Maintenance Special Tax Bylaw to include the paved and gravel alleys levies, proposed revenues and estimated costs as detailed in recommendation 10 above and Appendix E to this report.
12. Approve the 2021 fee-supported Utility Operating Budget as outlined in Appendix A beginning on page 105, with total revenues of \$148,254,000 and total gross expenditures of \$148,254,000.
13. Approve the 2021-2025 Utility Capital Budget with total gross expenditures of \$57,775,000 in 2021, as summarized in the City of Regina 2021 Utility Budget, beginning on page 115 of Appendix A.
14. Approve the Utility Capital Budget as outlined on page 114 of Appendix A for multi-year projects that require future year commitments with gross expenditures of \$10,100,000 underway in 2021, as follows:

- a. 2022 - \$10,100,000
- b. 2023 - \$10,100,000
- c. 2024 - \$5,000,000

15. Authorize the City Solicitor to prepare any other necessary bylaw amendments not mentioned above to implement the above recommendations and the approved budgets.
16. Remove the following items from the List of Outstanding Items for City Council and Mayor's Housing Commission:
- MHC20-1 (Plan to End Homelessness)
 - CR20-23 (Plan to End Homelessness)
 - CR20-69 (Events, Conventions and Tradeshow)
 - CR20-85(1) (Winter Maintenance Policy Update)
 - MN19-22 (Regina Board of Police Commissioners Budget)

Councillor Bob Hawkins moved, seconded by Councillor Shanon Zachidniak that the recommendations contained in the report be concurred in and that the Capital, Operating and Utility budgets be considered and voted on separately and that they be approved in principle, prior to consideration of CR20-108 Regina Police Service 2021 Operating and Capital Budget.

2021 General Operating Budget

Councillor Andrew Stevens moved, in amendment, seconded by Councillor Landon Mohl:

- 1. That Administration commit \$500,000 in new money to harm reduction and social determinant initiatives through the Social Development stream of the Community Investment Grant Program, in alignment with the Community Wellbeing Strategy; and**
- 2. That this money come from the COVID-19 Recovery Reserve in 2021 with future years to be provided through base funding.**

The Clerk called the vote on Councillors Stevens and Mohl's amendment.

	In Favour	Against
Councillor Andrew Stevens	✓	
Councillor Cheryl Stadnichuk	✓	
Councillor Bob Hawkins		✓
Councillor Lori Bresciani		✓
Councillor John Findura	✓	
Councillor Dan LeBlanc	✓	
Councillor Terina Shaw		✓
Councillor Shanon Zachidniak	✓	
Councillor Jason Mancinelli	✓	
Councillor Landon Mohl	✓	

Mayor Sandra Masters

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

Councillor Dan LeBlanc moved, in amendment, seconded by **Councillor Andrew Stevens**:

1. That the allocated funds to support the attraction of Events, Conventions and Tradeshows to Regina be reduced from \$325,000 to \$100,000 in the 2021 General Operating Budget as a one-time reduction; and
2. That the remaining \$225,000 be allocated to the COVID-19 Recovery Reserve in 2021.

RECESS

Councillor Shanon Zachidniak moved, seconded by **Councillor Bob Hawkins**, **AND IT WAS RESOLVED**, that City Council recess for five minutes.

The City Council recessed at 4:59 p.m.

The City Council reconvened at 5:15 p.m.

The Clerk called the vote on Councillors LeBlanc and Stevens' amendment.

	In Favour	Against
Councillor Dan LeBlanc	✓	
Councillor Terina Shaw		✓
Councillor Shanon Zachidniak		✓
Councillor Jason Mancinelli		✓
Councillor Landon Mohl		✓
Councillor Cheryl Stadnichuk	✓	
Councillor Bob Hawkins		✓
Councillor Andrew Stevens	✓	
Councillor Lori Bresciani		✓
Councillor John Findura		✓
Mayor Sandra Masters		✓
	3	8

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

Councillor Terina Shaw moved, in amendment, seconded by **Councillor Andrew Stevens** that the one-time funding of \$200,000 to Economic Development Regina (EDR) be reallocated to the Community Investment Grant Program (Sport and Recreation Stream) in the 2021 General Operating Budget.

RECESS

Councillor John Findura moved, seconded by Councillor Jason Mancinelli, AND IT WAS RESOLVED, that City Council recess for five minutes.

The City Council recessed at 5:30 p.m.

The City Council reconvened at 5:35 p.m.

The Clerk called the vote on Councillors Shaw and Stevens' amendment.

	In Favour	Against
Councillor Terina Shaw	✓	
Councillor Dan LeBlanc		✓
Councillor John Findura	✓	
Councillor Lori Bresciani	✓	
Councillor Andrew Stevens	✓	
Councillor Bob Hawkins		✓
Councillor Cheryl Stadnichuk		✓
Councillor Landon Mohl	✓	
Councillor Jason Mancinelli		✓
Councillor Shanon Zachidniak		✓
Mayor Sandra Masters		✓
	5	6

The motion was put and declared LOST.

Councillor Shanon Zachidniak moved, seconded by Councillor Bob Hawkins that City Council recess until Thursday, March 25, 2021 at 1 p.m.

The Clerk called the vote on Councillors Zachidniak and Hawkins' motion.

	In Favour	Against
Councillor Shanon Zachidniak	✓	
Councillor Cheryl Stadnichuk		✓
Councillor Bob Hawkins	✓	
Councillor Andrew Stevens		✓
Councillor Lori Bresciani		✓
Councillor John Findura		✓
Councillor Dan LeBlanc		✓
Councillor Terina Shaw		✓
Councillor Jason Mancinelli		✓
Councillor Landon Mohl	✓	
Mayor Sandra Masters		✓
	3	8

The motion was put and declared LOST.

RECESS

Councillor Bob Hawkins moved, seconded by Councillor Andrew Stevens that City Council recess for 30 minutes.

The Clerk called the vote on Councillors Hawkins and Stevens' motion.

	In Favour	Against
Councillor Bob Hawkins	✓	
Councillor Cheryl Stadnichuk	✓	
Councillor Andrew Stevens	✓	
Councillor John Findura	✓	
Councillor Lori Bresciani	✓	
Councillor Dan LeBlanc	✓	
Councillor Terina Shaw	✓	
Councillor Shanon Zachidniak	✓	
Councillor Jason Mancinelli	✓	
Councillor Landon Mohl	✓	
Mayor Sandra Masters	✓	
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The City Council recessed at 6:19 p.m.

The City Council reconvened at 6:45 p.m.

Councillor Terina Shaw moved, in amendment, seconded by Councillor Shanon Zachidniak that a one-time funding in the amount of \$200,000 be allocated to the Community Investment Grant Program (Sport and Recreation Stream) from the Community Investment Reserve.

The Clerk called the vote on Councillors Shaw and Zachidniak's amendment.

	In Favour	Against
Councillor Terina Shaw	✓	
Councillor Shanon Zachidniak	✓	
Councillor Jason Mancinelli	✓	
Councillor Landon Mohl	✓	
Councillor Cheryl Stadnichuk	✓	
Councillor Bob Hawkins		✓
Councillor Andrew Stevens	✓	
Councillor John Findura	✓	
Councillor Lori Bresciani	✓	
Councillor Dan LeBlanc	✓	
Mayor Sandra Masters	✓	
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The motion was put and declared CARRIED.

Councillor Shanon Zachidniak moved, in amendment, seconded by Councillor Cheryl Stadnichuk that the \$339,000 allocated to the proposed enhancement for plowing all sidewalks adjacent to transit stops be removed from the 2021 General Operating budget.

The Clerk called the vote on Councillors Zachidniak and Stadnichuk's amendment.

	In Favour	Against
Councillor Shanon Zachidniak	✓	
Councillor Jason Mancinelli		✓
Councillor Landon Mohl		✓
Councillor Terina Shaw		✓
Councillor Dan LeBlanc		✓
Councillor John Findura		✓
Councillor Lori Bresciani		✓
Councillor Andrew Stevens		✓
Councillor Bob Hawkins		✓
Councillor Cheryl Stadnichuk		✓
Mayor Sandra Masters		✓
	1	10

The motion was put and declared LOST.

The Clerk called the vote on the 2021 General Operating Budget, as amended, in principle, pending consideration of CR20-108 Regina Police Service 2021 Operating and Capital Budget.

	In Favour	Against
Councillor Bob Hawkins	✓	
Councillor Cheryl Stadnichuk	✓	
Councillor Andrew Stevens	✓	
Councillor Lori Bresciani	✓	
Councillor John Findura	✓	
Councillor Dan LeBlanc	✓	
Councillor Terina Shaw	✓	
Councillor Shanon Zachidniak	✓	
Councillor Jason Mancinelli	✓	
Councillor Landon Mohl	✓	
Mayor Sandra Masters	✓	
	11	0

The motion as amended, in principle, was put and declared CARRIED.

Councillor Dan LeBlanc moved, seconded by Councillor Andrew Stevens that City Council continue the meeting to discuss the 2021 Capital Budget.

The Clerk called the vote on Councillors LeBlanc and Stevens' motion.

	In Favour	Against
Councillor Dan LeBlanc	✓	
Councillor Cheryl Stadnichuk	✓	
Councillor Bob Hawkins	✓	
Councillor Andrew Stevens	✓	
Councillor Lori Bresciani	✓	
Councillor John Findura	✓	
Councillor Terina Shaw	✓	
Councillor Shanon Zachidniak		✓
Councillor Jason Mancinelli	✓	
Councillor Landon Mohl	✓	
Mayor Sandra Masters	✓	
	10	1

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

2021 General Capital Budget

The Clerk called the vote on the 2021 General Capital Budget, in principle, pending consideration of CR20-108 Regina Police Service 2021 Operating and Capital Budget.

	In Favour	Against
Councillor Bob Hawkins	✓	
Councillor Landon Mohl		✓
Councillor Jason Mancinelli	✓	
Councillor Shanon Zachidniak	✓	
Councillor Terina Shaw	✓	
Councillor Dan LeBlanc	✓	
Councillor John Findura	✓	
Councillor Lori Bresciani	✓	
Councillor Andrew Stevens	✓	
Councillor Cheryl Stadnichuk	✓	
Mayor Sandra Masters	✓	
	10	1

The motion, in principle, was put and declared **CARRIED**.

2021 Capital and Operating Utility Budget

Councillor John Findura moved, seconded by Councillor Dan LeBlanc that City Council reconsider the previous decision in 2019 to increase the utility rate to 3% in 2022.

The Clerk called the vote on Councillors Findura and LeBlanc's motion.

	In Favour	Against
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Councillor John Findura	✓	
Councillor Cheryl Stadnichuk		✓

Unanimous consent was not received, the motion was declared LOST.

Councillor Andrew Stevens moved, in amendment, seconded by Councillor Landon Mohl that the lead filter program policy be amended to allow residents with lead service connections to access the filter program annually.

The Clerk called the vote on Councillors Stevens and Mohl's amendment.

	In Favour	Against
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Councillor Andrew Stevens	✓	
Councillor Bob Hawkins	✓	
Councillor Cheryl Stadnichuk	✓	
Councillor Landon Mohl	✓	
Councillor Jason Mancinelli	✓	
Councillor Shanon Zachidniak	✓	
Councillor Terina Shaw	✓	
Councillor Dan LeBlanc	✓	
Councillor John Findura	✓	
Councillor Lori Bresciani	✓	
Mayor Sandra Masters	✓	
	11	0

The motion was put and declared CARRIED.

Councillor Andrew Stevens moved, in amendment, seconded by Councillor Cheryl Stadnichuk that Administration report to City Council in Q2 of 2022 with the implications of removing the "Access Fee" from the Utility Budget and including that cost onto property taxes.

Councillors Stevens and Stadnichuk withdrew their motion.

The Clerk called the vote on the 2021 Capital and Operating Utility Budget, in principle, pending consideration of CR20-108 Regina Police Service 2021 Operating and Capital Budget.

	In Favour	Against
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Councillor Bob Hawkins	✓	
Councillor Dan LeBlanc	✓	
Councillor Terina Shaw	✓	
Councillor Shanon Zachidniak	✓	
Councillor Jason Mancinelli	✓	

Councillor Landon Mohl	✓	
Councillor John Findura		✓
Councillor Lori Bresciani	✓	
Councillor Andrew Stevens	✓	
Councillor Cheryl Stadnichuk	✓	
Mayor Sandra Masters	✓	
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The motion, in principle, was put and declared **CARRIED**.

RECESS

Councillor Bob Hawkins moved, seconded by Councillor Jason Mancinelli, AND IT WAS RESOLVED, that City Council recess until March 25, 2021 at 1 p.m.

City Council recessed at 9:05 p.m. on March 24, 2021.

City Council reconvened at 1 p.m. on March 25, 2021.

Jeff Barber and Sean Quinlan, representing the Regina Public Library, addressed and answered questions of City Council on the library budget.

2021 Library Budget

The Clerk called the vote on the 2021 Library Budget, in principle, pending consideration of CR20-108 Regina Police Service 2021 Operating and Capital Budget.

	In Favour	Against
Councillor Cheryl Stadnichuk	✓	
Councillor Bob Hawkins	✓	
Councillor Lori Bresciani		✓
Councillor Andrew Stevens	✓	
Councillor John Findura	✓	
Councillor Dan LeBlanc	✓	
Councillor Terina Shaw		✓
Councillor Shanon Zachidniak	✓	
Councillor Jason Mancinelli	✓	
Councillor Landon Mohl		✓
Mayor Sandra Masters	✓	
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The motion, in principle, was put and declared **CARRIED**.

The following addressed and answered questions of City Council on CR20-108 Regina Police Service 2021 Operating and Capital Budget:

- DE21-73 Josh Campbell, Himself and Wascana Solar Co-operative
- DE21-74 Harley Tolver

- DE21-75 Sophia Young
- DE21-76 Keisha Nginhena
- DE21-77 Hayley Watson
- DE21-70 Dr. Michelle Stewart

RECESS

Councillor Bob Hawkins moved, seconded by Councillor Andrew Stevens that City Council recess for five minutes.

The City Council recessed at 2:40 p.m.

The City Council reconvened at 2:45 p.m.

- DE21-68 Krystal Lewis, Regina Public Interest Research Group
- DE21-71 Florence Stratton

Delegation DE21-72 Deborah Karpa did not appear to address City Council on item CR20-108.

RECESS

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 33(2.1) of City Council's Procedure Bylaw No. 9004, Mayor Masters called for a 15 minute recess.

Council recessed at 3:21 p.m.

Council reconvened at 3:36 p.m.

CR20-108 Regina Police Service 2021 Operating and Capital Budget

Recommendation

That City Council:

1. Approve the 2021 Regina Police Service Operating Budget, which includes estimated gross operating expenditures of \$99,562,700 and revenues of \$10,317,600, resulting in a Net Operating Budget of \$89,245,100.
2. Approve the 2021 Capital Budget of \$3,952,200 with capital funding to be determined by Regina City Council and an additional \$128,000 funded by SGI.
3. Table this report to be considered at the City Council budget meetings in March 2021.

Councillor Bob Hawkins moved, seconded by Councillor Lori Bresciani that the recommendations contained in the report be concurred in.

Councillor Andrew Stevens moved, seconded by Councillor Lori Bresciani, AND IT WAS RESOLVED, that the mandatory 30 minute recess pursuant to the provisions of Section 33(2.2) of City Council's Procedure Bylaw No. 9004 be waived and the meeting continue.

The Clerk called the vote on Councillors Hawkins and Bresciani's motion.

	In Favour	Against
Councillor Bob Hawkins	✓	
Councillor Andrew Stevens		✓
Councillor Lori Bresciani	✓	
Councillor John Findura	✓	
Councillor Dan LeBlanc		✓
Councillor Terina Shaw	✓	
Councillor Shanon Zachidniak		✓
Councillor Jason Mancinelli	✓	
Councillor Landon Mohl	✓	
Councillor Cheryl Stadnichuk		✓
Mayor Sandra Masters	✓	
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The motion was put and declared CARRIED.

The Clerk called the vote on the main motion, as amended: CM21-3 2021 General and Utility Operating Budget and 2021 - 2025 General and Utility Capital Plan

	In Favour	Against
Councillor Bob Hawkins	✓	
Councillor Cheryl Stadnichuk	✓	
Councillor Andrew Stevens	✓	
Councillor Lori Bresciani	✓	
Councillor Landon Mohl	✓	
Councillor Jason Mancinelli	✓	
Councillor Shanon Zachidniak	✓	
Councillor Terina Shaw	✓	
Councillor Dan LeBlanc		✓
Councillor John Findura	✓	
Mayor Sandra Masters	✓	
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The main motion, as amended was put and declared CARRIED.

PUBLIC NOTICE BYLAW

2021-17 THE 2021 ALLEY MAINTENANCE SPECIAL TAX BYLAW, 2021

Councillor Bob Hawkins moved, seconded by Councillor Andrew Stevens, that Bylaw No. 2021-17 be introduced and read a first time.

Bylaw was read a first time.

The motion was put and declared CARRIED.

The Clerk indicated that in light of meeting restrictions, interested parties were notified of the bylaw amendments. No one expressed a desire to address city council.

Councillor Bob Hawkins moved, seconded by Councillor Lori Bresciani, that Bylaw No. 2021-17 be introduced and read a second time.

Bylaw was read a second time.

The motion was put and declared CARRIED.

Councillor Bob Hawkins moved, seconded by Councillor John Findura, that City Council hereby consent to Bylaw No. 2021-17 going to third and final reading at this meeting.

The motion was put and declared CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Councillor Bob Hawkins moved, seconded by Councillor Dan LeBlanc, that Bylaw No. 2021-17 be read a third time.

Bylaw was read a third and final time.

The motion was put and declared CARRIED.

ADJOURNMENT

Councillor Bob Hawkins moved, seconded by Councillor Lori Bresciani, AND IT WAS RESOLVED, that the meeting adjourn.

The meeting adjourned at 6:13 p.m.

Chairperson

Secretary