



**City of Brockville**  
**Council Meeting Minutes**  
**6:00 PM - Tuesday, April 13, 2021**  
Virtual Meeting

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The Council meeting was called to order on Tuesday, April 13, 2021, at 6:00 PM, in the Virtual Meeting, with the following present:

**Members Present:**

Mayor Jason Baker, Councillor Leigh Bursey, Councillor Jeff Earle, Councillor Jane Fullarton, Councillor Larry Journal, Councillor Nathalie Lavergne, Councillor Cameron Wales, and Councillor Matt Wren

**Regrets:**

Councillor Mike Kalivas

**Staff:**

David Lazenby, Director of Fire & Partner Services, Janette Loveys, City Manager, Sandra MacDonald, City Clerk, and Krista Vandewal, Senior Manager of Human Resources

**MOTION TO MOVE INTO CLOSED SESSION (5:00 PM)**

Moved by: Councillor Wales

Seconded by: Councillor Bursey

THAT pursuant to *Municipal Act*, 2001, Section 239 Sub. 2, (d) and (k), Council resolve itself Closed Session, closed to the public to consider:

1. labour relations or employee negotiations;
2. a position, plan, procedure, criteria or instruction to be applied to any negotiations carried on or to be carried on by or on behalf of the municipality or local board. 2001, c. 25, s. 239 (2); 2017, c. 10, Sched. 1, s. 26.

**CARRIED**

*Mayor Baker, Councillor Kalivas and Councillor Lavergne were not in attendance at the closed session.*

**CLOSED MEETING STAFF REPORTS**

*The meeting recessed at 5:41 pm.*

## **REPORT OF THE CLOSED SESSION**

Moved by: Councillor Wales  
Seconded by: Councillor Lavergne

THAT Council rise from the Closed Session and the Chairman report that all recommendations adopted in Closed Session, be adopted.

**CARRIED**

## **MAYOR'S REMARKS**

Mayor Baker welcomed everyone to the meeting.

## **DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST**

Nil.

## **ADOPTION OF COUNCIL MINUTES**

Moved by: Councillor Lavergne

THAT the minutes of the Council Meeting of March 23, 2021 be adopted and circulated as read.

**CARRIED**

## **CORRESPONDENCE, COMMUNICATIONS AND PETITIONS**

Nil.

## **DELEGATIONS**

Nil.

## **STAFF REPORTS**

Nil.

## **PLANNING AND OPERATIONS COMMITTEE**

Councillor M. Kalivas, Chair  
Councillors L. Bursey and C. Wales, A. Koolwine, Citizen Member  
Meeting held April 6, 2021

## **POC - CONSENT AGENDA**

*Councillor Journal requested that Item No. 10, Overdose Awareness and Public Health Information be separated from the Consent Agenda.*

*Councillor Earle requested that Item No. 9, Rural and Remote Homelessness Prevention and Funding Support item be separated from the Consent Agenda.*

Moved by: Councillor Wales

THAT the following items, as listed on the Planning and Operations Committee agenda are recommended to be passed by Consent Agenda:

**For:** Mayor Baker, Councillor Bursey, Councillor Earle, Councillor Fullarton, Councillor Journal, Councillor Lavergne, Councillor Wales, and Councillor Wren

**CARRIED 8-0 on a recorded vote**

1. **SR2021-39**  
**Zoning By-law Amendment**  
**4 James Street East / 75 & 75A Victoria Avenue**

THAT Zoning By-law 050-2014 be amended to rezone lands with municipal addresses 4 James Street East and 75/75A Victoria Avenue from R5-1 Multiple Residential Special Exception Zone to R6 - Multiple Residential Special Exception Zone, in part, and C2 - General Commercial Special Exception Zone, in part, to recognize the existing built form on the property and permit reductions in parking, front yard setback requirements, interior yard setback, exterior side yard setback and rear yard setback provisions, respectively, to facilitate a severance into two (2) properties;

THAT the C2 - General Commercial Special Exception Zone recognize an Undertakers Establishment with an Accessory Apartment as a permitted use in addition to all other C2 - General Commercial Uses;

THAT Council authorize the Mayor and Clerk to enter into an Encroachment Agreement to recognize the existing encroachment of the roof portico on the front of 75 Victoria Avenue at a distance of 1.1m into the Victoria Avenue road allowance; and,

THAT By-law 179-85 be rescinded, being a By-law to establish the current site specific zoning on the subject lands and that the associated text and reference on Schedule "A" contained within Zoning By-law 050-2014, as amended, be deleted.

2. **SR2021-60**  
**CIP-Brownfields Redevelopment Funding Agreement and CIP-TIERR Agreement - 42 Garden Street, Brockville**

THAT Council authorize the Mayor and Clerk to execute a Community Improvement Plan-Brownfields Redevelopment Funding Agreement (CIP-Brownfields) between the City of Brockville and Marguerita Residence Corporation; and

THAT staff are hereby authorized to prepare all necessary By-Laws and documentation necessary to affect the implementation of the subject Brownfields Redevelopment Funding Agreement (CIP-Brownfields); and

THAT Council authorize the Mayor and Clerk to execute a Community Improvement Plan-Tax Increment Equivalent for Rehabilitation and Redevelopment Grant Agreement (CIP-TIERR) between the City of Brockville and Marguerita Residence Corporation for Phase I development only, and

THAT staff are hereby authorized to prepare all necessary By-Laws and documentation necessary to affect the implementation of the subject Community Improvement Plan-Tax Increment Equivalent for Rehabilitation and Redevelopment Grant Agreement (CIP-TIERR) for Phase I development only.

3. **SR2021-62**  
**Delegation of Authority for Removal of Holding Symbols to the Chief Planning Officer**

THAT a by-law be enacted pursuant to Section 23.1(1) of the Municipal Act, 2001, S.O 2001, c. 25, as amended, to delegate Council's authority with respect to removal of Holding Symbols to the Chief Planning Officer for the City of Brockville, with an option for an applicant or any member of Council to refer the matter to City Council.

4. **SR2021-67**  
**Commuter Transit Pilot Project**

THAT Council direct staff to enter into an Operating Agreement with the Town of Prescott, Township of Augusta, and Township of Edwardsburgh Cardinal for the Brockville to Cardinal transit route as part of the Commuter Strategy Pilot Project.

5. **SR2021-57**  
**Fire Safety Grant**

THAT report SR2021-57 dated April 6, 2021 regarding the Fire Safety Grant Transfer Payment be received for information; and

THAT the Mayor and City Clerk are hereby authorized to execute all documentation in connection with the Fire Safety Grant on behalf of the Corporation of the City of Brockville and to affix the Corporation's seal thereto.

6. **SR2021-66**  
**Needle Boxes**

THAT Council receives report SR2021-66; and,

THAT Council directs staff to proceed with the procurement and installation of needle disposal boxes at six (6) City Parks locations for a total of \$4,233.00 plus tax; and,

THAT the expenditure be funded from Fiscal Policy.

7. **SR2021-63**  
**2021 Municipal Household Special Waste Event**

THAT Report SR2021-63, 2021 Municipal Household Special Waste Event be received; and

THAT Council approve the sole source proposal from Drain-All to host the event for a cost up to \$70,000 (including net HST).

8. **SR2021-64**  
**Sole Source Purchase of Primary Clarifier Collector Chains and Sprockets**

THAT Council receive Report 2021-64, Sole Source Purchase of Primary Clarifier Collector Chains and Sprockets; and

THAT Council approve the sole source purchase of Polychem Collector Chains, Drive Sprockets and Idler Sprockets from C&M Environmental Technologies Inc. in Barrie Ontario.

**POC - REGULAR AGENDA**

1. **Rural and Remote Homelessness Prevention and Funding Support**  
**Councillor Bursey**

Moved by: Councillor Bursey

Whereas, approximately 31% of the population of Canada lives in communities of 30 thousand or less and yet the Rural and Remote funding allocation is about 8% of the overall "Reaching Home" Canada's National Housing Strategy annual budget; and

Whereas, research from Canada and the United States shows that homelessness is just as prevalent (and often higher) in rural communities than in urban centres and yet it is drastically underfunded; and

Whereas, this chronic underfunding means that the infrastructure is not in place in rural communities to enable them to jump on capital opportunities such as the Rapid Rehousing Initiative;

Therefore be it resolved that the Federation of Canadian Municipalities advocate that the Government of Canada do the following:

Increase the Rural and Remote stream of funding through the National Housing Strategy to \$50 million per year as opposed to the \$11 million it is now;

Maintain additional funding allocated for COVID-19 response as a permanent funding source dedicated towards sustainable solutions for ending homelessness;

Adopt a National Homelessness Count for Rural and Remote Communities and create housing targets for rural and remote communities such as 30% of all funds allocated to capital will be designated for communities.

**For:** Mayor Baker, Councillor Bursey, Councillor Fullarton, Councillor Journal, Councillor Lavergne, Councillor Wales, and Councillor Wren

**Against:** Councillor Earle

**CARRIED 7-1 on a recorded vote**

2. **Overdose Awareness and Public Health Information  
Councillor Bursey**

Moved by: Councillor Bursey

Whereas, overdose-related health complications and deaths continue to increase across the city, and well beyond;

Whereas, the Corporation of the City of Brockville is an active participant in the Brockville Municipal Drug Strategy Steering Committee, signaling a clear commitment to raising awareness of this epidemic, and a willingness to educate and be educated regarding this public health concern;

Whereas, the Corporation of the City of Brockville and Brockville City Council have various social media, audio and print mediums to disperse information regarding important city functions and events, which was evidenced through COVID-19 and other important public health initiatives;

Therefore be it resolved that Brockville City Council direct staff, at the discretion of the City Manager, to share life saving information such as "Alert Documentation" about toxic drugs on the corporation's website or social media in a timely fashion as recommended by such community partners and channels as Brockville Police Services, Brockville General Hospital, the Leeds, Grenville Lanark District Health Unit and, the Brockville Municipal Drug Strategy Steering Committee.

**For:** Mayor Baker, Councillor Bursey, Councillor Earle, Councillor Fullarton, Councillor Journal, Councillor Wales, and Councillor Wren

**CARRIED 7-0 on a recorded vote**

*Councillor Lavergne exited the meeting. (6:37 pm).*

3. **Moms Stop the Harm**  
**Councillor Bursey**

Moved by: Councillor Bursey

Whereas the opioid crisis is one of the largest public health emergencies of our lifetime, with a death on average about every two hours and a death toll of over 16,360 since 2016 (January 2016 to March 2020).

Whereas other countries have significantly reduced drug-related fatalities with reforms such as legal regulation of illicit drugs to ensure safe supply and decriminalization for personal use.

Whereas the federal government has indicated it is premature to discuss these measures until there are comprehensive supports for people to get well.

Whereas supports are needed, but measures that save lives are essential if people are to survive and access supports.

Whereas the Canadian Association of Chiefs of Police has stated that they agree the evidence suggests “decriminalization for simple possession as an effective way to reduce the public health and public safety harms associated with substance use”, causing the government to indicate that it is now “deliberating” over decriminalization.

Whereas the overdose crisis rages, showing few signs of abating.

Be it resolved that the Government of Canada declare the overdose crisis a national public health emergency so that it is taken seriously and funded appropriately and immediately seek input from the people most affected by this crisis and meet with provinces and territories to develop a comprehensive, pan-Canadian overdose action plan, which includes comprehensive supports and full consideration of reforms that other countries have used to significantly reduce drug-related fatalities and stigma, such as legal regulation of illicit drugs to ensure safe supply of pharmaceutical alternatives to toxic street drugs, and decriminalization for personal use; and



THAT a copy of this resolution be send to The Honourable Patty Hajdu, Minister of Health and Michael Barrett, MP, Leeds—Grenville—Thousand Islands and Rideau Lakes.

**CARRIED, as amended on a later vote**

Motion to Amend

Moved by: Councillor Bursey

THAT the following be deleted from the motion:

"Whereas the Canadian Association of Chiefs of Police has stated that they agree the evidence suggests "decriminalization for simple possession as an effective way to reduce the public health and public safety harms associated with substance use", causing the government to indicate that it is now "deliberating" over decriminalization" and

From the seventh paragraph:

"such as legal regulation of illicit drugs to ensure safe supply of pharmaceutical alternatives to toxic street drugs, and decriminalization for personal use".

**For:** Mayor Baker, Councillor Bursey, Councillor Earle, Councillor Fullarton, Councillor Journal, Councillor Wales, and Councillor Wren

**CARRIED 7-0 on a recorded vote**

*The vote on the original motion, as amended, was now taken and the motion, as amended, was carried.*

Amended Motion

Moved by: Councillor Bursey

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Whereas other countries have significantly reduced drug-related fatalities with reforms such as legal regulation of illicit drugs to ensure safe supply and decriminalization for personal use.

Whereas the federal government has indicated it is premature to discuss these measures until there are comprehensive supports for people to get well.

Whereas supports are needed, but measures that save lives are essential if people are to survive and access supports.

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THAT a copy of this resolution be send to The Honourable Patty Hajdu, Minister of Health and Michael Barrett, MP, Leeds—Grenville—Thousand Islands and Rideau Lakes.

**For:** Mayor Baker, Councillor Bursey, Councillor Earle, Councillor Fullarton, Councillor Journal, Councillor Wales, and Councillor Wren

**CARRIED 7-0 on a recorded vote**

## **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, RECREATION AND TOURISM COMMITTEE**

Councillor J. Fullarton, Chair

Councillor M. Wren, J. Barabash and J. McTavish, Citizen Members

Meeting held April 6, 2021

## **EDRTC- CONSENT AGENDA**

Moved by: Councillor Fullarton

THAT the following items, as listed on the Economic Development, Recreation and Tourism Committee agenda are recommended to be passed by Consent Agenda:

**For:** Mayor Baker, Councillor Bursey, Councillor Earle, Councillor Fullarton, Councillor Journal, Councillor Wales, and Councillor Wren

**CARRIED 7-0 on a recorded vote**

1. **SR2021-65**  
**Tourism and Culture Committee Terms of Reference**

THAT report SR2021-65 Tourism and Culture Committee Terms of Reference be received; and

THAT Council approves the Tourism and Culture Committee Terms of Reference as amended

2. **SR2021-61**  
**2019 and 2020 Museum Annual Reports**

THAT the Brockville Museum Annual Reports for 2019 and 2020 be approved.

3. **YMCA**  
**Councillor Wren**

THAT staff be directed to work collaboratively with the YMCA of Eastern Ontario (Brockville) to explore the feasibility of the YMCA providing lifeguarding services at St Lawrence Park to potentially start in 2021 and within the 2021 approved city budget and,

THAT staff to staff discussions be held to better understand the specific financial requirements of the YMCA of Eastern Ontario (Brockville) and report back when appropriate.

**EDRTC - REGULAR AGENDA**

Nil.

**NEW BUSINESS - REPORT FROM MEMBERS OF COUNCIL**

Nil.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Nil.

**EMERGENCY BUSINESS**

Nil.

**BY-LAWS**

1. 027-2021  
A By-law to execute the Transfer Payment Agreement between the Minister of Transportation for the Province of Ontario and the City of Brockville, and all subsequent agreements or amendments with respect to the Ontario Municipal Commuter Cycling program
2. 028-2021  
By-law to Remove the "H1" and "H2" Holding Symbols from the H1-R2, H2-R2, H1-R3, H2-R3, H1-R3-1 and H2-R3-1 Zone, inclusive, on those lands described as Lots 112 to 148, inclusive, and Lots 178, 179 & 180, Lots 183 to 189, inclusive, and Lots 191, 192, 193, 194, 195, 213, 214, 215, 216, inclusive, being Part of Adley Drive and Manahan Court, Registered Plan 388, City of Brockville, County of Leeds. (Brockwoods Subdivision)
3. 029-2021  
By-law to Remove Certain Lands described as Lots 112 to 148, inclusive, and Lots 178, 179 & 180, Lots 183 to 189, inclusive, and Lots 191, 192, 193, 194, 213, 214, 215, 216, inclusive, being Part of Adley Drive and Manahan Court, Registered Plan 388, City of Brockville, County of Leeds from Part Lot Control. (Brockwoods Subdivision)
4. 030-2021  
Being A By-law To Authorize The Execution of An Amending Agreement with Harbouredge Realty Administration Corporation (HRAC) to Amend Servicing and Development Agreement on Lands described as Lots 112 to 148, inclusive, and Lots 178, 179 & 180, Lots 183 to 189, inclusive, and Lots 191, 192, 193, 194, 195, 213, 214, 215, 216, inclusive, being Part of Adley Drive and Manahan Court, Registered Plan 388, City of Brockville, County of Leeds. (Brockwoods Subdivision)

5. 031-2021  
A By-law to amend 083-2018 Being a By-law to Appoint Members to Various Boards and Commissions (DBIA and Arena Advisory)
6. 032-2021  
Being a By-law to execute the Ontario Transfer Payment Agreement between the Minister of Heritage, Sport, Tourism and Culture Industries and the City of Brockville, and all subsequent agreements or amendments with respect to the Reconnect Festival and Event Program 2020-2021

### **READING OF THE BYLAWS**

Moved by: Councillor Wren  
Seconded by: Councillor Journal

THAT By-laws Numbered 027-2021 to 032-2021 be introduced and the same be now read a first, second and third time, signed by the Mayor and Clerk, sealed with the Seal of the Corporation and be recorded.

**CARRIED**

### **CONFIRMATORY BYLAW**

Moved by: Councillor Wren  
Seconded by: Councillor Journal

THAT By-law Number 033-2021 to confirm the Proceedings of Council at its meeting held on April 13, 2021 be read a first, second and third time, signed by the Mayor and Clerk, sealed with the Seal of the Corporation and be recorded.

**CARRIED**

### **MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **MEDIA QUESTION PERIOD**

**ADJOURNMENT**

Moved by: Councillor Wren  
Seconded by: Councillor Journal

THAT Council adjourn its proceedings until the next regular meeting scheduled for April 27, 2021.

**CARRIED**

*The meeting adjourned at 7:10 pm.*

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Mayor

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City Clerk