

Economic Development & Planning Committee

Tuesday, March 06, 2018, 4:15 pm
City Hall, Council Chambers

COMMITTEE MINUTES

Members Present:

Councillor M. Kalivas, Chair
Councillor J. Baker
Councillor L. Bursey
Councillor D. LeSueur
Mayor D. Henderson, Ex-Officio

Other Members:

Councillor T. Blanchard

Staff:

B. Casselman, City Manager
D. Dick, Director of Corporate Services
K. Lorimer, Economic Development Coordinator
S. MacDonald, City Clerk
A. McGinnis, Planner II
L. Murray, Deputy City Clerk (Recording Secretary)
R. Nolan, Director of Economic Development

The Chair called the meeting to order at 4:15 pm.

DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST

Nil.

DELEGATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

1. Tourism Office Relocation
Katherine Hobbs, Manager Brockville Tourism

K. Hobbs reviewed her presentation for the Committee.
2. Electronic Message Board - Tourism Building
Katherine Hobbs, Manager Brockville Tourism

K. Hobbs offered a review of her presentation.

Councillor Bursey thought the idea was great but wondered if it was the right time to be installing a sign, as the previous presentation was about relocating the sign. K. Hobbs responded that until the building is demolished it would be used and could be relocated at that time.

Councillor Bursey wondered if there had been any consultation with area residents. L White replied that no there had been no consultation done.

3. Municipal Accommodation Tax
Pamela Robertson, Chamber of Commerce

P. Robertson spoke in disagreement of how the tax should be distributed.

4. Municipal Accommodation Tax
Bhagwant Parmar, Brockville Hotel Association

B. Parmar spoke on behalf of the Association. This group disagrees with the proposed disbursement of the MAT. They also would like to be involved in discussion on how it is apportioned.

5. Municipal Accommodation Tax
Henry Noble, Noblesuites

H. Noble offered a brief background of his hotel. He disagreed with the recommendation from staff on how to allocate the tax.

7. Municipal Accommodation Tax
Francine Dunn, Pine Street Inn

F. Dunn feels that the May 1, 2018 implementation for the tax is too soon. She would like to see a committee formed to discuss how the tax should be allocated and that the accommodation providers should have input.

6. Trinity Church (former)
(Mark Arthur Smith)

Mr. Smith was not in attendance.

CORRESPONDENCE

1. Impost Fees
Andrew Rutherford

Moved by: Councillor Baker

THAT the correspondence from A. Rutherford regarding Impost Fees be received.

CARRIED

REPORTS FROM BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

Nil.

STAFF REPORTS

1. 2018-021-03
Municipal Accommodation Tax Allocation

Moved by: Mayor Henderson

THAT the Municipal Accommodation Tax become effective May 1, 2018;

THAT the funds be used to fund the amount of the Tourism Contract and the balance of the funds be allocated as follows: 54% to Brockville Tourism for enhanced marketing, 29% to City of Brockville for tourism-related expenses, 17% to the Tourism Advisory Committee to be used for grants for tourism-related initiatives;

THAT any applicable third-party audit fees be funded from the Municipal Accommodation Tax; and

THAT the necessary bylaw be adopted.

CARRIED, AS AMENDED ON A LATER VOTE

Amendment to the Motion

Moved by: Councillor LeSueur

THAT the decision regarding the allocation of the Municipal Accommodation Tax be referred to the Economic Development and Planning meeting in June.

CARRIED

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

Moved by: Mayor Henderson

THAT the Municipal Accommodation Tax become effective May 1, 2018;

THAT any applicable third-party audit fees be funded from the Municipal Accommodation Tax; and

THAT the necessary bylaw be adopted.

CARRIED

2. 2018-020-03
2019 Tall Ships Festival

Moved by: Mayor Henderson

THAT the Mayor and the Clerk are hereby authorized to execute all documentation in connection with the 2019 Tall Ships Challenge;

THAT funding of \$50,000 from the Municipal Accommodation Tax be used for the Tall Ships Festival;

THAT any surplus from the Festival be retained by the City.

CARRIED, AS AMENDED ON A LATER VOTE

Amendment to the Motion

Moved by: Mayor Henderson

THAT the \$50,000 be funded from Fiscal Policy Reserve subject to coverage from the Municipal Accommodation Tax.

CARRIED

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

Moved by: Mayor Henderson

THAT the Mayor and the Clerk are hereby authorized to execute all documentation in connection with the 2019 Tall Ships Challenge;

THAT the \$50,000 be funded from Fiscal Policy Reserve subject to coverage from the Municipal Accommodation Tax.

THAT any surplus from the Festival be retained by the City.

CARRIED

3. 2018-022-03
Tourism Office Relocation

Moved by: Councillor Baker

THAT Report 2018-022-03, Tourism Office Relocation, be received for information purposes.

CARRIED

Councillor Baker would like to see some financial details regarding this relocation.

4. 2018-029-03
Electronic Message Board at the Tourism Office

Moved by: Councillor Bursey

THAT Council receive Report No. 2018-029-03, Electronic Message Board at the Tourism Office.

CARRIED

5. 2018-027-03
Proposed Zoning By-law Amendment to Zoning By-law 050-2014
137 George Street and Trinity Church Lands (former), Brockville
Owner: 1983874 Ontario Limited
Applicant: Tracy Zander, Zanderplan

Moved by: Councillor Baker

THAT Zoning By-law 050-2014 be amended to rezone lands described as Part of Lots A and B and Part of Lots 23 and 24, Block 44, Plan 67, being Parts 1, 2, 3 and 4 on RP 28R-13889, City of Brockville, County of Leeds, from R9-1 Multiple Residential Zone, in part, and MD-2 – Mixed Use Downtown Special Exception Zone, in part to R8 – Multiple Residential Special Exception Zone to allow for the development of the subject lands for two (2), three (3) storey residential apartment buildings containing forty eight (48) units. The site-specific development standards will include, but are not limited to, setbacks to parking from a street line, front yard and exterior side yard setback reductions and that children's play is not required; and,

THAT the necessary bylaw be enacted.

CARRIED

6. 2018-026-03
Proposed General Amendment to Zoning By-law 050-2014
City of Brockville

Moved by: Councillor LeSueur

THAT the proposed General Amendment to Zoning By-law 050-2014 received from the Planning Department, to add Micro-Breweries and Micro-

Wineries to lands zoned MD – Mixed Use Downtown, MW – Mixed Use Waterfront and MC – Mixed Use Corridor be approved; and,

THAT the necessary bylaw be enacted.

CARRIED

NEW BUSINESS - REPORTS FROM MEMBERS OF COUNCIL

Nil.

CONSENT AGENDA

Moved by: Councillor LeSueur

THAT the following items be placed on Consent Agenda

1. 2018-021-03
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ADJOURNMENT

Moved by: Councillor Bursey

THAT the Economic Development and Planning Committee adjourned its meeting until the next regular meeting scheduled for April 3, 2018.

CARRIED