

COMMITTEE MINUTES

**Economic Development &
Planning Committee**

Tuesday, September 06, 2011, 5: 30 p.m.
City Hall, Council Chambers

Roll Call

Committee Members:

Councillor M. Kalivas, Chair
Councillor J. Baker
Councillor D. Beatty
Councillor J. Earle

Regrets:

Mayor D. Henderson, Ex-Officio

Staff:

Mr. J. Faurschou, Planner I
Ms. D. Livingstone, Deputy City Clerk (Recording Secretary)
Mr. A. McGinnis, Planner II
Ms. S. Seale, City Clerk

Others:

Ron Zajac, Recorder & Times

The Chair called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST

Nil.

MOTION TO MOVE INTO CLOSED SESSION (5:17 PM)

Moved by: Councillor Baker
Seconded by: Councillor Earle

THAT pursuant to Municipal Act, 2001, Section 239 Sub. 2 (c), Council resolve itself into the Committee of the Whole, In Camera, closed to the public to consider:

1. a proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local board.

CARRIED

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE IN CAMERA

Moved by: Councillor Earle
Seconded by: Councillor Baker

THAT Council rise from Committee of the Whole In Camera and the Chairman report that all recommendations be adopted in Committee of the Whole, in Camera, be adopted.

CARRIED

STAFF REPORTS

2011-089-09
Review of Noise By-law

Moved by: Councillor Beatty

THAT a revised by-law to regulate noise in the City of Brockville, attached to Report 2011-089-09 as Schedule "A", be received, and be referred back to staff for review by relevant Provincial ministries.

CARRIED, AS AMENDED

Amendment to Motion

Moved by: Councillor Beatty

THAT staff revise the Chief Planning Official's delegated authority from a time period of 6 months for application for temporary exemption.

CARRIED

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

Amended Motion

THAT a revised by-law to regulate noise in the City of Brockville, attached to Report 2011-089-09 as Schedule "A", be received, and be referred back to staff for revision and brought back to the EDP Committee at the meeting of October 4th, 2011.

CARRIED

Mr. Andrew McGinnis spoke to the report and reviewed the proposed by-law. He indicated that 15 municipal noise by-laws were reviewed. Ms. Sandra Seale indicated that the review has established essential changes that meet the noise guidelines under the Ministry of Environment. It was staff's approach that the existing Noise By-law 138-80 will be repealed and replaced by this by-law. The prohibitions remain the same except decibel level for construction with some process changes. It is noted that enforcement remains unchanged. Number of charges has been about 12 in a five year period. Ms. Seale noted that the majority of complaints are related to animal control and dogs barking and are covered under the Animal Control by-law.

Councillor Baker indicated that council should have discretion for up to 6 months and not the Chief Planning Official. Quality of life issues should come before Council.

The meeting adjourned at 6:04 p.m.