

#### City of Brockville Finance & Administration Committee Minutes

4:30 PM - Tuesday, September 15, 2020

Virtual Meeting

The Finance & Administration Committee meeting was called to order on Tuesday, September 15, 2020, at 4:30 PM, in the Virtual Meeting, with the following present:

Members Councillor Larry Journal, Member Cec Drake, Councillor Jeff

**Present:** Earle, Councillor Nathalie Lavergne, and Mayor Jason Baker

Regrets: Nil.

Others: Councillor Cameron Wales, and Councillor Matt Wren,

**Staff:** Lynda Ferguson, Director of Finance & IT Services, Janette

Loveys, City Manager, Sandra MacDonald, City Clerk, Robert Nolan, Director of Economic and Development Services, Peter Raabe, Director of Environmental Services, and Phil Wood,

Acting Director of Operations

#### 1. CHAIR'S REMARKS

Councillor Journal welcomed the members of the committee to the first FAC meeting since March. Councillor Journal asked Ms. Loveys to introduce Phil Wood, Acting Director of Operations.

#### 2. **DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST**

Nil.

#### 3. **DELEGATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS**

1. Overview of COVID 19 Financial Council Decisions

L. Ferguson provided an overview of the financial impacts of the COVID pandemic since March 2020. A copy of the presentation is attached to the minutes.

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## 4. **CORRESPONDENCE & COMMUNICATIONS**Nil.

#### 5. **REPORTS FROM BOARDS AND COMMITTEES**Nil.

#### 6. **STAFF REPORTS**

1. SR2020-130 August 2020 Cashflow Update

Moved by: Councillor Earle

THAT report SR2020-130 August 2020 Cashflow Update be received for information purposes.

For: Councillor Earle, Councillor Journal, Member Drake,

Councillor Lavergne, and Mayor Baker

CARRIED 5-0 on a recorded vote

2. SR2020-129

Position of Council on Appeal respecting Development Charges By-law 012-2020

Moved by: Member Drake

THAT report SR2020-129 Position of Council on Appeal respecting Development Charges by-law 012-2020 be received; and

THAT with reference to the Appeal submitted by Mr. Ali Mohammad (2313270 Ontario Inc) respecting Development Charges By-law 012-2020 adopted on February 11, 2020; the Local Planning Appeal Tribunal be advised that:

The Council of the Corporation of the City of Brockville reiterates its unanimous support for the by-law related hereto, and requests that an expedited hearing be scheduled, including a Prehearing Conference.

For: Councillor Journal, Member Drake, Councillor Earle,

Councillor Lavergne, and Mayor Baker

**CARRIED 5-0 on a recorded vote** 

3. SR2020-107

Dissolution of the Brockville Cemetery Board

Moved by: Councillor Lavergne

THAT City Council hereby dissolve the Brockville Cemetery Board and;

THAT By-law 010-2017 being a by-law to Establish and Adopt the Terms of Reference for the Brockville Cemetery Board for the Corporation of the City of Brockville be repealed and;

THAT staff review By-law 018-2016 being a by-law to establish the maintenance, management, regulation and control of the Brockville Cemetery and recommend amendments as may be required.

**For:** Councillor Journal, Member Drake, Councillor Earle,

Councillor Lavergne, and Mayor Baker

CARRIED 5-0 on a recorded vote

#### 7. NEW BUSINESS FROM COMMITTEE MEMBERS

1. Council Priority Reserve Funding

Mayor Baker moved a motion regarding funding to the council priority reserve but then withdrew the motion.

#### 8. FAC - CONSENT AGENDA

Moved by: Councillor Earle

THAT the following items as recommended by the Finance and Administration Committee be placed on the Consent Agenda:

1. SR2020-130 August 2020 Cashflow Update

 SR2020-129
 Position of Council on Appeal respecting Development Charges By-law 012-2020

CARRIED

#### 9. **MEDIA QUESTION PERIOD**

#### 10. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by: Member Drake

THAT the Finance and Administration Committee adjourn its meeting until the next regular meeting scheduled for October 20, 2020.

**CARRIED** 

The meeting adjourned at 5:39 pm.



# Financial Decisions of Council During COVID 19 Crisis

Tuesday September 15, 2020

Timeline of Reports and Decisions March 10, 2020 to September 15, 2020



- March 10, 2020 2020 Budgets approved by Council
- March 17, Emergency Declared by Province



- Immediate Closure of City Facilities
  - Memorial Centre
  - Youth Arena
  - Brockville Arts Centre
  - Museum
  - City Hall



## March 26, 2020

- First virtual council meeting
- Council approves two donations of \$10,000 each, to the Brockville Food Bank and Loaves and Fishes
- All committee meetings cancelled



## April 14, 2020

- Staff report SR2020-068 Moratorium of Events
- Staff report SR2020-072
   City Revenue Streams at Risk



## April 14, 2020 continued

- Staff Report SR2020-066
   Property Tax Assistance
   Options
- Staff report SR2020-072 Parking Enforcement

# April 28, 2020

- Staff report SR2020-083
   Penalty on Property Taxes
- Staff report SR2020-084
   Capital Budget Revisions
- Staff report SR2020–077
   Deficit Mitigation Strategies



## May 5, 2020

Staff report SR2020–085
 Cash Flow Options



## May 12, 2020

- Staff report SR2020-087
   Community Partner COVID
   19 Cash Flow Mitigation
   Strategies
- Staff Report SR2020-088 Recovery Plan



## May 26, 2020

 Staff report SR2020-091 2020 Cash Flow Options-Update





## June 9, 2020

Staff report SR2020-094
 2020 Variance as of May
 31, 2020

## June 30, 2020

 Staff report SR2020-097 Recovery Plan Part 2



## July 14, 2020

- Staff report SR2020-104
   Variance report
- Staff report SR2020-102 Requests for Financial Assistance



## August 18, 2020

- Staff report SR2020-117
   Variance Report as of July 31, 2020
- Provincial announcement of Safe Restart Agreement Funding

## September 15, 2020

- Finance and Administration Committee resumes
- Staff report SR2020–130
   2020 Cash Flow Update



At this point, the City remains in a stable financial position

Staff will continue to monitor and report back to the Finance and Administration Committee with further variance and cash flow reports.