

City of Brockville **Economic Development, Recreation & Tourism Committee Meeting Minutes**

7:00 PM - Tuesday, March 3, 2020

City Hall, Council Chambers

The Economic Development, Recreation & Tourism Committee meeting was called to order on Tuesday, March 3, 2020, at 7:00 PM, in the City Hall, Council Chambers, with the following present:

Members Councillor Jane Fullarton, Member Jessica Barabash, **Present:**

Member Tony Barnes, Councillor Matt Wren, and Mayor

Jason Baker

Nil. Regrets:

Nil. Others:

Staff: Conal Cosgrove, Director of Operations, Janette Loveys, City

Manager, Lynn Murray, Deputy City Clerk, and Robert

Nolan, Director of Economic Development

- 1. **CHAIR'S REMARKS**
- 2. **DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST**

Nil.

3. **DELEGATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS**

Nil.

4. **CORRESPONDENCE & COMMUNICATIONS**

Nil.

5. REPORTS FROM BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

Nil.

STAFF REPORTS 6.

1. 2020-049

Tunnel of Terror Fundraiser

Moved by: Councillor Wren

THAT the proposal from Community Primary Health Care for a threeyear partnership with the City of Brockville for the Tunnel of Terror be accepted.

CARRIED, AS AMENDED ON A LATER VOTE

Motion to Amend

Moved by: Member Barabash

THAT the social media management be reviewed and updated as required.

For: Councillor Fullarton, Member Barabash, Member

Barnes, Councillor Wren, and Mayor Baker

CARRIED 5-0 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: Member Barabash

THAT the proposal from Community Primary Health Care for a threeyear partnership with the City of Brockville for the Tunnel of Terror be accepted; and

THAT the social media management be reviewed and updated as required.

For: Councillor Fullarton, Member Barabash, Member

Barnes, Councillor Wren, and Mayor Baker

CARRIED 5-0 on a recorded vote

Member J. Barabash doesn't feel staff should be responsible for looking after the Tunnel of Terror's Facebook page.

- C. Cosgrove explained that CPHC will be providing the content for the Facebook page and staff will ne responsible for managing it for consistency.
- J. Loveys noted that this is a 3-year proposal that staff can monitor and see how things go, it may need to be reconsidered for the subsequent years.

2. 2020-056

Rental of Portable Toilets

Moved by: Member Barnes

THAT Ottawa Toilet Rentals be awarded the quotation for the 2020 rental of portable toilets in the amount of \$5,487.30 (five thousand four hundred eight-seven dollars and thirty cents) plus HST for a net cost of \$5,583.87.

For: Councillor Fullarton, Member Barabash, Member

Barnes, Councillor Wren, and Mayor Baker

CARRIED 5-0 on a recorded vote

3. 2020-054

VIA Rail Vouchers Program

Moved by: Member Barabash

THAT report 2020-054 VIA Rail Vouchers dated February 28, 2020, be received and that Council approve:

That the three options for the VIA Program are implemented; and

That staff report back on the progress throughout the term of the contract; and

That any funds raised are allocated to the tunnel debenture.

CARRIED, AS AMENDED ON A LATER VOTE

Motion to Amend

Moved by: Member Barnes

THAT staff explore a fourth option to include business and other institutions in the program.

For: Councillor Fullarton, Member Barabash, Member

Barnes, Councillor Wren, and Mayor Baker

CARRIED 5-0 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: Member Barnes

THAT report 2020-054 VIA Rail Vouchers dated February 28, 2020, be received and that Council approve:

That the three options for the VIA Program are implemented; and

That staff report back on the progress throughout the term of the contract; and

THAT staff explore a fourth option to include business and other institutions in the program; and

That any funds raised are allocated to the tunnel debenture.

For: Councillor Fullarton, Member Barabash, Member

Barnes, Councillor Wren, and Mayor Baker

CARRIED 5-0 on a recorded vote

Member Barnes asked why we are restricting the purchase of the tickets to staff alone. R. Nolan responded they are to use them for business purposes only. J. Loveys added that they would therefore reduce the expense in the operating budgets. Member Barnes suggested that many other businesses could use the vouchers and offer a donation back for the use of these tickets. J. Loveys explained they did not explore that, and they would need to go back and do some research.

Councillor Fullarton asked if they have any idea of how much train travel the city staff would use. R. Nolan did not and said he will come back and report on that.

4. 2020-055

Tourism Information and Stakeholder Services Contract

Moved by: Member Barnes

THAT report 2020-055 Tourism Information and Stakeholder Services Contract dated February 28, 2020, be received and approve the following:

- 1. Report 2020-055 Tourism Information and Stakeholder Services Contract; and,
- 2. Council establish \$225,000 as an upper limit; and,
- 3. Council authorize staff to issue an RFP.

For: Councillor Fullarton, Member Barnes, Member Barabash, Councillor Wren, and Mayor Baker

CARRIED 5-0 on a recorded vote

Councillor Wren would like to see the hours extended a bit longer into the fall especially Saturdays when the market is still running.

7. **NEW BUSINESS FROM COMMITTEE MEMBERS**Nil.

8. EDRTC - CONSENT AGENDA

Moved by: Member Barnes

THAT the following items as recommended by the Economic Development, Recreation and Tourism Committee be placed on the Consent Agenda:

1. 2020-049

Tunnel of Terror Fundraiser

2. 2020-056

Rental of Portable Toilets

3. 2020-054

VIA Rail Vouchers Program

4. 2020-055

Tourism Information and Stakeholder Services Contract

CARRIED

9. **MEDIA QUESTION PERIOD**

10. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by: Mayor Baker

THAT the Economic Development, Recreation and Tourism Committee adjourn its meeting until the next regular meeting scheduled for April 7, 2020.

CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 7:53 pm.