

MINUTES

BUDGET COMMITTEE

THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF MISSISSAUGA

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 2011 – IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING GENERAL COMMITTEE

COUNCIL CHAMBERS SECOND FLOOR, CIVIC CENTRE

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| MEMBERG PRECENT | M H 1M C 11: | (CHAID) |
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| MEMBERS PRESENT: | Mayor Hazel McCallion | (CHAIR) |

Councillor Jim Tovey Ward 1 (arrival at 12:32 p.m.)

Councillor Pat Mullin Ward 2 Councillor Chris Fonseca Ward 3

Councillor Frank Dale Ward 4 (arrival at 12:32 p.m.)

Councillor Ron Starr Ward 6
Councillor Nando Iannicca Ward 7
Councillor Katie Mahoney Ward 8
Councillor Pat Saito Ward 9
Councillor Sue McFadden Ward 10
Councillor George Carlson Ward 11

MEMBERS ABSENT: Councillor Bonnie Crombie Ward 5

STAFF PRESENT: Janice Baker, City Manager and Chief Administrative Officer

Brenda Breault, Commissioner, Corporate Services and Treasurer

Tomasz Brzeziak, Parking Coordinator

Paul Damaso, Manager, Mississauga Celebration Square

Patti Elliott-Spencer, Director, Finance

Crystal Greer, Director of Legislative Services and City Clerk

Paul Mitcham, Commissioner, Community Services Joe Pitushka, Director, Engineering and Works

Martin Powell, Commissioner, Transportation and Works

STAFF PRESENT (continued): Ed Sajecki, Commissioner, Planning and Building

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<u>CALL TO ORDER</u> – 12:30 p.m.

<u>DECLARATIONS OF (DIRECT OR INDIRECT) PECUNIARY INTEREST</u> – Nil

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Approved (N. Iannicca)

DEPUTATIONS – Nil

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED

1. Toronto Service Review

Corporate Report dated October 7, 2011 from the Commissioner of Corporate Services and Treasurer with respect to the Toronto Service Review.

Received

Recommendation BC-0029-2011

2. <u>Benchmark Review of License Fees – Compliance and Licensing Enforcement</u>

Corporate Report dated October 19, 2011 from the Commissioner of Transportation and Works with respect to benchmark review of license fees – compliance and licensing enforcement.

The Chair asked if staff would be making a presentation about the Corporate Report. Mr. Powell said that relevant staff were in the process of arriving at the meeting and could answer questions. Committee members stated that they did not have any questions.

Councillors Tovey and Dale arrived at 12:32 p.m.

Directive

Recommendation BC-0030-2011

3. <u>Benchmark Review of Licence Fees – Mobile Licensing Enforcement</u>

Corporate Report dated October 19, 2011 from the Commissioner of Transportation and Works with respect to benchmark review of license fees – mobile licensing enforcement.

Councillor Iannicca noted that Councillor Starr and himself, as members of the Public Vehicle Advisory and Towing Industry Advisory Committees, would continue to work

diligently on mobile licensing enforcement-related matters in 2012 and beyond.

Directive

Recommendation BC-0031-2011

Councillor Dale requested that the Budget Committee minutes from the October 19, 2011 meeting be amended to indicate that his absence was due to other municipal business.

4. Benchmark Review of Set Fines Penalties – Parking Enforcement

Corporate Report dated October 19, 2011 from the Commissioner of Transportation and Works with respect to benchmark review of set fines penalties – parking enforcement.

Directive

Recommendation BC-0032-2011

5. 2012 General Fees and Charges By-law Amendments

Corporate Report dated November 1, 2011 from the Commissioner of Corporate Services and Treasurer with respect to 2012 general fees and charges by-law amendments.

Directive

Recommendation BC-0033-2011

6. <u>2012 Road Occupancy, Lot Grading and Municipal Services Protection Deposit By-law</u>

Corporate Report dated November 1, 2011 from the Commissioner of Transportation and Works with respect to 2012 road occupancy, lot grading and municipal services protection deposit By-law.

The Chair discussed road damage that sometimes has to be repeatedly repaired by the City. Mr. Powell summarized the Corporate Report and indicated that increasing the deposits was being proposed so that the City had funds to perform road repairs as needed.

Directive

Recommendation BC-0034-2011

7. <u>Downtown Paid Parking Program/On-Street Parking Permit Program – Increased Revenue Options for the 2012 Budget</u>

Corporate Report dated November 1, 2011 from the Commissioner of Transportation and Works with respect to downtown paid parking program/on-street parking permit program – increased revenue options for the 2012 budget.

Councillor Saito inquired about the proposed on-street parking rate increase, questioned whether this rate should be increased, and suggested that staff use nearby neighbouring

municipalities as comparators. She discussed an email message sent to Members of Council from a woman who received a parking ticket while visiting the Living Arts Centre (LAC) because she could only pay for two hours of on-street parking. Councillor Saito said that underground parking at the LAC was free, but that some people did not like to park there. Mr. Powell noted that on-street parking was prime parking and that the proposed \$1/hour increase was based on municipal benchmarking. Mr. Brzeziak said that staff could review on-street parking durations and consult with the LAC about this issue.

Councillor Saito noted that she did not have any comments about Option #2 and that she did not support Option #3, as the Committee concluded earlier in 2011 that charging parking for evenings and weekends would likely discourage residents from visiting the City Centre. With respect to Option #4, she said that administering this program would be challenging judging from Toronto's experience. Councillor Saito discussed Option #5 and asked for clarification about the users. Mr. Powell discussed Option #5 and said that the City had been approached in the past by businesses needing more parking. Councillor Saito spoke about the issues arising from school buses that park on residential streets. She also asked about adjusting monthly parking rates for staff and others. Mr. Brzeziak noted that staff only examined hourly rates at this point, not monthly or daily parking rates.

Councillor Dale asked if staff had consulted businesses in the City Centre and said that consultation should occur. He discussed a Council Resolution that asked staff to review on-street parking rates in Mississauga and noted that the City was in a transition period. Councillor Dale added that he could not support on- or off-street parking rate increases until staff reported back. Mr. Brzeziak said that staff had not yet spoken with businesses.

Councillor Dale discussed Option #3 and noted that other Sheridan and Humber College campuses do not charge parking in the evenings. Regarding Option #4, he spoke about residential on-street parking in the City, including on Mississauga Valley Boulevard.

Councillor Starr spoke about the proposed parking rate increases and noted that no one liked paying parking rates and tickets. He emphasized that the City's approach on this matter needed to be reasonable and that the City was currently in a transition period. Councillor Starr noted that residents would want to know where these monies were going and suggested that a 25 percent parking rate increase might be a good option at this point.

The Chair discussed the Council Resolution referenced by Councillor Dale.

Received/Referred

Recommendation BC-0035-2011

8. Transportation and Works Fees and Charges By-law

Corporate Report dated November 1, 2011 from the Commissioner of Transportation and Works with respect to Transportation and Works fees and charges by-law.

Councillor Saito requested clarification on the fees for decorative street lights on page 8-

19. Mr. Powell explained the fees which are average costs per household estimated by Enersource Mississauga to upgrade from standard street light fixtures. Mr. Pitushka added that the different fees were due to the different kinds of standards and lights used. Councillor Saito discussed the placement and cost of temporary crossing guards. Mr. Powell explained that such guards were often used in construction zones around the City and that the property owners pay for this service.

Councillor Saito spoke about publication distribution boxes and inquired as to why staff did not increase the fees. She noted that she had participated on a committee regarding that matter and that these boxes are a form of advertising. Mr. Pitushka noted that staff had reviewed this matter in-depth and that the City was fully recovering its costs. He said that staff did not consider the revenues that newspapers were making from the boxes.

Councillor Tovey requested clarification about the large increases on page 8-20 which would impact individuals and groups holding special events. Mr. Pitushka said that staff sought to fully recover the City's costs and that the fees were not adjusted incrementally. He stated that some fees could be waived in special circumstances for certain groups and activities. Mr. Powell added that organizations affiliated with the City could get their fees waived and/or access grants and that, for some events, groups actually make a profit.

The Chair asked for clarification about the filming permit fee increase and whether these fees were in line with other municipalities. She added that she had received complaints in the past regarding the parking of large filming trucks on residential streets. Mr. Powell and Mr. Pitushka indicated that an increase was being proposed to reflect the City's costs and to attain full cost recovery on this matter.

Directive

Recommendation BC-0036-2011

9. Cemetery Fees

Corporate Report dated November 3, 2011 from the Commissioner of Community Services with respect to cemetery fees.

The Chair asked if the City's cemetery fees were comparable with private cemeteries and whether the City should consider increasing its fees as a result. Mr. Mitcham said that the City's cemetery fees were relative to other municipalities, but that staff could conduct research and determine whether comparable offerings were available in the private sector.

Directive

Recommendation BC-0037-2011

10. Mississauga Celebration Square Proposed Fee Rates for 2012

Corporate Report dated November 4, 2011 from the Commissioner of Community Services with respect to Mississauga Celebration Square proposed fee rates for 2012.

Councillor Tovey discussed the current and proposed technical staff fees on page 10-3 of the Corporate Report. Mr. Damaso discussed the fees and noted that the low fees were intended to allow all types of people and groups access to the Square's stage for events.

Councillor Starr asked if all groups paid the same fees for using the Square. Mr. Damaso responded that permit fees vary according to the users, that commercial fees are higher, and that non-permit fees, based on cost recovery, were the same for all users. He noted that staff is striving to balance full cost recovery, while keeping the Square affordable.

The Chair inquired if Members of Council would be receiving detailed business plans, with total revenues and costs, for the City's various operations and discussed LAC's business plan. Ms. Baker and Mr. Mitcham discussed LAC's business plan, a report regarding the Hershey Centre, and follow-up information that was requested by the Chair regarding the profitability of events at the Hershey Centre. Mr. Damaso noted that the City was fully recovering its costs on community festivals held in the Square.

Councillor Iannicca noted that Members of Council should remember that the Square is a community asset for local residents. He discussed the Square's important commercial and community aspects and thanked everyone for their work on this matter thus far.

Directive

Recommendation BC-0038-2011

11. Don McLean Westacres Pool, 2166 Westfield Drive, Ward 1

Councillor Tovey discussed the Don McLean Westacres Pool which is slated to be renovated in 2018 or 2020. He spoke about the pool's importance to the community and indicated that this was the City's only outdoor pool that had not been renovated. He asked staff for additional information to be considered at a future Budget Committee meeting.

Directive

Recommendation BC-0039-2011

CLOSED SESSION – Nil

ADJOURNMENT – 1:19 p.m.

REPORT 6-2011

TO: MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF COUNCIL

The Budget Committee presents its sixth report for 2011 and recommends:

BC-0029-2011

That the Corporate Report dated October 7, 2011, from the Commissioner of Corporate Services and Treasurer entitled "Toronto Service Review" be received.

BC-0030-2011

- 1. That a by-law be enacted to amend the Fee Schedule of the Adult Entertainment Establishment By-law 507-05, as amended, increasing the fees, effective January 1, 2012, for Owner licences by the amounts provided in Appendix 1 attached to the Corporate Report dated October 19, 2011 from the Commissioner of Transportation and Works entitled "Benchmark Review of License Fees Compliance and Licensing Enforcement"; and
- 2. That a by-law be enacted to amend the Fee Schedule of the Business Licensing By-law 1-06, as amended, increasing the fees, effective January 1, 2012, for Owner licences by the amounts provided in Appendix 1 attached to the Corporate Report dated October 19, 2011 from the Commissioner of Transportation and Works entitled "Benchmark Review of License Fees Compliance and Licensing Enforcement."

BC-0031-2011

- 1. That a by-law be enacted to amend the Fee Schedule of the Public Vehicle Licensing By-law 420-04, as amended, increasing the fees, effective January 1, 2012, for Owner licences by the amounts provided in Appendix 1 attached to the Corporate Report dated October 19, 2011 from the Commissioner of Transportation and Works entitled "Benchmark Review of License Fees Mobile Licensing Enforcement";
- 2. That a by-law be enacted to amend the Fee Schedule of the Ice Cream Truck Vendors By-Law 523-04, as amended, increasing the fees, effective January 1, 2012, for Owner licences by the amounts provided in Appendix 1 attached to the Corporate Report dated October 19, 2011 from the Commissioner of Transportation and Works entitled "Benchmark Review of License Fees Mobile Licensing Enforcement"; and
- 3. That a by-law be enacted to amend the Fee Schedule of the Vehicle Licensing By-law 520-04, as amended, increasing the fees, effective January 1, 2012, for Owner licences by the amounts provided in Appendix 1 attached to the Corporate Report dated October 19, 2011 from the Commissioner of Transportation and Works entitled "Benchmark Review of License Fees Mobile Licensing Enforcement."

BC-0032-2011

- 1. That the set fine penalty for parking a vehicle longer than three hours be increased to \$30.00;
- 2. That the set fine penalty for parking on a designated fire route be increased to \$125.00;
- 3. That the set fine penalty for parking a vehicle on private property without the owner's consent be increased to \$30.00;
- 4. That the set fine penalty for stopping a vehicle in prohibited area be increased to \$50.00; and
- 5. That Legal Services be directed to make an application to the Ministry of the Attorney General for the approval of the new set and voluntary fines, as outlined in the Corporate Report dated October 19, 2011 from the Commissioner of Transportation and Works entitled "Benchmark Review of Set Fines Penalties Parking Enforcement."

BC-0033-2011

- 1. That the new and revised fees set out in Appendix 1 attached to the Corporate Report dated November 1, 2011 from the Commissioner of Corporate Services and Treasurer entitled "2012 General Fees and Charges By-law Amendments" be approved; and
- 2. That By-law 355-10 and By-law 619-91 be repealed and a by-law be enacted, effective January 1, 2012, to establish and require payment of various fees and charges under the authority of the *Municipal Act* that incorporates all existing fees and the recommended revisions as outlined in Appendix 1 attached to the Corporate Report dated November 1, 2011 from the Commissioner of Corporate Services and Treasurer entitled "2012 General Fees and Charges By-law Amendments."

BC-0034-2011

That By-law 353-10 be repealed and a new Road Occupancy, Lot Grading and Municipal Services Protection Deposit By-law be enacted, effective January 1, 2012, in accordance with the Corporate Report dated November 1, 2011 from the Commissioner of Transportation and Works entitled "2012 Road Occupancy, Lot Grading and Municipal Services Protection Deposit By-law."

BC-0035-2011

- 1. That the Corporate Report dated November 1, 2011 from the Commissioner of Transportation and Works entitled "Downtown Paid Parking Program/On-Street Parking Permit Program Increased Revenue Options for the 2012 Budget" be received;
- 2. That Options #1 (Proposed On-Street Parking Rate Increase) and #2 (Proposed Off-Street Parking Rate Increase) be referred to staff until the Transportation and Works Department reports back to General Committee regarding on-street parking rates once the Parking Strategy for Lakeview and Port Credit has been completed by the Planning and Building Department;
- 3. That Options #3 (Proposed Charging for Evenings and Weekends) and #4 (Residential Onstreet Parking Permit Program) be received; and
- 4. That Option #5 (Industrial On-street Parking Permit Program) be referred to staff for further research and report back to a future Budget Committee meeting.

BC-0036-2011

- 1. That the fees set out in Appendices 1 and 2 for the Transportation and Works Department in accordance with the Corporate Report dated November 1, 2011 from the Commissioner of Transportation and Works entitled "Transportation and Works Fees and Charges By-law" be approved; and
- 2. That By-law 352-10 be repealed and that a by-law be enacted to establish fees and charges for the Transportation and Works Department, effective January 1, 2012, in accordance with the Corporate Report dated November 1, 2011 from the Commissioner of Transportation and Works entitled "Transportation and Works Fees and Charges By-law."

BC-0037-2011

- 1. That the Corporate Report dated November 3, 2011 from the Commissioner of Community Services entitled "Cemetery Fees" be approved;
- 2. That a by-law be enacted incorporating revisions to the cemetery fees for 2012, as listed in Appendix 1 attached to the Corporate Report dated November 3, 2011 from the Commissioner of Community Services entitled "Cemetery Fees"; and
- 3. That Community Services staff review the City's cemetery fees vis-à-vis private cemeteries and report back to a future Budget Committee meeting.

BC-0038-2011

- 1. That the proposed new and revised fee rates for Mississauga Celebration Square, as outlined in Appendix 1 attached to the Corporate Report dated November 4, 2011 from the Commissioner of Community Services entitled "Mississauga Celebration Square Proposed Fee Rates for 2012" be approved; and
- 2. That a by-law be enacted incorporating the Mississauga Celebration Square fees, as outlined in the Corporate Report dated November 4, 2011 from the Commissioner of Community Services entitled "Mississauga Celebration Square Proposed Fee Rates for 2012."

BC-0039-2011

- 1. That Community Services staff prepare a Corporate Report for consideration at a future Budget Committee meeting regarding the maintenance costs and capital investment costs of renovating Don McLean Westacres Pool, located at 2166 Westfield Drive (Ward 1), to the same standard as the City's other outdoor pools; and
- 2. That the capital investment costs of renovating Don McLean Westacres Pool, located at 2166 Westfield Drive (Ward 1), be considered as part of 2012 Budget Committee discussions.