COUNCIL MEETING – JULY 13, 2023
MEETING PROCEEDINGS

INTRODUCTION

- The Speaker asks the Clerk if there is a quorum

- The Speaker calls the meeting to order

- Acknowledgement

  In accordance with Rule 11.1 of the City of Winnipeg Procedure By-law No. 50/2007, the Speaker acknowledges that we are in Treaty One Territory, the home and traditional lands of the Anishinaabe (Ojibwe), Ininew (Cree), and Dakota peoples, and in the National Homeland of the Red River Métis. Our drinking water comes from Shoal Lake 40 First Nation, in Treaty Three Territory

- Opening Prayer read by Councillor Orlikow

- Roll call

- Pages

  Max Novak, from Seven Oaks School Division MET School, resides in the Old Kildonan Ward

  Abigail Rojo, from The University of Winnipeg Collegiate, resides in the Daniel McIntyre Ward

- Welcome of Guests and Announcements

- Condolence Motion for former Councillor Guy Savoie

- Adoption of Minutes

  Councillor moves that the minutes of the meeting held on June 22, 2023, be taken as read and confirmed.

- Delegations (none)

EXECUTIVE POLICY COMMITTEE

Report of July 5, 2023

His Worship Mayor Gillingham introduces the report and moves adoption of the Consent Agenda, Items 1 to 19

Addendum
Report of July 13, 2023

His Worship Mayor Gillingham moves that the rule be suspended and that the Report of the Executive Policy Committee dated July 13, 2023, be considered.

Speaker - All in Favour – Contrary – Carried

The Clerk reads Item 1

His Worship Mayor Gillingham moves that Item 1 be adopted.

Notice of Motion

Moved by Councillor Wyatt,
Seconded by Councillor Duncan,

WHEREAS during the Pandemic it was necessary to institute a work from home policy to encourage social distancing and to limit the spread of COVID-19;

AND WHEREAS the Pandemic has now been over for some time, yet thousands of City of Winnipeg employees are still working from home;

AND WHEREAS the City owns, leases and operates tens of thousands of office square feet that are presently sitting vacant, costing ratepayers and demonstrating a practice of the inefficient use of tax dollars;

AND WHEREAS much of these empty offices are in Downtown Winnipeg, which contradicts the decision by Council to make Downtown Winnipeg revitalization a priority in the recently passed Strategic Priorities Action Plan;

AND WHEREAS it has been demonstrated in studies conducted that worker productivity falls significantly when employees are not working from traditional office spaces, not to mention the synergy lost for opportunities that exist in common work spaces, such as mentoring, training, and general supervision conducted via employee peers and management;

AND WHEREAS, to date, the Chief Administrative Officer has not issued a 'Back to the Office' directive to all City employees;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Council immediately direct the Chief Administrative Officer to end the work from home practice and to issue a directive to all city employees to return to their respective offices.

Motions (if any)

Consideration of By-laws – 1st Reading Only

His Worship Mayor Gillingham moves that By-law No. 60/2023, be read a first time.

Speaker - All in favour - contrary - carried.

Clerk reads the by-law number.

Consideration of By-laws

His Worship Mayor Gillingham moves that the following by-laws be read a first time:

By-law No. 61/2023
By-law No. 62/2023
By-law No. 63/2023

Speaker - All in favour - contrary - carried.

Clerk reads the numbers of the by-laws.

His Worship Mayor Gillingham moves that by-laws numbered 61/2023 to 63/2023, both inclusive, be read a second time.

Speaker - All in favour - contrary - carried.

Clerk reads the numbers of the by-laws.

His Worship Mayor Gillingham moves that the rule be suspended and by-laws numbered 61/2023 to 63/2023, both inclusive, be read a third time, and that same be passed and ordered to be signed and sealed.

Speaker - All in favour - contrary - carried.

Question Period (if any)

STANDING POLICY COMMITTEE ON COMMUNITY SERVICES

Report of June 29, 2023

Councillor Orlikow introduces the report and moves adoption of the Consent Agenda, Items 1 to 3

Notice of Motion

Moved by Councillor Wyatt,
Seconded by Councillor Duncan,

WHEREAS the City of Winnipeg is currently suffering from an urban health crisis, including an unacceptable level of crime that is negatively affecting our neighbourhoods;

AND WHEREAS on July 23, 2003, Council adopted the “Four District Model” for restructuring the Winnipeg Police Service, being four geographic districts designated as East, West, North, and Central;

AND WHEREAS the Council motion adopted on July 23, 2003, provided that the restructuring of the Winnipeg Police Service to the Four District Model would result in a number of benefits, including improved public access to the police service, increased police visibility and public interaction, and cooperative partnerships with the community;

AND WHEREAS the North, West, and East District stations are currently “CLOSED”, as stated on the City of Winnipeg website, at all hours;

AND WHEREAS public accessibility to front-line Winnipeg Police Service members is critical to building safer communities and an effective model of community policing, in accordance with the original intent of the Four District Model;

AND WHEREAS all City of Winnipeg services should prioritize “customer service” to residents.

AND WHEREAS City Council in the 2023 Operating Budget has asked the Winnipeg Police Service to find approximately $9 million of “efficiencies” and that this represents a significant financial challenge to the Winnipeg Police Service;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Council request the Winnipeg Police Board to do the following:

1. That the North District Station at 260 Hartford Avenue, West District Station at 2321 Grant Avenue, and East District Station at 1750 Dugald Road be reopened immediately to the public for 12 hours per day during the day shift, 7 days a week.

2. That each of the Four District stations install and maintain visible outdoor signage advertising that the Four District stations are available and accessible to the public within the said operating hours referred to in Recommendation 1 and that all websites and city public information be changed accordingly.

3. That clearly marked areas for free Visitor Parking be provided for the newer District Stations.

4. That financial resources and security measures be provided to ensure that any operational changes to the Four District stations' hours does not negatively impact front-line members.

5. That in the event the said office hours with staffing cannot be accommodated within the existing Winnipeg Police Service budget, that the matter be referred by the Winnipeg Police Service for inclusion in the 2024 – 2027 multiyear operating budget for consideration.

6. That the relevant by-laws or policies of the City of Winnipeg and Council be amended accordingly.

7. The Proper Officers of the City do all things necessary to implement the intent of the foregoing.

Motions (if any)

Consideration of By-laws (none)

Question Period (if any)

STANDING POLICY COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS

Report of June 26, 2023

Councillor Lukes introduces the report and moves adoption of the Consent Agenda, Items 1 to 7

Motions (if any)

Consideration of By-laws

Councillor Lukes moves that the following by-laws be read a first time:

By-law No. 70/2023
By-law No. 71/2023
By-law No. 72/2023

Speaker - All in favour - contrary - carried.

Clerk reads the numbers of the by-laws.

Councillor Lukes moves that by-laws numbered 70/2023 to 72/2023, both inclusive, be read a second time.

Speaker - All in favour - contrary - carried.

Clerk reads the numbers of the by-laws.

Councillor Lukes moves that the rule be suspended and by-laws numbered 70/2023 to 72/2023, both inclusive, be read a third time, and that same be passed and ordered to be signed and sealed.

Speaker - All in favour - contrary - carried.

Question Period (if any)

STANDING POLICY COMMITTEE ON FINANCE AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

No Report

Motions (if any)

Consideration of By-laws (none)

Question Period (if any)

STANDING POLICY COMMITTEE ON WATER, WASTE AND ENVIRONMENT

Report of June 23, 2023

Councillor Mayes introduces the report and moves adoption of the Consent Agenda, Item 1 to 10

Motions (if any)

Consideration of By-laws (none)

Question Period (if any)

STANDING POLICY COMMITTEE ON PROPERTY AND DEVELOPMENT

Report of June 27, 2023

Councillor Rollins introduces the report and moves adoption of the Consent Agenda, Items 1 to 13 and 15

Councillor Rollins advises that the Executive Policy Committee submitted Item 14 to Council without recommendation, due to a tie vote.

Motions (if any)

Consideration of By-laws – 1st Reading Only

Councillor Rollins moves that the following by-laws be read a first time:

By-law No. 64/2023
By-law No. 65/2023

Speaker - All in favour - contrary - carried.

Clerk reads the numbers of the by-laws.

Consideration of By-laws – 2nd and 3rd Readings

Councillor Rollins moves that By-law No. 50/2023, be read a second time.

Speaker - All in favour - contrary - carried.

Clerk reads the by-law number.

Councillor Rollins moves that By-law No. 50/2023, be read a third time, and that same be passed and ordered to be signed and sealed.

Speaker - All in favour - contrary - carried.

Consideration of By-laws

Councillor Rollins moves that the following by-laws be read a first time:

By-law No. 66/2023

By-law No. 67/2023

Speaker - All in favour - contrary - carried.

Clerk reads the numbers of the by-laws.

Councillor Rollins moves that by-laws numbered 66/2023 and 67/2023, be read a second time.

Speaker - All in favour - contrary - carried.

Clerk reads the numbers of the by-laws.

Councillor Rollins moves that the rule be suspended and by-laws numbered 66/2023 and 67/2023, be read a third time, and that same be passed and ordered to be signed and sealed.

Speaker - All in favour - contrary - carried.

Question Period (if any)

ADJOURNMENT

- Moved by Councillor ,That Council do now adjourn.
- Roll Call