



Highlights from the Council Chamber

Council Committee Highlights – Sept. 9, 2019

Below is a snapshot of what Council Committee recommended at its meeting held on Monday, Sept. 9, 2019. Please note: The wording below does not represent the exact wording of the motion and is meant as highlights.

Please note that Council Committee recommendations are subject to Council ratification and can be pulled for discussion and change in direction at the Council meeting on Sept. 16, 2019.

- The appeal process set out in Chapter 834 of the City of Orillia Municipal Code - Clean and Clear was repealed.
- Staff was directed to work with a consultant to prepare an economic impact study of the Orillia Soldiers' Memorial Hospital on the Orillia area, with a focus on the economic impact on the downtown core. \$40,000 was appropriated from the Operating Contingency Budget to prepare the economic impact study.
- An additional \$6,500 was approved and funded from the Land Acquisition Reserve for reference plans and survey work related to the Waterfront Redevelopment Project.
- The Semi-Annual Statement of Expenses for Members of Council from January 1 to June 30, 2019 was received as information.
- The report regarding a summary of the proposed changes to the Provincial Policy Statement directing land use planning in Ontario was received as information.
- Policy 4.1.10.1. - Municipal Accommodation Tax - City Use was adopted as set out in Schedule "A" of the report. A Tourism Reserve Fund will be established as per Policy 4.1.10.1. - Municipal Accommodation Tax - City Use. Staff will report back during the 2020 Budget deliberations regarding the use of the Municipal Accommodation Tax funds in accordance with Policy 4.1.10.1. - Municipal Accommodation Tax - City Use.
- The West Orillia Park Capital Project Budget was increased by \$338,190, to include the following provisional items:
 - a Splash Pad
 - an Upgraded Shade Structure

The increase was funded as \$57,110 from the Capital Contingency Reserve and \$281,080 from the Development Charges Reserve. Pine Valley Corporation was awarded the contract for the West Orillia Park for the sum of \$3,133,190. The naming of the park was referred to the Recreation Advisory Committee for review and report back to Council.

Enquiries:

Staff was directed to prepare a report with respect to the following:

- Staff, in consultation with the Environmental Advisory Committee and Bee City Working Group, was directed to prepare a report regarding the options, logistics and potential costs associated with building additional pollinator gardens. The report will explore educational opportunities to promote the creation and preservation of pollinator habitats.

The full agenda for the Sept. 9, 2019 meeting, which includes the full detailed reports, is available on the City's website at orillia.ca.