



Highlights from the Council Chamber

Council Meeting – Nov. 8, 2021

Below are highlights of what Council adopted at its meeting on Monday, Nov. 8, 2021.

The following includes changes or recorded votes to recommendations from the Nov. 1, 2021 Council Committee meeting. The wording below does not represent the exact wording of the motion and is meant as highlights of what was adopted.

- **Postponed until Dec. 6, 2021:**

The provision of school crossing guards will be eliminated by December 31, 2021 at the following locations:

- Brant Street East at Laclie Street
- West Street North at Orchard Park Public School
- Westmount Drive South at George Street/Argyle Avenue;

Staff was directed to complete a fulsome review of all school crossing guard locations prior to the Fall 2023 school year.

- **A recorded vote was requested for the following:**

An interview panel was established for the purpose of interviewing and recommending the hiring of the Director of Business Development, Culture and Tourism to Council. The interview panel consist of the Chief Administrative Officer and the Director of Human Resources, as well as the following member(s) of Council:

- Councillor Cipolla
- Councillor Emond
- Mayor Steve Clarke

Carried (Yes: Ainsworth, Emond, Cipolla, Campbell, Kloostra, Clarke. No: Fallis, Hehn, Lauer)

- **A recorded vote was requested for the following:**

As recommended in confidential Report CS-21-35, the approximate legal costs in the amount of \$65,000 to fund the defense of the Notice of Application for Judicial Review was appropriated from the Tax Rate Stabilization Reserve. Staff was directed to pursue a joint retainer with Principles Integrity. Staff was directed to prepare communications outlining the City's position.

Carried (Yes: Lauer, Kloostra, Campbell, Cipolla, Hehn, Emond, Ainsworth, Clarke)

- During the 2022 Budget deliberations Council consider a request of \$17,000 provided to the Lighthouse to offer a warming centre for Orillia's homeless for the winter of 2021-2022. This request will be funded through the City's general levy

for the purposes of supporting a warming centre for the homeless population of the city on the coldest nights of the year. In future years, the City of Orillia actively engage with the Lighthouse as well as other agencies and services to provide this service.

The following are recommendations from Council Committee on Nov. 1, 2021 that were adopted by Council with no changes on Nov. 8, 2021:

- The acquisition of the sculpture named "The Steering Drive for the Mariposa Belle" by the artist Jimi McKee, as well as a request of \$3,000 for the sculpture's acquisition, was referred to the 2022 Budget deliberations.
- The Environmental Advisory Committee was authorized to proceed with a project to develop website content along with a tree planting and maintenance guide. The project was funded in an amount not to exceed \$8,000 from the existing Environment and Infrastructure Services Tree Canopy and Natural Vegetation Program operating budget.
- The report regarding the bi-annual update on the Municipal Accommodation Tax was received as information.
- **Postponed until Dec. 6, 2021:**
The report regarding the feasibility of reducing the speed limit on all local roads, as defined in the City of Orillia Official Plan, to 40 kilometres per hour was received as information.
- Council waived Policy 2.6.1.1. - Guidelines and Procedures for Traffic Calming. Staff was directed to explore the feasibility of implementing all-way stops and other traffic calming measures at the corners of Matchedash Street South and Elgin Street, as well as Westmount Drive South and Rose Avenue, and Nottwasaga Street, Douglas Street and McKenzie Street.
- **Defeated:**
Chapter 700 of the City of Orillia Municipal Code - Business Licensing was amended as set out in Schedule "A" of the report which will permit ice cream mobile catering trucks to operate on City streets provided a business licence is obtained and there is compliance with the restrictions set out in the schedule.
- The Municipal Class Environmental Assessment for Lacie Street will proceed based on reconstructing it to a two lane standard with bus laybys but without bike lanes between Neywash Street and North Street East and to a two or three lane standard with bike lanes but without bus laybys from North Street East to a point between North Street East and St. Jean Street as determined through the next phase of the Municipal Class Environmental Assessment process and to a three lane standard with bike lanes but without bus laybys between that point and Murray Street.
- The Mayor and Clerk were authorized to enter into a five-year agreement with the Ontario Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals for shelter services at a cost of \$53,000 for the first year of the contract, with an increase annually over the term of the agreement on the anniversary of the contract by an amount equal to the Consumer Price Index for the previous 12-month period for Canada. Animal control services will be provided by the City of Orillia at a cost of \$94,573 for the first year, subject to Budget Committee approval.
- **Postponed until Dec. 6, 2021:**
The Wastewater System Master Plan Update from Ainley & Associates Limited was received and adopted in principle.
- Staff was directed to prepare a report with respect to the following:

The feasibility of implementing a pedestrian crossing treatment across Coldwater Road between Emily Street and Cameron Street to assist pedestrians accessing the path to Park Street.

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