



Highlights from the Council Chamber

Council Meeting – April 25, 2022

Below are highlights of what Council adopted at its meeting on Monday, April 25, 2022. The wording below does not represent the exact wording of the motion and is meant as highlights of what was adopted.

- The correspondence regarding an update on the clear garbage bag program and communications was received as information.
- Further to the Public Meeting of Council held on April 4, 2022, Council approved Zoning By-law Amendment Application No. D14-913 (L. and T. Gertner – 41 and 45 Ivy Lane) as set out in the supplementary memo dated April 14, 2022 from the Development Services and Engineering Department.
- Council supports the See You on the Patio program as a seasonal City of Orillia community-wide initiative and patio dining experiences will be used in City of Orillia seasonal tourism marketing campaigns highlighting City-wide opportunities seven days a week.
- **The following was postponed until May 16, 2022:**
 - Council supports downtown road closures on Friday and Saturday evenings from 5 p.m. to 10 p.m. from the first weekend in July until Labour Day (weather permitting). The Downtown Orillia Management Board (DOMB) manage the road closures and related expenses for the downtown See You on the Patio program. Council supports funding 50%, up to a maximum amount of \$10,000, towards staffing, marketing, animation, and other DOMB operational expenses as required, which will be allocated from the Municipal Accommodation Tax. The DOMB will report through the bi-annual Municipal Accommodation Tax reporting process with a financial summary annually. The DOMB is encouraged to apply for funding support through organizations such as RTO7.
- Council adopted recommendations as set out on the Consent Agenda for the Council meeting of April 25, 2022 (the full agenda can be viewed at orillia.ca).

The following are recommendations from Council Committee on April 11, 2022 that were adopted by Council with no changes on April 25, 2022.

- Further to the confidential report regarding an update on the Hydro One land opportunity, direction as laid out in Option 2 was provided by Council.
- The bi-annual update on the City of Orillia Municipal Accommodation Tax was received and the Use of Funds Agreement and Collection Agreement with Orillia

and Lake Country Tourism was extended for one year. The Mayor and Clerk were authorized to execute all agreements regarding the Municipal Accommodation Tax.

- The New Horizons for Seniors Grant in the amount of \$24,105 was accepted. The grant funds will be incorporated into the Recreation and Youth Services Division 2022 Operating Budget to off-set increased expenditures in the amount of \$24,105.
- The report regarding the feasibility of establishing a four-way stop at Matchedash Street South and Elgin Street once the Matchedash Lofts development achieves 75% occupancy was received as information.
- TMR Restoration and Construction Inc. was awarded the contract to complete the Sir Sam Steele Building Brick and Limestone Restoration works at 30 Peter Street South, for the tendered sum of \$228,275 plus HST. The Sir Sam Steele Building Brick and Limestone Restoration works were authorized to exceed the approved \$200,000 Capital Budget by \$99,000 net HST, and will be funded from the Capital Contingency Reserve. The Mayor and Clerk were authorized to execute the agreement.
- Stoneline Ltd. was awarded the contract to complete the annual pavement marking contract for the tendered sum of \$219,560 plus HST. The overall Operating Budget for pavement markings was increased from \$89,600 to \$223,425 net HST. The additional \$133,825 was funded from the Tax Rate Stabilization Reserve. The Mayor and Clerk were authorized to execute the agreement.
- The Climate Change Action Plan was received and adopted in principle. The following Corporate Greenhouse Gas (GHG) emissions reduction targets were approved:
 - 50% GHG reduction by 2030, below 2018 levels, and
 - 100% GHG reduction by 2040, below 2018 levels

The following community GHG emissions reduction targets were endorsed:

- 33% GHG reduction by 2030, below 2018 levels, and
- 100% GHG reduction by 2050, below 2018 levels

Additional funding to incorporate aspects of the Climate Change Action Plan to current facility design projects were assigned as follows:

- \$120,000 for the Transit Terminal Design project funded as \$80,000 from the Transit Equipment Reserve and \$40,000 from the Parking Reserve
- \$35,000 for the Brian Orser Arena re-design funded by the Major Facilities Capital Maintenance Reserve

Staff will report back to Council with annual progress updates towards reduction targets and integrating carbon budgeting and climate change action within City processes. Funding associated with priority actions and projects outlined within the Climate Change Action Plan will be referred to the 2023 Budget deliberations, future year budget processes and included as part of the 10-Year Capital Plan.

The Mayor will provide a copy of Council's resolution and the Climate Change Action Plan in correspondence to implore higher levels of government for funding and support necessary for municipalities to achieve local climate change action through implementation of Climate Change Action Plans to the following:

- The Right Honourable Justin Trudeau, Prime Minister of Canada
- The Honourable Steven Guilbeault, Minister of Environment and Climate Change
- Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario
- Honourable David Piccini, Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks

- Federation of Canadian Municipalities
- Partners for Climate Protection Program
- Global Covenant of Mayors for Climate and Energy
- Association of Municipalities of Ontario

The report will be forwarded for comments to the Environmental Advisory Committee, Sustainable Orillia, Couchiching Conservancy, the Orillia Fish and Game Conservation Club and the County of Simcoe.

- Council authorized that a Community Outreach Worker be hired to provide outreach services to those in need at the Orillia Public Library, Orillia City Centre, and at various other locations in the downtown area. The position will be housed at the Library and report to the Library's Chief Executive Officer, or designate. An agreement will be negotiated with an existing social service or mental health agency, or qualified individual, to offer supplemental clinical supervision, professional development and mentoring to the successful candidate.
- The City's Land Needs Assessment will be updated and revised to consider a higher minimum intensification target and a higher minimum designated greenfield density target. Staff was directed to report back on the implications to the City's Intensification Strategy and the Technical Land Evaluation's Planning Justification Report with respect to the amount of recommended lands for future boundary expansion. The Mayor was authorized to write a letter to the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing requesting that the Province update the City's Built Boundary to reflect the expansion of the City's Built Up Area since 2008. A Council and public consultation process for establishing a 'Made in Orillia' set of planning principles to manage growth from an environmental, cultural, economic and social perspective will be included within the Request for Proposal for the City's Comprehensive Review and Update to the Official Plan. The overall contract for the Land Needs Assessment, Employment Strategy and Intensification Strategy was increased from \$85,836 to \$135,736 plus HST to accommodate the additional scope of work with funding appropriated from the existing approved 2018 Capital Budget.
- Policy 5.7.1.5. - Employees Disconnecting from Work was adopted.

The full agendas for the April 11 and 25, 2022 meetings, which include the full detailed reports, are available on the City's website at orillia.ca.