

# COUNCIL Highlights

## **Council Meeting – Feb. 27, 2023**

**Below are highlights of what Council Committee recommended when it convened during the Council meeting on Monday, Feb. 27, 2023. The recommendations are subject to ratification at the next Council meeting scheduled for March 20, 2023.**

- Council authorized Policy 5.7.1.4. – COVID-19 Prevention Policy to be repealed.
- As recommended in the report DSE-23-07 from the Development Services and Engineering Department, Policy 8.3.1.2. - Additional Notification to Property Owners will be repealed and replaced as set out in Schedule "A". Chapter 363 of the City of Orillia Municipal Code - Site Plan Control Area will be repealed and replaced as set out in Schedule "B" of the report.
- Principles Integrity was appointed as the City's Integrity Commissioner and the City's Closed Meeting Investigator for a four-year term from April 1, 2023 to April 1, 2027. Staff were authorized to execute the subject service agreements with Principles Integrity and the required appointment by-laws will be passed.

**Below are highlights of what Council adopted at its meeting on Monday, Feb. 27, 2023.**

- Council adopted the recommendations as set out on the Consent Agenda - Correspondence for the regular meeting of Council held on February 27, 2023.
- Councillor Leatherdale was authorized to attend the 2023 OSUM Annual General Meeting and Conference from April 26-28, 2023, in Paris, Ontario, with expenses. In accordance with Policy 1.5.1.1. - Conferences, Conventions, and Seminars, Councillor Leatherdale will be required to submit a report to Council on the information and knowledge gained by attending this training.
- Staff was directed to prepare a report on the following:
  - An analysis of updated traffic, pedestrian crossing, and turning movement counts for West Ridge Boulevard in the area between the West Ridge Boulevard/Monarch Drive intersection and the Hunter Valley Road/Stone Ridge Boulevard/University Avenue intersection. The report is to provide recommendations to improve pedestrian crossing options in the subject area and recommendations to improve safety for vehicles when turning from Vanessa Drive onto University Avenue as well as from Stone Ridge Boulevard onto University Avenue.
- The following was postponed to March 20, 2023:
  - In accordance with Policy 4.2.1.4. - Affordable Housing Incentives Policy, and further to the revised application made by Raising the Roof for the redevelopment of 25 Peter

Street North for 40 affordable housing units, the applicant was granted permission to submit reduced securities for 30% of the total value of securities. The applicant will receive a grant in the amount of \$129,250 from the Affordable Housing Reserve Fund to assist with the purchase price of the land, in the amount of \$106,500, and the City's Planning, Building and Engineering review fees, in the amount of \$22,750. The grants will be disbursed in accordance with the timing in the following manner:

- After the closing date on the purchase of 25 Peter Street North, a grant will be given to Raising the Roof in the form of a cheque from the City.
- At the time the applicable Planning, Building and Engineering review fees are payable, an internal transfer from the Affordable Housing Reserve Fund to the applicable operating accounts within the Development Services and Engineering Department will be completed by the City.
- The following was postponed until the February 28, 2023 Special Meeting of Council:
  - The business plan for the Innovation Collective was endorsed as set out in Schedule "A" to Report BDCT-23-03. \$500,000 was allocated from the Innovation Hub Reserve to administer the Innovation Collective three-year pilot project. The terms of reference for the Innovation Collective were approved as set out in Appendix "B" to Schedule "A" of the report. The following members were appointed to the Innovation Collective Liaison Team:
    - Mayor Don McIsaac
    - Councillor Whitney Smith
    - Member of Business Community
    - Interim Director of Business Development, Culture and Tourism Department

The Liaison Team was delegated authority to appoint members to the Innovation Collective Organizing Committee and the Liaison Team will report back bi-annually through the Council Information Package with updates regarding the Innovation Collective.

### **From the Feb. 13, 2023 Council Committee:**

- Schedule "A" of the report regarding the Service Delivery Modernization Review of User Fees was received as information. The User Fee presentation as set out in Schedule "B" was also received as information. Schedules "B", "C", and "D" of Chapter 456 of the City of Orillia Municipal Code - User Fees - Parks, Recreation and Culture were adopted as set out in Schedule "C" to the report. Staff was directed to prepare a by-law for these amendments. Policy 7.2.3.9. - Community Service Organization Designation Policy was adopted as set out in Schedule "D" to the report. Policy 7.2.3.2. - Facility Allocation was amended as set out in Schedule "E" to the report. Policy 7.2.3.7. - Recreation Facility Booking Cancellation Policy was amended as set out in Schedule "F" to the report. Schedule "A" of Chapter 456 of the City of Orillia Municipal Code – User Fees – Parks, Recreation and Culture fees were amended as set out in Schedule "C" to the report except for the Orillia resident Orillia Recreation Centre yearly, monthly and daily access fees outlined below remain at the current rate until April 30, 2024 at which time, these rates will be brought forward for Council consideration during the 2024 budget deliberations:
  - Adult Monthly
  - Adult Daily
  - Adult 10 Punch
  - Adult Yearly
  - Child/Student/Senior Monthly

- Children/Student/Senior Daily
  - Child/Student/Senior 10 Punch
  - Child/Student/Senior Yearly
  - Family Monthly
  - Family Yearly
  - Family Daily
  - Track Monthly
  - Track Yearly
  - Aquatic – Adult Daily
  - Aquatic – Senior Daily
  - Aquatic – Child/Student Daily
  - Aquatic – Family Daily
  - Gymnasium – Adult Daily
  - Gymnasium – Senior Daily
  - Gymnasium – Child/Student Daily
  - Gymnasium – Family Daily
- \$15,000 was added to the tax levy and staff was directed to report back to Council with a Recreation Financial Assistance Program.
- \$200,000 was allocated from the Community Improvement Plan Reserve to administer the 2023 Downtown Tomorrow Community Improvement Plan Tier 1 and Tier 2 grant programs, in accordance with Schedule "B" of Report BDCT-23-02.

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