

COUNCIL Highlights

Council Meeting – Sept. 11, 2023

Below are highlights of what Council Committee recommended when it convened during the Council meeting on Monday, Sept. 11, 2023. The recommendations are subject to ratification at the next Council meeting scheduled for Sept. 25, 2023:

- As recommended in confidential Report CS-23-32, the amendment of an agreement of purchase and sale with Montfort Developments Inc., substituting Lots 5 and 6 for Lots 8 and 9, provided that in all instances the amendment shall maintain a purchase price of \$504,032 per acre was authorized. The Mayor and Clerk were authorized to execute all documentation necessary to effect the amendment and complete the transactions anticipated under the agreement of purchase and sale, as amended.
- As recommended in the report from the Affordable Housing Committee regarding Policy 4.2.1.4. - Affordable Housing Incentives, the Policy will be repealed and replaced as set out in Schedule "A" in report AHC-23-02.
- The report regarding the feasibility of creating a seasonal dog park at the Carmichael Ball Diamond was received as information. Opportunities for leash free areas within the City will be referred to the next update of the Parks, Recreation and Culture Master Plan.
- The lease of certain lands within Kitchener Park to the Orillia Rowing Club was approved in the form of lease proposed by staff with the exception that the provision related to future grant requests be removed and that the term of the lease be amended to reflect a 21-year lease term. The Mayor and Clerk were authorized to execute all documentation necessary to effect the lease to the Orillia Rowing Club. In consideration of the contribution of the Orillia Rowing Club to the social fabric of the City of Orillia, Mayor Mclsaac was directed to provide a letter of support to request the future Council of the City of Orillia to favourably consider an additional 21-year lease of certain lands within Kitchener Park to the Orillia Rowing Club. Staff was directed to attach the letter of support from Mayor Mclsaac as a Schedule to the lease document.
- The Semi-Annual Statement of Expenses for members of Council was received as information.
- The Environmental Assessment and Detailed Designs for the reconstruction of Borland Street and Tecumseth Street Capital Project Number 03317 was permitted

to exceed budget by \$50,000. The additional costs will be funded from the Ontario Community Infrastructure Fund Reserve.

Below are highlights of what Council adopted at its meeting on Monday, Sept. 11, 2023:

- A Working Group was created to explore the options and opportunities to consider the establishment of a museum to honour the late Gordon Lightfoot.

The working group consists of the following members:

- Mayor Don Mclsaac
- Pam Carter
- Stephen Davids
- Chris Hazel
- Steve Clarke

The mandate of the Working Group is:

- Work with the Lightfoot estate to determine the availability of Lightfoot memorabilia, and their willingness to consider a Lightfoot Museum in the City;
- Work with community partners and benefactors to develop a Business Plan to create a Lightfoot Museum in the City of Orillia;
- Work with community partners on other potential ways of honouring Gordon Lightfoot, such as but not limited to events, naming opportunities, and memorials.

Staff support will be provided by the Culture Coordinator from the Corporate Services Department. The Working Group will prepare recommendations and submit the Business Plan for Council's consideration by October 30, 2023.

- Effective immediately until November 30, 2023, Councillor Durnford will replace Councillor Fallis as the City of Orillia representative on the County of Simcoe Affordable Housing Advisory Committee and Councillor Cipolla will replace Councillor Fallis on the Human Services Business Section Committees for Social, Community and Ambulance, and Long-Term Care.

- **A recorded vote took place for the following:**

Staff was authorized to offer the air rights on City-owned land at 66 Peter Street South, 53 Colborne Street East, and 59 Colborne Street East to the County of Simcoe for the purpose of creating affordable housing in conjunction with the transit terminal. Staff was directed to pre-zone 66 Peter Street South, 53 Colborne Street East, and 59 Colborne Street East to permit eight storeys in height as part of the City's next Housekeeping Amendment to the Zoning By-law. Staff will advise the County of Simcoe of Policy 4.2.1.4. - Guidelines - Affordable Housing Incentives, which they can apply, to receive financial support from the City for an affordable housing development in Orillia.

Yes: Mclsaac, Campbell, Cipolla, Leatherdale, Czetwerzuk,
Fallis, and Durnford

No: Smith and Lauer

- The 2024 Council Meeting Schedule was adopted as set out in Schedule "A" of Report CS-23-35.

- A \$657,000 increase to the Swiminer Drive and University Signalization Capital Project Number 23043 was approved and the funding allocation will be consistent with the funding allocations illustrated in the original project.
- Staff was directed to install three additional picnic table at Walter Henry Park. And staff will consider the placement of additional benches once the bench policy review is complete.
- Staff was directed to prepare a Capital Project submission for the 2024 Budget deliberations with respect to the costs of additional line pavement markings, signs, and signal heads necessary to implement through/left lane markings with advance green signal programming at the intersection of West Street North and Fittons Road.
- Staff was directed to prepare a report by March 2024, in consultation with the Environmental Advisory Committee, with respect to an analysis of whether Articles 834.2.15 and 834.3.16 of Chapter 834 of the City of Orillia Municipal Code - Clean and Clear should be updated to align with the City of Orillia's climate change mitigation and adaptation policies, the principles of sustainable landscaping, and the City's status as a pollinator-friendly "Bee City".
- Further to the May 27, 2022 Orillia Matters article whereby MPP Jill Dunlop commented on the traffic lights at Orchard Point, staff were directed to prepare a report to Council with an update on the proposed project. Mayor Mclsaac was directed to reach out to MPP Dunlop and report back on her response to the status of the approval to proceed with the project. If possible, staff and Mayor Mclsaac are to report back to the September 25, 2023 meeting of Council.

Below are highlights of what Council adopted at its meeting on Monday, Sept. 11, 2023 from Council Committee on Monday, Aug. 14, 2023:

- The report from Councillors Durnford, Leatherdale, Czetwerzuk, and Fallis regarding information and knowledge gained by attending the Federation of Canadian Municipalities Conference, held from May 25-28, 2023, in Toronto, Ontario, was received as information.
- Staff was directed to report back on the feasibility of amending Off-street Waterfront Area (Lot 15) of Schedule "A" of Chapter 454 of the City of Orillia Municipal Code - User Fees - Property Services by deleting \$3 per hour and replacing with \$2 per hour.
- An 18-month pilot program was supported, in principle, which would enable proactive by-law enforcement for Chapter 834 of the City of Orillia Municipal Code - Clean and Clear, as set out in the report. Staff was directed to prepare a report on a proposed implementation plan for Council's consideration.

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