



## Minutes

### Operations Committee

September 13, 2022, 5:30 p.m.

City Hall - 808 2nd Avenue East - Council Chambers

#### MEMBERS

##### PRESENT:

Chair Scott Greig  
Member Roger Bloom  
Member Paul Foster  
Councillor Brock Hamley  
Member Bill King  
Councillor Marion Koepke  
Member Edward Marchewka  
Deputy Mayor Brian O'Leary  
Member Meghan Robertson

##### STAFF PRESENT:

Tim Simmonds, City Manager  
Mike Crone, Acting Director of Public Works and Engineering  
Michelle Palmer, Senior Manager, Strategic Initiatives and Operational Effectiveness  
Rick Chappell, Acting Supervisor of Environmental Services  
Ashley Ford, Water and Wastewater Administrative Assistant

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#### 1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Greig called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

#### 2. CALL FOR ADDITIONAL BUSINESS

2.a Councillor Koepke Re: Moore's Hill

2.b Supervisor of Environmental Services Re: Transit Update

2.c Director of Public Works and Engineering Re: Capital Project Progress Update

#### 3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

#### **4. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

4.a Minutes of the Operations Committee meeting held on July 12, 2022

OP-220913-001

Moved by Member King

**"THAT the Operations Committee approves the minutes of the meeting held on July 12, 2022."**

Carried.

#### **5. DEPUTATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS**

5.a Deputation from Dillon Consulting Re: Waste Management Strategy Update

The Supervisor of Environmental Services introduced Alida Kusch and Charlotte Banks, Dillon Consulting Limited, to provide their PowerPoint presentation regarding the Waste Management Strategy.

Key points discussed were:

- Ideas for pop-up event locations within the Community;
- Public survey and open house status;
- Project schedule to date; and
- Progress update.

The Committee questioned whether they would see the list of the suggested actions before staff narrowed them down to just 16. Staff explained that a number of the actions suggested being removed were related to the Blue Box and recycling, with the transition to producer responsibility in July of 2023. The entire list will be provided as part of the report.

The committee suggested a sponsored ad to enhance the communication about the survey.

#### **6. PUBLIC QUESTION PERIOD**

There were no questions from the public.

#### **7. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED FOR WHICH DIRECTION IS REQUIRED**

There were no correspondence items presented for consideration.

#### **8. REPORTS OF CITY STAFF**

8.a Engineering

None.

8.b Environment

8.b.1 Report CM-22-012 from Senior Manager, Strategic Initiatives and Operational Effectiveness Re: Climate Action Strategy - Proposed Timeline and Deliverables

The Senior Manager of Strategic Initiatives and Operational Effectiveness provided an overview of the Climate Action Strategy Report.

Committee questioned when the money was placed in a reserve fund. Staff explained that in 2019 when the Climate Change Coordinator position had been deferred by Council, the money allocated to that position was transferred into a reserve fund. Staff identified that Reserves are part of the annual budget process and that during future budget meetings reserves would be more specifically highlighted. If any current information was available regarding current reserves, this information would be distributed to Committee.

OC-220913-002

Moved by Councillor Koepke

**"THAT in consideration of Staff Report CM-22-012 respecting Climate Action Strategy - Proposed Timeline and Deliverables, the Operations Committee recommends that City Council:**

- 1. Approves the proposed timelines and objectives for the climate action mitigation plan;**
- 2. Approves the City joining the Partners for Climate Protection program;**
- 3. Appoints the Chair of the Operations Committee to be the elected representative in the Partners for Protection program; and**
- 4. Appoints the Senior Manager, Strategic Initiatives and Operational Effectiveness to be the staff representative in the Partners for Protection program."**

Carried.

8.c Public Works

None.

8.d Transit

None.

8.e Water and Wastewater

8.e.1 Report OP-22-041 from Manager of Public Works Re: Backflow/Cross Connection Status Update

The Director of Public Works and Engineering provided Committee with a Backflow/Cross Connection Status update. Committee raised concerns about the ongoing cost of monitoring the backflow preventors.

OC-220913-003

Moved by Deputy Mayor O'Leary

**"THAT in consideration of Staff Report OP-22-041 respecting a progress report for the Cross Connection Control Problem, the Operations Committee recommends that City Council receive the report for information purposes."**

Carried.

**9. MATTERS POSTPONED**

There were no matters postponed.

**10. MOTIONS FOR WHICH NOTICE WAS PREVIOUSLY GIVEN**

There were no motions for which notice was previously given.

**11. CORRESPONDENCE PROVIDED FOR INFORMATION**

11.a August 3, 2022, Climate Action Team Meeting Update

OC-220913-004

Moved by Member Robertson

**"THAT in consideration of correspondence provided for information purposes listed on the September 13, 2022, Operations Committee agenda, the Operations Committee recommends that City Council receive Item 11.a for information purposes."**

Carried.

**12. DISCUSSION OF ADDITIONAL BUSINESS**

12.a Moore's Hill

Councillor Koepke raised concerns with vehicles unable to safely manoeuvre up and down Moore's Hill during snow plowing operations and would like to hear staff's input on this issue.

There was discussion about turning Moore's Hill into one-way traffic and whether it would be feasible.

## 12.b Transit Update

The Acting Supervisor of Environmental Services advised that Voyago started services on August 27<sup>th</sup>, 2022. City staff continue to work with Voyago on things such as bus fueling/spill training, advertising on buses and internal cash handling procedures. City staff also hope to finalize the transit contract with Voyago within the next week or so.

The Transit Data Management software (Consat 360) which includes an Automated Vehicle Location (AVL) component will be installed later this fall or early in the new year.

The transition to the new service provider went relatively smoothly however a few issues that did come up were the new mobility telephone number, which was a different number from the previous mobility booking number as well as riders raised concerns about the lift-equipped buses versus low-floor buses. The lift-equipped buses are fully accessible however riders prefer the low-floor buses which will be arriving as part of the new permanent fleet sometime early in the new year.

## 12.c Capital Project Progress Update

The Director of Public Works and Engineering gave an update on:

- East Bayshore Road and Sewer Forcemain - work expected to be completed by October 31, 2022, and is on schedule.
- 16th Street East Watermain Replacement - mobilization initiated on August 15, 2022, and is expected to be completed on or about October 31, 2022.
- DRP Phase 2 - 900 Block of 1st Ave East - pricing received was significantly higher than budget; will be retendered in January 2023.
- 6th Ave West Culvert - pricing received was significantly higher than budget; will be retendered in January 2023.
- Alpha Street Engineering - Awarded to GM BluePlan with forecasted completion in 2025.
- Resurfacing and concrete tender - approved and anticipate it will begin shortly.
- Non-AODA Sidewalk Replacement - work has been completed, and the contractor undertook extra concrete repairs from various sidewalk and road repairs over the past 4-5 years.
- Sydenham Crescent Sewage Pumping Station - work is expected to be completed by October 31, 2022.

### 13. NOTICES OF MOTION

#### 13.a Councillor Koepke Re: Moore's Hill

Councillor Koepke presented the following Notice of Motion that was supported by Deputy Mayor O'Leary:

**"THAT the Operations Committee recommends that City Council direct staff to bring back a report including the process to address safety and longevity issues on Moore's Hill with a potential to have Moore's Hill become a one-way street."**

### 14. ADJOURNMENT

The business contained on the agenda having been completed, Chair Greig adjourned the meeting at 6:42 p.m.