

Council Committee Room B
May 26, 2008 5:30 p.m.

A meeting of Guelph City Council.

Present: Mayor Farbridge, Councillors Beard, Bell, Billings, Farrelly, Findlay, Hofland, Kovach, Laidlaw, Piper, Salisbury and Wettstein

Absent: Councillor Burcher

Staff Present: Mr. H. Loewig, Chief Administrative Officer; Dr. J. Laird, Director of Environmental Services; Ms. M. Neubauer, Director of Finance; Mr. J. Riddell, Director of Community Design and Development Services; Mr. M. McCrae, Manager of Corporate Property Services; Ms. T. Sinclair, Assistant City Solicitor; Mr. J. Stokes, Manager of Realty Services; Ms. T. Agnello, Deputy City Clerk; and Ms. J. Sweeney, Council Committee Co-ordinator

- 1. Moved by Councillor Kovach
Seconded by Councillor Laidlaw

THAT the Council of the City of Guelph now hold a meeting that is closed to the public, pursuant to Section 239 (2) (a), (b), (c), (e) and (g) of the Municipal Act, with respect to:

- security of property;
- personal matters about identifiable individuals;
- proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land;
- litigation or potential litigation;
- a matter in respect of which a council, board, committee or other body may hold a closed meeting under another Act.

Carried

The meeting adjourned at 5:31 o'clock p.m.

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Mayor

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Deputy Clerk

Ms. L.E. Payne

4. Moved by Councillor Wettstein
Seconded by Councillor Bell
THAT staff be given direction with respect to a proposed
or pending acquisition or disposition of land.

Carried

REPORT

5. Moved by Councillor Laidlaw
Seconded by Councillor Farrelly
THAT Walter Palmer is appointed to the River Run Centre
Board of Directors for a term ending November, 2008.

Carried

6. Moved by Councillor Hofland
Seconded by Councillor Farrelly
THAT Committee hear the delegations on behalf of Guelph
Hydro Inc.

Carried

Paul Truex, Jasmine Uris, Ian Miles, Al Stockman and Ron
Clark in response to questions provided information.

The meeting adjourned at 6:45 o'clock p.m.

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Mayor

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Deputy Clerk

Council Chambers
May 26, 2008

Council reconvened in formal session at 7:00 p.m.

Present: Mayor Farbridge, Councillors Beard, Bell,
Billings, Burcher, Farrelly, Findlay, Hofland,
Kovach, Laidlaw, Piper, Salisbury and
Wettstein

Staff Present: Mr. H. Loewig, Chief Administrative
Officer; Dr. J. Laird, Director of Environmental Services;
Mr. D. McCaughan, Director of Operations; Ms. M.
Neubauer, Director of Finance Ms. A. Paper, Director of

Community Services; Mr. J. Riddell, Director of Community Design and Development Services; Mr. P. Cartwright, General Manager of Economic Development & Tourism; Ms. J. Jylanne, Senior Policy Planner; Mr. I. Panabaker, Heritage/Urban Design Planner; Mr. L. Quan, Deputy Fire Chief; Ms. T. Sinclair, Assistant City Solicitor; Mr. J. Stokes, Manager of Realty Services; Ms. T. Agnello, Deputy City Clerk; and Ms. J. Sweeney, Council Committee Co-ordinator

DECLARATIONS UNDER MUNICIPAL CONFLICT OF INTEREST ACT

There was no declaration of pecuniary interest.

1. Moved by Councillor Laidlaw
Seconded by Councillor Kovach

THAT the minutes of the Council meetings held on April 14, 28 and May 5, 2008 and the minutes of the Council meetings held in Committee of the Whole on April 14, 28 and May 5 and 12, 2008 be confirmed as recorded and without being read.

Carried

PRESENTATIONS

Guelph Hydro Inc. – merger status update

Paul Truex, Chair of Guelph Hydro Inc. was present and provided an update with respect to the proposed hydro merger. He suggested that a merger would result in savings for their customers, provide an enhanced environmental stewardship program and a significance presence would be maintained on their Southgate location.

Medical School & Health Sciences Campus

Bill Weiler, Chair of Med Ed Group was present and advised that the Med Ed Group is a group of local volunteers who came together to ensure sustainable community support and financial assistance for the growth and success of the Health Sciences Campus which is being constructed in Kitchener. He advised that they are trying to inform the public of this visionary approach to health care.

Physician Recruitment Committee Update

The General Manager of Economic Development & Tourism provided an update on physician recruitment. He

advised that there are approximately 700 families in the City which do not have a doctor. He advised that a Recruitment Coordinator has recently been hired to assist in the recruitment of doctors.

Mr. P. Cartwright

2. Moved by Councillor Kovach
Seconded by Councillor Laidlaw

THAT the Physician Recruitment Committee Update report from the Economic Development and Tourism department dated May 14, 2008, is received for information.

VOTING IN FAVOUR: Councillors Beard, Bell, Billings, Burcher, Farrelly, Findlay, Hofland, Kovach, Laidlaw, Piper, Salisbury, Wettstein and Mayor Farbridge (13)

VOTING AGAINST: (0)

Carried

Community Survey

Tara Sprigg, Manager of Corporate Communications provided information with respect to the community survey to be conducted by Ipsos Reed June 11th – 18th.

South End Emergency Services Facility

Deputy Fire Chief Lyle Quan introduced Paul MacIntosh and Janet Stewart of Thomas Brown Architects.

Ms. Stewart reviewed the design concept for the South End Emergency Services Facility. She outlined the various initiatives for the LEED Silver designation such as: use of solar hot water, green power, possible use of a wind turbine, drain water harvesting, exterior living wall and an interior children decorated panels living wall.

Chief S. Armstrong
Ms. L.E. Payne
Ms. M. Neubauer

3. Moved by Councillor Billings
Seconded by Councillor Findlay

THAT the attached conceptual design for the South End Emergency Services Facility be received for information;

AND THAT staff proceed to prepare and issue a tender for the construction of the proposed facility;

AND THAT subject to the contract amount being less than 9.3 million dollars, the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to execute all agreements and documents necessary to award and proceed with construction of the proposed Emergency Services Facility.

VOTING IN FAVOUR: Councillors Beard, Bell, Billings, Burcher, Farrelly, Findlay, Hofland, Kovach, Laidlaw, Piper, Salisbury, Wettstein and Mayor Farbridge (13)

VOTING AGAINST: (0)

Carried

4. Moved by Councillor Piper
Seconded by Councillor Findlay

THAT persons wishing to address Council be permitted to do so at this time.

Carried

REGULAR MEETING

DELEGATIONS

Notice of Intention to Designate 60 Manitoba Street Pursuant to the Ontario Heritage Act

Harold Godwin, owner of the subject property, advised that he is not in favour of the heritage designation. He suggested that the historical importance of the house in relation to Samuel Carter is not as great as expected.

Paul Ross was present on behalf of Heritage Guelph and outlined the criteria for designating a property, and suggested that the proposed designation is not so much about architectural heritage but on their strong cultural values. He advised that designating the properties would not prevent alterations or extensions to the buildings. He further advised that Council is not being asked to designate the properties tonight but to start the designation process.

Lorraine Pagnan provided clarification on the tenancy of Samuel Carter. She suggested that this property is the only large parcel left from the original development. She further suggested that this property's heritage value is its contribution to the cottage industry.

Councillor Burcher presented Clause 2 of the Fifth Report of the Community Development and Environmental Services Committee

5. Moved by Councillor Burcher
Seconded by Councillor Piper

THAT Report 08-58, dated May 9, 2008 from Community Design and Development Services, regarding the heritage designation of 60 Manitoba Street be received;

Mr. J. Riddell

AND THAT the City Clerk be authorized to publish and serve Notice of Intention to Designate 60 Manitoba Street in accordance with the Ontario Heritage Act and as recommended by Heritage Guelph;

AND THAT the designation by-law be brought before Council for approval, if no objections are received within the thirty (30) day objection period.

VOTING IN FAVOUR: Councillors Beard, Bell, Burcher, Findlay, Hofland, Laidlaw, Piper, and Mayor Farbridge (8)

VOTING AGAINST: Councillors Billings, Farrelly, Kovach, Salisbury and Wettstein (5)

Carried

Petition to Prohibit the Storage of Portable Toilets in the City of Guelph

Selby Steeves was present and expressed concern with the storage of portable toilets adjacent to his residence. He requested that the City amend the zoning by-law with respect to the storage of portable toilets.

Councillor Burcher presented Clause 6 of the Fifth Report of the Community Development and Environmental Services Committee

It was requested that the 2nd clause be voted on separately.

6. Moved by Councillor Burcher

Seconded by Councillor Piper

Mr. J. Riddell

THAT Report 08-059 regarding a petition to prohibit the storage of portable toilets in the City of Guelph, from Community Design and Development Services, dated May 9, 2008, be received;

AND THAT the city facilitate mediation between the resident and the industrial property owner to resolve any outstanding issues.

VOTING IN FAVOUR: Councillors Beard, Bell, Billings, Burcher, Farrelly, Findlay, Hofland, Kovach, Laidlaw, Piper, Salisbury, Wettstein and Mayor Farbridge (13)

VOTING AGAINST: (0)

Carried

7. Moved by Councillor Burcher
Seconded by Councillor Piper

THAT staff takes no action with regard to the request to amend the Zoning By-law Number (1995)-14864 to prohibit the storage of portable toilets within 800 metres of a residence.

VOTING IN FAVOUR: Councillors Bell, Farrelly and Wettstein (3)

VOTING AGAINST: Beard, Billings, Burcher, Findlay, Hofland, Kovach, Laidlaw, Piper, Salisbury, and Mayor Farbridge (10)

Defeated

8. Moved by Councillor Laidlaw
Seconded by Councillor Kovach

Mr. J. Riddell

THAT staff be directed to undertake a review of the proximity of storage of portable toilets in relation to appropriate distance from a residence.

VOTING IN FAVOUR: Councillors Beard, Bell, Billings, Burcher, Farrelly, Findlay, Hofland, Kovach, Laidlaw, Piper, Salisbury, Wettstein and Mayor Farbridge (13)

VOTING AGAINST: (0)

Carried

Notice of Intention to Designate 47-49 Alice Street Pursuant to the Ontario Heritage Act

Blair Cleveland, owner of the property, suggested that the designation is being used to stop his application to demolish the structure to provide for off-street parking. He advised that he was not aware that the property was on the historical listing of the City and that it would be costly to upgrade the building. He requested that the designation be rejected.

Gordon Maxwell was present in support of the property owner and suggested that just because the building meets one criteria for designation, that it is not necessarily worthy of designation. He advised that the owner does not want to change the low rise streetscape but wants to create off street parking. He suggested that placing a sign/picture with a brief history of the site would be a better way to educate the public on the historical aspect of the site.

Lorraine Pagnan, on behalf of Heritage Guelph, expressed support for the proposed designation. She suggested that the property is of cultural significance as an example of a family business in the 1920's by immigrant Italian families. She stressed that the building should not be demolished to make room for parking.

Councillor Burcher presented the recommendation that was presented to the Community Development and Environmental Services Committee

Mr. J. Riddell

9. Moved by Councillor Burcher
Seconded by Councillor Piper

THAT Report 08-57, dated May 9, 2008 from Community Design and Development Services, regarding the heritage designation of 47-49 Alice Street be received;

AND THAT the City Clerk be authorized to publish and serve Notice of Intention to Designate 47-49 Alice Street, commonly known as the Valeriote House and Shoe Repairing Shop, in accordance with the Ontario Heritage Act and as recommended by Heritage Guelph;

AND THAT the designation by-law be brought before City Council for approval, if no objections are received within the thirty (30) day objection period.

VOTING IN FAVOUR: Councillors Beard, Burcher, Findlay, Laidlaw, Piper, Salisbury, and Mayor Farbridge (7)

VOTING AGAINST: Councillors Bell, Billings, Farrelly, Hofland, Kovach and Wettstein (6)

Carried

Adoption and Implementation of the Guelph Market Place Strategic Urban Design Plan

Ian Panabaker, Heritage/Urban Design Planner, provided a brief history on the Guelph Market Place Strategic Urban Design Plan. He highlighted the concept plan with respect to the Courthouse Gardens, The Square and the City Hall Entry. He outlined the proposed timelines for the implementation of the various projects.

Tony Leighton was present on behalf of the Guelph Civic League in support of the proposed concept plan. He suggested that development of this area is essential to an overall vision for the downtown and if constructed with draw people to the area.

Audrey Jamal was present on behalf of the Rink Rats Fundraising Committee and complemented staff and Council on the proposal. She suggested that this project would inspire all businesses.

Ken Hammill suggested that there is a large portion of the workforce employed in the downtown area. He further suggested that this plan achieves the goal of the strategic plan. He also advised that there is a volunteer group prepared to raise \$2 million towards the ice/water feature.

Councillor Burcher presented Clause 7 of the Fifth Report of the Community Development and Environmental Services Committee

It was requested that the clauses be voted on separately.

10. Moved by Councillor Burcher
Seconded by Councillor Piper

THAT Council adopt the Guelph Market Place Strategic Urban Design Plan, dated May 5, 2008;

AND THAT staff be directed to implement the capital projects within the study area as generally described in Attachment 4: 'Downtown Capital Projects Sequence, May 5, 2008', based on the financial plan provided in the Tax Supported Capital Guideline recommendation presented to Council May 12, 2008, recognizing that the schedule may be adjusted to meet Council's capital financing guideline.

11. Moved by Councillor Wettstein
Seconded by Councillor Findlay

THAT consideration of the adoption of the Guelph Market Place Strategic Urban Design Plan be deferred until later in the meeting after the presentation on the 2009 budget guideline.

The motion for deferral took precedence and was voted on first.

VOTING IN FAVOUR: Councillors Beard, Bell, Billings, Burcher, Farrelly, Findlay, Hofland, Kovach, Laidlaw, Piper, Wettstein and Mayor Farbridge (12)

VOTING AGAINST: Councillor Salisbury (1)

Carried

Mr. J. Riddell
Ms. L.E. Payne
Ms. M. Neubauer

12. Moved by Councillor Burcher
Seconded by Councillor Piper
THAT staff undertake the construction document development for the Civic Square, including the skating rink/water feature, and the surface redesign of Carden and Wilson Streets, with design development in consultation with the 'Rink Rats' and the Downtown Guelph Business Association, in preparation for a phased construction implementation starting in 2009.

VOTING IN FAVOUR: Councillors Beard, Bell, Burcher, Farrelly, Findlay, Hofland, Kovach, Laidlaw, Piper, Salisbury, Wettstein and Mayor Farbridge (12)

VOTING AGAINST: Councillor Billings (1)

Carried

Mr. J. Riddell
Ms. L.E. Payne
Ms. M. Neubauer

13. Moved by Councillor Burcher
Seconded by Councillor Piper
THAT Council authorize the 'Rink Rats', headed by Audrey Jamal, Mark Goldberg, Mark Rodford and Ken Hammill, to spearhead a fundraising campaign towards the construction of the skating rink/water feature and other elements of the Civic Square, and that staff assist in facilitating the campaign and report back to Council by or before January 2009 on recommendations for the 2009 construction season.

VOTING IN FAVOUR: Councillors Beard, Bell, Billings, Burcher, Farrelly, Findlay, Hofland, Kovach, Laidlaw, Piper, Salisbury, Wettstein and Mayor Farbridge (13)

VOTING AGAINST: (0)

Carried

14. Moved by Councillor Findlay
Seconded by Councillor Burcher
THAT Council suspend the rules of By-law (1996)-15200, being the Procedural By-law, to continue beyond 11:00 p.m.

Carried

Commercial Patios on City-owned Land – Temporary Change of Hours and Seasons

Audrey Jamal advised that in consultation with the various businesses, Downtown Guelph Business Association found that the owners would like more

flexibility in their operation. She advised that the Board supports the recommendation.

Councillor Wettstein presented Clause 1 of the Third Report of the Finance, Administration and Corporate Services Committee

Ms. L.E. Payne
Mr. J. Riddell

15. Moved by Councillor Wettstein
Seconded by Councillor Hofland
THAT on a temporary basis until December 31, 2008 and in regard to commercial patios approved under the Encroachment By-law:

- a) Serving shall be allowed until 12:00 midnight;
- b) The patio shall be vacated by 12:45 a.m.;
- c) Patios shall be allowed to operate on a year-round basis, except when ice or snow is present on sidewalks or boulevards; and
- d) City staff are expressly authorized to remove patio furniture and equipment at the cost of the operator, when ice or snow is present on the sidewalks or boulevards and where such patio furniture and equipment interferes with City snow clearing operations.

AND THAT staff report back in early 2009 with the results of the temporary changes and with recommendations, including comments of the Guelph Police Services.

VOTING IN FAVOUR: Councillors Beard, Bell, Billings, Burcher, Farrelly, Findlay, Hofland, Kovach, Laidlaw, Piper, Salisbury, Wettstein and Mayor Farbridge (13)

VOTING AGAINST: (0)

Carried

16. Moved by Councillor Salisbury
Seconded by Councillor Piper
THAT Council now go into the Committee of the Whole to consider reports and correspondence.

Carried

Councillor Burcher presented the balance of the Fifth Report of the Community Development and Environmental Services Committee

Bicycle-Friendly Guelph Project

Mr. J. Riddell

17. Moved by Councillor Burcher
Seconded by Councillor Piper
THAT the Community Design and Development Report

Mr. D. McCaughan
Ms. M. Neubauer

08-55, dated May 9, 2008, regarding the 'Bicycle-Friendly Guelph Project' be received;

AND THAT Council authorize staff to proceed with developing a bicycle transportation plan, including financing plan and implementation strategy, to make Guelph a bicycle-friendly city and achieve a target cycling modal share of 3% of all daily trips in ten years;

AND THAT Council approve the establishment of a Bicycle Transportation Advisory Committee to facilitate the development of Guelph's bicycle transportation plan.

VOTING IN FAVOUR: Councillors Beard, Bell, Billings, Burcher, Farrelly, Findlay, Hofland, Kovach, Laidlaw, Piper, Salisbury, Wettstein and Mayor Farbridge (13)

VOTING AGAINST: (0)

Carried

Noise Control By-law Exemption Request for the Guelph Jazz Festival

18. Moved by Councillor Burcher
Seconded by Councillor Piper

Mr. J. Riddell
Chief R. Davis
Mr. B. Poole

THAT Report 08-51 regarding a Noise Control By-law exemption request on behalf of the Guelph Jazz Festival for Saturday, September 6th and Sunday, September 7th, 2008, from Community Design and Development Services, dated May 9, 2008, be received;

AND THAT an exemption from Schedule 'A' of the Noise Control By-law (2000)-16366, as amended, to permit noise from live amplified music in association with the Guelph Jazz Festival between the hours of 11:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m. on Saturday September 6, 2008 and Sunday, September 7, 2008, be approved.

VOTING IN FAVOUR: Councillors Beard, Bell, Billings, Burcher, Farrelly, Findlay, Hofland, Kovach, Laidlaw, Piper, Salisbury, Wettstein and Mayor Farbridge (13)

VOTING AGAINST: (0)

Carried

Sign By-law Variance for Staybridge Suites at 11 Corporate Court

Mr. J. Riddell
Mr. B. Poole

19. Moved by Councillor Burcher
Seconded by Councillor Piper
THAT Report 08-05 regarding a sign variance for 11 Corporate Court from Community Design and Development Services, dated May 9, 2008, be received;

AND THAT the request for a variance from the Sign By-law for 11 Corporate Court to permit one building sign to be situated on the fifth storey of the building face in lieu of the by-law requirement of the first storey of a building face only, be approved.

VOTING IN FAVOUR: Councillors Beard, Bell, Billings, Burcher, Farrelly, Findlay, Hofland, Kovach, Laidlaw, Piper, Salisbury, Wettstein and Mayor Farbridge (13)

VOTING AGAINST: (0)

Carried

Joe Veroni Park Master Plan – Watson Creek Subdivision in Ward 1

Mr. J. Riddell
Mr. D. McCaughan

20. Moved by Councillor Burcher
Seconded by Councillor Piper
THAT the Community Design and Development Services Report 08-33 dated May 9, 2008, be received;

AND THAT the Master Plan for the development of the Joe Veroni Park, as proposed in Appendix 2 of Community Design and Development Services Report 08-33 dated May 9, 2008, be approved;

AND THAT staff be directed to proceed with the implementation of the Joe Veroni Park Master Plan;

AND THAT staff be directed to include connections from Joe Veroni Park to the trail network as shown in the memorandum from the Director of Community Design and Development dated May 16, 2008.

VOTING IN FAVOUR: Councillors Beard, Bell, Billings, Burcher, Farrelly, Findlay, Hofland, Kovach, Laidlaw, Piper, Salisbury, Wettstein and Mayor Farbridge (13)

VOTING AGAINST: (0)

Carried

Councillor Laidlaw presented the Fifth Report of the Emergency Services, Community Services and Operations Committee

2008 Service Agreement with the Guelph Humane Society

21. Moved by Councillor Laidlaw
Seconded by Councillor Farrelly
Mr. D. McCaughan
Ms. M. Neubauer
THAT the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to sign an agreement with the Guelph Humane Society for the provision of dog control, dog licensing, and animal shelter at a cost of \$322,000 for the period January 1, 2008 to December 31, 2008.

VOTING IN FAVOUR: Councillors Beard, Bell, Billings, Burcher, Farrelly, Findlay, Hofland, Kovach, Laidlaw, Piper, Salisbury, Wettstein and Mayor Farbridge (13)

VOTING AGAINST: (0)

Carried

Queen Street at Arthur Street North Roadway Narrowing

22. Moved by Councillor Laidlaw
Seconded by Councillor Farrelly
Mr. D. McCaughan
THAT the narrowing at the intersection of Queen Street and Arthur Street N. as outlined in the report of the Director of Operations dated May 14, 2008, be approved for construction as funding permits.

VOTING IN FAVOUR: Councillors Beard, Bell, Billings, Burcher, Farrelly, Findlay, Hofland, Kovach, Laidlaw, Piper, Salisbury, Wettstein and Mayor Farbridge (12)

VOTING AGAINST: Councillor Kovach (1)

Carried

Funding for the Guelph Neighbourhood Support Coalition

23. Moved by Councillor Laidlaw
Seconded by Councillor Farrelly
Ms. A. Pappert
Ms. M. Neubauer
THAT the report of the Director of Community Services dated May 14, 2008 with respect to additional funding for the Neighbourhood Support Coalition be received;

AND THAT \$50,000 in additional funds for the Neighbourhood Support Coalition be funded through operating surpluses, to be identified during the course of the year from variances, be approved.

VOTING IN FAVOUR: Councillors Beard, Bell, Billings, Burcher, Farrelly, Findlay, Hofland, Kovach, Laidlaw, Piper, Salisbury, Wettstein and Mayor Farbridge (13)

VOTING AGAINST: (0)

Carried

Councillor Wettstein presented the balance of the Third Report of the Finance, Administration and Corporate Services Committee

Request from Community Living Guelph Wellington for Financial Relief Associated with the Redevelopment of the ARC Industries Facility

Ms. M. Neubauer
Ms. A. Pappert

24. Moved by Councillor Wettstein
Seconded by Councillor Hofland

THAT Council consider a grant to Community Living Guelph Wellington for relief of costs associated with the redevelopment of the ARC Industries facilities in an amount not to exceed \$80,000 during the 2009 budget deliberations.

VOTING IN FAVOUR: Councillors Beard, Bell, Billings, Burcher, Farrelly, Findlay, Hofland, Kovach, Laidlaw, Piper, Salisbury, Wettstein and Mayor Farbridge (13)

VOTING AGAINST: (0)

Carried

Habitat for Humanity Request for Relief of Development Charges and Permit Fees for the 18 Harris Street and 24 Alma Street Projects

Ms. M. Neubauer
Mr. J. Riddell

25. Moved by Councillor Wettstein
Seconded by Councillor Hofland

THAT Report Number 08-56 from Community Design and Development Services, dated May 7, 2008, be received;

AND THAT the request for a grant to Habitat for Humanity Wellington County, to cover the development charges and various permit fees related to the building of affordable housing at the two locations identified below, be approved;

- 18 Harris Street
- 24 Alma Street;

AND THAT a maximum of \$50,000 financial assistance be provided from the Affordable Housing Reserve.

VOTING IN FAVOUR: Councillors Beard, Bell, Billings, Burcher, Farrelly, Findlay, Hofland, Kovach, Laidlaw, Piper, Salisbury, Wettstein and Mayor Farbridge (13)

VOTING AGAINST: (0)

Carried

Transferring Short-term Disability, Long-term Disability and Life Insurance Contract from Sun Life to Manulife

Mr. M. Amorosi
Ms. M. Neubauer

26. Moved by Councillor Wettstein
Seconded by Councillor Hofland

THAT the following recommendations resulting in benefit cost savings of \$300,645 (annualized) be approved as follows:

THAT Human Resources notify Sun Life that the existing contract be terminated effective immediately;

AND THAT Human Resources enter into a two year agreement with Manulife to provide LTD, Life Insurance and Dependent Life to employees in accordance with their current benefits (i.e. to consolidate all benefits with Manulife);

AND THAT Human Resources will enter into an Administrative Services Only (ASO) agreement with Manulife and will continue to explore with Manulife additional cost saving measures and report back on cost savings and implementation strategy;

AND THAT Human Resources conduct a full tendering of all Employee Benefits in 2010 and report back to Council.

VOTING IN FAVOUR: Councillors Beard, Bell, Billings, Burcher, Farrelly, Findlay, Hofland, Kovach, Laidlaw, Piper, Salisbury, Wettstein and Mayor Farbridge (13)

VOTING AGAINST: (0)

Carried

Community Room at Ken Danby Public School

Ms. L.E. Payne
Ms. A. Pappert
Ms. M. Neubauer

27. Moved by Councillor Wettstein
Seconded by Councillor Hofland

THAT the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to execute a license agreement between the Upper Grand District School Board and the City of Guelph for the construction and use of a community room at Ken Danby Public School

subject to the final form and content of the agreement be satisfactory to the Director of Community Services and the Director of Corporate Services and City Solicitor;

AND THAT the operating costs associated with the community room at Ken Danby Public School for 2008 be from Community Services Operating Budget;

AND THAT the operating costs associated with the community room at Ken Danby Public School for 2009 be incorporated into the Community Services Operating Budget as a pre-approval.

VOTING IN FAVOUR: Councillors Beard, Bell, Billings, Burcher, Farrelly, Findlay, Hofland, Kovach, Laidlaw, Piper, Salisbury, Wettstein and Mayor Farbridge (13)

VOTING AGAINST: (0)

Carried

Tax Supported Capital Guideline

The Manager of Budget Services provided information with respect to the proposed tax supported capital guideline. She suggested that this guideline provides a more realistic and transparent picture of the capital spending. She outlined the impacts that will affect the capital budget.

28. Moved by Councillor Wettstein
Seconded by Councillor Hofland

Ms. M. Neubauer

THAT the Tax Supported Capital Guideline limiting the capital current funding, reserve funding and debt service funding from the operating budget to a maximum of 20% of the previous year's net tax requirement be approved;

AND THAT staff be requested to report back to Council with a plan to achieve the 20% Tax Supported Capital Guideline.

VOTING IN FAVOUR: Councillors Beard, Bell, Burcher, Farrelly, Findlay, Hofland, Laidlaw, Piper, Salisbury, Wettstein and Mayor Farbridge (11)

VOTING AGAINST: Councillors Billings and Kovach (2)

Carried

Councillor Burcher presented the balance of Clause 7 of the Fifth Report of the Community Development and Environmental Services Committee

Mr. J. Riddell
Ms. L.E. Payne
Ms. M. Neubauer

29. Moved by Councillor Burcher
Seconded by Councillor Piper
THAT Council adopt the Guelph Market Place Strategic Urban Design Plan, dated May 5, 2008;

AND THAT staff be directed to implement the capital projects within the study area as generally described in Attachment 4: 'Downtown Capital Projects Sequence, May 5, 2008', based on the financial plan provided in the Tax Supported Capital Guideline recommendation presented to Council May 12, 2008, recognizing that the schedule may be adjusted to meet Council's capital financing guideline.

VOTING IN FAVOUR: Councillors Beard, Bell, Burcher, Farrelly, Findlay, Hofland, Laidlaw, Piper, Salisbury, Wettstein and Mayor Farbridge (11)

VOTING AGAINST: Councillors Billings and Kovach (2)

Carried

Councillor Wettstein presented Clause 6 of the Third Report of the Finance, Administration and Corporate Services Committee

2009 Tax Supported Budget Guideline, Forecast and Process

The Manager of Budget Services provided highlighted the report with respect to the 2009 Tax Supported Budget Guideline, Forecast and Process. She outlined the main steps in preparing the budget as beginning the budget; efficiencies ; growth related service level impacts; service level review changes; and new services.

30. Moved by Councillor Wettstein
Seconded by Councillor Hofland
THAT a preliminary tax rate increase guideline of 6.5% for the 2009 budget process including all new services, departments, boards and agencies be received.

31. Moved in Amendment by Councillor Bell
Seconded by Councillor Findlay
THAT the 2009 budget be prepared based on a 0% for new services and that staff provide a prioritized list for new services.

VOTING IN FAVOUR: Councillors Bell, Billings, Burcher and Kovach, (4)

VOTING AGAINST: Councillors Beard, Farrelly, Findlay, Hofland, Laidlaw, Piper, Salisbury, Wettstein and Mayor Farbridge (9)

Defeated

32. Moved by Councillor Kovach

Seconded by Councillor Salisbury

THAT the 2009 budget guideline be referred back to the Finance, Administration and Corporate Services Committee to lower the acceptable tax rate increase guideline.

VOTING IN FAVOUR: Councillors Bell, Billings, Farrelly, Kovach and Salisbury, (5)

VOTING AGAINST: Beard, Burcher, Findlay, Hofland, Laidlaw, Piper, Wettstein and Mayor Farbridge (8)

Defeated

33. Moved by Councillor Wettstein

Seconded by Councillor Hofland

THAT a preliminary tax rate increase guideline of 6.5% for the 2009 budget process including all new services, departments, boards and agencies be received.

VOTING IN FAVOUR: Councillors Beard, Burcher, Farrelly, Findlay, Hofland, Laidlaw, Piper, Salisbury, Wettstein and Mayor Farbridge (10)

VOTING AGAINST: Councillors Bell, Billings and Kovach (3)

Carried

Councillor Laidlaw presented the First Report of the Land Ambulance Committee

Resolution from the Region of Niagara – Offload Delay Situation

34. Moved by Councillor Laidlaw

Seconded by Councillor Bell

THAT the resolution from the Region of Niagara with respect to Offload Delay Situation relating to ambulance service, as follows, be endorsed:

Ms. P. Gilroy
Asso. Mun. Medical Srs.
AMO
Ms. L. Sandals
Chief. S. Armstrong

WHEREAS ambulance off-load delays are common and

Ms. D. Van Wyck

increasing realities affecting most, if not all, emergency medical services across Ontario; and

WHEREAS ambulance off-load delays are a symptom of serious health care and community support system problems and challenges (for example, lack of access to comprehensive and effective primary care, emergency department staffing and optimal functioning, alternate level of care patient crises, lack of adequate supportive housing, etc.); and

WHEREAS ambulance offload delay times are consistently increasing in the Regional Municipality of Niagara, on a month to month and year to year basis; and

WHEREAS response times to high acuity calls have dramatically increased across the Regional Municipality of Niagara due to ambulance offload delays, to the point where Provincially mandated standards cannot be met on a consistent basis; and

WHEREAS total resource commitment to offload delays is contributing to periods of critically low ambulance availability to respond to emergency calls; and

WHEREAS ambulance offload delays are contributing to budget variance, not within the approved budgetary guidelines for mandated service provisions to the Regional Municipality; and

WHEREAS programs and initiatives undertaken by both Emergency Medical Services and the Niagara Health System have not achieved results in eliminating offload delays; and

WHEREAS Niagara EMS can no longer sustain the effects of offload delay without temporary measures being requested of Regional Council to enhance staffing and the associated budget required;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Public Health and Social Services Committee recommend that Regional Council affirm its support for the urgent need for a coordinated and effective province-wide approach to the systems and issues underlying offload delays, for circulation to other boards of health, municipal, county or regional governments responsible for land ambulance services, the Ontario Hospital Association, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, Local health Integration Networks and the MOHLTC;

AND THAT the provincial governments be requested to continue working with hospital emergency departments to address and resolve offload delays in an expedient manner.

VOTING IN FAVOUR: Councillors Beard, Bell, Billings, Burcher, Farrelly, Findlay, Kovach, Laidlaw, Piper, Salisbury, Wettstein and Mayor Farbridge (12)

VOTING AGAINST: (0)

Councillor Hofland was not present during the vote.

Carried

Councillor Kovach presented the Third Report of Council as a Committee of the Whole

Citizen Appointments

35. Moved by Councillor Kovach
Seconded by Councillor Laidlaw

Mrs. L.A. Giles

THAT Bill Birdsell be appointed to the Committee of Adjustment for a term ending November, 2008;

AND THAT Steve Barnhart and Goretty Dias be appointed to the Environmental Advisory Committee for a term ending November, 2011;

AND THAT Mike Darmon and Susan Mason be appointed to the Green Plan Steering Committee for a term ending November, 2008;

AND THAT David Kennedy be appointed to the Guelph Non-Profit Housing Corporation Board of Directors for a term ending November, 2008;

AND THAT John Buttars, Mike Emeneau, Erin Harkins and Stan Kozak be appointed to the River Systems Advisory Committee for a term ending November, 2008;

AND THAT Beverly Ann Woods be appointed to the River Run Centre Board of Directors for a term ending November, 2008.

VOTING IN FAVOUR: Councillors Beard, Bell, Billings, Burcher, Farrelly, Findlay, Hofland, Kovach, Laidlaw, Piper, Salisbury, Wettstein and Mayor Farbridge (13)

VOTING AGAINST: (0)

Carried

CONSENT AGENDA

The following items #C-1 and B-1 were extracted from the Consent Agenda to be voted on separately.

- 36. Moved by Councillor Billings
Seconded by Councillor Hofland

THAT the balance of the May 26, 2008 Consent Agenda as identified below, be adopted:

a) **ANNUAL ASPHALT, CONTRACT NO. 2-0801**

Mr. J. Riddell
Ms. M. Neubauer

THAT the tender of Permanent Paving Ltd., Woodstock be accepted and that the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to sign the agreement for Contract 2-0801 for the Annual Asphalt Contract for a total tendered price of \$5,148,076.12 with actual payment to be made in accordance with the terms of the contract;

AND THAT the \$1,919,941.00 approved by the Province and allocated to bridge and road works to the City be dedicated to this Annual Asphalt program.

b) **ACCESS AGREEMENT – SOUTHWEST QUADRANT CLASS EA WATER SUPPLY PROJECT**

Dr. J. Laird

THAT the Director of Environmental Services, on behalf of the City, be permitted to enter into an Access Agreement with a private property owner for the purposes of discharging water from a Guelph Waterworks pumping test to the storm sewer catch basin on private property, subject to the satisfaction of the City Solicitor;

AND THAT the Director of Environmental Services be permitted to enter into future access agreements for water supply projects, subject to the satisfaction of the City Solicitor.

c) **Electronic Document Management Update**

Mrs. L.A. Giles
Ms. M. Neubauer

THAT the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to execute the necessary documents to provide for the interim funding by Oracle Corporation with respect to the electronic document management.

VOTING IN FAVOUR: Councillors Beard, Bell, Billings, Burcher, Farrelly, Findlay, Hofland, Kovach, Laidlaw, Piper, Salisbury, Wettstein and Mayor Farbridge (13)

VOTING AGAINST: (0)

Carried

City of Kingston – Zenn Automobiles on Ontario Roads

Ms. C. Downs
Hon. Stephen Harper
Hon. Dalton McGuinty
Hon. J. Gerretsen
Hon. J. Baird
Hon. J. Bradley
Hon. L. Cannon
FCM
AMO

37. Moved by Councillor Laidlaw
Seconded by Councillor Burcher

THAT the correspondence from the City of Kingston advising of a resolution adopted by their Council with respect to Zenn Automobiles on Ontario Roads, as follows be endorsed:

WHEREAS cars are one of the largest contributors to Greenhouse Gases;

AND WHEREAS the Federal Government has finally given their approval for the sale of the Canadian-made Zenn (Zero Emissions No Noise) Automobiles;

AND WHEREAS provincial approval is still needed to allow both the use and sale of Zenn Automobiles and other electric automobiles on Ontario roads;

AND WHEREAS Mopeds and other forms of low speed vehicles are already currently allowed on Ontario roads;

AND WHEREAS Canada, and every province and municipality with our federation, must do our part to reduce our Greenhouse Gas emissions, and strive to not just meet but exceed the Kyoto Protocol targets;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Kingston City Council request that the Province of Ontario give approval for the Zenn car and other electric automobiles to be used on Ontario roads;

AND FURTHER THAT every province and territory in Canada be requested to give approval for the Zenn car and other electric automobiles to be sold and used across Canada as soon as possible.

VOTING IN FAVOUR: Councillors Beard, Bell, Billings, Burcher, Farrelly, Findlay, Hofland, Kovach, Laidlaw, Piper, Salisbury, Wettstein and Mayor Farbridge (13)

VOTING AGAINST: (0)

Carried

Councillor Burcher's Re-election to the FCM Board of Directors

Counc. Burcher

38. Moved by Councillor Piper
Seconded by Councillor Findlay
THAT Council approves Councillor Lise Burcher seeking re-election to the FCM Board of Directors at the 2008 AGM in Quebec City.

VOTING IN FAVOUR: Councillors Beard, Bell, Billings, Burcher, Farrelly, Findlay, Hofland, Kovach, Laidlaw, Piper, Salisbury, Wettstein and Mayor Farbridge (13)

VOTING AGAINST: (0)

Carried

39. Moved by Councillor Wettstein
Seconded by Councillor Bell
THAT the Committee rise with leave to sit again.

Carried

40. Moved by Councillor Beard
Seconded by Councillor Laidlaw
THAT the action taken in Committee of the Whole in considering reports and correspondence, be confirmed by this Council.

Carried

BY-LAWS

41. Moved by Councillor Bell
Seconded by Councillor Findlay
THAT leave be now granted to introduce and read a first and second time By-laws Numbered (2008)-18551 to (2008)-18566, inclusive.

Carried

The By-laws were read a first and second time at 12:26 o'clock a.m., Tuesday May 27, 2008.

Council went into Committee of the Whole on By-laws Numbers (2008)-18551 to (2008)-18566, inclusive.

Mayor Farbridge in the Chair.

At 12:28 o'clock a.m., Tuesday May 27, 2008, the Committee rose and reported By-laws Numbered (2008)-

18551 to (2008)-18566, inclusive, passed in Committee without amendment.

42. Moved by Councillor Billings
Seconded by Councillor Burcher
THOSE By-laws Numbered (2008)-18551 to (2008)-18566, inclusive, be read a third time and passed.

Carried

The By-laws were read a third time and passed at 12:29 o'clock a.m., Tuesday May 27, 2008.

QUESTIONS

The Chief Administrative Officer introduced Margaret Neubauer the new Director of Finance.

MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

Councillors Hofland and Laidlaw will be hold a Ward 3 town hall meeting on June 24, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. at City Hall.

The Building Department will have extended hours from 8:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. on Wednesdays until October.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 12:35 o'clock p.m.

Minutes read and confirmed June 23, 2008.

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Mayor

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Deputy Clerk