

Council convened at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers on October 2, 2008.

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

Absent: Councillor Laidlaw

Staff Present: Mr. H. Loewig, Chief Administrative Officer; Ms. M. Neubauer, Director of Finance; Mr. J. Riddell, Director of Community Design and Development Services; Mr. D. Corks, Downtown Economic Development Manager; Mr. S. Hannah, Manager of Development & Parks Planning; Mr. P. Kraehling, Senior Policy Planner; Mr. I. Panabaker, Heritage & Urban Design Planner; Ms. M. Plaunt, Manager of Policy Planning & Urban Design; and Ms. T. Agnello, Deputy Clerk

#### **DECLARATIONS UNDER MUNICIPAL CONFLICT OF INTEREST ACT**

The Mayor advised that the purpose of the meeting was to hear a presentation on the draft Urban Design Action Plan.

The Heritage & Urban Design Planner provided an overview of the process.

Councillor Salisbury arrived at 7:15 p.m.

Mark Reid and Tim Smith of Urban Strategies Inc. outlined the City's role and highlighted the Community Urban Design Action Plan. They outlined good urban design and the City's design strengths and weaknesses. They also provided information relating to the proposed workplan and the opportunities areas.

Councillor Kovach retired from the meeting at 8:00 p.m.

They further outlined the key actions and objectives for the following areas:

- Downtown

- Community nodes
- Community corridors
- New communities
- Industrial areas & York District
- The University campus
- City-wide opportunities.

Councillor Billings retired from the meeting at 9:05 p.m.

They also outlined the next steps which include refinements to the draft plan and engagement of stakeholders.

The consultants asked Council to provide any comments on the priorities to the City's Heritage & Urban Design Planner.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 9:20 o'clock p.m.

Minutes read and confirmed October 27, 2008.

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Mayor

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Deputy Clerk