



CITY OF FORT SASKATCHEWAN
MINUTES
REGULAR COUNCIL
Tuesday, December 8, 2015 - 6:00 P.M.
Council Chambers – City Hall

Present:

Members of Council:

Mayor Gale Katchur
Councillor Birgit Blizzard
Councillor Sheldon Bossert
Councillor Frank Garritsen
Councillor Stew Hennig
Councillor Arjun Randhawa
Councillor Ed Sperling

Administration:

Kelly Kloss, City Manager
Jeremy Emann, Chief Financial Officer
Troy Fleming, General Manager, Infrastructure & Community Services
Brenda Rauckman, General Manager, Corporate & Protective Services
Brenda Molter, Director, Legislative Services
Wendy Kinsella, Director, Corporate Communications
Ian Gray, Director, Infrastructure Management
Janel Smith-Duguid, Director, Planning & Development
Matthew Siddons, Current Planner
Shannon Andruchow, Senior Accountant, Budget & Reporting
Reade Beaudoin, Digital Media Coordinator
Marshall Wight, Finance Intern
Barb Aitken, Legislative Officer
Sheryl Exley, Recording Secretary

1. Call to Order

Mayor Katchur called the regular Council Meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

2. Approval of Minutes of November 17, 2015 Regular Council Meeting

R236-15

MOVED BY Councillor Bossert that the minutes of the November 17, 2015 regular Council Meeting be adopted as presented.

In Favour: Gale Katchur, Frank Garritsen, Stew Hennig, Arjun Randhawa,
Birgit Blizzard, Sheldon Bossert, Ed Sperling

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3. Approval of Minutes of November 19, 2015 Regular Council Meeting

R237-15 MOVED BY Councillor Blizzard that the minutes of the November 19, 2015 regular Council Meeting be adopted as presented.

In Favour: Gale Katchur, Frank Garritsen, Stew Hennig, Arjun Randhawa,
Birgit Blizzard, Sheldon Bossert, Ed Sperling

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

4. Approval of Minutes of November 23, 2015 Regular Council Meeting

R238-15 MOVED BY Councillor Garritsen that the minutes of the November 23, 2015 regular Council Meeting be adopted as presented.

In Favour: Gale Katchur, Frank Garritsen, Stew Hennig, Arjun Randhawa,
Birgit Blizzard, Sheldon Bossert, Ed Sperling

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5. Approval of Minutes of November 24, 2015 Regular Council Meeting

R239-15 MOVED BY Councillor Hennig that the minutes of the November 24, 2015 regular Council Meeting be adopted as presented.

In Favour: Gale Katchur, Frank Garritsen, Stew Hennig, Arjun Randhawa,
Birgit Blizzard, Sheldon Bossert, Ed Sperling

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

6. Delegations

Mr. Ken French was in attendance to request Council to support Councillor Randhawa's Notice of Motion regarding the inequity in waste removal fees charged for the period July 1, 2012 to December 31, 2014 for the following Condominium Corporations: Parkview Manor, Hanford House, Valley Ridge, Fort Gardens, and Jubilee Manor. Mr. French advised that an alternate option to a refund would be to consider a fixed rate of \$14.00 per unit for the next two years commencing January 1, 2016 for the Condominium Corporations.

Mayor Katchur thanked Mr. French for his presentation.

12. Notice of Motion

12.1 Condominium Waste Removal Charges

R240-15 MOVED BY Councillor Randhawa that Council having considered the presentation from Ken French on November 10, 2015 regarding condominium waste removal charges, hereby directs Administration to provide a report outlining the cost, impact, and next steps should Council approve Mr. French's request to refund a portion of condominium waste removal charges for the period July 1, 2012 to December 31, 2014, and further that this report is to be completed and presented to Council at the January 12, 2016 regular Council meeting.

In Favour: Stew Hennig, Arjun Randhawa, Birgit Blizzard, Sheldon Bossert,
Ed Sperling

Against: Gale Katchur, Frank Garritsen

CARRIED

6. Delegations (Cont'd)

The following were in attendance to speak in regard to the 2016 Budget Adoption, specifically to not removing the High Performance Sports Fields and Amenities from the budget:

- Peter Vandermeulen, Fort Sting Football General Manager
- Andrew Poholka, Fort Sting Football player
- Brent Kellington, on behalf of Fort Saskatchewan Minor Football

The following were in attendance to speak in regard to the 2016 Budget Adoption, specifically to the increase in City spending:

- Jim Martin, Fort Saskatchewan Chamber of Commerce
- Howard Johnson, business owner

Mayor Katchur called a short recess at 7:23 p.m.

The regular Council Meeting reconvened at 7:29 p.m.

9. Unfinished Business

9.1 2016 Budget Adoption

Presented by: Jeremy Emann, Chief Financial Officer

MOVE BY Councillor Garritsen that Council approve the 2016 Operating Budget dated December 8, 2015, establishing total operating revenues and expenditures at \$72,295,847.

Councillor Garritsen withdrew his motion.

R241-15

MOVED BY Councillor Bossert that Council rescind resolution #219-15 that the High Performance Sports Field & Amenities in the amount of \$7,700,000.00 be removed from the 2016 Budget.

In Favour: Gale Katchur, Frank Garritsen, Stew Hennig, Arjun Randhawa,
Sheldon Bossert, Ed Sperling

Against: Birgit Blizzard

CARRIED

R242-15

MOVED BY Councillor Hennig that the High Performance Sports Field & Amenities in the amount of \$7,700,000.00 be included in the 2016 budget, subject to a detailed analysis of the capital and operating costs to be presented to Council prior to final approval.

In Favour: Gale Katchur, Frank Garritsen, Stew Hennig, Arjun Randhawa, Sheldon Bossert, Ed Sperling

Against: Birgit Blizzard

CARRIED

Mayor Katchur called a short recess at 7:57 p.m.

The regular Council Meeting reconvened at 7:59 p.m.

R243-15

MOVED BY Councillor Sperling that Council rescind resolution #225-15 that Council agree that the tax split between residential and non-residential property tax payers be distributed by 40.5% residential and 59.5% non-residential.

In Favour: Gale Katchur, Frank Garritsen, Stew Hennig, Arjun Randhawa, Sheldon Bossert, Ed Sperling

Against: Birgit Blizzard

CARRIED

R244-15

MOVED BY Councillor Hennig that Council agree that the tax split between residential and non-residential property tax payers be distributed by 41% residential and 59% non-residential.

R245-15

MOVED BY Councillor Bossert that Resolution #244-15 be amended by replacing the residential property tax of 41% with 41.5% and replacing the non-residential property tax rate of 59% with 58.5%.

In Favour: Arjun Randhawa, Sheldon Bossert

Against: Gale Katchur, Frank Garritsen, Stew Hennig, Birgit Blizzard, Ed Sperling

DEFEATED

Resolution #244-15 was brought forward, and

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

In Favour: Gale Katchur, Frank Garritsen, Stew Hennig, Arjun Randhawa, Birgit Blizzard, Sheldon Bossert, Ed Sperling

R246-15 MOVED BY Councillor Garritsen that Council approve the 2016 Operating Budget dated December 8, 2015, establishing total operating revenues and expenditures at \$72,295,847.

R247-15 MOVED BY Councillor Randhawa that Council move in-camera at 8:30 p.m. to discuss a matter that falls within one of the exceptions to disclosure in Division 2 of Part 1 of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act* (FOIP).

In Favour: Gale Katchur, Frank Garritsen, Stew Hennig, Arjun Randhawa, Birgit Blizzard, Sheldon Bossert, Ed Sperling

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

R248-15 MOVED BY Councillor Randhawa that Council move out of in-camera at 9:00 p.m.

In Favour: Gale Katchur, Frank Garritsen, Stew Hennig, Arjun Randhawa, Birgit Blizzard, Sheldon Bossert, Ed Sperling

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Council Resolution #246-15 was brought forward, and

CARRIED

In Favour: Gale Katchur, Frank Garritsen, Stew Hennig, Birgit Blizzard

Against: Arjun Randhawa, Sheldon Bossert, Ed Sperling

R249-15 MOVED BY Councillor Garritsen that Council adopt the 2016 Capital Budget dated December 8, 2015, establishing total capital revenues and expenditures at \$20,953,500.

In Favour: Gale Katchur, Frank Garritsen, Stew Hennig, Birgit Blizzard, Ed Sperling

Against: Arjun Randhawa, Sheldon Bossert

CARRIED

R250-15 MOVED BY Councillor Garritsen that Council adopt the Fort Saskatchewan Public Library's 2016 Operating and Capital Budget, establishing total revenues and expenditures at \$1,250,195.

In Favour: Gale Katchur, Frank Garritsen, Stew Hennig, Arjun Randhawa, Birgit Blizzard, Sheldon Bossert, Ed Sperling

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7. Public Hearing

7.1 Bylaw C22-15 – Amend Land Use Bylaw C10-13 - Indoor and Outdoor Recreation Facilities in Commercial Districts

Presented by: Matthew Siddons, Current Planner

Mayor Katchur opened the Public Hearing at 9:06 p.m.

A Public Hearing was held to hear any submissions for or against Bylaw C22-15. Bylaw C22-15 received first reading at the November 24, 2015 regular Council Meeting.

Mayor Katchur asked if anyone wished to speak in favour or against Bylaw C22-15.

Mr. Rob Fediuk, Haro Developments was in attendance to speak against Bylaw C22-15 due to the new parking requirements for this bylaw amendment.

Mayor Katchur closed the Public Hearing at 9:26 p.m.

8. Business Arising from Public Hearing

8.1 Bylaw C22-15 – Amend Land Use Bylaw C10-13 - Indoor and Outdoor Recreation Facilities in Commercial Districts - 2nd & 3rd reading

Presented by: Matthew Siddons, Current Planner

R251-15

MOVED BY Councillor Blizzard that Council give second reading to C22-15 to amend Land Use Bylaw C10-13 by making revisions to indoor recreation facilities and outdoor recreation facilities in commercial land use districts.

In Favour: Gale Katchur, Frank Garritsen, Stew Hennig, Arjun Randhawa, Birgit Blizzard, Sheldon Bossert

Against: Ed Sperling

CARRIED

R252-15

MOVED BY Councillor Blizzard that Council give third reading to C22-15 to amend Land Use Bylaw C10-13 by making revisions to indoor recreation facilities and outdoor recreation facilities in commercial land use districts.

In Favour: Gale Katchur, Frank Garritsen, Stew Hennig, Arjun Randhawa, Birgit Blizzard, Sheldon Bossert, Ed Sperling

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

10. New Business

10.1 Public-at-Large Appointments - City Boards and Committees

Presented by: Brenda Molter, Director, Legislative Services

R253-15

MOVED BY Councillor Bossert that Council approve the Public-at-Large appointments to the City's municipal Boards and Committees as noted below, and as recommended by the Application Review Committee for terms commencing on January 1, 2016:

1. Shyann Bachelet be appointed to the Family & Community Support Services Board for the balance of a two-year term expiring December 31, 2016.
2. Natasha Dunbar be appointed to the Family & Community Support Services Board for a two-year term expiring December 31, 2017.
3. Elaine Elmer be appointed to the Family & Community Support Services Board for a two-year term expiring December 31, 2017.
4. Clayton Northey be appointed to the Family & Community Support Services Board for a two-year term expiring December 31, 2017.
5. Ian Osbaldeston be re-appointed to the Family & Community Support Services Board for a two-year term expiring December 31, 2017.
6. Ian McDonell be re-appointed to the Fort Saskatchewan Policing Committee for a three-year term expiring December 31, 2018.
7. Terry Noble be re-appointed to the Fort Saskatchewan Policing Committee for a three-year term expiring December 31, 2018.
8. Bill Santo be re-appointed to the Fort Saskatchewan Policing Committee for a three-year term expiring December 31, 2018.
9. Lisa Berry be appointed to the Fort Saskatchewan Public Library Board for a three-year term expiring December 31, 2018.
10. Renetta Peddle be appointed to the Fort Saskatchewan Public Library Board for a three-year term expiring December 31, 2018.
11. Judy Raaschou be appointed to the Fort Saskatchewan Public Library Board for a three-year term expiring December 31, 2018.
12. Don Segberg be appointed to the Fort Saskatchewan Public Library Board for a three-year term expiring December 31, 2018.
13. James Cockburn be appointed to the River Valley Alliance Advisory Committee for a two-year term expiring December 31, 2017.
14. Gordon Harris be appointed to the River Valley Alliance Advisory Committee for the balance of a two-year term expiring December 31, 2016.

15. Dennis Dembicki be re-appointed to the Subdivision & Development Appeal Board for a two-year term expiring December 31, 2017.

16. John Kash be appointed to the Subdivision & Development Appeal Board for a two-year term expiring December 31, 2017.

In Favour: Gale Katchur, Frank Garritsen, Stew Hennig, Arjun Randhawa, Birgit Blizzard, Sheldon Bossert, Ed Sperling

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

11. Bylaws

11.1 Bylaw C23-15 – Establish 2016 Fees, Rates and Charges for Services – 3 readings

Presented by: Brenda Molter, Director, Legislative Services

R254-15

MOVED BY Councillor Garritsen that Council give first reading to Bylaw C23-15, which establishes fees, rates, and charges for services provided by the City of Fort Saskatchewan.

In Favour: Gale Katchur, Frank Garritsen, Stew Hennig, Arjun Randhawa, Birgit Blizzard, Sheldon Bossert, Ed Sperling

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

R255-15

MOVED BY Councillor Garritsen that Council give second reading to Bylaw C23-15, which establishes fees, rates, and charges for services provided by the City of Fort Saskatchewan.

In Favour: Gale Katchur, Frank Garritsen, Stew Hennig, Arjun Randhawa, Birgit Blizzard, Sheldon Bossert, Ed Sperling

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

R256-15

MOVED BY Councillor Garritsen that Council provide unanimous consent to proceed with third and final reading to Bylaw C23-15, which establishes fees, rates, and charges for services provided by the City of Fort Saskatchewan.

In Favour: Gale Katchur, Frank Garritsen, Stew Hennig, Arjun Randhawa, Birgit Blizzard, Sheldon Bossert, Ed Sperling

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

R257-15

MOVED BY Councillor Garritsen that Council give third reading to Bylaw C23-15, which establishes fees, rates, and charges for services provided by the City of Fort Saskatchewan.

In Favour: Gale Katchur, Frank Garritsen, Stew Hennig, Arjun Randhawa, Birgit Blizzard, Sheldon Bossert, Ed Sperling

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

11.2 Bylaw C24-15 - Debenture Sewer Service Reline Construction – 1st reading

Presented by: Marshall Wight, Finance Intern

R258-15

MOVED BY Councillor Hennig that Council give first reading to Bylaw C24-15 to incur indebtedness by the issuance of Debentures to the Alberta Capital Finance Authority for the purpose of sewer service reline construction, in an amount not to exceed \$1,200,000.

In Favour: Gale Katchur, Frank Garritsen, Stew Hennig, Arjun Randhawa, Birgit Blizzard, Sheldon Bossert, Ed Sperling

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

13. Adjournment

R259-15

MOVED BY Councillor Hennig that the regular Council Meeting of December 8, 2015 adjourn at 9:45 p.m.

In Favour: Gale Katchur, Frank Garritsen, Stew Hennig, Arjun Randhawa, Birgit Blizzard, Sheldon Bossert, Ed Sperling

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Mayor

Director, Legislative Services