



**CITY OF FORT SASKATCHEWAN**  
**MINUTES**  
**REGULAR COUNCIL**  
**Tuesday, April 12, 2016 - 6:00 PM**  
**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:

Troy Fleming, Acting City Manager  
Brenda Rauckman, General Manager, Corporate & Protective Services  
Brenda Molter, Director, Legislative Services  
Wendy Kinsella, Director, Corporate Communications  
Janel Smith-Duguid, Director, Planning & Development  
Barb Shuman, Director, Recreation  
Robert Stephenson, Senior Legislative Officer  
Reade Beaudoin, Digital Media Coordinator  
Sheryl Exley, Legislative Officer  
Barb Aitken, Recording Secretary

**1. Call to Order**

Mayor Katchur called the regular Council Meeting of April 12, 2016 to order at 6:00 p.m.

**2. Approval of Minutes of March 22, 2016 Regular Council Meeting.**

**R46-16**

MOVED BY Councillor Hennig that the minutes of the March 22, 2016 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. Delegations**

None.

#### **4. Presentations**

##### **4.1 Information on Matters of Public Interest**

Pastor Bill Olsen of Life Church was in attendance to make a presentation on items and issues that are faced by the community on a weekly basis, and to offer leadership solutions, which could add value to Fort Saskatchewan and its leaders.

Mayor Katchur thanked Pastor Olsen for his presentation.

#### **5. Unfinished Business**

##### **5.1 Habitat for Humanity Site Selection Process**

Presented by: Troy Fleming, General Manager, Infrastructure & Community Services

Councillor Sperling declared a “conflict of interest” regarding Agenda item 5.1 – Habitat for Humanity Site Selection Process as his employer, ATB Financial, manages the Move-up Program funding. Councillor Sperling left the Council Chambers at 6:15 p.m.

**R47-16**

MOVED BY Councillor Garritsen that Council provide the balance of the Provincial Affordable Housing Grant (\$692,903 as of January 2016) to Habitat for Humanity for the purpose of purchasing land within the City of Fort Saskatchewan in order to construct 8 duplex lots (16 total units) for the Habitat for Humanity Program.

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

Against: Stew Hennig

Abstained: Ed Sperling

CARRIED

Councillor Sperling re-entered the Council Chambers at 6:45 p.m.

Mayor Katchur called a short recess at 6:45 p.m.

The regular Council Meeting reconvened at 6:48 p.m.

##### **5.2 Bylaw C5-16 - Amend Fees & Charges Bylaw C23-15 - Planning & Development and Facility Rental Fees – 3<sup>rd</sup> reading**

Presented by: Brenda Molter, Director, Legislative Services

**R48-16**

MOVED BY Councillor Blizzard that Council give third reading to Bylaw C5-16, which amends Fees and Charges Bylaw C23-15.

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

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

## 6. New Business

### 6.1 Aquatic Services Plebiscite

Presented by Barb Shuman, Director, Recreation

**R49-16**

MOVED BY Councillor Sperling that Council direct Administration to hold the Plebiscite during the 2017 Municipal Election.

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

Against: Gale Katchur, Frank Garritsen

CARRIED

### 6.2 Fort Saskatchewan Policing Committee Appointments

Presented by Brenda Molter, Director, Legislative Services

**R50-16**

MOVED BY Councillor Bossert that Council approve the appointment of Mike LeBlanc to the Fort Saskatchewan Policing Committee for the balance of a three-year term commencing April 13, 2016 and expiring on December 31, 2017.

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

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**R51-16**

MOVED BY Councillor Bossert that Council approve the appointment of Perry Brooks to the Fort Saskatchewan Policing Committee for the balance of a three-year term commencing May 2, 2016 and expiring on December 31, 2018.

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

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

## 7. Bylaws

### 7.1 Bylaw C4-16 - Amend Land Use Bylaw C10-13 – Downtown Specific Regulations - 1<sup>st</sup> reading

Presented by: Janel Smith-Duguid, Director, Planning & Development

**R52-16**

MOVED BY Councillor Garritsen that Council give first reading to Bylaw C4-16 to amend Land Use Bylaw C10-13 for the purpose of creating downtown specific regulations.

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

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**7.2 Bylaw C6-16 - Council Code of Conduct - 3 readings**

Presented by Robert Stephenson, Senior Legislative Officer

**R53-16**

MOVED BY Councillor Garritsen that Council give first reading to Council Code of Conduct Bylaw C6-16.

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

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**R54-16**

MOVED BY Councillor Hennig that Bylaw C6-16 be amended to include a definition for Council in the Bylaw.

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

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**R55-16**

MOVED BY Councillor Garritsen that Council give second reading to Council Code of Conduct Bylaw C6-16, as amended.

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

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**R56-16**

MOVED BY Councillor Garritsen that Council provide unanimous consent to proceed with third and final reading of Council Code of Conduct Bylaw C6-16.

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

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**R57-16**

MOVED BY Councillor Garritsen that Council give third reading to Council Code of Conduct Bylaw C6-16.

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

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Mayor Katchur called a short recess at 7:48 p.m.

The regular Council Meeting reconvened at 7:54 p.m.

## **8. Notice of Motion**

### **8.1 Harbour Pool Swimming Lesson Registration**

**R58-16**

MOVED BY Councillor Randhawa that Council direct Administration to bring back a report by June 1, 2016 with policy proposals outlining the possibility of aiding in aquatic program subscription issues by looking at an advance registration period for residents.

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

Against: Gale Katchur, Frank Garritsen, Sheldon Bossert

CARRIED

### **8.2 2017 Employee Position Allocations**

**R5916**

MOVED BY Councillor Sperling that Council implement a hiring freeze at the City of Fort Saskatchewan due to the current economic conditions within Alberta. All positions are to be managed within the City's current position allocations and salary budgets, and further that the hiring freeze be reviewed after December 31, 2017.

In Favour: Stew Hennig, Arjun Randhawa, Ed Sperling

Against: Gale Katchur, Frank Garritsen, Birgit Blizzard, Sheldon Bossert

DEFEATED

## **9. Points of Interest**

Members of Council were given the opportunity to bring forward information that would be of interest to the public.

## **10. Councillor Inquiries**

Members of Council were given the opportunity to ask questions and provide concerns and comments.

## **11. Adjournment**

The regular Council Meeting of April 12, 2016 adjourned at 8:57 p.m.

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Mayor

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Director, Legislative Services