



The Corporation of the City of Grand Forks
Special Meeting of Council
MINUTES

S-2018-01

Thursday, July 19, 2018, 1:30 pm

7217 - 4th Street, City Hall Council Chambers

Present: Mayor Frank Konrad
Councillor Julia Butler
Councillor Chris Hammett (joined the meeting at 1:42 pm)
Councillor Christine Thompson
Councillor Beverley Tripp

Absent: Councillor Neil Krog (with notice)
Councillor Colleen Ross (with notice)

Staff: Diane Heinrich - Chief Administrative Officer
Daniel Drexler - Corporate Officer
Kevin McKinnon - Deputy Corporate Officer
Dolores Sheets - Manager of Development & Engineering Services
Juliette Rhodes - Chief Financial Officer

GALLERY

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Konrad called the Special Meeting to order at 1:33 pm.

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

- a. Adopt agenda

July 19, 2018, Special Meeting agenda

Resolution #: R207/18/07/19

Moved by: Thompson

Seconded by: Tripp

THAT Council adopts the July 19, 2018, Special Meeting agenda as presented.

Carried

3. **REGISTERED PETITIONS AND DELEGATIONS**

4. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

5. **RECOMMENDATIONS FROM STAFF FOR DECISIONS**

- a. Community Center Feasibility Study Support

Corporate Services / Community Futures

Resolution #: R208/18/07/19

Moved by: Butler

Seconded by: Tripp

THAT Council approve a commitment of \$4,000 for the Rural Dividend Fund application towards the Community Center Feasibility Study; AND FURTHER THAT the committed amount be included in the 2018 Financial Plan budget amendment.

Carried

- b. Waiving of Building Permit Fees and extension of waiving of certain administrative fees.

Corporate Services / Building Inspection / Finance

Discussion ensued regarding:

- waiving of building permit fees to be similar to Rockwool program

- additional staff resources for recovery efforts, potential backfill
- building inspections enhances public safety
- administrative fees and extension timeline
- impacts on businesses regarding utility bills

Resolution #: R209/18/07/19

Moved by: Thompson

Seconded by: Butler

THAT Council authorizes staff, at its discretion, to waive various Building Permit Fees for residential dwellings affected by the flooding event of May 2018.

Carried

Resolution #: R210/18/07/19

Moved by: Butler

Seconded by: Tripp

THAT Council authorizes staff, at its discretion, to waive various Building Permit Fees for commercial properties affected by the flooding event of May 2018, for flooding related repairs only.

Carried

Resolution #: R211/18/07/19

Moved by: Thompson

Seconded by: Hammett

THAT Council authorizes staff, at its discretion, to continue to waive certain administrative fees including, but not limited to, disconnection / reconnection fees, NSF charges and late penalties and interest on utility bills until August 31, 2018.

Amended

Amendment:

Resolution #: R212/18/07/19

Moved by: Tripp

Seconded by: Butler

THAT the resolution be amended to include "for properties affected by the flooding event of May 2018".

Carried

Resolution #: R213/18/07/19

Moved by: Thompson

Seconded by: Hammett

THAT Council authorizes staff, at its discretion, to continue to waive, for properties affected by the flooding event of May 2018, certain administrative fees including, but not limited to, disconnection / reconnection fees, NSF charges and late penalties and interest on utility bills until August 31, 2018.

Carried

- c. Authorization to proceed with the Floodplain Risk Management and Protection Project

Chief Financial Officer and Manager of Development and Engineering Services

Brief discussion ensued regarding:

- time consuming process
- current Urban Systems project
- LiDAR mapping
- process is dependent on data to model outputs and reports

Resolution #: R214/18/07/19

Moved by: Thompson

Seconded by: Hammett

THAT Council authorizes staff to proceed with the Floodplain Risk Management and Protection Project and that the \$225,700 expenditure amount be included in the 2018-2022 Financial Plan Amendment, to be funded by grant revenue.

Carried

d. 22nd Street Budget Amendment

Development & Engineering

Brief discussion ensued regarding:

- issues discovered before paving
- last minute changes
- faulty valves and hot tapping

Resolution #: R215/18/07/19

Moved by: Thompson

Seconded by: Hammett

THAT Council approves \$50,000 for additional works and engineering services required to complete the 22nd Street Multi-utility project and directs staff to include the additional expenditure amount in the 2018-2022 Financial Plan Amendment, to be funded from borrowing.

Carried

6. REQUESTS ARISING FROM CORRESPONDENCE

7. **BYLAWS**

8. **LATE ITEMS**

9. **QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC**

10. **IN-CAMERA RESOLUTION**

- a. Adopt Resolution as per Section 90

Resolution #: R216/18/07/19

Moved by: Tripp

Seconded by: Hammett

THAT Council convene an In-Camera Meeting as outlined under Section 90 of the Community Charter to discuss matters in a closed meeting which are subject to Section 90 (1)

(e) the acquisition, disposition or expropriation of land or improvements, if the council considers that disclosure could reasonably be expected to harm the interests of the municipality;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT persons, other than members, officers, or other persons to whom Council may deem necessary to conduct City business, will be excluded from the In-Camera Meeting.

Carried

11. **ADJOURNMENT**

The Special Meeting was adjourned at 2:08 pm.

Resolution #: R217/18/07/19

Moved by: Butler

Seconded by: Tripp

THAT the Special Meeting be adjourned at 2:08 pm.

Carried

Mayor Frank Konrad

Corporate Officer - Daniel Drexler