

Minutes
Special Meeting of Council
City of Windsor

Friday, September 29, 2017
3:00 o'clock p.m.

Members Present:

Mayor

Mayor Dilkens

Councillors

Ward 10 - Councillor Borrelli

Ward 3 - Councillor Bortolin

Ward 2 - Councillor Elliott

Ward 1 - Councillor Francis

Ward 6 - Councillor Gignac

Ward 4 - Councillor Holt

Ward 7 - Councillor Kusmierczyk

Ward 8 - Councillor Marra

Ward 9 - Councillor Payne

Ward 5 - Councillor Sleiman

1. ORDER OF BUSINESS

2. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Dilkens calls the special meeting of Council to order at 3:00 o'clock p.m.

3. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST AND THE GENERAL NATURE THEREOF

None disclosed.

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6. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Moved by: Councillor Sleiman
Seconded by: Councillor Gignac

That Council do now rise and move into Committee of the Whole with the Mayor presiding for the purpose of dealing with:

- a) hearing presentations and delegations;
- b) consideration of business items;
- c) **Report of Special In-Camera Meeting or other Committee as may be held prior to Council** (if scheduled); and
- d) consideration of By-law 144-2017 through 146-2017 (inclusive).

Carried.

9. REQUESTS FOR DEFERRALS, REFERRALS OR WITHDRAWALS

None requested.

10. PRESENTATIONS AND DELEGATIONS

10.1 Downtown Windsor Enhancement Strategy and Community Improvement Plan, 3, 4

Laura Diotte, Planner III, Special Projects and Neil Robertson, Manager of Urban Design

Laura Diotte, Planner III, Special Projects and Neil Robertson, Manager of Urban Design appear before Council regarding the administrative report Downtown Windsor Enhancement Strategy and Community Improvement Plan and provide a brief overview of the change to the boundaries and the requested changes to the Community Improvement Plan; a review of the study objectives including attracting residents/businesses and people to visit/live in the area; and conclude by highlighting the various Enhancement Plan grants that are available.

Debi Croucher & Larry Horwitz, Downtown Windsor Business Improvement Area

Debi Croucher & Larry Horwitz, Downtown Windsor Business Improvement Area appear before Council in support of the administrative recommendations in the report Downtown Windsor Enhancement Strategy and Community Improvement Plan and conclude by encouraging Council to adopt the plan as it will have a positive impact and become a catalyst for the rejuvenation of the downtown.

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Edy Haddad, resident of Ward 10

Edy Haddad, resident of Ward 10 appears before Council in support of the administrative recommendations in the report Downtown Windsor Enhancement Strategy and Community Improvement Plan and concludes by suggesting that the plan will revitalize the core and provide a much needed financial boost to businesses who want to locate in the downtown core.

Patrick Firth, Coordinator, The Initiative: Glengarry Neighbourhood Renewal

Patrick Firth, Coordinator, The Initiative: Glengarry Neighbourhood Renewal appears before Council in support of many of the administrative recommendations in the report Downtown Windsor Enhancement Strategy and Community Improvement Plan although he requests that the limit for the little things matter community improvement plan grant be lowered from the prescribed \$500.00 to allow for residents to apply for smaller projects.

Leo Gil, Coordinator of Resident Engagement & Resource Development, The Initiative: Glengarry Neighbourhood Renewal

Leo Gil, Coordinator of Resident Engagement & Resource Development, The Initiative: Glengarry Neighbourhood Renewal appears before Council in support of the administrative recommendations in the report Downtown Windsor Enhancement Strategy and Community Improvement Plan and concludes by requesting that the limit of the little things matter community improvement plan grant be lowered from the prescribed \$500.00 to allow for residents to undertake on smaller projects.

Sarah Cipkar, Community Development Coordinator, Downtown Windsor Community Collaborative

Sarah Cipkar, Community Development Coordinator, Downtown Windsor Community Collaborative appears before Council in support of the administrative recommendations in the report Downtown Windsor Enhancement Strategy and Community Improvement Plan and concludes by suggesting that Council and Administration consider a more efficient application process for available grants and adding a component that will address the safety/security aspect of the downtown including more crime prevention measures.

Shelley Gould, Sind Investments

Shelley Gould, Sind Investments, appears before Council in support of the administrative recommendations in the report Downtown Windsor Enhancement Strategy and Community Improvement Plan and concludes by suggesting that this plan will assist in addressing the gap in downtown housing.

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Peg Dorner, resident of Ward 3

Peg Dorner, resident of Ward 3 appears before Council in support of most of the administrative recommendations in the report Downtown Windsor Enhancement Strategy and Community Improvement Plan and concludes by suggesting that the plan is a good start but problems related to safety, drugs, lighting/security of alleys and amounts of available grants should be revisited.

Mayor Dilkens leaves the meeting at 4:12 o'clock p.m. and Councillor Francis assumes the Chair.

Mayor Dilkens returns to the meeting at 4:39 o'clock p.m. and Councillor Francis returns to his seat at the Council table.

Moved by: Councillor Gignac

Seconded by: Councillor Francis

Decision Number: CR566/2017

That the Upper Storey Residential Conversion Grant Program identified as item 9.2.2 in the amended Downtown Windsor Enhancement Strategy and Community Improvement Plan **BE APPROVED** as presented.

Carried.

Moved by: Councillor Francis

Seconded by: Councillor Gignac

Decision Number: CR574/2017

That the New Residential Development Grant Program identified as item 9.2.3 in the amended Downtown Windsor Enhancement Strategy and Community Improvement Plan **BE APPROVED** as presented.

Carried.

Moved by: Councillor Marra

Seconded by: Councillor Borrelli

Decision Number: CR575/2017

That the Commercial/Mixed Use Building Facade Improvement Grant Program identified as item 9.2.4 in the amended Downtown Windsor Enhancement Strategy and Community Improvement Plan **BE APPROVED** as presented.

Carried.

Moved by: Councillor Marra

Seconded by: Councillor Borrelli

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Decision Number: CR576/2017

That the Building/Property Improvement Tax Increment Grant Program identified as item 9.2.5 in the amended Downtown Windsor Enhancement Strategy and Community Improvement Plan **BE APPROVED** as presented.

Carried.

Moved by: Councillor Francis

Seconded by: Councillor Borrelli

Decision Number: CR577/2017

That the Retail Investment Grant Program identified as item 9.2.6 in the amended Downtown Windsor Enhancement Strategy and Community Improvement Plan **BE APPROVED** as presented.

Carried.

Moved by: Councillor Bortolin

Seconded by: Councillor Marra

That the Little Things Matter Program—Community Benefit Grant identified as item 9.2.7 in the amended Downtown Windsor Enhancement Strategy and Community Improvement Plan **BE APPROVED** as presented.

The motion is **put and lost**.

Aye votes: Councillors Holt, Marra, Bortolin and Kusmierczyk.

Nay votes: Councillors Francis, Sleiman, Elliott, Borrelli, Gignac and Payne.

Moved by: Councillor Francis

Seconded by: Councillor Gignac

Decision Number: CR578/2017

That Administration **BE REQUESTED** to provide a report back to Council regarding the possibility of modifying the existing Ward Fund Policy to include using funding for various community projects in addition to Capital Projects as stipulated in the existing Ward Fund Policy.

Carried.

Moved by: Councillor Bortolin

Seconded by: Councillor Marra

That the Neighbourhood Residential Micro-Grant Program identified as item 9.2.8 in the amended Downtown Windsor Enhancement Strategy and Community Improvement Plan **BE APPROVED** as presented.

The motion is **put** and **lost**.

At the request of Councillor Bortolin a recorded vote is taken on this matter.

Aye votes: Councillors Holt, Marra, and Bortolin.

Nay votes: Councillors Elliott, Sleiman, Francis, Payne, Kusmierczyk, Borrelli, Gignac, and Mayor Dilkens.

Moved by: Councillor Bortolin

Seconded by: Councillor Holt

That the Commercial Alley Enhancement Program identified as item 9.2.9 in the amended Downtown Windsor Enhancement Strategy and Community Improvement Plan BE APPROVED as presented.

The motion is **put** and **lost**.

Aye votes: Councillors Holt, Bortolin, Marra and Kusmierczyk.

Nay votes: Councillors Francis, Sleiman, Elliott, Borrelli, Gignac and Payne.

Moved by: Councillor Gignac

Seconded by: Councillor Bortolin

Decision Number: CR579/2017

That the lands within the Downtown Windsor Enhancement Strategy and Community Improvement Project Area, as illustrated in Appendix A attached to the Memo dated September 26, 2017, **BE DESIGNATED** as the Community Improvement Project Area by By-law for the Downtown Windsor Enhancement Strategy and Community Improvement Plan in accordance with Section 28(2) of the *Planning Act*, and that By-law 144-2017 be passed at this meeting of Council

Carried.

Moved by: Councillor Francis

Seconded by: Councillor Payne

Decision Number: CR580/2017

That the Downtown Windsor Enhancement Strategy and Community Improvement Plan dated September 19, 2017, contained in Appendix 'B'; attached to the Memo dated September 26, 2017, **BE AMENDED** to reflect the Community Improvement Project Area, as illustrated in Appendix 'A' attached to the Memo dated September 26, 2017.

Carried.

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Moved by: Councillor Francis
Seconded by: Councillor Borrelli

Decision Number: CR581/2017

That the Downtown Windsor Enhancement Strategy dated September 19, 2017, contained in Appendix B attached to the Memo dated September 26, 2017, **BE ACCEPTED** as amended.
Carried.

Moved by: Councillor Gignac
Seconded by: Councillor Bortolin

Decision Number: CR582/2017

That the Community Improvement Plan dated September 19, 2017, contained in Appendix B to the Memo dated September 26, 2017 as amended **BE ADOPTED** by By-law, and that By-law 145-2017 be passed at this meeting of Council.
Carried.

Moved by: Councillor Kusmierczyk
Seconded by: Councillor Borrelli

Decision Number: CR583/2017

That the financial incentive programs identified in Section 9 of the Downtown Windsor Enhancement Strategy being 9.2.2-9.2.6 in the amended Community Improvement Plan dated September 19, 2017 **BE ACTIVATED**, once the Community Improvement Plan is in full effect/ and that the financial incentive programs be funded to the extent possible by the City Centre Community Development Plan fund (PLN-012-07)/ other existing funding sources whose prescribed uses are consistent with the goals of the financial incentives, and that any additional funding requirements be referred to the annual budget process as required.
Carried.

Moved by: Councillor Francis
Seconded by: Councillor Borrelli

Decision Number: CR584/2017

That the By-laws establishing the City Centre West Community Improvement Project Area and the Glengarry-Marentette Waterfront Village Community Improvement Project Area **BE REPEALED** once the Downtown Windsor Enhancement Strategy and Community Improvement Plan is in full effect.
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Moved by: Councillor Marra
Seconded by: Councillor Kusmierczyk

Decision Number: CR585/2017

That the By-laws establishing the City Centre West Community Improvement Plan and the Glengarry-Marentette Waterfront Village Community Improvement Plan **BE REPEALED** once the Downtown Windsor Enhancement Strategy and Community Improvement Plan is in full effect.
Carried.

Report Number: S 148/2017
Clerk's File: Z/3286

10.2 Report No. 4 of the Downtown Windsor Planning Study Steering Committee (Downtown Windsor Enhancement Strategy and Community Improvement Plan)

Moved by: Councillor Francis
Seconded by: Councillor Borrelli

Decision Number: CR586/2017

That Report No. 4 of the Downtown Windsor Planning Study Steering Committee indicating:

That the presentation provided by the Planning and Building Services Department regarding the Downtown Windsor Enhancement Strategy and Community Improvement Plan **BE RECEIVED**; and,

That the amended Downtown Windsor Enhancement Strategy and Community Improvement Plan **BE RECEIVED**.
Carried.

Report Number: SCM 163/2017
Clerk's File: MB2017

10.3 Report No. 5 of the Downtown Windsor Planning Study Steering Committee

Moved by: Councillor Elliott
Seconded by: Councillor Sleiman

Decision Number: CR587/2017

That report No. 5 of the Downtown Windsor Planning Study Steering Committee indicating:

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That the eligible costs limit of \$500.00 for the Little Things Matter Program-Neighbourhood Residential Micro-Grant Program to promote the maintenance and Improvement of residential properties within targeted neighbourhoods BE INCREASED to \$1000.00 **BE RECEIVED**.
Carried.

Report Number: SCM 164/2017
Clerk's File: MB2017

11. REGULAR BUSINESS ITEMS

None.

13. BY-LAWS (First and Second Readings)

Moved by: Councillor Francis
Seconded by: Councillor Gignac

That the following By-laws No. 144-2017 through 146-2017 (inclusive) be introduced and read a first and second time:

144-2017 A BY-LAW TO DESIGNATE THE DOWNTOWN WINDSOR ENHANCEMENT STRATEGY AND COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT PLAN STUDY AREA AS A COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT PROJECT AREA

145-2017 A BY-LAW TO ADOPT A COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT PLAN FOR DOWNTOWN WINDSOR

146-2017 A BY-LAW TO CONFIRM PROCEEDINGS OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF WINDSOR AT ITS MEETING HELD ON THE TWENTY-NINTH DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2017

Carried.

14. MOVE BACK INTO FORMAL SESSION

Moved by: Councillor Holt
Seconded by: Councillor Kusmierczyk

That the Committee of the Whole does now rise and report to Council respecting the business items considered by the Committee.

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- 1) Consideration of business items listed on the Agenda (as amended)
- 2) By-laws given first and second readings (as presented)
- 3) **Report of Special In-Camera Meeting or other Committee as may be held prior to Council**
Carried.

15. THIRD AND FINAL READING OF THE BY-LAWS

Moved by: Councillor Marra
Seconded by: Councillor Payne

That the following By-Laws No. 144-2017 through 146-2017 (inclusive), having been read a first and second time be now read a third time and finally passed and that the Mayor and Clerk **BE AUTHORIZED** to sign and seal the same notwithstanding any contrary provision of the Council.
Carried.

16. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by: Councillor Bortolin
Seconded by: Councillor Elliott

That this Special Council meeting stand adjourned until the next regular meeting of Council or at the call of the Mayor.
Carried.

Accordingly, the meeting is adjourned at 6:06 o'clock p.m.

Mayor

City Clerk