

ADDITIONAL AGENDA



GENERAL COMMITTEE

THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF MISSISSAUGA

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2014 – 9:00 AM

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CIVIC CENTRE
300 CITY CENTRE DRIVE, MISSISSAUGA, ONTARIO L5B 3C1

ADDITIONAL DEPUTATION

- C. Item 1 Dr. Sagi Denenberg DVM, North Toronto Veterinary Behaviour Specialty Clinic
- D. Item 1 Lily Chan, President, Mississauga Humane Society
- E. Item 1 Dorothy Litwin, Behaviour Specialist, Animal Behaviour Services Canada

INFORMATION ITEMS

- I-1 Item 1 Letter dated August 29, 2014 from Roman Hapek, resident.
- I-2 Item 1 Letter dated August 29, 2014 from Chris Johnson.
- I-3 Item 1 Letter dated August 29, 2014 from Vanessa Lycos.
- I-4 Item 1 Letter dated August 30, 2014 from Sonja Didyk.
- I-5 Item 1 Letter dated August 30, 2014 from Sandhya Singh.
- I-6 Item 1 Letter dated August 30, 2014 from Isabel Martins.
- I-7 Item 1 Letter dated September 2, 2014 from Wanda.
- I-8 Item 1 Letter dated September 2, 2014 from Ashley Rhodes, PETA.

ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPORTS

Heritage Advisory Committee Report 5-2014 – July 22, 2014
(Recommendation HAC-0042-2014 to HAC-0048-2014)

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Office of the City Clerk 905-615-3200 ext. 4516 Fax: 905-615-4181
sacha.smith@mississauga.ca

I-1

Carol Horvat

From: Roman Hapek <[redacted]>
Sent: 2014/08/29 7:27 PM
To: Hazel McCallion
Subject: Proposed dog chaining legislation

General Committee
SEP 03 2014

Dear Mayor,
The proposed legislation needs to be strengthened in order to protect all dogs. Mississauga needs a full ban on chaining!
Please ensure that this happens. We don't live in the dark ages anymore.

Best regards,
Roman Hapek
[redacted]
[redacted]
Mississauga, Ontario
[redacted]

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MAYORS OFFICE

I - 2

Carol Horvat

From: Chris Johnson
Sent: 2014/08/29 9:01 PM
To: Hazel McCallion
Subject: I ask you to please Strengthen upcoming Legislation

General Committee
SEP 03 2014

Dear Mayor Hazel McCallion

I am writing to you today in regards to a vote next week in Mississauga, that will help strengthen laws that protect dogs that are left outside. The current recommendations don't protect all dogs and will permit that some dogs can be left outside in the cold. I ask you to please strengthened the proposed legislation to protect all dogs.

Thank you very much for taking the time to read my email and concerns.
Sincerely,
Chris Johnson

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MAYOR'S OFFICE

Carol Horvat

From: Vanessa Lycos
Sent: 2014/08/29 9:16 PM
To: Hazel McCallion
Subject: Please vote to protect backyard dogs

General Committee
SEP 03 2014

Dear honourable Mayor,

I would greatly appreciate the council strengthening and voting in favour of protecting backyard dogs from being chained and from being forced to endure inclement weather that causes tremendous suffering.

Thank you,
Vanessa Lycos

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Carol Horvat

From: Sonja Didyk
Sent: 2014/08/30 9:11 AM
To: Hazel McCallion
Subject: Dogs left outside and chained even in the cold

General Committee
SEP 03 2014

Dear Mayor Hazel

We will miss you. Thank you for serving us for so many years.

One last thing, if possible—the dogs. Please ban all chaining of dogs. Partial is not good enough. Many unfortunate dogs will suffer through winter cold and summer heat. Plus neglect. Some people do not deserve to own dogs. And the dogs deserve better. I know you will agree.

Once again, we can't thank you enough. You are truly special. Lots of love

Sonja Didyk

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I-5

Carol Horvat

From: Sandhya Singh <
Sent: 2014/08/30 12:53 PM
To: Hazel McCallion
Subject: Re: Outdoor dogs

General Committee
SEP 03 2014

Mayor Hazel McCallion,

Hello Mayor my name is Sandhya. I understand Mississauga City hall will vote to strengthen laws to protect dogs left outdoors in the following week. Please consider strenghtening the proposed legislation to protect all breeds of dogs, not just some. Also I think Mississauga needs a full ban on chaining as well.

Thank you.

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I-6

Carol Horvat

From: Isabel Martins
Sent: 2014/08/30 10:10 AM
To: Ron Starr; Hazel McCallion
Subject: Mississauga needs a full ban on chaining

General Committee
SEP 03 2014

Dear Council Member and Mayor:

Next week, Mississauga City Hall will vote to strengthen laws to protect dogs who are left outdoors. However, the current recommendations don't protect all dogs and will permit some to be left out in the cold. Please strengthen the proposed legislation in order to protect all dogs. Outdoor dogs suffer immeasurably from the elements and from loneliness, and they need you to speak for them and protect them from cruelty and neglect. Thank you.

Isabel Martins

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MAYORS OFFICE

I-7

Sacha Smith

From: Pat Mullin
Sent: 2014/09/02 8:40 AM
To: Sacha Smith
Subject: FW: Legislation regarding dogs

General Committee
SEP 03 2014

On Aug 30, 2014, at 12:36 PM, "Wanda"
> wrote:

the proposed legislation needs to be strengthened in order to protect all dogs. Mississauga needs a full ban on chaining! Thank you for your consideration. Please do the right thing.

I-8

General Committee
SEP 03 2014

September 2, 2014

Her Worship Mayor Hazel McCallion
Members of Mississauga City Council
City of Mississauga

Via e-mail: mayor@mississauga.ca, jim.tovey@mississauga.ca, pat.mullin@mississauga.ca, chris.fonseca@mississauga.ca, frank.dale@mississauga.ca, bonnie.crombie@mississauga.ca, ron.starr@mississauga.ca, nando.iannicca@mississauga.ca, katie.mahoney@mississauga.ca, pat.saito@mississauga.ca, sue.mcfadden@mississauga.ca, george.carlson@mississauga.ca

Dear Mayor McCallion and Mississauga City Council Members:

I'm writing on behalf of PETA, the world's largest animal rights organization, with more than 3 million members and supporters worldwide. Our office has received calls and e-mails from concerned Mississauga-area citizens about the need for stronger animal protection laws in Mississauga, specifically banning continuous chaining and penning of dogs. We understand that the council is considering restricting dog chaining and recently received a recommendation from an appointed committee to limit chaining to four hours in any 24-hour period. We applaud the council's attention to this important issue. However, I am writing today to urge you to altogether ban this cruel and dangerous practice in your city.

The Ontario SPCA, one of the largest animal welfare organizations in Canada, says of chaining, "Dogs should NOT be chained. Severe physical injury, even death, can easily result. Chained dogs also suffer psychologically and they are 80% more likely to bite." As concerned Mississauga residents have brought to your attention, chained dogs are often deprived of adequate food, water, and veterinary care—in addition to having their emotional and social needs completely ignored. Many are denied proper shelter and have nothing but an overturned trash bin or plastic barrel—or nothing at all—to shield them on freezing winter nights. Numerous chained dogs have frozen to death during cold snaps or died of heatstroke on sweltering summer days. Canada is no stranger to these cases. The following are just a handful of the many reported cases of neglect and cruelty in which chained dogs have been the victims:

- Twenty-five emaciated Scandinavian hounds were discovered earlier this year chained at a site in Waterford with no home or buildings nearby. Officials questioned the regularity of their feeding because they observed that the dogs had poor body condition. The Welland & District SPCA seized the dogs as a result of frigid temperatures and a fear that the dogs would not survive the night.
- In 2013, a Renfrew woman was charged with cruelty to animals when the Ontario SPCA discovered a severely emaciated hound chained on her property, in addition to more than two dozen neglected chickens.
- A guard dog from Cape Breton died when he froze on his chain in the bitter winter cold in 2010.
- Also in 2010, Ontario chained dog Stanley, who was unmonitored, hanged to death on his chain, which is a disturbingly common way for chained dogs to die.

Addressing this blatant cruelty, Canadian municipalities Calgary and Victoria have completely banned unattended tethering.

Chaining dogs is a public-safety hazard because it turns otherwise friendly dogs into ticking time bombs. Hundreds of individuals—most of them young children—have been attacked, some fatally, by chained dogs. In fact, a 4-year-old boy in Shelburne was bitten in the face while approaching a neighbor's chained dog earlier this year. Experts on animal behavior agree that chaining causes aggression in dogs. Dr. Nicholas H. Dodman succinctly states, "Chaining dogs makes them more aggressive—the shorter the chain, the greater the aggression." Dogs are highly social pack animals, and according to Annapolis Valley dog behavior expert Silvia Jay, "Dogs are not made to live alone, they need social companionship." She adds, "In my opinion, dogs should be inside the house."

We understand it has been suggested to the council that working dogs be exempt from the protections of a new animal-related ordinance. We implore you to extend the protections of this ordinance to include working dogs, considering that all dogs, regardless of breed or whether they are kept as companions or as working animals, are susceptible to the physical and psychological suffering caused by chaining. Working dogs, who dedicate their lives to serving others, would seem to be especially deserving of protection.

A full ban on chaining is simple and easy to enforce. With this type of restriction, identifying and assessing a potential violation requires very little effort. It's easy to train enforcers to recognize signs of continuous tethering as opposed to momentary attachment, such as when dogs are taken outside to relieve themselves. The longer the period of time that tethering is permitted within a 24-hour period, the harder it is to enforce. However, the discussed four-hour chaining restriction would certainly be better than no ordinance at all.

We respectfully urge the council to pass an ordinance that would ban the continuous chaining of dogs. We are here to help you in any way that we can to draft and implement preventive laws in your community. I can be reached at AshleyR@peta.org or 757-962-8412, and I hope to hear from you soon.

Thank you for your time and compassion and for all that you do to keep Mississauga safe for people and animals.

Sincerely,



Ashley Rhodes
Community Outreach Liaison
Cruelty Investigations Department
PETA

REPORT 5-2014

General Committee
SEP 03 2014

TO: CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF GENERAL COMMITTEE

The Heritage Advisory Committee presents its fifth report for 2014 and recommends:

HAC-0042-2014

- (a) That the Memorandum dated July 2, 2014 from Laura Waldie, Heritage Coordinator, entitled "*Alterations to 271 Queen Street South*", be received.
- (b) That Committee Members and Heritage Staff meet with Mr. Steve Hamelin, Steve Hamelin Architecture Design and Build, at 271 Queen Street South, to review the proposed alterations. (Ward 11)

(HAC-0042-2014)

HAC-0043-2014

That the property owner's request to alter the property located at 1092 Old Derry Road (Ward 11), which is Designated under Part V of the Ontario Heritage Act as part of the Meadowvale Village Heritage Conservation District, be recommended for approval, as described in the Corporate Report dated June 23, 2014, from the Commissioner of Community Services.

(HAC-0043-2014)

HAC-0044-2014

That the property owner's request to alter the property located at 7015 Pond Street (Ward 11), which is Designated under Part V of the Ontario Heritage Act as part of the Meadowvale Village Heritage Conservation District, be recommended for approval, as described in the Corporate Report dated June 23, 2014, from the Commissioner of Community Services.

(HAC-0044-2014)

HAC-0045-2014

That the property at 75 Inglewood Drive (Ward 1), which is listed on the City's Heritage Register as part of the Mineola West Neighbourhood Cultural Landscape, is not worthy of heritage designation, and consequently, that the owner's request to demolish the structure be approved and that the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect hereto, as described in the Corporate Report dated June 25, 2014 from the Commissioner of Community Services.

(HAC-0045-2014)

HAC-0046-2014

1. That the properties at 24, 26, 28 and 32 Dundas Street East (Ward 7), which are individually listed on the City's Heritage Register, are not worthy of heritage designation, and consequently, that the owner's request to demolish the structure be approved and that the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect hereto, as described in the Corporate Report dated June 26, 2014 from the Commissioner of Community Services;
2. That Heritage Staff be directed to convey the Committee's suggestions to the Owner with respect to the three (3) unit structure to consider treating the middle unit's façade differently or by incorporating landscaping or benches to animate the front streetscape.

(HAC-0046-2014)

HAC-0047-2014

That the Memorandum dated July 2, 2014 from Laura Waldie, Heritage Coordinator, providing a monthly update from Heritage Coordinators, be received for information.

(HAC-0047-2014)

HAC-0048-2014

That the letter dated June 27, 2014 from the Ontario Municipal Board (OMB) acknowledging receipt of a Notice of Appeal from Neil O'Conner, Owner of a Designated Part V Structure, Meadowvale Village Heritage Conservation District (Ward 11) located at 1050 Old Derry Road, be received for information.

(HAC-0048-2014)