



GENERAL COMMITTEE

THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF MISSISSAUGA
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WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 14, 2015 – 9:34 A.M.

COUNCIL CHAMBER – 2nd FLOOR – CIVIC CENTRE
300 CITY CENTRE DRIVE, MISSISSAUGA, ONTARIO, L5B 3C1

PRESENT: Mayor Bonnie Crombie
Councillor Jim Tovey Ward 1
Councillor Karen Ras Ward 2
Councillor Chris Fonseca Ward 3
Councillor Carolyn Parrish Ward 5
Councillor Nando Iannicca Ward 7
Councillor Matt Mahoney Ward 8
Councillor George Carlson Ward 11

ABSENT: Councillor Ron Starr Ward 6
Councillor Pat Saito Ward 9 (Personal)
Councillor Sue McFadden Ward 10 (As per Resolution 0009-2015)

STAFF: Janice Baker, City Manager and Chief Administrative Officer
Gary Kent, Commissioner of Corporate Services and Chief Financial Officer
Paul Mitcham, Commissioner of Community Services
Martin Powell, Commissioner of Transportation and Works
Ed Sajecki, Commissioner of Planning and Building
Mary Ellen Bench, City Solicitor, Legal Services
Crystal Greer, Directive of Legislative Services and City Clerk
Diana Rusnov, Manager of Legislative Services and Deputy Clerk
Stephanie Smith, Legislative Coordinator, Legislative Services Division

CALL TO ORDER - 9:34 A.M.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

DECLARATIONS OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST - Nil

PRESENTATIONS – Nil

DEPUTATIONS

- A. Item 6 Geoff Wright, Director, Works Operations & Maintenance and Bob Levesque, Manager, Works Maintenance & Operations

Bob Levesque Manager, Works Maintenance & Operations provided background information regarding winter maintenance services in the City of Mississauga. He outlined the four works yard, fleet equipment, contractors, a new anti-icing program, snow plow challenges, priority routes, level of service standards, communication levels and campaign programs.

Mayor Crombie spoke to resident's expectations of service levels and a service level protocol needed to inform residents about winter maintenance. She further spoke to property damages done by contractors. Mr. Leveque spoke to a compliance level set for contractors and if damages are done residents are encouraged to contact Risk Management.

Councillor Parrish spoke to the lower boulevard parking and enquired if requests are sent to winter maintenance staff to identify if that location has a priority sidewalk. Geoff Wright, Director, Works Operations & Maintenance noted that staff conduct geometric surveys when requests are brought forward for lower boulevard parking to ensure it can be accommodated.

Councillor Iannicca spoke to the contractor's perspective of winter maintenance, communication of service level, the cost savings of not deploying snowplow contractors and last year's winter maintenance budget. Mr. Leveque spoke to contractor's standby rates and operational rates and monitoring the weather.

Councillor Tovey enquired if contractors are responsible for any damages caused to headwalls. Mr. Leveque noted that contractors are responsible for any damages caused.

Councillor Fonseca spoke to inconsistencies when contractors plow corner and court properties and how would residents report damages to curbs. Mr. Wright noted that residents should call 311 to report damages and that the contractors would be responsible

for any significant damages. Councillor Fonseca further spoke to services provided

afterhours for 311 and ensuring delayed MiWay bus information is communicated to riders. Martin Powell, Commissioner, Transportation and Works and Mr. Wright spoke to Regional road service and that the Region of Peel formed a committee to review maintenance of roadways.

Councillor Ras enquired if sidewalk snowplow blades have the ability to narrow the blade. Mr. Leveque noted that the blades are able to pivot. He further explained that the first few snow falls can pose challenges as the sod is not yet frozen.

RECOMMENDATION

That the deputation by Geoff Wright, Director, Works Operations & Maintenance and Bob Levesque, Manager, Works Maintenance & Operations regarding Winter Maintenance Operations be received for information.

Received (Mayor Crombie)

Recommendation GC-0001-2015

MATTERS CONSIDERED

1. Lower Driveway Boulevard Parking Ledbury Crescent (Ward 6)

Corporate Report dated December 16, 2014 from the Commissioner of Transportation and Works with respect to lower driveway boulevard parking on Ledbury Crescent.

RECOMMENDATION

That a by-law be enacted to amend the Traffic By-law 555-00, as amended, to implement lower driveway boulevard parking between the curb and sidewalk, at any time, on the south side of the south leg of Ledbury Crescent.

Approved (Councillor Tovey)

Recommendation GC-0002-2015

2. Lower Driveway Boulevard Parking Nanak Road (Ward 7)

Corporate Report dated December 16, 2014 from the Commissioner of Transportation and Works with respect to lower driveway boulevard parking on Nanak Road.

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RECOMMENDATION

That a by-law be enacted to amend The Traffic By-law 555-00, as amended, to implement lower driveway boulevard parking between the curb and sidewalk, at any time, on the south side of Nanak Road.

Approved (Councillor Iannicca)

Recommendation GC-0003-2015

3. Lower Driveway Boulevard Parking Foxwood Avenue (Ward 10)

Corporate Report dated December 16, 2014 from the Commissioner of Transportation and Works with respect to lower driveway boulevard parking on Foxwood Avenue.

Councillor Parrish enquired if on a street with no sidewalk or boulevard and parking was only allowed on one side of the street would you be able to get more cars per house, rather than allowing boulevard parking. Andy Bate, Supervisor, Traffic Operations, spoke to the initial assessment of allowing lower driveway boulevard parking and the best options for a street. He further spoke to the educational component of educating residents not to park on a roadway during winter plowing operations.

RECOMMENDATION

That a by-law be enacted to amend The Traffic By-law 555-00, as amended, to implement lower driveway boulevard parking between the curb and sidewalk, at any time, on both sides of Foxwood Avenue.

Approved (Councillor Parrish)

Recommendation GC-0004-2015

4. All-way Stop Control Freshwater Drive and Sunlight Street (Ward 10)

Corporate Report dated December 16, 2014 from the Commissioner of Transportation and Works with respect to All-way Stop Control on Freshwater Drive and Sunlight Street.

RECOMMENDATION

That a by-law be enacted to amend The Traffic By-Law 555-00, as amended, to remove an all-way stop control at the intersection of Freshwater Drive at Sunlight Street.

Approved (Councillor Parrish)

Recommendation GC-0005-2015

5. Traffic Calming Pilot Program Evaluation

Corporate Report dated December 16, 2014 from the Commissioner of Transportation and Works with respect to Traffic Calming Pilot Program Evaluation.

Councillor Mahoney sought clarification on roadway criteria for a roadway to be considered. Maxwell Gill, Traffic Operations Technologist spoke to the criteria used when determining which locations would qualify for the pilot program. Andy Bate, Supervisor, Traffic Operations, noted that any future requests would have to be a specific issue with an identified issue.

Councillor Parrish spoke to the success of Huntington Ridge Drive and enquired what staff direction is with the remaining \$75 000. Mr. Bate noted that staff would like to reinstate the three existing locations with the remaining funds.

Councillor Iannicca spoke to pervious traffic calming methods implemented and concerns with speed humps. Mr. Bates spoke to new technologies being used and public education. Martin Powell, Commissioner, Transportation and Works spoke to the work involved with the community. Councillor Iannicca requested a report to come back regarding the use of roundabouts as a traffic calming technique.

Members of Committee expressed support of the pilot program and spoke to experience of other municipalities, community involvement, challenges of the Queensway and the need for a policy on how locations are selected. Geoff Wright, Director, Works Operations & Maintenance noted the success of the program and that staff are preparing a policy and a budget on how the locations are selected and implemented.

RECOMMENDATION

1. That the use of physical traffic calming measures be adopted by the City of Mississauga as a viable option when addressing operational speeding issues on local and local collector roadways.
2. That the remaining Capital funds of approximately \$75,000 from the Traffic Calming Pilot Program be used to extend the program in 2015, including the reinstallation of devices at existing locations and the potential addition of new locations.
3. That the implementation of an annual Traffic Calming Program, at an estimated annual operating budget of \$200,000, be considered as part of the 2016 Business Planning and Budget process.

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Approved (Councillor Mahoney)
Recommendation GC-0006-2015

6. Winter Maintenance Operations

Corporate Report dated December 16, 2014 from the Commissioner of Transportation and Works with respect to Winter Maintenance Operations.

RECOMMENDATION

That the report dated December 16, 2015 entitled, “Winter Maintenance Operations” from the Commissioner of Transportation and Works be received by General Committee for information.

Received (Mayor Crombie)
Recommendation GC-0007-2015

7. Planning Status Report: 2015 Pan Am/Para Pan Games

Corporate Report dated December 17, 2014 from the Commissioner of Community Services with respect to the Planning Status Report: 2015 Pan Am/Para Pan Games.

Howie Dayton, Director, Recreation informed Committee that TO2015 has asked to host a community meeting on February 2, 2015 from 6:30pm – 8:00pm at the Hershey SportZone to provide information to local residents and business.

Mayor Crombie noted that a Planning and Development Committee meeting is scheduled that evening and requested if the date could be switched. Mr. Dayton noted that he would ask if an alternative date is possible.

Councillor Fonseca requested that the meeting date be communicated to local sport organizations.

RECOMMENDATION

1. That the Corporate Report dated December 17, 2014 from the Commissioner of Community Services entitled “Planning Status Report: 2015 Pan Am/Para Pan Games” be received for information, and;
2. That the Ticket Distribution Plan be approved.

Approved (Councillor Fonseca)
Recommendation GC-0008-2015

8. Creditvale Mills Amenity Space Agreement

Corporate Report dated December 9, 2014 from the Commissioner of Community Services with respect to the Creditvale Mills Amenity Space Agreement.

Councillor Parrish spoke to previous consultation with community users and building lockers downstairs and hoped a specific community group would be able to use the 20 hours of space. Paul Mitcham, Commissioner, Community Services requested the Councillor to forward the group's name to staff to review the matter. He further explained that the balance of the 20 hours of space would be placed on CLASS for groups to book at the normal rate.

RECOMMENDATION

1. That the Commissioner of Community Services and City Clerk be authorized to enter into an Amenity Space Agreement with the Region of Peel for the Creditvale Mills complex in a form satisfactory to Legal Services.
2. That all necessary by-laws be approved.

Approved (Mayor Crombie)
Recommendation GC-0009-2015

9. Proposed Changes to the Environmental Advisory Committee

Corporate Report dated December 9, 2014 from the Commissioner of Community Services with respect to the proposed changes to the Environmental Advisory Committee.

Councillor Carlson noted that the Environmental Advisory Committee is refreshing their mandate as the Committee has taken a wider role within the community and that the Committee is looking for certain types of skills on the committee.

RECOMMENDATION

1. That the proposed changes to the Environmental Advisory Committee reflected in the new Environmental Action Committee Terms of Reference, dated November 21, 2014, attached as Appendix 2 to the Corporate Report dated December 9, 2014 from the Commissioner of Community Services be approved.
2. That the Environmental Action Committee Terms of Reference, dated November 21, 2014, attached as Appendix 2, be considered when screening candidates for 2014-2018 appointments to the Environmental Action Committee.

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Approved (Councillor Carlson)
Recommendation GC-0010-2015

10. Youth Freedom Pass Program

Corporate Report dated December 3, 2014 from the Commissioner of Community Services with respect to the Youth Freedom Pass Program.

Councillor Fonseca and Councillor Parrish spoke to the successful program and hoped that a similar program could be implemented for a \$1.00 ride for seniors. Councillor Fonseca enquired if data was collected to show youth leadership through aquatics. Joanne Foote, Youth Plan Coordinator noted that staff would look into the correlation next time and that telephone surveys were completed to participants who participated 40 times or more in the program.

Paul Mitcham, Commissioner, Community Services expressed appreciation to all staff involved.

RECOMMENDATION

1. That the corporate report dated December 3, 2014 from the Commissioner of Community Services entitled “Youth Freedom Pass Program” be endorsed, and:
2. That the Freedom Pass Program be approved to continue with 10,000 passes available on an annual basis.

Approved (Councillor Fonseca)
Recommendation GC-0011-2015

11. Accessible Municipal Elections

Corporate Report dated December 8, 2014 from the Commissioner of Corporate Services and Chief Financial Officer with respect to Accessible Municipal Elections.

RECOMMENDATION

That the report dated December 8, 2014, from the Commissioner of Corporate Services and Chief Financial Officer, entitled “Accessible Municipal Elections”, be received for information.

Received (Councillor Iannicca)
Recommendation GC-0012-2015

12. 2015 Interim Tax Levy for Properties on the Regular Instalment Plan

Corporate Report dated December 16, 2014 from the Commissioner of Corporate Services and Chief Financial Officer with respect to 2015 Interim Tax Levy for Properties on the Regular Instalment Plan.

RECOMMENDATION

1. That a by-law be enacted to provide for a 2015 interim tax levy for properties on the regular instalment plan.
2. That the 2015 interim taxes be calculated to be 50% of the previous year's annualized taxes on properties that existed on the previous year's tax roll.
3. That assessments added to the tax roll in the current year be levied an amount that approximates 50% of a full year's taxes, had the property been included on the previous year's tax roll, using tax rates set out in Appendix 1 to the report dated December 16, 2014 from the Commissioner of Corporate Services and Chief Financial Officer and the current year's phased-in assessment.
4. That the 2015 interim levy for residential properties on the regular instalment plan be payable in three (3) instalments on March 5th, April 2nd, and May 7th, 2015.
5. That the 2015 interim levy for regular instalment plan properties in the commercial, industrial and multi-residential property classes be payable in one (1) instalment on March 5th, 2015.

Approved (Councillor Tovey)

Recommendation GC-0013-2015

13. Province of Ontario – Dedicated Gas Tax Funds For Public Transportation Program (2014/2015)

Corporate Report dated December 16, 2014 from the Commissioner of Corporate Services and Chief Financial Officer with respect to Province of Ontario – Dedicated Gas Tax Funds for Public Transportation Program (2014/2015).

Councillor Tovey enquired how much money has the province provided. Gary Kent, Commissioner, Corporate Service & Chief Financial Officer noted that \$125million has been provided since 2004.

Councillor Ras enquired if low gas prices would affect the program. Mr. Kent noted that it is volume based and not price based.

RECOMMENDATION

That a by-law be enacted to authorize the Mayor and the Commissioner of Corporate Services and Chief Financial Officer to execute, on behalf of The Corporation of the City of Mississauga, the letter of agreement with Her Majesty the Queen in right of the Province of Ontario, represented by the Minister of Transportation for the Province of Ontario, under the Dedicated Gas Tax Funds for Public Transportation Program (2014/2015), which agreement is attached as Appendix 1 to the corporate report dated December 16, 2014, from the Commissioner of Corporate Services and Chief Financial Officer.

Approved (Councillor Iannicca)
Recommendation GC-0014-2015

ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPORTS

Heritage Advisory Committee Report 7-2014 December 9, 2014
(Recommendation HAC-0060-2014 to HAC-0063-2014)

Approved (Councillor Tovey)
Recommendation GC- 0015-2015 to GC-0018-2015

COUNCILLORS' ENQUIRIES

Councillor Carlson spoke to a gap in the street signage policy as it does not include secondary schools and request that signage for secondary schools be included in the directional sign program. Martin Powell, Commissioner, Transportation & Works noted that staff would look into amending the policy and would report back.

Iannicca Iannicca questions why hockey clubs were not permitted to hang banners at Clarkson Arena and requested staff to review the matter.

OTHER BUSINESS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mayor Crombie announced she would be hosting her first in a series of community office hour meetings on Jan. 29 in Ward 1 from 7:00pm – 9:00pm.

CLOSED SESSION -
(Pursuant to Subsection 239 (2) of the Municipal Act, 2001)

- A. ~~Litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the municipality or local board — Proposed Settlement of Ontario Municipal Board Appeal — Official Plan Amendment and Rezoning Applications for 1715 Audobon Boulevard — Beverly Homes Holding Corp. (Ward 3).~~ – **This item is removed from the agenda and will be considered at the Special Council meeting prior to General Committee on January 14, 2015.**

ADJOURNMENT – 10:59 A.M.