



REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

Monday, November 9, 2020
4:30 pm
Council Chambers
by videoconference

Present: Mayor C. Provenzano, Councillor P. Christian, Councillor L. Dufour,
Councillor D. Hilsinger, Councillor M. Shoemaker, Councillor M. Bruni,
Councillor C. Gardi, Councillor M. Scott

Absent: Councillor S. Hollingsworth, Councillor L. Vezeau-Allen, Councillor R. Niro

Officials: M. White, R. Tyczinski, T. Vair, K. Fields, P. Johnson, S. Schell, D. Elliott, S.
Hamilton Beach, D. McConnell, B. Lamming, F. Coccimiglio, T. Vecchio, M.
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1. Adoption of Minutes

Moved by: Councillor L. Dufour
Seconded by: Councillor C. Gardi

Resolved that the Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of 2020 10 26 be approved.

Carried

- ### 2. Questions and Information Arising Out of the Minutes and not Otherwise on the Agenda
- ### 3. Declaration of Pecuniary Interest

4. Approve Agenda as Presented

Moved by: Councillor L. Dufour

Seconded by: Councillor M. Scott

Resolved that the Agenda for 2020 11 09 City Council Meeting as presented be approved.

Carried

5. Proclamations/Delegations

5.1 2020 Community Recognition Award (Marco Roy)

5.2 Sault Area Hospital Mental Health and Addiction Services Community Update

Wendy Hansson, President and Chief Executive Officer; Sue Roger, Vice President Clinical Operations and Chief Nursing Executive; and Lisa Case, Clinical Director Mental Health and Addictions were in attendance.

Correspondence from Donna DeSimon on behalf of Addiction and Mental Health Advocates of SSM was received by Council.

5.3 Tenaris Industrial Transformation Project EDF Application

Dave McHattie, Institutional Relations Canada, Tenaris was in attendance.

5.4 Sault Ste. Marie Insectarium EDF Amendment

John Dedes was in attendance on behalf of Entomica.

5.5 A-13-20-Z 708 Carmen's Way

Gary Potvin, principal of Bulwark Protective Coatings, was in attendance.

6. Communications and Routine Reports of City Departments, Boards and Committees – Consent Agenda

Moved by: Councillor L. Dufour

Seconded by: Councillor C. Gardi

Resolved that all the items listed under date 2020 11 09 – Agenda item 6 – Consent Agenda be approved as recommended.

Carried

6.1 Ontario Municipal Partnership Fund

Correspondence from the Honourable Rod Phillips, Minister of Finance concerning the Ontario Municipal Partnership Fund was received by Council.

6.2 Sault Ste. Marie Insectarium EDF Amendment

The report of the Deputy CAO, Community Development and Enterprise Services was received by Council.

Moved by: Councillor L. Dufour

Seconded by: Councillor M. Scott

Resolved that the report of the Deputy CAO, Community Development and Enterprise Services dated 2020 11 09 concerning Sault Ste. Marie Insectarium EDF Amendment be received and that the request to reallocate the remaining funding of \$30,542.19 for the Sault Ste. Marie Insectarium with Entomica be approved.

Carried

6.3 Michigan Launch Initiative Letter of Support

The report of the Deputy CAO, Community Development and Enterprise Services was received by Council.

Moved by: Councillor L. Dufour

Seconded by: Councillor C. Gardi

Resolved that the report of the Deputy CAO, Community Development and Enterprise Services dated 2020 11 09 concerning Michigan Launch Initiative Letter of Support be received and that a letter be provided through the Mayor's office in support of the construction of a Command and Control Centre at the Chippewa County Airport as part of the Michigan Launch Initiative.

Carried

6.4 Sault Sailing Club Agreement

The report of the Director of Community Services was received by Council.

The relevant By-law 2020-204 is listed under item 11 of the Minutes.

6.5 Reconnect Festival and Event Program Application

The report of the Manager of Recreation and Culture was received by Council.

Moved by: Councillor L. Dufour

Seconded by: Councillor M. Scott

Resolved that the report of the Manager of Recreation and Culture dated 2020 11 09 concerning the Culture Industries Reconnect Festival and Event Program Grant Application be received and that staff be authorized to apply to the Ministry of Heritage, Sport, Tourism and Culture Industries for funding under the Reconnect Festival and Events grant program.

Carried

6.6 Municipal Law Enforcement Officers

The report of the Manager of Transit and Parking was received by Council.

The relevant By-law 2020-205 is listed under item 11 of the Minutes.

6.7 Farwell Terrace Aqueduct Repairs – Engineering Fees

The report of the Manager of Design and Transportation Engineering was received by Council.

Moved by: Councillor L. Dufour

Seconded by: Councillor M. Scott

Resolved that the report of the Manager of Design and Transportation Engineering dated 2020 11 09 concerning Farwell Terrace Aqueduct Repairs Engineering Fees be received and that the engineering fee limit for the Farwell Terrace aqueduct repairs be raised by \$10,000 to \$72,000.

Carried

6.8 Fort Creek Aqueduct – Engineering Fees

The report of the Manager of Design and Transportation Engineering was received by Council.

Moved by: Councillor L. Dufour

Seconded by: Councillor C. Gardi

Resolved that the report of the Manager of Design and Transportation Engineering dated 2020 11 09 concerning Fort Creek Aqueduct Engineering Fees be received and that the engineering fee limit for the Fort Creek aqueduct be raised by \$98,000 to \$648,096.

Carried

6.9 Reconstruction of Third Line East – Consultant Selection

The report of the Manager of Design and Transportation Engineering was received by Council.

Moved by: Councillor L. Dufour

Seconded by: Councillor M. Scott

Resolved that the report of the Manager of Design and Transportation Engineering dated 2020 11 09 concerning Third Line East Reconstruction Consultant Selection be received and that Council authorize entering into an agreement for engineering services with AECOM.

An individual engineering agreement with an estimate of engineering fees will be brought to Council for approval at a later date.

Carried

6.10 Wallace Terrace/Lyons Avenue Environmental Assessment

The report of the Municipal Services Engineer was received by Council.

Moved by: Councillor L. Dufour

Seconded by: Councillor M. Scott

Resolved that the report of the Municipal Services Engineer dated 2020 11 09 concerning Wallace Terrace/Lyons Avenue Environmental Assessment consultant selection be received and that Council authorize entering into an agreement for engineering services with Kresin Engineering Corporation.

An individual engineering agreement with an estimate of engineering fees will be brought to Council for approval at a later date.

Carried

7. Reports of City Departments, Boards and Committees

7.1 Administration

7.1.1 Preliminary Report of Integrity Commissioner

The report of the Integrity Commissioner was received by Council.

Moved by: Councillor L. Dufour

Seconded by: Councillor M. Scott

Resolved that the report of the Integrity Commissioner dated 2020 11 03 be received as information.

	For	Against	Absent
Mayor C. Provenzano	X		
Councillor P. Christian	X		
Councillor S. Hollingsworth			X
Councillor L. Dufour	X		
Councillor L. Vezeau-Allen			X
Councillor D. Hilsinger	X		
Councillor M. Shoemaker	X		
Councillor M. Bruni	X		
Councillor R. Niro			X
Councillor C. Gardi	X		
Councillor M. Scott	X		
Results	8	0	3

Carried

7.2 Corporate Services

7.3 Community Development and Enterprise Services

7.3.1 Tenaris Industrial Transformation Project EDF Application

The report of the Deputy CAO, Community Development and Enterprise Services was received by Council.

Moved by: Councillor L. Dufour

Seconded by: Councillor C. Gardi

Resolved that the report of the Deputy CAO, Community Development and Enterprise Services dated 2020 11 09 concerning Tenaris Industrial Transformation Project EDF Application be received and that the investment of \$500,000 through the Economic Growth Community Improvement Plan utilizing the Economic Development Fund (\$200,000 in 2020 and \$300,000 in 2021) to support the Tenaris Industrial Transformation Project be approved.

	For	Against	Absent
Mayor C. Provenzano	X		
Councillor P. Christian	X		
Councillor S. Hollingsworth			X
Councillor L. Dufour	X		
Councillor L. Vezeau-Allen			X
Councillor D. Hilsinger	X		
Councillor M. Shoemaker	X		
Councillor M. Bruni	X		
Councillor R. Niro			X
Councillor C. Gardi	X		
Councillor M. Scott	X		
Results	8	0	3

Carried

7.4 Public Works and Engineering Services

7.5 Fire Services

7.6 Legal

7.7 Planning

7.7.1 A-13-20-Z 708 Carmen’s Way (Bulwark Protective Coatings)

The report of the Planner was received by Council.

Moved by: Councillor L. Dufour

Seconded by: Councillor C. Gardi

Resolved that the report of the Planner dated 2020 11 09 concerning Rezoning Application A-13-20-Z 708 Carmen's Way be received and that Council approve the application as follows:

Amend Zoning By-law 2005-150 by rezoning the subject property from General Commercial Zone (C4) to General Commercial Zone (C4.S) with a “Special Exception” to, in addition to those uses permitted in a C4 zone:

1. Permit a coatings applicator contractor yard;

2. Permit the outdoor storage of trailers and equipment for the exclusive use of a coatings applicator contractor in the rear yard only;
3. Permit four accessory use shipping containers for the exclusive use of a coatings applicator contractor in the rear yard only;
4. Reduce the landscape coverage requirement from 50% to 15% in the required front yard

And that the Legal Department be requested to prepare the necessary by-law(s) to effect the same.

	For	Against	Absent
Mayor C. Provenzano	X		
Councillor P. Christian	X		
Councillor S. Hollingsworth			X
Councillor L. Dufour	X		
Councillor L. Vezeau-Allen			X
Councillor D. Hilsinger	X		
Councillor M. Shoemaker	X		
Councillor M. Bruni	X		
Councillor R. Niro			X
Councillor C. Gardi	X		
Councillor M. Scott	X		
Results	8	0	3

Carried

7.8 Boards and Committees

8. Unfinished Business, Notice of Motions and Resolutions Placed on Agenda by Members of Council

8.1 Downtown Safety

Moved by: Councillor M. Shoemaker
 Seconded by: Councillor L. Dufour

Whereas the 2016 downtown strategy has a vision that includes seven vision pillars for an improved downtown, one of which is to create a “safe place”; and

Whereas businesses have recently expressed frustration at increased petty crime, which is on the rise across the city, but is acutely present downtown in the off-business hours when many buildings are unoccupied; and

Whereas in 2017 City Council requested a “Downtown Safety Strategy”, the development of which is ongoing; and

Whereas to create a safe downtown, the City must invest in technology or resources to create the “safe place” our downtown strategy strives for;

Now Therefore Be It Resolved that staff be requested to investigate and, as part of a broader “Downtown Safety Strategy”, report on options increase safety in the downtown, which options could include either surveillance in the downtown core or security patrols in the downtown core during non-core hours and determine if partnerships with downtown merchants, the private sector, or the Downtown Association can facilitate whichever option is recommended.

	For	Against	Absent
Mayor C. Provenzano	X		
Councillor P. Christian	X		
Councillor S. Hollingsworth			X
Councillor L. Dufour	X		
Councillor L. Vezeau-Allen			X
Councillor D. Hilsinger	X		
Councillor M. Shoemaker	X		
Councillor M. Bruni	X		
Councillor R. Niro			X
Councillor C. Gardi	X		
Councillor M. Scott	X		
Results	8	0	3

Carried

8.2 International Travel

Moved by: Councillor C. Gardi
 Seconded by: Councillor M. Bruni

Whereas both Canada and the United States, along with the rest of the world are in the midst of the months long COVID-19 pandemic; and

Whereas we as a community have fared very well in relation to many other parts of the world, as a result of strict adherence to public health protocols, including masking, hand washing and physical distancing; and

Whereas Sault Ste. Marie shares an International Border with Sault Ste. Marie Michigan, the County seat of Chippewa County; a border serviced by the International Bridge; and

Whereas the rate of infection of COVID-19 in Chippewa County has seen a tremendous rate of acceleration in the last two weeks, which is commensurate with some of the rates of infection being experienced in and around the Greater Toronto Area, several times greater than that being experienced in Sault Ste. Marie and the Algoma region; and

Whereas these facts pose a very real and significant risk to the health and safety of all of the citizens in Sault Ste. Marie, due to travel to and from both students and workers who travel to the US and/or Canada for school and/or work; and

Whereas the sacrifices made by all citizens of Sault Ste. Marie should not be put at risk and/or squandered by the credible risk of these types of travel back and forth to the US, along with other types of permitted movement that traverse the border;

Now Therefore Be It Resolved, that Mayor Provenzano write a letter to Member of Parliament Terry Sheehan, the Minister of Border Security and Organized Crime Reduction of Canada, the Honourable Bill Blair, and the Right Honourable Justin Trudeau, Prime Minister of Canada to ask their Government and Ministry to call for a three week pause on any exemptions to international travel to the United States, or to Canada, across the International Bridge, for all those with the exception of travel dealing with the transportation of the most critical goods and services between the two countries and those individuals directly involved in the care and treatment of patients in a hospital setting.

	For	Against	Absent
Mayor C. Provenzano	X		
Councillor P. Christian	X		
Councillor S. Hollingsworth			X
Councillor L. Dufour	X		
Councillor L. Vezeau-Allen			X
Councillor D. Hilsinger	X		
Councillor M. Shoemaker	X		
Councillor M. Bruni	X		
Councillor R. Niro			X
Councillor C. Gardi	X		
Councillor M. Scott	X		
Results	8	0	3

Carried

9. Committee of the Whole for the Purpose of Such Matters as are Referred to it by the Council by Resolution

10. Adoption of Report of the Committee of the Whole

11. Consideration and Passing of By-laws

Moved by: Councillor L. Dufour

Seconded by: Councillor C. Gardi

Resolved that all By-laws under item 11 of the Agenda under date 2020 11 09 be approved.

Carried

11.1 By-laws before Council to be passed which do not require more than a simple majority

11.1.1 By-law 2020-203 (Agreement) Insurance Adjusting Services Sedgwick Canada Inc.

Moved by: Councillor L. Dufour

Seconded by: Councillor C. Gardi

Resolved that By-law 2020-203 being a by-law to authorize the execution of the Agreement between the City and Sedgwick Canada Inc. for the Independent Claims Adjusting Services for an additional two year term be passed in open Council this 9th day of November, 2020.

Carried

11.1.2 By-law 2020-204 (Agreement) Algoma Sailing Club

Moved by: Councillor L. Dufour

Seconded by: Councillor C. Gardi

Resolved that By-law 2020-204 being a by-law to authorize the execution of the Second Amending Agreement between the City and Algoma Sailing Club for the use of certain portions of Bellevue Park be passed in open Council this 9th day of November, 2020.

Carried

11.1.3 By-law 2020-205 (Parking) Municipal Law Enforcement Officers

Moved by: Councillor L. Dufour

Seconded by: Councillor C. Gardi

Resolved that By-law 2020-205 being a by-law to appoint Municipal Law Enforcement Officers to enforce the by-laws on various private properties and to amend Schedule "A" to By-law 90-305 be passed in open Council this 9th day of November, 2020.

Carried

11.1.4 By-law 2020-206 (Traffic) Amend Schedule "F" to Traffic By-law 77-200

Moved by: Councillor L. Dufour

Seconded by: Councillor C. Gardi

Resolved that By-law 2020-206 being a by-law to amend Schedule "F" of Traffic By-law 77-200 be passed in open Council this 9th day of November, 2020.

Carried

11.2 By-laws before Council for FIRST and SECOND reading which do not require more than a simple majority

11.3 By-laws before Council for THIRD reading which do not require more than a simple majority

12. Questions By, New Business From, or Addresses by Members of Council Concerning Matters Not Otherwise on the Agenda

13. Closed Session

Moved by: Councillor L. Dufour

Seconded by: Councillor C. Gardi

Resolved that this Council move into closed session to discuss one item regarding labour relations; one item subject to third party confidentiality; and an educational / training session regarding budget preparation;

Further Be It Resolved that should the said closed session be adjourned, the Council may reconvene in closed session to continue to discuss the same matter without the need for a further authorizing resolution.

Municipal Act section 239(2)(d)labour relations or employee negotiations; section 239(2)(i)a trade secret or scientific, technical, commercial, financial or labour relations information, supplied in confidence to the municipality or local board, which, if disclosed, could reasonably be expected to prejudice significantly the competitive position or interfere significantly with the contractual or other negotiations of a person, group of persons, or organization; section 239(3.1)1. The meeting is held for the purpose of educating or training the members.

Carried

14. Adjournment

Moved by: Councillor L. Dufour

Seconded by: Councillor M. Scott

Resolved that this Council now adjourn.

Carried

“Christian Provenzano”

Mayor

“Rachel Tyczinski”

City Clerk