

16TH REPORT OF THE
CIVIC WORKS COMMITTEE

Meeting held on September 23, 2013, commencing at 4:02 PM, in the Council Chambers, Second Floor, London City Hall.

PRESENT: Councillor P. Van Meerbergen (Chair), Mayor J. Fontana, Councillors M. Brown, H.L. Usher and S. White and J. Martin (Secretary).

ABSENT: Councillor S. Orser.

ALSO PRESENT: Councillor J. L. Baechler; J. Braam, A. Dunbar, M. Feldberg, G. T. Hopcroft, B. Krichker, J. Lucas, D. MacRae, M. Ribera, L. Rowe, E. Soldo and J. Stanford.

I. CALL TO ORDER

1. Disclosures of Pecuniary Interest

Recommendation: That it BE NOTED that Councillor S. White disclosed a pecuniary interest in clause 3 of Item 4 pertaining to an application submitted by The Tricar Group, relating to the property located at 1030 Coronation Drive, as her primary residence is in proximity to the subject property.

II. CONSENT ITEMS

2. Leak Detection Through District Metered Areas EW3772-13

Recommendation: That, on the recommendation of the Director of Water and Wastewater, with the concurrence of the Managing Director, Environmental and Engineering Services and City Engineer, the staff report dated September 23, 2013, with respect to the Water Efficiency Program pilot project on City-wide district metered areas for active leak detection BE RECEIVED; it being noted that a business case for expanding the pilot project will be included in the 2014 Water Budget submission.(2013-E08)

Motion Passed

YEAS: J.F. Fontana, M. Brown, P. Van Meerbergen, H.L. Usher, S.E. White (5)

3. Contract Award: Elgin Middlesex Pumping Station Upgrades (Tender No. T13-73)

Recommendation: That, on the recommendation of the Managing Director, Environmental and Engineering Services and City Engineer, the following actions be taken with respect to the award of contracts for the Elgin Middlesex Pumping Station Upgrades Project (EW3540):

- a) the bid submitted by Baseline Constructors Inc., 550 Conestogo Rd, Waterloo, ON, N2L 4E3, at its tendered price of \$1,340,067.00 (excluding H.S.T.), for the Elgin Middlesex Pumping Station Upgrades project, BE ACCEPTED; it being noted that the bid submitted by Baseline Constructors Inc. was the lowest of eight bids received and meets the City's specifications and requirements in all areas;
- b) AECOM (AECOM), 250 York Street, Citi Plaza, Suite 410 London, ON, N6A 6K2, BE AUTHORIZED to carry out the resident inspection and contract administration for the said project in accordance with the estimate, on file, at an upset amount of \$120,389.50 (excluding H.S.T.), based upon the Fee Guideline for Professional Engineering Services recommended by the Ontario Society of Professional Engineers, and in accordance with Section 15.2 (g) of the City of London's Procurement of Goods and Services Policy; it being noted that this firm completed the engineering design;

- c) future additional annual operating cost savings of \$50,000 BE RECOGNIZED as a result of this project; it being noted that these costs are a result of replacing older maintenance-prone pumps and equipment with new more energy efficient pumps and equipment, and will be considered within future Water Operating Budgets;
- d) the financing for this project BE APPROVED as set out in the Sources of Financing Report appended to the staff report dated September 23, 2013;
- e) the Civic Administration BE AUTHORIZED to undertake all the administrative acts that are necessary in connection with this project;
- f) the approval given herein BE CONDITIONAL upon the Corporation entering into a formal contract or issuing a purchase order for the material to be supplied and the work to be done relating to this project (Tender 13-73); and,
- g) the Mayor and the City Clerk BE AUTHORIZED to execute any contract or other documents, if required, to give effect to these recommendations;

it being noted that the Civic Administration has made an application to the Ontario Power Authority (OPA) in order to be eligible for funding for this project for the Energy Efficiency Improvements under the SaveONEnergy Retrofit Program. (2013-L04A)

Motion Passed

YEAS: J.F. Fontana, M. Brown, P. Van Meerbergen, H.L. Usher, S.E. White (5)

III. SCHEDULED ITEMS

4. 6th Report of the Transportation Advisory Committee

Recommendation: That the following actions be taken with respect to the 6th Report of the Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC), from its meeting held on September 3, 2013:

- a) the Civic Administration BE REQUESTED to determine the feasibility of implementing a Cycling Advisory Committee to provide advice to the Municipal Council specific to cycling issues, similar to the committees established in Hamilton and Kitchener;
- b) the Municipal Council BE REQUESTED to acknowledge the efforts of two newly-formed, citizen-led groups that are focused on active transportation; the LTC Bus People and the London Cycle Link; and,
- c) clauses 2 to 7, inclusive, BE RECEIVED;

it being noted that the Civic Works Committee heard a verbal presentation from M. Marsman, Transportation Advisory Committee, with respect to this matter.

Motion Passed

YEAS: J.F. Fontana, M. Brown, P. Van Meerbergen, H.L. Usher (4)

RECUSED: S.E. White (1)

IV. ITEMS FOR DIRECTION

5. Southwest Economic Alliance Regional Transportation Advocacy Initiative

Recommendation: That the following resolution BE ADOPTED and BE FORWARDED to the Southwest Economic Alliance (SWEA), appropriate Ministries, local Members of Parliament, local Members of the Legislative Assembly of Ontario, the Association of Municipalities Ontario, the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (for information), and any other stakeholders that the Civic Administration feels should be made aware of this position:

WHEREAS the communities of Southwestern Ontario, including London, are alarmed at the declining level of passenger transportation options available in the region;

AND WHEREAS the Southwest Economic Alliance Regional Transportation Advocacy Initiative Committee held a meeting on Thursday, August 8, 2013, at which it developed an Action Plan for the Initiative and its key objectives;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT London City Council endorses the following:

- a) Cutbacks to VIA Rail passenger service in Southwestern Ontario is a central and critical issue and SWEA, on behalf of the communities of the region, should:
 - i) demand re-investments and service enhancements in the short term;
 - ii) advocate, for a renewed commitment to passenger rail services across Canada; and,
- b) The lack of inter-community transportation options within the region is an equally critical issue. The following are the key requests that SWEA should make to the Provincial Government on behalf of the communities of the region:
 - i) The Provincial Government should support demands to improve VIA Rail services along both main lines;
 - ii) The Provincial Government should immediately address regional passenger transportation issues, beyond the Greater Toronto/Hamilton Area focus, including the City of London; and,
 - iii) The Provincial Government should support the establishment of an all-party committee of the Ontario Legislature to immediately study regional transportation needs in Southwestern Ontario. (2013-M16)

Motion Passed

YEAS: J.F. Fontana, M. Brown, P. Van Meerbergen, H.L. Usher, S.E. White (5)

V. DEFERRED MATTERS/ADDITIONAL BUSINESS

None.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 5:20 PM.