

Strategic Priorities and Policy Committee

Report

5th Meeting of the Strategic Priorities and Policy Committee
February 4, 2020

PRESENT: Mayor E. Holder (Chair), Councillors M. van Holst, S. Lewis, M. Salih, J. Helmer, M. Cassidy, P. Squire, J. Morgan, S. Lehman, A. Hopkins, P. Van Meerbergen, E. Pelozo, A. Kayabaga, S. Hillier

ABSENT: S. Turner

ALSO PRESENT: L. Livingstone, A. Anderson, A.L. Barbon, I. Collins, S. Datars Bere, L. Hamer, M. Johnson, G. Kotsifas, S. Mathers, J.P. McGonigle, D. O'Brien, O. Poloni (KPMG), M. Ribera, C. Saunders, M. Schulthess, C. Smith, S. Stafford, and B. Westlake-Power.

The meeting is called to order at 4:02 PM.

1. Disclosures of Pecuniary Interest

Councillor J. Helmer discloses a pecuniary interest in Item 2.2 having to do with a review of service delivery for municipal golf, by indicating that his father is employed by the National Golf Course Owners Association of which The Corporation of the City of London is a member.

2. Consent

2.1 City of London Service Review: Review of Municipal User Fees

Moved by: E. Pelozo
Seconded by: P. Squire

That on the recommendation of the Managing Director, Neighbourhood, Children and Fire Services and the Managing Director, Corporate Services and City Treasurer, Chief Financial Officer, the staff report dated February 4, 2020 with respect to the City of London Service Review: Review of Municipal User Fees BE RECEIVED for information.

Yeas: (14): Mayor E. Holder, M. van Holst, S. Lewis, M. Salih, J. Helmer, M. Cassidy, P. Squire, J. Morgan, S. Lehman, A. Hopkins, P. Van Meerbergen, E. Pelozo, A. Kayabaga, and S. Hillier
Absent: (1): S. Turner

Motion Passed (14 to 0)

2.2 City of London Service Review: Review of Service Delivery for Municipal Golf

Moved by: M. van Holst
Seconded by: S. Lehman

That, on the recommendation of the Managing Director, Parks and Recreation and the Managing Director, Corporate Services and City Treasurer, Chief Financial Officer, the following actions be taken with respect to City of London Service Delivery for Municipal Golf:

a) the KPMG Report entitled "City of London Service Review - Review of Golf Operations", dated January 23, 2020 appended as Appendix "A" to the staff report dated February 4, 2020, BE RECEIVED for information;

b) the Civic Administration BE DIRECTED to report back at a Public Participation Meeting before the appropriate Standing Committee with respect to the options set out in Option 1 set out in the Report noted in a) above; and,

c) the Civic Administration BE DIRECTED to take no further action regarding Options 2, 3, 4 set out in the Report noted in a) above;

it being noted that Option 1 includes a review of all possible options for the future use of River Road Golf Course.

Yeas: (13): Mayor E. Holder, M. van Holst, S. Lewis, M. Salih, M. Cassidy, P. Squire, J. Morgan, S. Lehman, A. Hopkins, P. Van Meerbergen, E. Pelozza, A. Kayabaga, and S. Hillier

Recuse: (1): J. Helmer

Absent: (1): S. Turner

Motion Passed (13 to 0)

4. Items for Direction

4.1 Confirmation of Appointment to the Argyle BIA

Moved by: S. Lewis

Seconded by: P. Van Meerbergen

That Donna Moerenhout, Owner of Razor's Barber Shop BE APPOINTED to the Argyle Business Improvement Area for the term ending November 15, 2022.

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Kayabaga, and S. Hillier

Absent: (1): S. Turner

Motion Passed (14 to 0)

4.2 (ADDED) Electric Buses

Moved by: P. Squire

Seconded by: J. Helmer

That the following actions be taken with respect to electrification of buses:

a) the London Transit Commission BE THANKED for initiating a study of electrifying its fleet of buses;

b) the Civic Administration BE DIRECTED to work with the London Transit Commission (LTC), the provincial government and the federal government to identify funding streams to be used for the purchase of electric buses and related charging infrastructure, starting as soon as possible; it being noted that this funding not come at the expense of the LTC's current five-year service plan, and that these funds not come at the expense of prospective transit improvements in the West and North;

c) the Civic Administration BE DIRECTED to work with the London Transit Commission, London Hydro and other key partners in support of the transit electrification study; and

d) the Civic Administration BE DIRECTED to find an appropriate one-time source of financing, such as the Economy, Efficiency and Effectiveness Reserve Fund, to cover 100% of the cost of LTC's electrification study.

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Absent: (1): S. Turner

Motion Passed (14 to 0)

5. Deferred Matters/Additional Business

None.

6. Adjournment

Moved by: A. Hopkins

Seconded by: S. Lewis

That the meeting BE ADJOURNED.

Motion Passed

The meeting adjourned at 4:51 PM.