

Location: Tom Davies Square

Commencement: 3:06 PM

Adjournment: 5:52 PM

Minutes

Operations Committee Minutes of 5/14/18

Councillor Kirwan, In the Chair

Present Councillors Vagnini [D 4:37 p.m.], Dutrisac [A 3:48 p.m.], Kirwan, Cormier, Reynolds [D 5:47 p.m.], Landry-Altmann

Councillors Sizer [D 5:18 p.m.], McIntosh [D 5:45 p.m.]

City Officials Tony Cecutti, General Manager of Growth and Infrastructure Services; Joe Rocca, Traffic and Asset Management Supervisor; Randy Halverson, Director of Linear Infrastructure Services; Tony De Silva, Roads Operations Engineer; Marisa Talarico, Active Transportation Coordinator; Dave Brouse, Manager of Compliance and Operational Support; Sarah Deadman, Quality Management Systems & Training Coordinator; Adam Kosnick, Manager of Regulated Services/Deputy City Clerk; Renée Stewart, Clerk's Services Assistant

Declarations of Pecuniary Interests and the general nature thereof

None declared

Presentations

1 Transportation Demand Management Plan for Greater Sudbury

Report dated April 27, 2018 from the General Manager of Growth and Infrastructure regarding Transportation Demand Management Plan for Greater Sudbury.

Marisa Talarico, Active Transportation Coordinator, provided an electronic presentation regarding the Transportation Demand Management Plan for Greater Sudbury.

Rules of Procedure

With concurrence of the Committee, staff was directed to provide the Transportation Demand

Management Plan for Greater Sudbury presentation at an upcoming City Council meeting.

The following resolutions were presented:

Resolution #1

OP2018-08 Landry-Altmann/Reynolds: THAT the City of Greater Sudbury adopts the Transportation Demand Management Plan for Greater Sudbury, as outlined in the report entitled "Transportation Demand Management Plan for Greater Sudbury", from the General Manager of Growth and Infrastructure, presented at the Operations Committee meeting on May 14, 2018.

CARRIED

Resolution #2

OP2018-09 Reynolds/Landry-Altmann: THAT the City of Greater Sudbury approves the use of \$25,000 from the Cycling Infrastructure capital budget to begin implementation of the Transportation Demand Management Plan for Greater Sudbury, which may be used to develop promotional and educational materials, to move forward with partnerships with community agencies and to support the delivery of TDM-specific events, as an interim measure until a business case can be considered, as outlined in the report entitled "Transportation Demand Management Plan for Greater Sudbury", from the General Manager of Growth and Infrastructure, presented at the Operations Committee meeting on May 14, 2018.

CARRIED

Resolution #3

OP2018-10 Landry-Altmann/Reynolds: THAT the City of Greater Sudbury directs Infrastructure Capital Planning Services staff to prepare a business case for operating funding for Transportation Demand Management related program development and implementation to be considered during the 2019 budget process, as outlined in the report entitled "Transportation Demand Management Plan for Greater Sudbury", from the General Manager of Growth and Infrastructure, presented at the Operations Committee meeting on May 14, 2018.

CARRIED

Resolution #4

OP2018-11 Reynolds/Landry-Altmann: THAT the City of Greater Sudbury directs Infrastructure Capital Planning Services staff to report to the Operations Committee in 2019 on the status of implementation of TDM measures, as outlined in the report entitled "Transportation Demand Management Plan for Greater Sudbury", from the General Manager of Growth and Infrastructure, presented at the Operations Committee meeting on May 14, 2018.

CARRIED

2 Use of Road Deicers

Report dated April 30, 2018 from the General Manager of Growth and Infrastructure regarding Use of Road Deicers.

Randy Halverson, Director of Linear Infrastructure Services, provided an electronic presentation regarding the use of road deicers for information only.

Rules of Procedure

The Committee, by two-thirds majority, allowed Councillor McIntosh to address the Committee regarding this matter.

Correspondence for Information Only

C-1 Drinking Water Quality Management System

Report dated April 17, 2018 from the General Manager of Growth and Infrastructure regarding Drinking Water Quality Management System.

For Information Only.

C-2 Winter Control Operations Update for March 2018

Report dated April 24, 2018 from the General Manager of Growth and Infrastructure regarding Winter Control Operations Update for March 2018.

For Information Only.

Rules of Procedure

The Committee, by two-thirds majority, allowed Councillor Sizer to address the Committee regarding this matter.

Managers' Reports

R-1 Parking Restrictions - Maki Avenue, Sudbury

Report dated April 17, 2018 from the General Manager of Growth and Infrastructure regarding Parking Restrictions - Maki Avenue, Sudbury.

The following resolution was presented:

OP2018-12 Reynolds/Landry-Altman: THAT the City of Greater Sudbury prohibits parking at all times of the day on both sides of Maki Avenue from 480 metres east of Paris Street to 654 metres east of Paris Street;

AND THAT the City of Greater Sudbury directs staff to prepare a by-law to amend Traffic and Parking By-Law 2010-1 in the City of Greater Sudbury to implement the recommended changes as outlined in the report entitled "Parking Restrictions – Maki Avenue, Sudbury" from the General Manager of Growth and Infrastructure, presented at the Operations Committee meeting on May 14, 2018.

CARRIED

R-2 Pedestrian Traffic Signals - Regent Street at Junction Creek Crossing

Report dated April 17, 2018 from the General Manager of Growth and Infrastructure regarding Pedestrian Traffic Signals - Regent Street at Junction Creek Crossing.

The following resolution was presented:

OP2018-13 Landry-Altman/Reynolds: THAT the City of Greater Sudbury install mid-block traffic signals on Regent Street, 90 metres north of Wembley Drive;

AND THAT the City of Greater Sudbury directs staff to prepare a by-law to amend Traffic and Parking By-Law 2010-1 in the City of Greater Sudbury;

AND THAT the City of Greater Sudbury utilizes the Cycling Infrastructure capital account to fund the balance of the construction costs for the mid-block traffic signals and trail realignment as outlined in the report entitled "Pedestrian Traffic Signals - Regent Street at Junction Creek Crossing", from the General Manager of Growth and Infrastructure, presented at the Operations Committee meeting on May 14, 2018.

CARRIED

Motions

M-1 Request to Review Sidewalk Patio Program and its Fees

The following resolution was presented:

OP2018-14 Cormier/Landry-Altmann: WHEREAS, in collaboration with the Downtown Sudbury Business Improvement Area (BIA), the full sidewalk patio pilot program was launched in January of 2014, and became a permanent program in May 2015;

AND WHEREAS the program was created with the implementation of a gradual escalating payment fee structure for these patios;

AND WHEREAS in December of 2015, the City implemented a \$400 administrative fee for the full sidewalk patio program, to be phased in over a 4 year period, in addition to the other fees associated with the program;

AND WHEREAS a number of recurring applications for the full sidewalk patio program do not change from year to year;

AND WHEREAS the full sidewalk patio program has been operating for a few years, and Council as well as the BIA, would like to see a review of the program and its associated fees, with a specific emphasis on the administrative fee for recurring applications;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Greater Sudbury directs staff to conduct a review of the full sidewalk patio program and its associated fees, with a view to decreasing the overall fees for the program, and to bring a business case forward during the 2019 Budget process for consideration.

CARRIED

Addendum

No Addendum was presented.

Civic Petitions

Councillor Dutrisac submitted a petition to the Deputy City Clerk which will be forward to the General Manager of Growth and Infrastructure Services. The petition is regarding repaving Albert Street (south).

Question Period and Announcements

Snowbank Removal in the Downtown Core

Councillor Reynolds asked for more information pertaining to the removal of snowbanks downtown.

Tony Cecutti, General Manager of Growth and Infrastructure Services, stated that there has not been a specific request from the Committee for a report on snowbank removal in the downtown. The department is reviewing summer maintenance and winter control operations. Within the context of the operational review, they could review how much is invested in snow removal downtown. Further, there is a program to remove the parking meters which will allow for an opportunity to reconsider the way snow removal is done.

Councillor Reynolds asked if they will be receiving a specific study for the downtown.

Tony Cecutti, General Manager of Growth and Infrastructure Services, stated that the study is more general in nature with respect to how they operate and the balance of resources they have. A formal business case has not been requested regarding snow removal downtown. It is at the Committee's discretion to request a formal report.

Councillor Cormier stated that he had brought a motion at one of the previous meetings directing staff to review operations with respect to internal and external workforces with specificity on how to do better snow removal. The motion was not only for the downtown business core of the former City of Sudbury but also the other community centres that rely on on-street parking in the winter.

Tony Cecutti, General Manager of Growth and Infrastructure Services, stated that the motion by Councillor Cormier creates a whole new set of opportunities because it is a larger/higher scale of evaluation of the operations and looking at the balance of the contract services as well as internal ones. A business case downtown only would be an additional cost for any enhancements, given the constraints they operate under. He suggested it might be beneficial to wait and see what information is contained within this report as they might address the concerns.

Councillor Reynolds stated that she is not looking to do more with the same in terms of funding. She would like to know how much it costs to clean the streets in the downtown. Therefore, she would like to separate it out from the overall report.

Councillor Cormier asked how much it costs to remove snowbanks in the downtown.

Randy Halverson, Director of Linear Infrastructure Services, stated that the cost is between \$60,000-75,000 per removal. The reason there is a range is because it is dependent on the condition at that point in time.

Councillor Cormier stated that as part of the budget, the allocation is for one (1) removal, however, it usually exceeds the amount as the snow is removed twice in a season.

Randy Halverson, Director of Linear Infrastructure Services, stated that this is correct. They have the budget for once per year and the removal is triggered by laneway width. As snowbanks get taller, they also get wider which pushes cars out closer to the traveled lane which trigger the removal.

Councillor Dutrisac stated that the snow removal is important in other areas other than the downtown so that people can access businesses and have the ability to walk. She asked if the snow accumulation is the same across the City of Greater Sudbury.

Tony Cecutti, General Manager of Growth and Infrastructure Services, stated that the policy is generally the same across the entire City as it is based on the width of the traveled portion of the roadway. In the downtown core parking is allowed on both sides of the road, therefore, the snowbank does not have to get as wide as in some other areas to start constraining the ability to drive through the downtown. If circumstances occur where there is more snowfall in one place than another the removal is triggered by the inability of two (2) vehicles passing by safely in the roadway.

The following resolution was presented:

OP2018-15 Reynolds/Cormier: THAT the City of Greater Sudbury staff be directed to prepare a business case for removal of snowbanks during the winter season for the core downtown area.

CARRIED

Montrose Petition

Councillor Landry-Altmann asked for an update on the petition requesting sidewalks on Montrose Avenue.

Joe Rocca, Traffic and Asset Management Supervisor, stated that they have received the petition and are currently working on a response.

Forestdale Traffic Control

Councillor Landry-Altmann asked for an update on the traffic control on Forestdale Drive at Montrose Avenue.

Joe Rocca, Traffic and Asset Management Supervisor, stated that he has spoken to individuals in Development Engineering about the intersection and they are scheduling an on site meeting with the consulting engineer for the developing northerly subdivision in order to review what is causing some of the sight line concerns and to see what remedies can be implemented.

Potholes

Councillor Cormier asked, on behalf of Councillor Vagnini, if City staff regularly seen in trucks working, play a part in reporting potholes, if it is a specific department who does it or it is most City staff that are seen out in vehicles on the road.

Tony Cecutti, General Manager of Growth and Infrastructure, stated that they follow the minimum maintenance standards that are prepared provincially and adopted by the municipality which include road controls. Therefore, they do send crews around to patrol the roadways. It also involves investigations that may be the response of someone who has called into 311.

Randy Halverson, Director of Linear Infrastructure Services, stated that they decide which potholes get dealt with first based on severity. Generally speaking, the road classification dictates what they do and it ranges from 4-30 days. All Roads and Transportation staff review the information but it is non-union staff that completes road patrols on a daily basis.

Councillor Cormier asked if the City has looked into pothole filling machines.

Tony Cecutti, General Manager of Growth and Infrastructure Services, stated that it is something they have looked into extensively. They are aware of new innovations with single

operator vehicles. Thunder Bay has purchased a few and he has visited to view the equipment. Money has been set aside to purchase new equipment for pothole repair. However, they have not made any specific decisions as to what will serve the City's purposes.

Phase 2 Mountain Street Diversion

Councillor Landry-Altmann asked for an update regarding the second phase of the Mountain Street diversion.

Tony Cecutti, General Manager of Growth and Infrastructure Services, stated that there is work going on with the approval authorities. Further, they have a consultant that is actively working on the project.

Junction Creek Sub Watershed

Councillor Landry-Altmann asked when the study for the Junction Creek sub watershed plan will be presented.

Tony Cecutti, General Manager of Growth and Infrastructure Services, stated that the Junction Creek sub watershed plan will be presented to City Council in July.

Notices of Motion

No Notices of Motion were presented.

Adjournment

Reynolds/Landry-Altmann: THAT this meeting does now adjourn. Time: 5:52 p.m.

CARRIED

Adam Kosnick, Deputy City Clerk