



City of Barrie

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Minutes - Final Community Services Committee

Wednesday, May 10, 2017

6:30 PM

Council Chamber

For consideration by General Committee on May 29, 2017

The meeting was called to order by the Chair of the Community Services Committee, Councillor B. Ainsworth at 6:31 p.m.. The following were in attendance at the meeting:

Present: 5 - Councillor, B. Ainsworth
Mayor, J. Lehman
Councillor, R. Romita
Councillor, P. Silveira
Councillor, A. Khan

STAFF:

Backflow Prevention Program Coordinator, B. Quan
Building Inspector, D. Flucker
City Clerk/Director of Legislative and Court Services, D. McAlpine
Community Events Programmer, L. Babcock
Committee Support Clerk, T. Maynard
Director of Environmental Services, J. Thompson
Director of Roads, Parks and Fleet, D. Friary
General Manager of Infrastructure and Growth Management, R. Forward
Manager of Culture, O. Groves
Manager of Water Operations, C. Marchant
Senior Traffic Technologist, J. Sharp
Supervisor of Small Building, Residential, C. Glanville
Supervisor of Compliance and Technical Support, D. Moreau.

The Community Services Committee met and reports as follows:

SECTION "A"

OPEN DELEGATION BY A REPRESENTATIVE(S) OF MEDLEY CORP REGARDING A PROPOSED MEDLEY CORP. WINE & FOOD EXPO 2018 TO BE HELD ON PUBLIC PROPERTY AT THE SOUTHSHORE CENTRE, JULY, 2018

Craig Russell and Phillip Moore provided an open delegation regarding a proposed Medley Corp. Wine & Food Expo 2018 to be held on public property at the Southshore Centre July, 2018.

Mr. Russell and Mr. Moore discussed the following slides:

- A synopsis of the proposed 2018 Wine & Food Expo event;
- A description of the proposed event setup for the Southshore Centre grounds and Southshore Centre;
- The statistics associated with the Toronto Wine & Cheese Show;
- An outline of the 2016 Toronto Wine & Spirit Festival at Sugar Beach, Downtown Waterfront;
- Images of the Toronto Wine & Spirit Festival at Sugar Beach, Downtown Waterfront;
- The expectations for the proposed Medley Corp. 2018 Wine & Food Expo; and
- The next steps in process for the proposed Medley Corp. 2018 Wine & Food Expo.

In closing, Mr. Moore commented that they would like to obtain approval to host the event for a five year term including the use of public property on the waterfront.

Members of the Committee asked a number of questions related to the information provided and received responses from Mr. Russell, M. Moore and City staff.

The Community Services Committee met and recommends adoption of the following recommendation(s):

SECTION "B"

MEDLEY CORP WINE AND FOOD EXPO 2018

1. That staff in the Creative Economy Department be directed to work with Medley Corp. towards an agreement to allow the Medley Corp Wine and Food Expo to proceed in 2018.
2. That staff in the Creative Economy Department be directed to provide criteria related to for-profit events on public property, specifying under what conditions the value to the City and economy present an opportunity for the City, and report back to General Committee.

This matter was recommended to General Committee for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 5/29/2017.

The Community Services Committee met and reports as follows:

SECTION "C"

GOVERNING BACKFLOW PREVENTION AND CROSS CONNECTION CONTROL

Three individuals (R. Duhamel, Chris Langford, P. Eng of Hubbert EME Engineering Inc. and Chris Barnett of DLA Piper (Canada) LLP) on behalf of Hassey Management addressed the Committee concerning Governing Backflow Prevention and Cross Connection Control. They provided comments and concerns related to the following:

- A concern that the by-law needs to be clarified to provide a clear definition and an understanding of the requirements related to assessments undertaken as part of cross connection control survey;
- Concerns associated with the interpretation of a proper assessment of multi-residential units and whether such assessments are necessary;
- A concern related to the financial implications to property owners related to cross connection control surveys;
- Legal concerns with respect to the authority for the by-law, the potential conflict between the by-law and the Ontario Building Code and the provisions within the by-law being applied retroactively.

In closing C. Barnett, DLA Piper (Canada) LLP provided the Committee with correspondence dated May 10, 2017 concerning his legal opinion regarding the draft by-law on Governing Backflow Prevention and Cross Connection Control.

Members of Committee asked several questions related to the information provided and received responses from Mr. Duhamel, Mr. Langford. Mr. Barnett and City staff. (17-G-012) (ENV001-17) (File: W04) (P47/14)

The Community Services Committee met and recommends adoption of the following recommendation(s):

SECTION "D"

GOVERNING BACKFLOW PREVENTION AND CROSS CONNECTION CONTROL

That the Report to Community Services Committee dated May 10, 2017 concerning Governing Backflow Prevention and Cross Connection Control be referred back to staff in the Environmental Services Department to allow for a further meeting with the representatives of Hassey Management and a new report be presented to Community Services Committee to address the matters raised during the May 10, 2017 meeting, including the following:

- The comments provided by Chris Langford, P. Eng of Hubbert EME Engineering Inc. with respect to the extent of inspections required to meet the definition of a cross connection survey and the need for such surveys given the type of building systems in Barrie;
- A comparison of the scope of work identified in the cost examples for cross connection surveys that were provided by both representatives of Hassey Management and City staff;
- The opportunity to provide further clarification in the definition of a cross connection control survey to establish the minimum sample sizes for inspection associated with any such survey and/or to distinguish between the form of construction or types of uses in the building;
- A review by the Legal Services Department of the letter and comments provided by Chris Barnett of DLA Piper (Canada) LLP regarding his legal opinion with respect to the draft by-law;
- The potential to find a balance between the level of risk associated with undertaking limited inspections as part of a cross connection control surveys and the cost associated with undertaking the surveys;
- The consideration of the financial implications to property owners related to requirements for cross connection control surveys and the allocation of responsibility for the costs between the City and the property owner;
- The prevalence of similar backflow prevention and cross connection control by-laws in other Ontario municipalities; and

- The opportunity to minimize exposure for both the City and property owners by further clarifying the definitions and requirements related to cross connection control surveys. (17-G-012) (ENV001-17) (File: W04)

This matter was recommended to General Committee for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 5/29/2017.

The Community Services Committee met and reports as follows:

SECTION "E"

SPECIAL EVENTS POLICY QUARTERLY UPDATE

Onalee Groves, Manager of Culture provided a presentation regarding the Special Events Policy Quarterly Report Update. Ms. Groves discussed slides concerning the following topics:

- The number of Special Event Permit applications issued for 2016 and received to date for 2017;
- The road closure process utilized for Special events; and
- A review of past and upcoming Community and Corporate Events.

Members of the Committee asked a number of questions related to the information provided and received responses from City staff. (File: D00)

The Community Services Committee met and recommends adoption of the following:

SECTION "F"

PARKING INVESTIGATION ON WORSLEY STREET

That the current on-street paid parking stall remain on both sides of Worsley Street between Owen Street and Mulcaster Street. (File: T02-PA)

This matter was recommended to General Committee for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 5/29/2017.

The Community Services Committee met and reports as follows:

SECTION "G"

REPORT OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE DATED FEBRUARY 1, 2017

The Report of the Environmental Advisory Committee dated February 1, 2017 was received (File: C05)

CARBON TAX VS CAP-AND-TRADE

The Community Services Committee met and discussed the following motion:

WHEREAS the Province of Ontario developed a plan to fight climate change and meet emission reduction targets through a Cap and Trade program effective January 1, 2017;

AND WHEREAS Cap and Trade applies to domestic industries resulting in little reduction of carbon emissions by omitting individual Canadians even though they are the larger emitters;

AND WHEREAS Cap and Trade and Carbon Tax impose costs on industries, only the latter can be rebated when the goods are exported;

AND WHEREAS Cap and Trade cannot be imposed on imported goods, a Carbon Tax can be, ensuring domestic manufacturers cannot easily avoid reducing carbon emissions by moving their manufacturing offshore;

AND WHEREAS pricing carbon emissions through a Carbon Tax is a powerful tool, offering visible and viable incentives that governments can easily encourage, that may result in a larger impact on all industries, companies and households to reduce carbon emissions;

NOW THEREFORE BE RESOLVED:

1. That correspondence be sent to the Federal and Provincial governments encouraging them to work together to consider a country-wide Carbon Tax to reduce global carbon emissions.
2. That a copy of the correspondence be sent to the Government of Canada, the Province of Ontario, John Brassard, Member of Parliament for Barrie - Innisfil, Alex Nuttall, Member of Parliament for Barrie - Springwater - Oro-Medonte, Ann Hoggarth, Member of Provincial Parliament for Barrie and surrounding Ontario Municipalities.

No further action was taken.

REPORT OF THE SENIORS ADVISORY COMMITTEE DATED FEBRUARY 13, 2017

The Report of the Environmental Advisory Committee dated February 13, 2017 was received. (File: C05)

REPORT OF THE COMMUNITIES IN BLOOM COMMITTEE DATED MARCH 9, 2017

The Report of the Communities in Bloom Committee dated March 9, 2017 was received. (File: C05)

REPORT OF THE SENIORS ADVISORY COMMITTEE DATED MARCH 13, 2017

The Report of the Seniors Advisory Committee dated March 13, 2017 was received. (File: C05)

REPORT OF THE SENIORS ADVISORY COMMITTEE DATED APRIL 10, 2017

The Report of the Seniors Advisory Committee dated April 10, 2017 was received. (File: C05)

The meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

CHAIR