

City of Barrie

70 Collier Street (Box 400) Barrie, ON L4M 4T5

Meeting Agenda

Community Services Committee

Tuesday, November 20, 2012 4:30 PM

Council Chamber

1. PRESENTATION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

1.1

Presentation by Barry Thompson, Energy and Environmental Officer regarding District Energy.

<u>Attachments:</u> <u>District Energy Presentation.pdf</u>

1.2

Presentation by Rob Emerson, Manager, Business Services - Recreation, Facilities and Transit regarding a Recreation Program and Facilities Service Review: Progress Update.

Attachments: Recreation Service Review Update Presentation.pdf

2. REFERRED ITEMS

2.1 Deferred by Motion 12-G-288

VOLUNTEER WORK GROUPS ON THE NORTH SHORE TRAIL

That the use of volunteer work groups to assist with the maintenance of vegetation (trees and shrubs) on the North Shore Trail not be implemented. (11-G-275) (File: R00)

Attachments: CS Report North Shore Trail.pdf

2.2 Referred by motion 12-G-319 (subject to City Council approval on November 19th, 2012)

PROPOSED COUNCIL COMMUNITY MATCHING FUND

WHEREAS, Strengthening Barrie's Financial Condition and Increasing Citizen Engagement are among Council's Strategic Priorities;

AND WHEREAS, Barrie has many strong neighbourhood and volunteer organizations who wish to partner with the City to improve their community;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:

- 1. That a Council Community Matching Fund Program in the amount of \$35,000 be established in 2013, on a one year pilot basis.
- 2. That the \$35,000 fund amount be established through the re-allocation of

proposed 2013 budget amounts and external sponsorship monies, resulting in no direct impact on the tax rate, as follows:

- a) \$15,000 of the Council's Strategic Priorities existing budget;
- b) \$5,000 from the Mayor's Office/CAO existing budget for community outreach; and
- c) \$15,000 from external sponsorships be sought by Mayor Lehman.
- 3. That the following criteria be established for the Council Community Matching Fund Program:
 - a) That the matching fund grants be awarded to resident groups and associated organizations for projects within the City of Barrie that encourage:
 - i) Community building;
 - ii) Child and youth engagement;
 - iii) Encouragement of multiculturalism, diversity and inclusion;
 - iv) Historical awareness;
 - v) Neighbourhood beautification / improvement;
 - vi) Recreation; or
 - vii) Crime prevention and safety.
 - b) That the fund be divided in two categories: "Small but Significant Projects" having a maximum matching request of less than \$1,000; and "Large Projects" having a maximum matching request of less than \$5,000;
 - c) That in order to qualify, resident groups be required to obtain community donations of money, volunteer labour, professional services and materials and supplies; the value of those donations would be tallied and the fund would match an appropriate amount (not to exceed the limits identified in paragraph 3 b);
 - d) That applications for this fund be evaluated and approved by a citizen-only working group (comprised of five Barrie residents, to be appointed by Barrie City Council), to limit political involvement in project selection;
 - e) That existing or previously funded events, projects that duplicate others and fundraising (as the sole purpose of the event), gala or sporting events be ineligible for these funds, as the intent is to

spark new community ties, new events, and new projects that are reflective of the priorities of the neighbourhoods; and

- f) That grants be provided on the condition that the grant recipient provides accounting and reporting of project progress and completion to the satisfaction of City staff.
- 4. The staff in the Mayor's Office provide administrative support for the Council Community Matching Fund Program by co-ordinating the application process. (Item for Discussion 6.4, November 12, 2012) (File: F00)

Attachments: Council Community Matching Fund.pdf

3. ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPORTS TO BE RECEIVED

3.1 Communities in Bloom Committee Report dated October 17, 2012.

Attachments: CIB Report 2012 10 17.pdf

3.2 Communities in Bloom Committee Report dated November 7, 2012.

Attachments: CIB Report 2012 11 07.pdf

4. REPORTS TO COMMITTEE

SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY WORK PROGRAM

- 1. That the following five principles of sustainable development, within the report to the Community Services Committee dated November 20, 2012, be incorporated into the Sustainable Development Strategy in accordance with the review and assessment outlined in the staff report with subject title 'Sustainable Development Strategy Work Program', received by Community Services Committee on November 20, 2012:
 - i) Sustainable Building Practices;
 - ii) Low Impact Development (LID) Practices for Stormwater and Land Development;
 - iii) Removal of Any Municipal Administrative/Regulatory Barriers to the Implementation of Sustainable Development Practices;
 - iv) Adaptation and Mitigation Strategies to Address the Impacts of Climate Change; and
 - v) Monitoring and Maintenance Strategies to Evaluate the Performance of Sustainable Development Initiatives in Barrie.
- 2. That the recommendation by the Environmental Advisory Committee to require LEED Certification for all projects not be made mandatory.

3. That the Report to the Community Services Committee dated November 20, 2012 regarding the proposed work program for the Sustainable Development Strategy be endorsed. (12-G-018) (File: D00)

<u>Attachments:</u> Sustainable Development Report.pdf

5. ADJOURNMENT