



SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

February 7, 2023

6:00 p.m.

Council Chambers, Brantford City Hall
58 Dalhousie Street, Brantford

1. ROLL CALL

Present: Mayor Davis, Councillor Sicoli, Councillor Sullivan, Councillor Caputo, Councillor Sless, Councillor McCreary, Councillor Martin, Councillor Carpenter, Councillor Van Tilborg, Councillor Samwell, Councillor Hunt

2. DECLARATIONS OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of conflicts of interests declared.

3. PRESENTATIONS/ DELEGATIONS [list, if any, available at meeting]

3.1 Item 4.1 - Term Sheet for OHL Team Agreement for Brantford Civic Centre [Financial Impact: \$4,730,000], 2023-58

Michael Andlauer, Owner and Chairman, Bulldogs Hockey Club; Matt Turek, General Manager, Hockey Operations; Jeff Elia, Vice President, Business Operations; Peggy Chapman, Executive Director of Foundation; Steve Staios, Former General Manager, Part Owner, Bulldogs Hockey Club; Stefano Reale, Vice President of Finance

Michael Andlauer, Owner and Chairman, Bulldogs Hockey Club along with Matt Turek, General Manager, Hockey Operations and Jeff Elia, Vice President, Business Operations appeared before Council and provided a presentation and video regarding the Bulldogs re-location to Brantford. A copy of the presentation and video have been saved in the file.

The presenters answered numerous questions of Council.

4. ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

4.1 Term Sheet for OHL Team Agreement for Brantford Civic Centre [Financial Impact: \$4,730,000], 2023-58

Moved by Councillor Van Tilborg
Seconded by Councillor Carpenter

- A. THAT Report 2023-58 titled "Term Sheet for OHL Team Agreement for Brantford Civic Centre" BE RECEIVED; and
- B. THAT the Term Sheet included in Report 2023-58 at Appendix A BE APPROVED and the Chief Administrative Officer BE DIRECTED to execute the Term Sheet and any amendments thereto that are in keeping with the general understanding set out therein;
- C. THAT Staff BE DIRECTED to negotiate a Facility Lease / License Agreement with the Bulldogs regarding its use of the Brantford Civic Centre, commencing in 2023 for a three-year term, with an additional three one-year renewals, as set out in the Term Sheet; and
- D. THAT Staff BE DIRECTED to engage and retain professional services, including external sport facility and public relations consultant(s), and legal services, for the purpose of negotiating with the Bulldogs regarding the contemplated Facility Lease / License Agreement and to fund these costs estimated to be \$105,000 from the Casino Legacy Reserve RF0555; and
- E. THAT subject to the successful negotiation of a Facility Lease/License Agreement with the Hamilton Bulldogs, the City Clerk BE DIRECTED to place the Facility Lease/License Agreement on the Signing By-Law for execution by the Mayor and Clerk; and
- F. THAT subject to the execution of a Facility Lease/License Agreement with the Hamilton Bulldogs, the following capital requirements BE FUNDED from the Casino Legacy Reserve RF0555:
 - i. installation of a heating, ventilation and air conditioning system at the Brantford Civic Centre - \$1,625,000; and

- ii. Leasehold improvement allowance - \$3,000,000.

Recorded Vote on Item 4.1:

YES: (11): Mayor Davis, Councillor Sicoli, Councillor Sullivan, Councillor Caputo, Councillor Sless, Councillor Martin, Councillor McCreary, Councillor Carpenter, Councillor Samwell, and Councillor Van Tilborg, Councillor Hunt

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (11 to 0)

5. RESOLUTIONS

Moved by Councillor Sicoli

Seconded by Councillor Sullivan

Motion to Waive the Rules:

THAT Section 15.11.5 and 15.3.12 of Chapter 15 of the City of Brantford Municipal Code BE WAIVED in order to introduce the following Resolution without prior Notice of Motion and without having been considered at a Committee of the Whole or Standing Committee

The Coldest Night of the Year – February 25, 2023

WHEREAS the Coldest Night of the Year is an opportunity for tens of thousands of Canadians to collectively shine a light on homelessness; and

WHEREAS people across the country including members of our community will walk in the cold on February 25, 2023 to demonstrate concern for vulnerable individuals who do not have a home, and require shelter; and

WHEREAS each step participants take during the Coldest Night of the Year brings someone closer to safety, health and home, as together, funds are raised for local organizations whose commitment and work transforms peoples' lives; and

WHEREAS members of our community are collecting donations that will fund critical services that support vulnerable families and individuals in our community; and

WHEREAS participants who walk on the Coldest Night of the Year will better understand the experience of being on the streets during a cold Canadian winter while raising funds to aid the Why Not City Missions in Brantford; and

WHEREAS Why Not City Missions works with high-risk youth to stabilize their lives and build their skills so they can have the opportunity to live independent, productive lives; and

WHEREAS in 2021 Why Not City Missions launched Why Not Youth Housing and opened their first house for young men, Charlie's Place, and in 2022 opened the Supportive Housing for Young Parents (SHYP) where their goal is to keep young families together by providing wrap-around supports from the start.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

- A. THAT Communications staff be directed to help promote the Coldest Night of the Year on February 25, 2023 to encourage community members to participate and/or donate to this worthy cause.
- B. THAT the City will form a team made up of Councillors and City staff who volunteer to participate in the 2023 Coldest Night of the Year in support of Why Not Missions on February 25th

Recorded Vote on the Motion to Waive the Rules:

YES: (11): Mayor Davis, Councillor Sicoli, Councillor Sullivan, Councillor Caputo, Councillor Sless, Councillor Martin, Councillor McCreary, Councillor Carpenter, Councillor Samwell, and Councillor Van Tilborg, Councillor Hunt

CARRIED (11 to 0)

Resolution:

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Seconded by Councillor Sullivan

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Recorded Vote on Coldest Night of the Year Resolution:

YES: (11): Mayor Davis, Councillor Sicoli, Councillor Sullivan, Councillor Caputo, Councillor Sless, Councillor Martin, Councillor McCreary, Councillor Carpenter, Councillor Samwell, and Councillor Van Tilborg, Councillor Hunt

CARRIED (11 to 0)

5.1 Estimates Committee Report 2023-02-06

Moved by Councillor Martin

Seconded by Councillor McCreary

Motion to Waive the Rules

THAT Section 15.3.7 of Chapter 15 of the City of Brantford Municipal Code BE WAIVED in order to introduce the following report without having been set forth in the notice calling the Special City Council Meeting:

Estimates Committee Report 2023-02-06 - 2023 Brantford Police Services Operating Budget

Recorded Vote on Motion to Waive the Rules:

YES: (5): Mayor Davis, Councillor Sicoli, Councillor Sless, Councillor Martin, Councillor McCreary

No: (6): Councillor Sullivan, Councillor Caputo, Councillor Carpenter, Councillor Samwell, and Councillor Van Tilborg, Councillor Hunt

LOST (6 to 5)

6. BY-LAWS

Moved by Councillor Sicoli

Seconded by Councillor Sullivan

THAT LEAVE BE GIVEN to the Mover and Seconder to introduce the following By-law for 1st and 2nd Reading:

BY-LAW PREAMBLE

15-2023 By-law to confirm the Proceedings of the Council of The Corporation of the City of Brantford with respect to the Special Meeting held on February 7, 2023.

Recorded Vote on By-law:

YES: (11): Mayor Davis, Councillor Sicoli, Councillor Sullivan, Councillor Caputo, Councillor Sless, Councillor Martin, Councillor McCreary, Councillor Carpenter, Councillor Samwell, and Councillor Van Tilborg, Councillor Hunt

CARRIED

Moved by Councillor Caputo
Seconded by Councillor Sless

THAT By-law 15-2023 having received a first and second reading BE
TAKEN as read a third time, and be finally passed and signed by the
Mayor and Clerk.

Recorded Vote on Third Reading of By-law:

YES: (11): Mayor Davis, Councillor Sicoli, Councillor Sullivan, Councillor Caputo,
Councillor Sless, Councillor Martin, Councillor McCreary, Councillor Carpenter,
Councillor Samwell, and Councillor Van Tilborg, Councillor Hunt

CARRIED

7. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:54 p.m.

Mayor K. Davis, Chair

C. Gauthier, Deputy Clerk