

September 26, 2023

Committee of the Whole – Planning and Administration Report #2023-09-12

REPORT TO: Mayor and Members
City Council

Your Committee of the Whole – Planning and Administration submits the following recommendations from its meeting held on September 12, 2023:

12.3.1 Mid-Year Council Priorities Update [Financial Impact: \$70, 000], 2023-493

- A. THAT Staff Report 2023-493 Council Priorities Mid-Year Update BE RECEIVED; and
- B. THAT staff be DIRECTED to partner with Wilfrid Laurier University's Research and Academic Centre to update the "Community Vital Signs" Report and to develop The City of Brantford's Vision not to exceed \$70,000 to BE FUNDED from the Council Priorities Reserve; and
- C. THAT Staff BE DIRECTED to report bi-annually to Council with the next report in January 2024 including an update on the progress of the Community Vital Signs Report and The City of Brantford's Vision.

12.3.2 Proposed Downtown Façade & Safety Improvement Grant Program [Financial Impact – None], 2023-464

- A. THAT Report 2023-464, titled "Proposed Downtown Façade & Safety Improvement Grant Program" BE RECEIVED; and
- B. THAT Planning Staff BE DIRECTED to prepare an Amendment to the Downtown Community Improvement Plan to introduce a new Downtown Façade & Safety Improvement Grant Program, following the process requirements of Section 28(5) of the Planning Act, including public consultation, as outlined in Section 9 of Report 2023-464.

12.3.3 Recommendation to Add 53 Charlotte Street (the Crystal Cottage) to the Brantford Heritage Register as a Listed Property [Financial Impact: None], 2023-546

- A. THAT Report 2023-546, titled "Recommendation to Add 53 Charlotte Street (the Crystal Cottage) to the Brantford Heritage Register as a Listed Property", BE RECEIVED; and
- B. THAT 53 Charlotte Street BE ADDED to the Heritage Register as non-designated, listed property; and

- C. THAT Planning Staff BE DIRECTED to provide notice to the owner of the property (Brant Historical Society) in accordance with the requirements of Section 27(5) and (6) of the Ontario Heritage Act.

12.3.4 Proposed Heritage Attribute Removal at 135 Sydenham Street, a Property Designated under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act – Application HD-01-23 [Financial Impact – None], 2023-530

- A. THAT Report 2023-530, titled “Proposed Heritage Attribute Removal at 135 Sydenham Street, a Property Designated under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act – Application HD-01-23”, BE RECEIVED; and
- B. THAT the request to remove a heritage attribute from the designated property at 135 Sydenham Street, in accordance with the details described in Application HD-01-23, BE APPROVED with the following condition(s):
 - i. This approval shall lapse on December 31, 2023 if a Demolition Permit is not issued pursuant the Building Code Act, 1992.

12.3.5 Lease Renewal - Centreline Physio, Sports and Wellness Inc. [Financial Impact: \$111,295.80], 2023-484

- A. THAT Report 2023-484 entitled “Lease Renewal - Centreline Physio Sports and Wellness Inc.” BE RECEIVED; and
- B. THAT the City Clerk BE DIRECTED to place the Lease Agreement between The Corporation of the City of Brantford and Centreline Physio, Sports and Wellness Inc. on the Signing By-law for execution by the Mayor and City Clerk on the earliest available Council agenda.

12.3.6 Update to Closing and Conveyance – Pipe Street [Financial Impact: None], 2023-563

- A. THAT Report No 2023-563 entitled “Road Closing and Conveyance of Pipe Street”, BE RECEIVED; and
- B. THAT Staff BE DIRECTED to initiate the process to convey Pipe Street described as: Part of Pipe Street, Plan 2M-1963; being Part 1 on the draft reference plan 2M-1963, being Part of the PIN 32275-0659 (LT) , and Block 24, Plan 2M-1963; being Part 4 on the draft plan, Being Part of the PIN 32275-065 (LT) and Block 25, Plan 2M-1963; being Part 5 on the draft reference plan; being Part of the PIN 32275-0652 (LT) and Block 26, Plan 2M-1963; being Part 7 on the draft plan, being all of the PIN 32275-0653 (LT) and Block 27, Plan 2M-1963, being Part 8 on the draft plan, being all of the PIN 32275-0654 (LT);
- C. THAT the necessary closure by-law BE PRESENTED to City Council for adoption.

12.3.7 Municipal Accommodation Revenue Tool Tax Force Report #2023-08-22

- A. THAT Report 2023-516 regarding Options for Implementation of a Municipal Accommodation Tax (MAT) BE RECEIVED; and
- B. THAT Staff BE DIRECTED to develop the structure and implementation plan for a Municipal Accommodation Tax (MAT) program in Brantford at 4%; and
- C. THAT Staff BE DIRECTED to conduct a public consultation campaign and prepare a business case study regarding the creation of a Municipal Services Corporation (MSC), as required by Ontario Provincial Regulation 599/06, which may operate as the City of Brantford's eligible tourism entity to receive funds from the MAT; and
- D. THAT Staff REPORT BACK to the Municipal Accommodation Tool Task Force with the results of the public consultation campaign and the business case, as identified in Clause C, by Q4 2023.

Respectfully Submitted,

Mayor Davis, Chair