

## Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee Meeting

held via Zoom  
Monday, March 14, 2022  
at 3:00 p.m.

**Present:** Isaac Gilbert, Chair  
James Palanio, Vice Chair  
Cameron Baughen  
Drew Barnes  
Joanne Grimaldi  
John Archer  
Marc Tougas\*  
Raymond Stassi\*  
Tyson Bull  
Susan Fraser

**Council Liaison:** James Miller, Councillor

**Staff:** Anthony Haddad, General Manager of Community Services  
JoAnne Kleb, Public Engagement Program Manager  
Kelsey Johnson, Manager of Recreation, Arts and Culture  
Len Robson, Public Works Manager\*  
Rebecca Van Huizen, Legislative Assistant

**Regrets:** Andrew Drouin  
Laura Harp  
Robert (Sandy) Ross

\* denotes partial attendance

### 1. **Call to Order**

The Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee was called to order by the Chair at 3:00 p.m.

Marc Tougas entered the Zoom meeting at 3:03 p.m.

Marc Tougas left the Zoom Meeting at 3:04 p.m.

The Chair went over Robert's Rules of Order when voting on motions during the Committee meeting.

### 2. **Adoption of Agenda**

**It was MOVED and SECONDED**

THAT the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee adopt the agenda for the meeting held on March 14, 2022 as presented.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

3. **Adoption of Minutes**

3.1 Minutes of the January 27, 2022 Special Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee Meeting

**It was MOVED and SECONDED**

THAT the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee adopt the minutes from the Special Meeting of January 27, 2022 meeting as presented.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

3.2 Minutes of the February 14, 2022 Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee Meeting

**It was MOVED and SECONDED**

THAT the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee adopt the minutes of the February 14, 2022 meeting as presented.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

4. **New Business**

4.1 Introduction of New Committee Members

The Chair introduced the three (3) new Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee Members that were recently appointed by Council. The Committee participated in roundtable introductions allowing newly appointed members Cameron Baughen and Joanne Grimaldi to introduce themselves.

Due to technical issues Raymond Stassi left the meeting at 3:15 p.m.

The Public Works Manager entered the Zoom meeting at 3:18 p.m.

4.2 Civic Places and Spaces Engagement Update

The Public Engagement Program Manager displayed a PowerPoint presentation on the results of the Civic Places and Spaces Engagement Update process and anticipated next steps.

The floor was opened up to the Committee Members for questions and comments. Committee Members provided individual comments on the results and staff recommendations from the presentation.

A Committee Member suggested that when designing the new civic buildings that the City try to incorporate environmental benefits into the design. Staff need to also take into account the history, heritage, and emotional value the Memorial Arena and Art Gallery have when going through the engagement process. Noted that any disposition of property should be thought of early in the development as it can be a controversial route. A Committee Member agreed that more efficiency when designing the new buildings needs to be addressed. Raised concerns with parking near the Twin Arenas – might need additional lands to mitigate this. Suggested if there is a way to use current buildings as a foundation and do an addition to them as opposed to demolishing it – could be cost effective. A Committee Member suggested the City approach the School District to explore if the Shatford Centre may be part of the solution. A Committee Member provided comments on lack of land and space to grow within the City.

Councillor Miller noted that engagement with the Library Board and staff has been open and transparent.

The Chair thanked staff on the public engagement that has been done to date.

#### 4.3 Council Decisions Update – Sportsplex Surface Replacement

The Manager of Recreation, Arts and Culture provided a verbal update of Council's decision on the Sportsplex Surface Replacement and noted that Council approved it at the March 1 Council Meeting and it will be moving forward.

The Chair went over the Terms of Reference for the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee as a refresher for both existing and new Committee Members.

#### 5. **Next Meeting**

The next Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee meeting is tentatively scheduled to be held on April 11, 2022 at 3:00 p.m.

#### 6. **Public Question Period**


#### 7. **Adjournment**

**It was MOVED and SECONDED**

THAT the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee adjourn the meeting held on March 14, 2022 at 4:02 p.m.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

Certified Correct:

  
Rebecca Van Huizen  
Legislative Assistant

