

Economic Prosperity and Development Services Advisory Committee Meeting

to be held via Zoom
Friday, October 8, 2021
at 8:00 a.m.

Present:

Sean Ingraham, Chair
Sharon Fletcher, Vice Chair
Cary Berger
Chris Allen
Derek Badger
Jeff McGinley
Josie Tyabji
Judy Richards
Kelly Mercer
Larry Olson
Sandra Oldfield

Council Liaison:

John Vassilaki, Mayor

Staff:

Anthony Haddad, General Manager of Community Services
Blake Laven, Director of Development Services
Carly Lewis, Economic Development Manager
Jim Bauer, General Manager of Finance and Administration
JoAnne Kleb, Public Engagement Program Manager
John Schappert, Legislative Assistant

Regrets:

Alexandra Nuth
Brian Murphy
Diane Kereluk
Drew Barnes
Eric Corneau
Nathan Little
Campbell Watt, Councillor

1. **Call Regular Committee Meeting to Order**

The Economic Prosperity and Development Services Advisory Committee meeting was called to order by the Chair at 8:01 a.m.

2. **Adoption of Agenda**

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the Economic Prosperity and Development Services Advisory Committee adopt the agenda for the meeting held on October 8, 2021 as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3. **Adoption of Minutes**

- 3.1 Minutes of the September 10, 2021 Economic Prosperity and Development Services Advisory Committee

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the Economic Prosperity and Development Services Advisory Committee adopt the minutes of the September 10, 2021 meeting as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

4. **New Business**

- 4.1 Monthly Building Statistics – August 2021

This item was provided for information purposes only.

- 4.2 “Civic Places & Spaces” Asset and Amenity Management

The Public Engagement Program Manager and General Manager of Finance and Administration provided background information on the Asset and Amenity Management project, highlighting objectives, the process and the priority assets. They highlighted key recommendations regarding twin arenas, public safety and emergency services, city hall and arts and culture, along with the recommended capital investments that would be required. They concluded with the planned next steps and associated timelines of community engagement.

The floor was opened to the Committee for their questions and comments. A Committee Member commented that they like the potential consolidation of some of the facilities, and asked about the potential rezoning of facilities that may be sold. Staff responded that potential zoning of land in these situations have not been determined and will be looked at depending on what decisions end up being made. A Committee Member asked if the financial projections factor in the potential for external funding and grants. Staff responded that the projections that were shown did not incorporate that. A Committee Member asked about the potential for cost sharing and staff responded that they will be looking into this possibility as the project moves along. A Committee Member commented that staff should look into what is causing certain buildings to lose their building integrity and longevity and the importance of focusing on the location of any new facilities. A Committee Member commented that it will be important to address the emotional aspect of a project like this in order to gain public support. It was noted also losing waterfront access near the Art Gallery would also be a loss.

- 4.3 North Gateway Design Charrette Update

The General Manager of Community Services provided an update on the North Gateway Design Charrette process that was recently completed. He noted major themes that were developed including: three key districts, three corridors, three gateways and one festival boulevard. He commented on the vision of the project, the guiding principles and showed the overall visual concept.

The floor was opened to the Committee for their questions and comments. A Committee Member commented that the city making streetscape improvements will be a driving factor to encourage further development. A Committee Member commented that it will be important to continue these improvements right to downtown to better connect these areas of the city. A Committee Member

asked about the long term expectations for the golf course, and staff responded the golf course is outside the scope of this project.

5. **Next Meeting**

The next Economic Prosperity and Development Services Advisory Committee meeting is tentatively scheduled to be held on Friday, November 5, 2021 at 8:00 a.m.

6. **Public Question Period**

7. **Adjournment**

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the Economic Prosperity and Development Services Advisory Committee adjourn the meeting held on October 8, 2021 at 9:11 a.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Certified Correct:

for


John Schappert
Legislative Assistant

