Regional Municipality of Waterloo
Community Services Committee
Minutes

Tuesday, February 2, 2016
11:09 a.m.
Regional Council Chamber
150 Frederick Street, Kitchener


Absent: D. Craig, D. Jaworsky, and B. Vrbanovic

Declarations of Pecuniary Interest under “The Municipal Conflict of Interest Act”
None declared.

Delegations

a) Brayden McNeill and Oscar Cole-Arnal, Alliance Against Poverty re: Transit Access for All

B. McNeill appeared before the Committee on behalf of the Alliance Against Poverty (AAP). He noted that affordable transit was discussed by Regional Council during the budget process and that the AAP fully supports free transit for recipients of Ontario Works and the Ontario Disability Support Program. B. McNeill noted that other communities have seen costs for ancillary services decrease when providing increased basic services such as free housing or transit.

In response to a question from the Committee, Douglas Bartholomew-Saunders, Commissioner, Community Services, stated that staff are looking at the issue and will
be providing a report in the late summer or early fall of 2016. B. McNeill encouraged staff to take a wide view of the potential cost savings.

O. Cole-Arnal stated that he is happy that the Region is looking at more affordable transit but expressed his disappointment in the time that is being taken for the review. He encouraged staff to make this a priority.

b) **PDL-CUL-16-01, Heritage Planning Advisory Committee – 2015 Highlights and Proposed 2016 Activities (Information)**

Marg Rowell provided a presentation on behalf of the Heritage Planning Advisory Committee (HPAC). A copy of the presentation is appended to the original minutes. She noted that in 2015, HPAC worked with staff on a number of projects including developing a Heritage Conservation Toolbox with the Architectural Conservancy of Ontario and creating a Public Building Inventory. M. Rowell stated that among other things, HPAC will be working with staff to develop guidelines for Regionally Significant Heritage Resources and installing interpretive plaques in 2016.

E. Clarke thanked M. Rowell for the presentation and noted that the Public Building Inventory is a very interesting document and encouraged everyone to have a look at it.

**Consent Agenda Items**

**Request to Remove Items From Consent Agenda**

There were no requests to remove items from the consent agenda.

**Motion to Approve Items or Receive for Information**

Moved by J. Mitchell

Seconded by K. Kiefer

That the following items be approved:

- That the Regional Municipality of Waterloo increase the 2016 Operating budget for Children’s Services by $3,608,838 gross and $0 net Regional Levy for the administration and delivery of the Provincial Wage Enhancement Program; and

  That the Regional Municipality of Waterloo approve the hiring of up to 2.0 temporary full time equivalent staff for the period March 1, 2016 until December 31, 2016 as outlined in report CSD-CHS-16-02, dated February 2, 2016.

- That the Regional Municipality of Waterloo approve a one time grant in the amount of $6,000 to White Owl Native Ancestry to assist in the development of an Aboriginal family resource centre;
That the Regional Municipality of Waterloo approve a grant of $50,000 per annum for 2016, 2017 and 2018 to Conestoga College Institute of Technology and Advanced Learning for the implementation and evaluation of the Ideas Connect partnership model; and

That the 2016 Operating Budget for Children’s Services be increased by $50,000 gross and $0 net Regional levy as outlined in report CSD-CHS-16-03 dated February 2, 2016.

And that the following items be received for information:

- PHE-HPI-16-01, Quarterly Charged/Closed Food Premises Report

Carried

Regular Agenda Resumes

Reports – Public Health and Emergency Services

PHE-16-01, “Patients First” Discussion Paper and Impact on Public Health

Dr. Liana Nolan, Commissioner Public Health and Emergency Services and Medical Officer of Health, explained that the Ministry of Health and Long Term Care has released a discussion paper that includes providing greater integration of home and community health care. She noted that the paper proposes that the Local Health Integration Networks (LHIN) work closer with public health units.

Regional Chair K. Seiling informed the Committee that the report has not been well received in all areas due to existing relationships with LHINs. However, he noted that the Waterloo Wellington LHIN has recently been supportive of local health initiatives.

In response to a question from the Committee, L. Nolan stated that the report acknowledges the expertise that exists in public health units and the need for consultation.

Received for Information.

Reports – Corporate Services

COR-TRY-16-12, Ambulance Chassis Purchase

In response to a question from the Committee, Ellen McGaghey, Director, Facilities Management and Fleet Services, stated that only four chassis are recommended for purchase as a short term solution. She noted they are expecting an industry wide solution to be provided by General Motors to address longer term concerns.

Moved by H. Jowett

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Seconded by J. Mitchell

That the Regional Municipality of Waterloo approve the purchase of four (4) General Motors diesel chassis at a cost of $149,600 plus all applicable taxes from Demers Ambulance Manufacturers Inc. as outlined in report COR-TRY-16-12 dated February 2, 2016.

Carried

Information/Correspondence

a) City of Kingston Resolution re: Basic Income Guarantee was received for information.

E. Clarke stated that she would like for the Region to consider passing a resolution supporting a basic income guarantee similar to the resolution passed by the City of Kingston. The Committee requested that staff review options and any previous resolutions in relation to a basic income guarantee and report back to the Committee. D. Bartholomew-Saunders stated that a report could be provided in May.

b) Council Enquiries and Requests for Information Tracking List was received for information.

Other Business

J. Mitchell requested that staff investigate options for making Grand River Transit photo identification cards available in locations beyond the Charles Street and Ainslie Street transit terminals.

Next Meeting – February 23, 2016

Adjourn

Moved by K. Redman

Seconded by S. Foxton

That the meeting adjourn at 11:42 a.m.

Carried

Committee Chair, G. Lorentz

Committee Clerk, T. Brubacher
The Region of Waterloo

Heritage Planning Advisory Committee (HPAC)

Highlights from 2015 and Proposed Plans for 2016
Heritage Planning Advisory Committee

HIGHLIGHTS FROM 2015
Highlights from 2015

Heritage Conservation Toolbox

Heritage Conservation Toolbox
Welcome to the Regional Heritage Conservation Toolbox - your source for information, policies and guidelines related to cultural heritage resource conservation in Waterloo Region.

The Heritage Conservation Toolbox has been developed to support heritage property owners, municipalities and the public in their common efforts to conserve cultural heritage resources in the Region. The toolbox is a work in progress and will evolve over time as new resources and information become available and are developed.

Quicklinks
- Heritage Conservation & Designation
- Resources for Heritage Property Owners
- Heritage Organizations
- Resources & Links

Heritage Conservation & Designation
The following links will provide you with information on heritage properties, heritage designations and permits.

Heritage Designation Resources
- Ontario Heritage Council (OHC), Heritage Sites & Properties Page, Heritage Designation Resources

How to research a heritage property
- Directory of Heritage Sites and Properties
- How to research a heritage property
- Heritage conservation plans for heritage properties

Heritage Conservation Incentives

Waterloo Regional Heritage Foundation (WRHF)
The Waterloo Regional Heritage Foundation funding program is among the community cultural heritage conservation financial support tools in the Region. Owners of properties designated under the Ontario Heritage Act, protected by a conservation easement agreement, or a historic site designation, may receive grants in support of the restoration of their heritage resource.

Steps
- Heritage Conservation & Designation
- Resources for Heritage Property Owners
- Heritage Organizations
- Resources & Links

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Region of Waterloo
Cultivating Heritage Gardens and Landscapes Workshop

Highlights from 2015
Public Building Inventory

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Public Building Inventory

Highlights from 2015
Participation in Local Heritage Events

Highlights from 2015
Heritage Planning Advisory Committee

PROPOSED INITIATIVES FOR 2016
Initiatives for 2016

Regionally Significant Heritage Resources
Heritage Interpretation

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Heritage Conservation

A series of four historical countryside tours
Enjoy traveling the scenic roads of Waterloo Region as you visit historical sites and rural points of interest.
Heritage Education

Initiatives for 2016
Thank You

Heritage Planning Advisory Committee

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