



## MINUTES

### SPC ON COMMUNITY AND PROTECTIVE SERVICES

**October 29, 2019, 9:30 AM  
IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER**

**PRESENT:**

Councillor G-C. Carra, Chair  
Councillor E. Woolley, Vice- Chair  
Councillor S. Chu  
Councillor D. Colley-Urquhart  
Councillor J. Davison  
Councillor J. Farkas  
Councillor J. Magliocca  
Councillor J. Gondek  
Councillor D. Farrell  
Councillor S. Keating

**ALSO PRESENT:**

A/General Manager R. Hinse  
City Clerk L. Kennedy  
Legislative Coordinator S. Muscoby  
Recorder J. Palaschuk

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

Councillor Carra called the Meeting to order at 9:38 a.m.

2. **OPENING REMARKS**

Councillor Carra provided opening remarks.

3. **CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA**

**Moved by** Councillor Colley-Urquhart

That the Agenda for the 2019 October 29 Regular Meeting of the Standing Policy Committee on Community and Protective Services be confirmed.

**MOTION CARRIED**

4. **CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

4.1 Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the SPC on Community and Protective Services, 2019 October 09

**Moved by** Councillor Woolley

That the Minutes of the 2019 October 09 Regular Meeting of the Standing Policy Committee on Community and Protective Services be confirmed.

**MOTION CARRIED**

5. CONSENT AGENDA

5.1 DEFERRALS AND PROCEDURAL REQUESTS

None

5.2 BRIEFINGS

None

6. POSTPONED REPORTS

6.1 Response to Water Fluoridation in The City of Calgary, CPS2019-0965

Councillor Carra introduced the following members of the panel, who provided expert advice for Item 6.1 CPS2019-0965:

- Dr. Bill Ghali, Scientific Director, O'Brien Institute for Public Health, University of Calgary;
- Dr. Aleem Bharwani, Public Policy Lead, O'Brien Institute for Public Health, University of Calgary;
- Joy Bowen-Eyre, CEO, The Alex Community Health Centre;
- Dr. David Strong, Medical Officer of Health, Calgary Zone Lead, Alberta Health Services; and
- Dr. Rafael Figueredo, Provincial Dental Public Health Officer, Alberta Health Services.

The following speakers addressed Committee with respect to Report CPS2019-0965:

- 1 Dr. Cynthia Weijs
- 2 Dr. Lindsay McLaren
- 3 Dr. Aravind Ganesh
- 4 Dr. Paul Boucher
- 5 Emily Cooley
- 6 Harneet Chahal
- 7 Dr. Juliet Guichon
- 8 Dr. Wendy Street-Wadey

Committee recessed at 12:04 p.m. and resumed at 1:06 p.m. with Councillor Carra in the Chair.

- 9 Dr. Michelle Jung
- 10 Dr. Cora Constantinescu
- 11 Noah Cooke
- 12 James Beck
- 13 Chris Neurath
- 14 Paul Connett

Committee, by general consent, suspended Section 32(d) of the Procedure Bylaw 35M2017, as amended, to allow a member of the public to extend their presentation time.

- 15 Dr. Robert Dickson
- 16 Deborah Morgan
- 17 Jason Sokolosky
- 18 Dr. Bruce Yaholnitsky
- 19 Dr. Heidi Rabie
- 20 Heather Strang
- 21 Kevin Viliunas
- 22 Ruth Legese
- 23 Rick North
- 24 Yvonne Heerema
- 25 Joan Cummings
- 26 Jeffrey McKay

Committee recessed at 3:15 p.m. and resumed at 3:45 p.m. with Councillor Carra in the Chair.

- 27 Dr. Johnny Johnson
- 28 Scott Bykowski
- 29 Colleen Cran
- 30 Maria Castro
- 31 Mary Lee
- 32 Linda Nessel
- 33 CJ Fietz
- 34 Dr. Ian Mitchell
- 35 Jennifer Alexander
- 36 Mary Anne Schleinich
- 37 Erin Colborne
- 38 Louise Prenovost
- 39 Michael Duggan
- 40 Kindal Robertson
- 41 Shaoli Wang
- 42 Matt van Olm
- 43 Amanda Brown

Pursuant to Section 6(1) of the Procedure Bylaw 35M2017, as amended, Section 78 (2)(c) be amended, by general consent, to have the dinner recess occur between 6:30 p.m. and 7:20 p.m.

Committee recessed at 6:30 p.m. and resumed at 7:20 p.m. with Councillor Carra in the Chair.

44 Mario Gagnon  
45 Art Matsui  
46 Margaret Fong  
47 Adele Sanoy  
48 Mary Nokleby  
49 Richard Donaldson  
50 Catherine Little  
51 Eric Benny  
52 Doris Reimer  
53 Trina Listanco

Councillor Woolley rose on a Question of Privilege regarding the conduct of the public in attendance at the meeting.

54 Terry Barnhart  
55 Carly Chislett  
56 Lawrence Oshanek

The following documents were distributed with respect to Report CPS2019-0965:

- A presentation entitled "CPS2019-0965 Response to Water Fluoridation in The City of Calgary";
- A letter from Dr. Michelle Jung;
- A letter from Noah Cooke;
- A letter entitled "Safe Water Calgary Response to American Fluoridation Society Claims";
- A letter entitled "SPC on Community and Protective Services Re: Fluoride", dated 2019 October 29;
- A letter from Yvonne Heerema;
- A document entitled "CADTH Rapid Response Report: Summary with Critical Appraisal;
- A letter to Dr. Rick Woychik and Dr. Collman, dated 2019 October 23;
- A document entitled "Fluoridation's Neurotoxicity";
- A letter of response from Health Canada to a Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy request;
- A warning label for hydrofluosilicic acid;
- A letter from Art Matsui;

- A document entitled "Calgary Strom Sewer reads: Dump No Pollutants Drains to Rivers and Streams"; and
- A letter from Shaoli Wang.

The following documents were received for the Corporate Record with respect to Report CPS2019-0965:

- A document entitled "CADTH Response Report: Summary with Critical Appraisal";
- A presentation entitled "Community Water Fluoridation, Cynthia Weijs", dated 2019 October 29; and
- A document entitled "Oral Health Action Plan".

**Moved by** Councillor Woolley

That with respect to Report CPS2019-0965, the following be approved:

That the Standing Policy Committee on Community and Protective Services recommends to Council that:

1. The presentations with respect to Report CPS2019-0965 be received for the Corporate Record;
2. Thank the University of Calgary's O'Brien Institute for Public Health for their support to Council on this important public policy topic;
3. Direct Administration to undertake a full cost analysis for the potential reintroduction of fluoride into the water system including ongoing projected operational costs, City's authority and jurisdiction with regard to fluoridation, capital cost and possible utility rate impacts; and
4. Report back directly through the Priorities and Finance Committee no later Q2 2020.

And further, that the distributions received from the public at today's meeting be forwarded on with the Report to Council.

**MOTION CARRIED**

7. ITEMS FROM OFFICERS, ADMINISTRATION AND COMMITTEES

None

8. ITEMS DIRECTLY TO COMMITTEE

8.1 REFERRED REPORTS

None

8.2 NOTICE(S) OF MOTION

None

9. URGENT BUSINESS

None

10. CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

10.1 ITEMS FROM OFFICERS, ADMINISTRATION AND COMMITTEES

None

10.2 URGENT BUSINESS

None

11. ADJOURNMENT

**Moved by** Councillor Woolley

That this meeting adjourn at 8:38 p.m.

**MOTION CARRIED**

The following item has been forwarded to the 2019 November 18 Combined Meeting of Council:

**CONSENT:**

- Response to Water Fluoridation in The City of Calgary, CPS2019-0965.

The next Regular Meeting of the Standing Policy Committee on Community and Protective Services is scheduled to be held, 2019 November 13 at 9:30 a.m.

CONFIRMED BY COMMITTEE ON

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CHAIR

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ACTING CITY CLERK