



MINUTES
STRATEGIC MEETING OF COUNCIL

December 19, 2023, 9:30 AM
IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER

PRESENT:

Councillor C. Walcott
Councillor R. Dhaliwal
Councillor S. Chu
Councillor R. Pootmans
Councillor T. Wong
Councillor J. Wyness
Councillor P. Demong
Councillor S. Sharp
Councillor K. Penner
Councillor A. Chabot
Councillor E. Spencer
Councillor G-C. Carra
Councillor D. McLean
Councillor J. Mian
Mayor J. Gondek

ALSO PRESENT:

Chief Administrative Officer D. Duckworth
Chief Operating Officer S. Dalgleish
City Solicitor and General Counsel J. Floen
Chief Financial Officer C. Male
General Manager C. Arthurs
General Manager K. Black
General Manager D. Morgan
General Manager M. Thompson
A/ General Manager D. Hamilton
City Clerk K. Martin
Deputy City Clerk J. Fraser
Legislative Advisor C. Doi

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Gondek called the meeting to order at 9:33 a.m.

ROLL CALL

Councillor Carra, Councillor Chabot, Councillor Chu, Councillor Dhaliwal, Councillor McLean, Councillor Mian, Councillor Penner, Councillor Pootmans, Councillor Sharp,

Councillor Spencer, Councillor Walcott, Councillor Wong, Councillor Wyness, and Mayor Gondek

Absent from Roll Call: Councillor Demong

2. OPENING REMARKS

Mayor Gondek provided opening remarks.

Councillor Pootmans provided a traditional land acknowledgement.

Mayor Gondek recognized December 21 as the Longest Night of the Year.

3. QUESTION PERIOD

1. Councillor Wong

Topic: Administration recommendation on single use plastics following the Federal Court of Canada ruling.

4. CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA

Moved by Councillor Pootmans

Seconded by Councillor Mian

That the Agenda for the 2023 December 19 Strategic Meeting of Council be confirmed.

For: (14): Councillor Walcott, Councillor Dhaliwal, Councillor Chu, Councillor Pootmans, Councillor Wong, Councillor Wyness, Councillor Sharp, Councillor Penner, Councillor Chabot, Councillor Spencer, Councillor Carra, Councillor McLean, Councillor Mian, and Mayor Gondek

MOTION CARRIED

Moved by Councillor Penner

Seconded by Councillor Wyness

That standard recess times for the 2023 December 19 Strategic Meeting of Council be modified and set to the Call of the Chair.

For: (13): Councillor Walcott, Councillor Dhaliwal, Councillor Chu, Councillor Pootmans, Councillor Wong, Councillor Wyness, Councillor Sharp, Councillor Penner, Councillor Spencer, Councillor Carra, Councillor McLean, Councillor Mian, and Mayor Gondek

Against: (1): Councillor Chabot

MOTION CARRIED

5. ITEMS FROM OFFICERS, ADMINISTRATION AND COMMITTEES

None

6. CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

Moved by Councillor Carra
Seconded by Councillor Mian

That pursuant to Section 24 (Advice from officials) of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*, Council now move into Closed Meeting, at 9:40 a.m. in the Council Boardroom and Virnetta Anderson Hall, to discuss confidential matters with respect to the following Items:

- 6.1.1 2024-2026 Service Plan Highlights and 2023 November Adjustments Debrief, C2023-1296
- 6.1.2 Potential Changes to Local Access Fees – Budget Implications and Calgarian Impacts, C2023-1180

And further, that Lisa Baril, External Consultant, be authorized to attend the Closed Meeting with respect to Items 6.1.1, 2024-2026 Service Plan Highlights and 2023 November Adjustments Debrief, C2023-1296, and 6.1.2, Potential Changes to Local Access Fees – Budget Implications and Calgarian Impacts, C2023-1180.

For: (12): Councillor Walcott, Councillor Dhaliwal, Councillor Chu, Councillor Pootmans, Councillor Wong, Councillor Wyness, Councillor Penner, Councillor Spencer, Councillor Carra, Councillor McLean, Councillor Mian, and Mayor Gondek

Against: (2): Councillor Sharp, and Councillor Chabot

MOTION CARRIED

Council recessed at 11:55 a.m. and reconvened in Closed Meeting at 1:19 p.m. with Mayor Gondek in the Chair.

Mayor Gondek left the Chair at 2:59 p.m. and Deputy Mayor Wyness assumed the Chair.

Mayor Gondek resumed the Chair at 3:02 p.m.

Council recessed at 3:25 p.m. and reconvened in Closed Meeting at 3:38 p.m. with Mayor Gondek in the Chair.

Council reconvened in public meeting at 4:10 p.m. with Mayor Gondek in the Chair.

ROLL CALL

Councillor Carra, Councillor Chu, Councillor Demong, Councillor Dhaliwal, Councillor Mian, Councillor Penner, Councillor Pootmans, Councillor Sharp, Councillor Spencer, Councillor Walcott, Councillor Wong, Councillor Wyness, and Mayor Gondek

Absent from Roll Call: Councillor Chabot and Councillor McLean

Moved by Councillor Pootmans
Seconded by Councillor Penner

That Council rise and report.

MOTION CARRIED

6.1 ITEMS FROM OFFICERS, ADMINISTRATION AND COMMITTEES

6.1.1 2024-2026 Service Plan Highlights and 2023 November Adjustments Debrief, C2023-1296

People in attendance during the Closed Meeting discussions with respect to Confidential Report C2023-1296:

Clerks: K. Martin, J. Fraser, and J. Palaschuk. Chief Administrative Officer: D. Duckworth. Law: J. Floen. Advice: S. Dalgleish, C. Male, C. Arthurs, K. Black, D. Morgan, M. Thompson, D. Hamilton, T. Doruch, L. Rudderham, C. Jacyk, F. Bouchart, H. Kathol, L. Sproule, M. Olyniuk, H. Domzal, and N. Pili. External: L. Baril.

A Confidential document entitled "Adjustments Debrief" was distributed with respect to Confidential Report C2023-1296.

Moved by Councillor Sharp
Seconded by Councillor Wyness

That with respect to Confidential Report C2023-1296, Administration Recommendation 2 be amended by adding "and Confidential Attachment 3" following the words "Direct Administration to publicly release Confidential Attachment 2".

For: (13): Councillor Walcott, Councillor Dhaliwal, Councillor Chu, Councillor Pootmans, Councillor Wong, Councillor Wyness, Councillor Demong, Councillor Sharp, Councillor Penner, Councillor Spencer, Councillor Carra, Councillor Mian, and Mayor Gondek

MOTION CARRIED

Moved by Councillor Dhaliwal
Seconded by Councillor Wong

That with respect to Confidential Report C2023-1296, the following be adopted, **as amended**:

That Council:

1. Direct Administration to incorporate Council feedback from the 2023 December 19 Strategic Meeting of Council (C2023-1296) as set out in Confidential Distribution 1 regarding the Adjustments to the 2023-2026 Service Plans and Budgets in the development of a plan and schedule for the 2024 Mid-Cycle Adjustments to the 2023-2026 Service Plans and Budgets;
2. Direct Administration to publicly release Confidential Attachment 2 **and Confidential Attachment 3** immediately following the 2023 December 19 Strategic Meeting of Council;
3. Direct that the Closed Meeting discussions, Confidential Report, Confidential Attachments, and **Confidential Distribution 1** be

held confidential pursuant to Section 24 (Advice from officials) of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*, to be reviewed no later than 2026 December 31; and

4. Direct that, notwithstanding Recommendation 3, the Confidential Attachments **and Confidential Distribution 1** be released to Corporate Planning and Performance, to be shared with Administration, only where required, to support next steps.

For: (13): Councillor Walcott, Councillor Dhaliwal, Councillor Chu, Councillor Pootmans, Councillor Wong, Councillor Wyness, Councillor Demong, Councillor Sharp, Councillor Penner, Councillor Spencer, Councillor Carra, Councillor Mian, and Mayor Gondek

MOTION CARRIED

6.1.2 Potential Changes to Local Access Fees - Budget Implications and Calgarian Impacts, C2023-1180

People in attendance during the Closed Meeting discussions with respect to Confidential Report C2023-1180:

Clerks: K. Martin and J. Palaschuk. Chief Administrative Officer: D. Duckworth. Law: J. Floen and L. Bonnett. Advice: S. Dalgleish, C. Male, C. Arthurs, K. Black, D. Morgan, M. Thompson, D. Hamilton, T. Doruch, B. Whyte, C. Jacyk, F. Bouchart, W. Fan, R. Holberton, K. Wyllie, M. Olyniuk, and H. Domzal. External: L. Baril.

Moved by Councillor Demong
Seconded by Councillor Penner

That with respect to Confidential Report C2023-1180, the following be adopted:

That Council:

1. Postpone Confidential Report C2023-1180, Potential Changes to Local Access Fees - Budget Implications and Calgarian Impacts, C2023-1180, until The City of Calgary receives further clarity from the Government of Alberta about the future of the Regulated Rate Option (RRO);
2. If no clarity is received from the Government of Alberta with respect to Recommendation #1 above, resume Item 6.1.2, Potential Changes to Local Access Fees - Budget Implications and Calgarian Impacts C2023-1180, at the 2024 March 18 Strategic Meeting of Council;

For: (12): Councillor Walcott, Councillor Dhaliwal, Councillor Chu, Councillor Pootmans, Councillor Wong, Councillor Wyness, Councillor Demong, Councillor Sharp, Councillor Penner, Councillor Spencer, Councillor Carra, and Mayor Gondek

Against: (1): Councillor Mian

MOTION CARRIED

Moved by Councillor Demong
Seconded by Councillor Penner

That with respect to Confidential Report C2023-1180, the following be adopted:

That Council:

3. Direct Administration to prepare a public release based on non-market sensitive information from the Confidential Attachments linked to Confidential Report Potential Changes to Local Access Fees - Budget Implications and Calgarian Impacts, C2023-1180;

4. Provide Administration with any further questions of clarification or requests for information on this item, with a 2024 January 19 deadline for those submissions;

5. Direct that the Closed Meeting Discussions, Confidential Report, and Confidential Attachments be held confidential pursuant to Section 24 (Advice from officials) of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*, to be reviewed no later than 2026 December 31; and

6. Direct that, notwithstanding Recommendation 5, the Closed Meeting Discussions, Confidential Report, and Confidential Attachments be released to Corporate Planning and Performance, to be shared with Administration, only where required, to support next steps.

For: (13): Councillor Walcott, Councillor Dhaliwal, Councillor Chu, Councillor Pootmans, Councillor Wong, Councillor Wyness, Councillor Demong, Councillor Sharp, Councillor Penner, Councillor Spencer, Councillor Carra, Councillor Mian, and Mayor Gondek

MOTION CARRIED

7. BRIEFINGS

None

8. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Councillor Pootmans
Seconded by Councillor Sharp

That this Council adjourn at 4:23 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED

MAYOR

CITY CLERK

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