



MINUTES
STRATEGIC MEETING OF COUNCIL

June 25, 2024, 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 (Partial Remote Participation)
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. Dagleish
A/City Solicitor and General Counsel R. Andersen
A/City Solicitor and General Counsel L. Davies
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
A/General Manager C. Berry
City Clerk K. Martin
Legislative Coordinator M. A. Cario
Legislative Advisor C. Doi

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Gondek called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

ROLL CALL

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

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

Absent from Roll Call: Councillor Wyness

2. OPENING REMARKS

Mayor Gondek provided opening remarks.

Councillor Dhaliwal provided a traditional land acknowledgement.

3. QUESTION PERIOD

1. Councillor Sharp

Topic: Justification of closing car wash businesses during water restrictions.

2. Councillor Wong

Topic: Update on the security and cleanliness of Stephen Avenue leading up to the Calgary Stampede.

3. Councillor Dhaliwal

Topic: Clarification if the closure of car wash businesses during water restrictions is required or voluntary.

4. CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA

Moved by Councillor Pootmans

Seconded by Councillor Mian

That the Agenda for the 2024 June 25 Strategic Meeting of Council be confirmed.

MOTION CARRIED

5. ITEMS FROM OFFICERS, ADMINISTRATION AND COMMITTEES

None

6. CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

Moved by Councillor Sharp

Seconded by Councillor Dhaliwal

That pursuant to Sections 16 (Disclosure harmful to business interests of a third party), 24 (Advice from officials), 25 (Disclosure harmful to economic and other interests of a public body), and 27 (Privileged information) of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*, Council now move into Closed Meeting, at 9:39 a.m. in the Council Boardroom and the Virnetta Anderson Hall, to discuss confidential matters with respect to the following Items:

- 6.1.1 Financial Capacity Update (Verbal), C2024-0781
- 6.1.2 Strategic Approach to Mid-Cycle Adjustments to the 2023-2026 Service Plans and Budgets, C2024-0618
- 6.1.3 Municipal Fiscal Gap, C2024-0619

And further, that Lisa Baril, External Facilitator, be authorized to attend the Closed Meeting with respect to Item 6.1.2.

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

MOTION CARRIED

Mayor Gondek left the Chair at 11:25 a.m. and Deputy Mayor Penner assumed the Chair.

Mayor Gondek resumed the Chair at 11:50 a.m.

Council recessed at 11:58 a.m. and reconvened in Closed Meeting at 1:16 p.m. with Deputy Mayor Penner in the Chair.

Mayor Gondek resumed the Chair at 2:59 p.m.

Council recessed at 3:15 p.m. and reconvened in Closed Meeting at 3:50 p.m. with Mayor Gondek in the Chair.

Councillor Penner (Remote Member) joined the meeting at 4:58 p.m.

Council reconvened in public meeting at 6:00 p.m. with Mayor Gondek in the Chair.

ROLL CALL

Councillor Chabot, Councillor Chu, Councillor Demong, Councillor Dhaliwal, Councillor McLean, Councillor Mian, Councillor Penner, Councillor Pootmans, Councillor Spencer, Councillor Wong, Councillor Wyness, and Mayor Gondek

Absent from Roll Call: Councillor Carra, Councillor Sharp, and Councillor Walcott

Moved by Councillor Pootmans
Seconded by Councillor Spencer

That Council rise and report.

MOTION CARRIED

Moved by Councillor Demong
Seconded by Councillor Wyness

That pursuant to Section 6(1) of Procedure Bylaw 35M2017, Council suspend Section 78(1)(c) of the Procedure Bylaw to forego the dinner recess to complete the Agenda.

MOTION CARRIED

6.1 ITEMS FROM OFFICERS, ADMINISTRATION AND COMMITTEES

6.1.1 Financial Capacity Update (Verbal), C2024-0781

Administration in attendance during the Closed Meeting discussions with respect to Confidential Verbal Report C2024-0781:

Clerks: K. Martin, M. A. Cario, and J. Booth. Chief Administrative Officer: D. Duckworth. Law: R. Andersen. Advice: S. Dalgleish, C. Male, C. Arthurs, K. Black, D. Hamilton, D. Morgan, M. Thompson, C. Berry, H. Domzal, L. Tochor, C. Stewart, R. Vanderputten, S. Brandt, M. Jankovic, C. Jacyk, H. Kathol, K. Cote, and B. Whelbourn.

Moved by Councillor Mian
Seconded by Councillor Chabot

That with respect to Confidential Verbal Report C2024-0781, the following be adopted:

That Council:

1. Receive the Confidential Presentation for the Corporate Record; and
2. Direct that the Confidential Presentation and Closed Meeting discussions remain confidential pursuant to Sections 16 (Disclosure harmful to business interests of a third party), 24 (Advice from officials), 25 (Disclosure harmful to economic and other interests of a public body), and 27 (Privileged information) of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*, to be reviewed by 2028 December 31.

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

MOTION CARRIED

6.1.2 Strategic Approach to Mid-Cycle Adjustments to the 2023-2026 Service Plans and Budgets, C2024-0618

The following documents were distributed with respect to Confidential Report C2024-0618:

- Revised Attachment 7;
- Confidential Distribution 1;
- Confidential Distribution 2;
- Confidential Distribution 3; and
- Confidential Distribution 4.

People in attendance during the Closed Meeting discussions with respect to Confidential Report C2024-0618:

Clerks: K. Martin, M. A. Cario, and J. Booth. Chief Administrative Officer: D. Duckworth. Law: R. Andersen and L. Davies. Advice: S. Dalgleish, C. Male, C. Arthurs, K. Black, D. Hamilton, D. Morgan, M. Thompson, C. Berry, L. Tochor, H. Domzal, C. Stewart, R. Vanderputten, M. Sheldrake,

J. Radke, S. Fleming, M. Jankovic, T. Doruch, C. Jacyk, K. Cote, H. Kathol, G. Skeates, B. Whelbourn, S. Mrozek, and D. Rodgers. External: L. Baril.

Mayor Gondek left the Chair at 6:02 p.m. and Deputy Mayor Penner assumed the Chair.

Moved by Mayor Gondek
Seconded by Councillor Pootmans

That with respect to Confidential Report C2024-0618, the following amendment be adopted:

That new Recommendations 4 and 5 be added as follows and renumber the remaining Recommendations accordingly:

4. Concurrent to the independent incident review that will address the 16th Avenue feeder main break, direct Administration to:
 - a. prepare the budget required by Water Services to:
 - i. upgrade technology, monitoring and modelling systems for treated water security and safety, beginning in the 2025 and 2026 budget years;
 - ii. perform identified maintenance and undertake work on needed upgrades, beginning in the 2025 and 2026 budget years; and
 - iii. clarify whether the funding source for the above work will be utility rates, water utility dividend, or an alternate funding source;
5. Leverage the findings of the independent incident review and ongoing review of infrastructure to build a comprehensive budget for the 4-year 2027 to 2030 budget cycle;

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

MOTION CARRIED

Mayor Gondek resumed the Chair at 6:05 p.m.

Moved by Councillor Dhaliwal
Seconded by Councillor McLean

That with respect to Confidential Report C2024-0618, the following amendment be adopted:

That a new Recommendation 6 be added as follows and renumber the remaining Recommendations accordingly:

6. Approve Confidential Recommendation contained in Confidential Distribution 2;

For: (7): Councillor Dhaliwal, Councillor Chu, Councillor Wong, Councillor Wyness, Councillor Demong, Councillor Chabot, and Councillor McLean

Against: (5): Councillor Pootmans, Councillor Penner, Councillor Spencer, Councillor Mian, and Mayor Gondek

MOTION CARRIED

Moved by Councillor Wyness
Seconded by Councillor Wong

That with respect to Confidential Report C2024-0618, the following amendment be adopted:

That a new Recommendation 7 be added as follows and renumber the remaining Recommendations accordingly:

7. Approve Confidential Recommendation contained in Confidential Distribution 3; and

For: (11): Councillor Dhaliwal, Councillor Chu, Councillor Wong, Councillor Wyness, Councillor Demong, Councillor Penner, Councillor Chabot, Councillor Spencer, Councillor McLean, Councillor Mian, and Mayor Gondek

Against: (1): Councillor Pootmans

MOTION CARRIED

Moved by Councillor Mian
Seconded by Councillor Chabot

That with respect to Confidential Report C2024-0618, the following be adopted, **as amended**:

That Council:

2. Approve Confidential Recommendation 2 contained in Confidential Report C2024-0618;
3. Approve the capital re-cast in **Revised** Attachment 7 and capital relinquishments in Attachment 8;
4. **Concurrent to the independent incident review that will address the 16th Avenue feeder main break, direct Administration to:**
 - a. **prepare the budget required by Water Services to:**
 - i. **upgrade technology, monitoring and modelling systems for treated water security and safety, beginning in the 2025 and 2026 budget years;**

- ii. perform identified maintenance and undertake work on needed upgrades, beginning in the 2025 and 2026 budget years; and
 - iii. clarify whether the funding source for the above work will be utility rates, water utility dividend, or an alternate funding source;
5. Leverage the findings of the independent incident review and ongoing review of infrastructure to build a comprehensive budget for the 4-year 2027 to 2030 budget cycle;
7. Approve Confidential Recommendation contained in Confidential Distribution 3; and
8. Direct that:
- a. the Closed Meeting Discussions, Confidential Report, **Confidential Distributions**, Confidential Recommendations 1 and 2, and Confidential Attachments 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 9, 10, and **11** 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
 - b. notwithstanding Recommendation **8a**, that the Closed Meeting Discussions, Confidential Report, **Confidential Distributions**, Confidential Recommendations 1 and 2, and Confidential Attachments 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 9, 10, and **11** be released to Corporate Planning and Performance, to be shared with Administration, only where required, to support next steps.

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

MOTION CARRIED

Moved by Councillor Mian
Seconded by Councillor Chabot

That with respect to Confidential Report C2024-0618, the following be adopted, **as amended**:

That Council:

6. **Approve Confidential Recommendation contained in Confidential Distribution 2;**

For: (8): Councillor Dhaliwal, Councillor Chu, Councillor Pootmans, Councillor Wong, Councillor Wyness, Councillor Demong, Councillor Chabot, and Councillor McLean

Against: (4): Councillor Penner, Councillor Spencer, Councillor Mian, and Mayor Gondek

MOTION CARRIED

Moved by Councillor Mian
Seconded by Councillor Chabot

That with respect to Confidential Report C2024-0618, the following be adopted, **as amended**:

That Council:

1. Approve Confidential Recommendation 1 contained in Confidential Report C2024-0618;

Moved by Councillor Wong
Seconded by Councillor Chabot

That with respect to Confidential Report C2024-0618, the following be adopted:

That Council postpone Confidential Recommendation 1 contained in Confidential Report C2024-0618, with guidance for Council discussion to be based on the outcomes of the 2024 June 25 facilitated session related to Item 6.1.2 Strategic Approach to Mid-Cycle Adjustments to the 2023-2026 Service Plans and Budgets, C2024-0618, to the 2024 July 16 Public Hearing Meeting of Council, to be dealt with at 9:30 a.m. on 2024 July 17.

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

MOTION CARRIED

6.1.3 Municipal Fiscal Gap, C2024-0619

Administration in attendance during the Closed Meeting discussions with respect to Confidential Report C2024-0619:

Clerks: K. Martin, M. A. Cario, and J. Booth. Chief Administrative Officer: D. Duckworth. Law: L. Davies. Advice: S. Dalgleish, C. Male, C. Arthurs, K. Black, D. Hamilton, D. Morgan, M. Thompson, C. Berry, H. Domzal, C. Stewart, R. Vanderputten, L. Tochor, S. Kongnetiman, M. Jankovic, C. Jacyk, H. Kathol, K. Cote, and B. Whelbourn.

Moved by Councillor Spencer
Seconded by Councillor Wong

That with respect to Confidential Report C2024-0619, the following be adopted, **after amendment**:

That Council:

1. Receive this report for the Corporate Record;
2. 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**
3. **Notwithstanding Recommendation 2**, direct Administration to publicly release the Confidential Report and Confidential Attachments immediately following the 2024 June 25 **Strategic Meeting of Council**.

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

MOTION CARRIED

7. BRIEFINGS

None

8. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Councillor Wong
Seconded by Councillor Pootmans

That this Council adjourn at 6:12 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED

CONFIRMED BY COUNCIL ON

MAYOR

CITY CLERK