



REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

Monday, April 8, 2024

5:00 pm

Council Chambers and Video Conference

Present: Mayor M. Shoemaker, Councillor S. Hollingsworth, Councillor S. Spina, Councillor L. Dufour, Councillor L. Vezeau-Allen, Councillor A. Caputo, Councillor R. Zagordo, Councillor M. Bruni, Councillor S. Kinach, Councillor C. Gardi, Councillor M. Scott

Officials: R. Tyczinski, L. Girardi, K. Fields, S. Schell, P. Johnson, N. Ottolino, S. Hamilton Beach, B. Lamming, T. Anderson, C. Rumiell, P. Tonazzo, T. Vecchio, M. Zuppa, M. Borowicz-Sibenik, L. Petrocco, J. King, R. van Staveren, V. McLeod, J. Rogers, G. Atkinson, D. Morrell, D. Perri

1. Land Acknowledgement

2. Adoption of Minutes

Moved by: Councillor C. Gardi

Seconded by: Councillor L. Vezeau-Allen

Resolved that the Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of March 18, 2024 be approved.

Carried

3. Questions and Information Arising Out of the Minutes and not Otherwise on the Agenda

4. Declaration of Pecuniary Interest

4.1 Councillor S. Spina – March 2024 Tourism Development Fund Applications

Organizer of one of the funding recipients (Community Strong Race Weekend)

5. Approve Agenda as Presented

Moved by: Councillor C. Gardi

Seconded by: Councillor L. Vezeau-Allen

Resolved that the Agenda for April 8, 2024 City Council Meeting as presented be approved.

Carried

6. Presentations

6.1 KPMG Shared Services Review

Tim Swanson, Senior Manager, Advisory Services was in attendance with respect to Agenda item 7.2.

7. Communications and Routine Reports of City Departments, Boards and Committees – Consent Agenda

Moved by: Councillor C. Gardi

Seconded by: Councillor L. Vezeau-Allen

Resolved that all the items listed under date April 8, 2024 – Agenda item 7 – Consent Agenda save and except Agenda items 7.3 and 7.19 be approved as recommended.

Carried

7.1 AMO Advocacy Report

The report of Councillor L. Dufour was received by Council.

Moved by: Councillor C. Gardi

Seconded by: Councillor L. Vezeau-Allen

Resolved that the report of Councillor L. Dufour dated April 8, 2024 concerning AMO Advocacy by received as information.

Carried

7.2 KPMG Shared Services Review Report

The report of the CAO was received by Council.

Moved by: Councillor C. Gardi

Seconded by: Councillor L. Vezeau-Allen

Resolved that the report of the CAO dated April 8, 2024 concerning KPMG Shared Services Review Feasibility Study between the City and the Sault Ste. Marie Police Services Board be received as information.

Carried

7.4 Community Development Fund – Dolly Parton Imagination Library

The report of the Chief Administrative Officer was received by Council.

Moved by: Councillor C. Gardi

Seconded by: Councillor L. Vezeau-Allen

Resolved that the report of the Chief Administrative Officer dated April 8, 2024 concerning the Dolly Parton Imagination Library be received and that Council approve a contribution of \$5,000 from the Community Development Fund Economic Development stream.

Carried

7.5 2024 Tax Policy and Rates

The report of the Manager of Taxation was received by Council.

The relevant By-laws 2024-50, 2024-51 and 2024-52 are listed under item 12 of the Minutes.

7.6 2024 Property Tax Capping Options

The report of the Manager of Taxation was received by Council.

The relevant By-law 2024-49 is listed under item 12 of the Minutes.

7.7 Tender for Selected Granular Materials

The report of the Manager of Purchasing was received by Council.

Moved by: Councillor C. Gardi

Seconded by: Councillor L. Dufour

Resolved that the report of the Manager of Purchasing dated April 8, 2024 concerning granular materials as required by Public Works be received and that the tender for the supply of selected granular materials for the 2024 and 2025 seasons be awarded to Pioneer Construction and Possamai Construction on an as-required basis and by lowest cost rating;

Further that the tender for the supply of alternate slag materials for a period of one year be awarded to Inter-Ontario Equipment Rental and Repair Ltd. on an as-required basis and by unit costs quoted, on a sole-source basis.

Carried

7.8 Tender for Equipment Purchase

The report of the Manager of Purchasing was received by Council.

Moved by: Councillor M. Scott

Seconded by: Councillor L. Vezeau-Allen

Resolved that the report of the Manager of Purchasing dated April 8, 2024 concerning equipment purchase as required by Public Works be received and that the tender for the supply and delivery one tandem plow/sander combo be awarded to TMS Truck Centre Ltd. at their low price, meeting specifications, of \$397,382 plus HST.

Carried

7.9 Tender for Roberta Bondar Marina Port Fendering

The report of the Manager of Purchasing was received by Council.

Moved by: Councillor C. Gardi

Seconded by: Councillor L. Vezeau-Allen

Resolved that the report of the Manager of Purchasing dated April 8, 2024 concerning marine port fendering as required by Community Development and Enterprise Services be received and that the tender be awarded to Howard Avery Construction at their low price, meeting specifications, of \$158,750 plus HST.

Carried

7.10 Emission Monitoring Equipment for the Crematorium

The report of the Director of Community Services was received by Council.

Resolved that the report of the Director of Community Services dated April 8, 2024, concerning Emission Monitoring Equipment for the Crematorium be received and that the purchase of a new emissions monitoring unit at an estimated cost of \$26,000 be authorized utilizing funds from the Cemetery Reserve.

Carried

7.11 Delegated Authority – Parking Officers

The report of the Director of Community Services was received by Council.

The relevant By-law 2024-60 is listed under item 12 of the Minutes.

7.12 Seniors Active Living Transit Project

The report of the Director of Community Services was received by Council.

Moved by: Councillor M. Scott

Seconded by: Councillor L. Dufour

Resolved that the report of the Director of Community Services dated April 8, 2024, concerning the Seniors Active Living Transit Update be received and that the following be approved:

- Any senior wishing to take the bus to any seniors program will receive a senior 12-ride pass at \$6 which represents a discount of 75% off the regular price of \$21.25; and
- Passes will be made available at both Senior Active Living Centres (Bay Street and Northern Community Centre).

Carried

7.13 Increase for Sand Filters John Rhodes Community Centre Pool

Moved by: Councillor C. Gardi

Seconded by: Councillor L. Vezeau-Allen

Resolved that the report of the Manager of Purchasing dated April 8, 2024 concerning sand filters supply and installation as required by Community Development and Enterprise Services for the John Rhodes Community Centre pool be received and that the purchase be awarded to Ainsworth at their quoted price of \$107,874 plus HST;

Further that the funding of \$100,000 from GFL foundation work be reallocated to the John Rhodes Community Centre pool sand filters work and the balance to come from JRCC Operational Maintenance Budget.

Carried

7.14 Lease Contract Extension – Superior Osteo Postural Clinic Inc.

The report of the Director of Community Services was received by Council.

The relevant By-law 2024-36 is listed under item 12 of the Minutes.

7.15 Millworks Lease Expiration

The report of the Director of Economic Development was received by Council.

The relevant By-law 2024-54 is listed under item 12 of the Agenda and will be read with all by-laws under that item.

Moved by: Councillor C. Gardi

Seconded by: Councillor L. Dufour

Resolved that the report of the Director of Economic Development dated April 8, 2024 concerning Millworks Lease Expiration be received and that staff enter into a three-year lease with the newly proposed location at the rate of \$104,022 per annum inclusive utilizing funds from the Facilities Maintenance Reserve Fund (not to exceed \$29,689.05).

Carried

7.16 Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program Amending Agreement for Transit

The report of the Director of Community Services was received by Council.

The relevant By-law 2024-38 is listed under item 12 of the Minutes.

7.17 Community Development Fund Application – Rolling Pictures Company

The report of the Manager of Business Development was received by Council.

Moved by: Councillor C. Gardi

Seconded by: Councillor L. Vezeau-Allen

Resolved that the report of the Manager of Business Development dated April 8, 2024 concerning Rolling Pictures Company Community Development Fund request be received and that Council approve the investment of \$25,000 through the Community Development Fund, Economic Growth Community Improvement stream.

Carried

7.18 Community Development Fund Application – Port Development – Senior Coordinator

The report of the Manager of Business Development was received by Council.

Moved by: Councillor M. Scott

Seconded by: Councillor L. Dufour

Resolved that the report of the Manager of Business Development dated April 8, 2024 concerning Community Development Fund, Economic Development stream application for Port Development – Senior Coordinator be received and that Council approve the request for funding in the amount of \$66,150 per year for a period of three years totalling \$198,450.

Carried

7.20 Sault Ste. Marie Region Conservation Authority Programs and Services

The report of the Director of Engineering was received by Council.

The relevant By-laws 2024-43, 2024-44, 2024-45, and 2024-46 are listed under item 12 of the Minutes.

7.21 Sackville Road Environmental Assessment – Notice of Addendum

The report of the Municipal Services and Design Engineer was received by Council.

Moved by: Councillor C. Gardi

Seconded by: Councillor L. Vezeau-Allen

Resolved that the report of the Municipal Services and Design Engineer dated April 8, 2024 concerning the addendum to the Sackville Road Environmental Assessment be received as information.

Carried

7.22 Reconstruction of Stanley Street

The report of the Municipal Services and Design Engineer was received by Council.

The relevant By-law 2024-56 authorizing execution of contract 2024-1E and By-law 2024-57 authorizing the road closure of Stanley Street between Pine Street and Elizabeth Street including intersections from May 1, 2024 to November 30, 2024 are listed under item 12 of the Minutes.

7.23 Reconstruction of Spruce Street

The report of the Municipal Services and Design Engineer was received by Council.

The relevant By-law 2024-58 authorizing execution of contract 2024-3E and By-law 2024-59 authorizing the road closure of Spruce Street between Railroad Avenue and Wilcox Avenue from May 1, 2024 to November 30, 2024 are listed under item 12 of the Minutes.

7.24 Peoples Road Area Flooding Class Environmental Assessment

The report of the Manager of Development and Environmental Engineering was received by Council.

Moved by: Councillor M. Scott

Seconded by: Councillor L. Vezeau-Allen

Resolved that the report of the Manager of Development and Environmental Engineering dated April 8, 2024 concerning completion of the Peoples Road Area Flooding Class Environmental Assessment be received and that the recommendation that Public Works construct the Elliott Field ditching “in-kind” be approved.

Carried

7.25 Use of Funds from the Engineering Equipment Reserve

The report of the Municipal Services and Design Engineer was received by Council.

Moved by: Councillor M. Scott

Seconded by: Councillor L. Dufour

Resolved that the report of the Municipal Services and Design Engineer dated April 8, 2024 concerning use of funds from the Engineering Equipment Reserve be received and that Council

approve the use of up to \$45,000 from the Engineering Equipment Reserve for the procurement of survey equipment.

Carried

7.26 Sault Ste. Marie Festival of Beer Licence of Occupation

The report of the Assistant City Solicitor/Senior Litigation Counsel was received by Council.
Steve Alexander (the organizer) was in attendance.

The relevant By-law 2024-55 is listed under item 12 of the Minutes.

7.27 Property Declared Surplus – Abutting 17 Ferguson Avenue

The report of the Assistant City Solicitor/Senior Litigation Counsel was received by Council.
The relevant By-law 2024-37 is listed under item 12 of the Minutes.

7.28 PUC (Transmission) LP – Easement Option Agreements

The report of the Assistant City Solicitor/Senior Litigation Counsel was received by Council.
The relevant By-laws 2024-41 and 2024-42 are listed under item 12 of the Minutes.

7.29 Standard Facility Use Agreement Update

The report of the Solicitor was received by Council.
The relevant By-law 2024-53 is listed under item 12 of the Minutes.

7.30 Annual Accessibility Status Report

The report of the Accessibility Coordinator was received by Council.

Moved by: Councillor M. Scott
Seconded by: Councillor L. Vezeau-Allen

Resolved that the report of the Accessibility Coordinator dated April 8, 2024 concerning annual Accessibility Status Report 2023 be received as information.

Carried

7.31 Reserve Funding Request for Accessible Park Equipment and Benches

The report of the Accessibility Coordinator was received by Council.

Moved by: Councillor M. Scott
Seconded by: Councillor L. Vezeau-Allen

Resolved that the report of the Accessibility Coordinator dated April 8, 2024 concerning Reserve Funding Request for Accessible Park Equipment and Benches be received and that Council

approve the purchase of accessible park equipment for Parkland and Westwood Parks and benches at Manzo Park Splash Pad at a cost of \$20,000 with funds from the Barrier Removal Reserve.

Carried

7.32 Reserve Funding Request for Adult Change Table at Sinclair Yards

The report of the Accessibility Coordinator was received by Council.

Moved by: Councillor C. Gardi

Seconded by: Councillor L. Vezeau-Allen

Resolved that the report of the Accessibility Coordinator dated April 8, 2024 concerning Reserve Funding Request for Adult Change Table at Sinclair Yards be received and that Council approve the purchase of an adult change table for the Sinclair Yards' universal washroom at a cost of \$6,000 with funds from the Barrier Removal Reserve.

Carried

7.3 Report of the Integrity Commissioner (Councillor Kinach)

Councillors Bruni, Scott, Spina and Zagordo indicated that they wished the matter to be returned to the Integrity Commissioner for a further opinion given Councillor Kinach's refusal to apologize.

Mayor Shoemaker, Councillors Dufour, Caputo, Kinach, Vezeau-Allen and Gardi indicated that they wished Council to issue a reprimand to Councillor Kinach.

Moved by: Councillor S. Hollingsworth

Seconded by: Councillor C. Gardi

Resolved that the report of the Integrity Commissioner dated April 5, 2024 be received and that Councillor Kinach be reprimanded.

	For	Against	Conflict	Absent
Mayor M. Shoemaker	X			
Councillor S. Hollingsworth	X			
Councillor S. Spina		X		
Councillor L. Dufour	X			
Councillor L. Vezeau-Allen	X			
Councillor A. Caputo	X			
Councillor R. Zagordo	X			

Councillor M. Bruni		X		
Councillor S. Kinach	X			
Councillor C. Gardi	X			
Councillor M. Scott		X		
Results	8	3	0	0

Carried

7.19 March 2024 Tourism Development Fund Applications

Councillor S. Spina declared a conflict on this item. (Organizer of one of the funding recipients (Community Strong Race Weekend)

The report of the Director of Tourism and Community Development was received by Council.

Moved by: Councillor M. Scott

Seconded by: Councillor L. Dufour

Resolved that the report of the Director of Tourism and Community Development dated April 8, 2024 concerning March 2024 Tourism Development Fund applications be received, and that the recommendation of the Tourism Sault Ste. Marie Board of Directors to allocate \$63,250 as detailed below be approved:

- 2024 and 2025 Regional Convention of Jehovah Witnesses (\$24,000)
- Community Future Conference (\$3,000)
- Community Strong Race Weekend (\$5,000)
- Festival of Beer (\$3,000)
- Ontario Cup Mountain Bike Race (\$10,000)
- Coppa Giovanni Soccer Tournament and Italian Festival (\$5,000)
- Queen Street Cruise (\$5,000)
- Stir the POTential Conference (\$3,000)
- Poutine Feast (\$2,750)
- Battle Under the Bridge (\$2,500)

	For	Against	Conflict	Absent
Mayor M. Shoemaker	X			
Councillor S. Hollingsworth	X			
Councillor S. Spina			X	
Councillor L. Dufour	X			
Councillor L. Vezeau-Allen	X			
Councillor A. Caputo	X			
Councillor R. Zagordo	X			
Councillor M. Bruni	X			
Councillor S. Kinach	X			
Councillor C. Gardi	X			
Councillor M. Scott				X
Results	9	0	1	1

Carried

8. Reports of City Departments, Boards and Committees

8.1 Administration

8.2 Corporate Services

8.3 Community Development and Enterprise Services

8.4 Public Works and Engineering Services

8.4.1 Automated Speed Enforcement and Administrative Penalties

The report of the Municipal Services and Design Engineer and the Solicitor was received by Council.

Moved by: Councillor C. Gardi

Seconded by: Councillor L. Dufour

Resolved that the report of the Municipal Services and Design Engineer and the Solicitor dated April 8, 2024 concerning Automated Speed Enforcement be received and that Council direct staff to:

- Pursue an agreement with the City of Toronto Joint Processing Centre for ASE offence processing;

- Pursue an agreement with the Ministry of Transportation Ontario for access to licence plate information for offending vehicles;
- Develop Automated Speed Enforcement site selection criteria;
- Pursue an agreement with the Ministry of Attorney General for the required victim fine surcharge component that is paid by the notice recipient to the City;
- Develop supporting Administrative Monetary Penalty System by-law, policies, and guidelines;
- Refer staff complement increase requests to the 2025 budget; and
- Refer one-time and ongoing operating costs to the 2025 budget.

	For	Against	Conflict	Absent
Mayor M. Shoemaker		X		
Councillor S. Hollingsworth	X			
Councillor S. Spina		X		
Councillor L. Dufour	X			
Councillor L. Vezeau-Allen	X			
Councillor A. Caputo	X			
Councillor R. Zagordo		X		
Councillor M. Bruni	X			
Councillor S. Kinach		X		
Councillor C. Gardi	X			
Councillor M. Scott		X		
Results	6	5	0	0
				Carried

8.5 Fire Services

8.6 Legal

8.7 Planning

8.7.1 Application A-4-24-Z.OP – 44 Great Northern Road (BMO)

The report of the Junior Planner was received by Council.

Dave Urso was in attendance on behalf of the applicant.

Moved by: Councillor C. Gardi
 Seconded by: Councillor L. Vezeau-Allen

Resolved that the report of the Junior Planner dated April 08, 2024 concerning *Planning Act* Application A-4-24-Z.OP – 44 Great Northern Road be received and that Council:

1. Approve Official Plan Amendment No. 251 by way of a notwithstanding clause to permit up to 450m² of office space upon the area to be rezoned, and;

Rezone a portion of the subject property (approximately 59m x 47.6m) as shown in the attached land use map from Shopping Centre (C5) Zone to General Commercial (C4.S) Zone with a Special Exception to increase the maximum Gross Floor Area for Office Uses outside of the downtown from 300 m² to 450 m².

And that the Legal Department be requested to prepare the necessary by-law(s) to effect the same.

	For	Against	Conflict	Absent
Mayor M. Shoemaker	X			
Councillor S. Hollingsworth	X			
Councillor S. Spina	X			
Councillor L. Dufour	X			
Councillor L. Vezeau-Allen	X			
Councillor A. Caputo	X			
Councillor R. Zagordo	X			
Councillor M. Bruni	X			
Councillor S. Kinach	X			
Councillor C. Gardi	X			
Councillor M. Scott	X			
Results	11	0	0	0

Carried

8.8 Boards and Committees

9. Unfinished Business, Notice of Motions and Resolutions Placed on Agenda by Members of Council

9.1 Physician Recruitment Report Request

Moved by: Councillor S. Hollingsworth

Seconded by: Councillor S. Spina

Whereas the community is in desperate need of physicians; and

Whereas the Physician Recruitment and Retention Committee has been working on increasing the number of doctors in Sault Ste. Marie since its inception; and

Whereas the community is interested in the success rate of the committee and its efforts;

Now Therefore Be It Resolved that a detailed report be given to Council at a future Council meeting outlining the recruitment rates, retention rates, the budget for the Physician Recruitment Committee and what the Manager of Physician Recruitment sees as challenges and opportunities in recruitment strategies in the field of family medicine locally.

	For	Against	Conflict	Absent
Mayor M. Shoemaker	X			
Councillor S. Hollingsworth	X			
Councillor S. Spina	X			
Councillor L. Dufour	X			
Councillor L. Vezeau-Allen	X			
Councillor A. Caputo	X			
Councillor R. Zagordo	X			
Councillor M. Bruni	X			
Councillor S. Kinach	X			
Councillor C. Gardi	X			
Councillor M. Scott	X			
Results	11	0	0	0
				Carried

9.2 Intimate Partner Violence

Moved by: Councillor A. Caputo

Seconded by: Councillor L. Vezeau-Allen

Whereas the jury that heard the Carol Culleton, Anastasia Kuzyk, and Nathalie Warmerdam inquest (The Renfrew County Inquest) issued 86 recommendations to prevent future deaths and delivered those recommendations to the Province of Ontario; and

Whereas recommendation #85 of the inquest is to include “coercive control”, as defined in the *Divorce Act*, as a criminal offence or as a type of assault under section 265 of the *Criminal Code*; and

Whereas according to experts, a perpetrator has privileged access to information about the target by virtue of the closeness of an intimate relationship and, as such, is able to identify unique vulnerabilities that can be exploited for coercive control; and

Whereas Coordinating Community Responses to Domestic Violence cites scholars and advocates in the field have consistently described intimate partner violence as both an expression of, and an attempt to maintain, power and control over intimate partners; and

Whereas in 2019, according to the Government of Canada, of the 107,810 people aged 15 and over who experienced intimate partner violence 79% were women. 55% of women who experienced physical or sexual intimate partner violence feared a partner at some point. Being afraid of a partner can indicate intimate partner violence that is more coercive, more severe, and more likely to reflect a pattern of abusive behaviours; and

Whereas between 2014 and 2019 in Canada, there were 497 victims of intimate partner homicide, and 80% (400 victims) were women; and

Whereas while Indigenous women account for about 5% of all women in Canada, they accounted for 21% of women killed by an intimate partner between 2014 and 2019 (83 victims). In 2021, the rate of gender-related homicide of Indigenous women and girls was more than triple that of gender-related homicides of women and girls overall (1.72 versus 0.54 per 100,000 women and girls); and

Whereas the Government of Canada names coercive control as one of the acts included in intimate partner violence, but does not include coercive control as an offence contained within the *Criminal Code* of Canada* and

Whereas Bill C332, a private member’s bill to amend the *Criminal Code* to create an offence of exercising coercive control of an intimate partner by engaging in a pattern of conduct that consists of any combination, or any repeated instances, of any of the following acts: using, attempting to use or threatening to use violence against certain persons, coercing or attempting to coerce the intimate partner to engage in sexual activity or engaging in other conduct that could reasonably be expected to cause the intimate partner to believe that their safety, or the safety of a person known to them, is threatened**

Now Therefore Be It Resolved that the Sault Ste. Marie City Council express its support for Bill C-332 as well as call on the Government of Canada to support Bill C-332 and enact the necessary amendments to the *Criminal Code* of Canada to include coercive control of an intimate partner; and

Further it be resolved that a copy of this motion be circulated to the Right Honourable Justin Trudeau, Prime Minister of Canada, the Honourable Dominic LeBlanc, Minister of Public Safety, the Honourable Patty Hajdu, Minister of Indigenous Services, the Honourable Mark Holland, Minister of Health, the Honourable Marci Ien, Minister for Women and Gender Equality and Youth, the Honourable Jenna Sudds, Minister of Families, Children and Social Development, the Honourable Arif Virani, Minister of Justice, City of Sault Ste Marie MP Terry Sheehan, MP Laurel Collins, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities, Federation of Canadian Municipalities, and all Ontario municipalities.

	For	Against	Conflict	Absent
Mayor M. Shoemaker	X			
Councillor S. Hollingsworth	X			
Councillor S. Spina	X			
Councillor L. Dufour	X			
Councillor L. Vezeau-Allen	X			
Councillor A. Caputo	X			
Councillor R. Zagordo	X			
Councillor M. Bruni	X			
Councillor S. Kinach	X			
Councillor C. Gardi	X			
Councillor M. Scott	X			
Results	11	0	0	0
				Carried

10. Committee of the Whole for the Purpose of Such Matters as are Referred to it by the Council by Resolution

11. Adoption of Report of the Committee of the Whole

12. Consideration and Passing of By-laws

Moved by: Councillor C. Gardi

Seconded by: Councillor L. Dufour

Resolved that all By-laws under item 12 of the Agenda under date April 8, 2024 be approved.

Carried

12.1 By-laws before Council to be passed which do not require more than a simple majority

12.1.1 By-law 2024-36 (Agreement Extension) Superior Osteo Postural Clinic Inc. Lease John Rhodes 260-280 Elizabeth Street

Moved by: Councillor C. Gardi

Seconded by: Councillor L. Dufour

Resolved that By-Law 2024-36 being a by-law to authorize the execution of the Third Extension Agreement between the City and Superior Osteo Postural Clinic Inc. to extend the current lease at the John Rhodes Community Centre for one year to May 5, 2025 with the option to extend be passed in open Council this 8th day of April, 2024.

Carried

12.1.2 By-law 2024-37 (Property) Surplus Abutting 17 Ferguson Avenue

Moved by: Councillor C. Gardi

Seconded by: Councillor L. Dufour

Resolved that By-law 2024-37 being a by-law to declare the City owned property legally described as PIN 31523-0371 (LT) LT 21 RCP H689 ST. MARY'S; SAULT STE. MARIE, being City property abutting civic 17 Ferguson Avenue, as surplus to the City's needs and to authorize the disposition of the said property, be passed in open Council this 8th day of April, 2024.

Carried

12.1.3 By-law 2024-38 (Agreement) ICIP Amending Agreement Transit

Moved by: Councillor C. Gardi

Seconded by: Councillor L. Dufour

Resolved that By-Law 2024-38 being a by-law to authorize the execution of an Amending Agreement No. 1 to the Transfer Payment Agreement with His Majesty the King in right of the Province of Ontario represented by the Minister of Transportation for the Province of Ontario for funding under the Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program (ICIP) Public Transit Stream be passed in open Council this 8th day of April, 2024.

Carried

12.1.4 By-law 2024-40 (Zoning) 105 Allard Street (Allard SSM Inc. c/o Mathew Moxness)

Moved by: Councillor C. Gardi

Seconded by: Councillor L. Dufour

Resolved that By-Law 2024-40 being a by-law to amend Sault Ste. Marie Zoning By-laws 2005-150 and 2005-151 concerning lands located at 105 Allard Street (Allard SSM Inc. c/o Mathew Moxness) be passed in open Council this 8th day of April, 2024.

Carried

12.1.5 By-law 2024-41 (Easement Option Agreement) PUC (Transmission) LP (Yates Avenue)

Moved by: Councillor C. Gardi

Seconded by: Councillor L. Dufour

Resolved that By-law 2024-41 being a by-law to authorize the execution of the Easement Option Agreement between the City and PUC (Transmission) LP for the operational requirements for the new transmission line on Yates Avenue (PIN 31609-0390 and PIN 31609-0392) to provide additional electrical power needed by Algoma Steel to operate its new electric arc furnaces be passed in open Council this 8th day of April, 2024.

Carried

12.1.6 By-law 2024-42 (Easement Option Agreement) PUC (Transmission) LP (Second Line)

Moved by: Councillor C. Gardi

Seconded by: Councillor L. Dufour

Resolved that By-law 2024-42 being a by-law to authorize the execution of the Easement Option Agreement between the City and PUC (Transmission) LP for the operational requirements for the new transmission line at 1001 Second Line (PIN 31608-0056) to provide additional electrical power needed by Algoma Steel to operate its new electric arc furnaces be passed in open Council this 8th day of April, 2024.

Carried

12.1.7 By-law 2024-43 (Agreement) SSMRCA Program Services

Moved by: Councillor C. Gardi

Seconded by: Councillor L. Dufour

Resolved that By-Law 2024-43 being a by-law to authorize the execution of the Agreement between the Sault Ste. Marie Region Conservation Authority, the City and The Corporation of the Township of Prince for the MOU Agreement for Program Services be passed by Council this 8th day of April, 2024.

Carried

12.1.8 By-law 2024-44 (Agreement) SSMRCA Source Protection Plan

Moved by: Councillor C. Gardi

Seconded by: Councillor L. Dufour

Resolved that By-Law 2024-44 being a by-law to authorize the execution of the Agreement between the City and Sault Ste. Marie Region Conservation Authority for the Source Protection Plan Education and Outreach be passed in open Council this 8th day of April, 2024.

Carried

12.1.9 By-law 2024-45 (Agreement) SSMRCA Risk Management Inspector

Moved by: Councillor C. Gardi

Seconded by: Councillor L. Dufour

Resolved that By-law 2024-45 being a by-law to authorize the execution of the Agreement between the City and Sault Ste. Marie Region Conservation Authority for the Sault Ste. Marie Region Source Protection Plan enforcement in relation to the Risk Management Inspector role as an employee of Sault Ste. Marie Region Conservation Authority (SSMRCA) be passed in open Council this 8th day of April, 2024.

Carried

12.1.10 By-law 2024-46 (Agreement) SSMRCA Municipal Seasonal Grass Cutting

Moved by: Councillor C. Gardi

Seconded by: Councillor L. Dufour

Resolved that By-law 2024-46 being a by-law to authorize the execution of the Agreement between the City and Sault Ste. Marie Region Conservation Authority for seasonal grass cutting activities be passed in open Council this 8th day of April, 2024.

Carried

12.1.11 By-law 2024-47 (Amendment No. 249 to the Official Plan) Residential Development Regulations

Moved by: Councillor C. Gardi

Seconded by: Councillor L. Dufour

Resolved that By-Law 2024-47 being a by-law to adopt Amendment No. 249 to the Official Plan for the City of Sault Ste. Marie be passed in open Council this 8th day of April, 2024.

Carried

12.1.12 By-law 2024-48 (Zoning By-law 2005-150) Amendment Residential Development Regulations

Moved by: Councillor C. Gardi

Seconded by: Councillor L. Dufour

Resolved that By-Law 2024-48 being a by-law to amend Sault Ste. Marie Zoning By-law 2005-150 concerning Gentle Density: Proposed Amendments to the Zoning By-law regarding Residential Development Regulations be passed in open Council this 8th day of April, 2024.

Carried

12.1.13 By-Law 2024-49 (Taxes) Adopt Optional Tools for Property Tax Capping

Moved by: Councillor C. Gardi

Seconded by: Councillor L. Dufour

Resolved that By-Law 2024-49 being a by-law to adopt optional tools for the purposes of administering limits for the Commercial and Industrial Property Classes be passed in open Council this 8th day of April, 2024.

Carried

12.1.14 By-law 2024-50 (Taxes) 2024 Final Tax Billing

Moved by: Councillor C. Gardi

Seconded by: Councillor L. Dufour

Resolved that By-Law 2024-50 being a by-law to provide for 2024 final tax billing be passed in open Council this 8th day of April, 2024.

Carried

12.1.15 By-law 2024-51 (Taxes) Adoption of Tax Ratios 2024

Moved by: Councillor C. Gardi

Seconded by: Councillor L. Dufour

Resolved that By-law 2024-51 being a by-law to provide for the adoption of tax ratios be passed in open Council this 8th day of April, 2024.

Carried

12.1.16 By-law 2024-52 (Taxes) Adoption of Property Tax Rates 2024

Moved by: Councillor C. Gardi

Seconded by: Councillor L. Dufour

Resolved that By-law 2024-52 being a by-law to provide for the adoption of property tax rates for 2024 be passed in open Council this 8th day of April, 2024.

Carried

12.1.17 By-law 2024-53 (Delegated Authority) Facility Use Agreement Amendment

Moved by: Councillor C. Gardi

Seconded by: Councillor L. Dufour

Resolved that By-Law 2024-53 being a by-law to amend by-law 2020-139 as it pertains to a facility use agreement be passed in open Council this 8th day of April, 2024.

Carried

12.1.18 By-law 2024-54 (Lease Agreement) Millworks Soo Centre Limited 123 March Street

Moved by: Councillor C. Gardi

Seconded by: Councillor L. Dufour

Resolved that By-law 2024-54 being a by-law to authorize the execution of the Lease Agreement between the City and Soo Centre Limited for the lease of 123 March Street, Suite 202 be passed in open Council this 8th day of April, 2024.

Carried

12.1.19 By-law 2024-55 (Delegated Authority and Agreement) Festival of Beer Licence to Occupy

Moved by: Councillor C. Gardi

Seconded by: Councillor L. Dufour

Resolved that By-Law 2024-55 being a by-law to approve to enter into a Licence to Occupy City Property agreement for the Sault Ste. Marie Festival of Beer taking place on May 4, 2024 on City Property and to further delegate amending and signing authority on behalf of the City of Sault Ste. Marie be passed in open Council this 8th day of April, 2024.

Carried

12.1.20 By-law 2024-56 (Engineering) Contract 2024-1E Avery Construction Limited Stanley Street Reconstruction

Moved by: Councillor C. Gardi

Seconded by: Councillor L. Dufour

Resolved that By-Law 2024-56 being a by-law to authorize the execution of the Contract between the City and Avery Construction Limited for the reconstruction of Stanley Street between Pine Street and Elizabeth Street (Contract 2024-1E) be passed in open Council this 8th day of April, 2024.

Carried

12.1.21 By-law 2024-57 (Temporary Street Closing) Stanley Street Reconstruction

Moved by: Councillor C. Gardi

Seconded by: Councillor L. Dufour

Resolved that By-Law 2024-57 being a by-law to permit the temporary closing of Stanley Street between Pine Street and Elizabeth Street including intersections from May 1, 2024 to November 30, 2024 to facilitate the Stanley Street Reconstruction be passed in open Council this 8th day of April, 2024.

Carried

12.1.22 By-law 2024-58 (Engineering) Contract 2024-3E Trimount Construction Group Inc. Spruce Street Reconstruction

Moved by: Councillor C. Gardi

Seconded by: Councillor L. Dufour

Resolved that By-law 2024-58 being a by-law to authorize the execution of the Contract between the City and Trimount Construction Group Inc. for the reconstruction of Spruce Street between Railroad Avenue and Wilcox Avenue (Contract 2024-3E) be passed in open Council this 8th day of April, 2024.

Carried

12.1.23 By-law 2024-59 (Temporary Street Closing) Spruce Street Reconstruction

Moved by: Councillor C. Gardi

Seconded by: Councillor L. Dufour

Resolved that By-law 2024-59 being a by-law to permit the temporary closing of Spruce Street between Railroad Avenue and Wilcox Avenue from May 1, 2024 to November 30, 2024 to facilitate the Spruce Street reconstruction be passed in open Council this 8th day of April, 2024.

Carried

12.1.24 By-law 2024-60 (Delegated Authority) Appointment of Municipal Law Enforcement Officers (Parking) and Amending By-laws 90-305, 93-165 & 2022-58

Moved by: Councillor C. Gardi

Seconded by: Councillor L. Dufour

Resolved that By-law 2024-60 being a by-law to delegate authority to appoint Municipal Law Enforcement Officers to enforce parking regulations on public property and private parking lots be passed in open Council this 8th day of April, 2024.

Carried

12.1.25 By-law 2024-61 (Agreement) Sault Ste. Marie Innovation Centre – Harvest Algoma

Moved by: Councillor C. Gardi

Seconded by: Councillor L. Dufour

Resolved that By-law 2024-61 being a by-law to authorize the execution of an Agreement between the City and The Sault Ste. Marie Innovation Centre for the Community Development Fund-Economic Development funding for the Harvest Algoma acquisition be passed in open Council this 8th day of April 2024.

Carried.

12.2 By-laws before Council for FIRST and SECOND reading which do not require more than a simple majority

12.3 By-laws before Council for THIRD reading which do not require more than a simple majority

13. Questions By, New Business From, or Addresses by Members of Council Concerning Matters Not Otherwise on the Agenda

14. Closed Session

Moved by: Councillor M. Scott

Seconded by: Councillor L. Dufour

Resolved that this Council move into closed session to discuss:

- one item concerning a proposed property acquisition and a position, plan, procedure, criteria or instruction to be applied to negotiations; and
- one item concerning solicitor-client privilege

Further Be It Resolved that should the said closed session be adjourned, the Council may reconvene in closed session to continue to discuss the same matter without the need for a further authorizing resolution.

Municipal Act R.S.O. 2002 – section 239 2 (c) a proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality, 239 2 (f) advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose; and 239 2 (h) a position, plan, procedure, criteria or instruction to be applied to any negotiations carried on or to be carried on by or on behalf of the municipality or local board

Carried

15. Adjournment

Moved by: Councillor M. Scott

Seconded by: Councillor L. Vezeau-Allen

Resolved that this Council now adjourn.

Carried

Mayor

City Clerk