

THE FIFTY-FIRST MEETING OF THE POLICY COMMITTEE OF THE CITY OF GREATER SUDBURY

Council Chamber
Tom Davies Square

Wednesday, December 2, 2009
Commencement: 6:04 p.m.

Chair

COUNCILLOR DOUG CRAIG, IN THE CHAIR

Present

Councillors Cimino; Barbeau (A6:17pm); Berthiaume; Dupuis; Rivest; Thompson (A6:14pm); Callaghan; Caldarelli; Gasparini (A6:18pm); Landry-Altmann; Mayor Rodriguez

City Officials

Doug Nadorozny, Chief Administrative Officer; Greg Clausen, General Manager of Infrastructure Services; Luisa Valle, Acting General Manager of Community Development; Bill Lautenbach, General Manager of Growth & Development; Tim Beadman, Chief of Emergency Services; Dan Markiewich, Acting Chief Police Chief; Sue McCullough, Acting Executive Director, Administrative Services; Tony Derro, Acting Chief Financial Officer/Treasurer; Robert Falcioni, Director of Roads & Transportation; Nick Benkovich, Director of Water/Wastewater Services; Helen Mulc, Manager of Business Development; Stephen Monet, Manager of Environmental Planning Initiatives; Vivienne Martin, Manager of Employment Support, Ontario Works; Ginette Forget-Rose, Community Development Co-ordinator; Brian Bigger, Auditor General; Angie Haché, City Clerk; Poppy Pelletier, Video-Audio Operator; Franca Bortolussi, Council Secretary

News Media

EastLink News; EZ Rock; Le Voyageur; Northern Life; Sudbury Star

Declarations of
Pecuniary Interest and
the General Nature
Thereof

None declared.

Opening Remarks

Councillor Landry-Altmann welcomed everyone to the Ward 12 Community Policy meeting. She stated that Ward 12 is a colourful Ward. She outlined the boundaries indicating it is the smallest Ward being only 100 square kilometres. She listed churches, schools, parks and other facilities in the Ward. She concluded by introducing the three Community Action Networks (CANs).

COMMUNITY DELEGATIONS

Item 1
Flour Mill Community
Action Network

Claude Charbonneau, Chair, Flour Mill Community Action Network (CAN), made an electronic presentation regarding the Flour Mill CAN. He showed the geographical area of the CAN and listed achievements and initiatives including recipient of the

COMMUNITY DELEGATIONS (continued)

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Flour Mill Community
Action Network
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2009 Civic Award Jeannine Larcher-Lalande, Family Day at Percy Playground, presentations by various agencies and City departments, O'Connor Park Neighbourhood Partnership project and budget option to Council regarding Junction Creek drainage. He advised of future initiatives including further assistance to residents who need sump pumps, senior computer program, permanent youth centre at Percy Park, 2011 Flour Mill Silos 110th Anniversary and their logo and website.

Item 2
New Sudbury
Community Action
Network

Arthemise Camirand-Peterson, Chair, New Sudbury Community Action Network (CAN), made an electronic presentation regarding the New Sudbury CAN. She showed the geographical area of the CAN and listed achievements and initiatives including various presentations from agencies and City departments, re-designation of Ridgecrest Playground as an all accessible park, Redfern Park 50th Anniversary, COPs program, their logo and traffic safety. She advised of future initiatives including the establishment of a walking group, research of the history of the area and establishment of a heritage walk, website and beautification of Lasalle Boulevard and Barrydowne Road.

Item 3
Uptown Community
Action Network

Bernice Hibbs, Member, Uptown Community Action Network (CAN), made an electronic presentation regarding the Uptown CAN. She showed the geographical area of the CAN and listed achievements and initiatives including modification of the proposed design of a condominium project to better accommodate the heritage and architecture of the neighbourhood, work with the Municipal Heritage Committee for heritage designation, work with Greater Sudbury Police Services, participation in a Spring Clean-Up Blitz and their website. She advised of future initiatives including focus on safety and security, heritage designation, COPs program, partnership with schools and parking and traffic calming.

Item 4
Update from Education
Co-ordinating Team,
Student Success
Initiative

Sharon Murdock, Executive Director, Workforce Partnerships Board, made an electronic presentation regarding the Education Co-ordinating Team Student Success Initiative. She introduced members of the audience from the four school boards involved in this initiative and advised of the three post secondary institutions also involved. She stated this presentation was to make Council aware of the initiative which encourages youth to stay in the City. She showed a sketch indicating "where they were, where they are and where they hope to be". She stated their mandate is to work jointly with youth and the business community to facilitate activities, act as a conduit of information for the education partners and the community, co-ordinate experimental learning and apprenticeship opportunities, increase awareness of educational opportunities in schools and the community and expand the use of available resources. She explained in detail

COMMUNITY DELEGATIONS (continued)

Item 4
Update from Education
Co-ordinating Team,
Student Success
Initiative (continued)

the Enhanced Co-operative Education, the Expanded Ontario Youth Apprenticeship Program, Specialist High Skills Major and School/College/Work Initiatives. She stated that the City can be the central 'cog' and hopes to build a partnership with the City. She listed the benefits to the employer and the community and stated they would work with the City in developing a policy that is specific to this initiative.

Sharon Murdock advised of a program offered by Cambrian College and College Boreal providing an Academic and Career Entrance (ACE) Certificate which is a Ggrade 12 equivalency. She advised the City does not recognize this certificate as a grade 12 equivalency.

The Committee agreed to a request by Councillor Gasparini for a report from the Director of Human Resources & Organizational Development looking at the City's present policy as it relates to Ontario Secondary School Diploma (OSSD) requirement and equivalency.

Item 5
Ontario Sustainable
Energy Association –
Ontario's Green Energy
Act

Stephen Monet, Manager of Environmental Planning Initiatives, stated that on May 14, 2009 the Ontario Green Energy Act received Royal Assent providing the provincial government with the necessary tools to ensure Ontario's place as North America's renewable energy leader. He introduced Roberto Garcia, Manager, Marketing & Member Services, Ontario Sustainable Energy Association (OSEA), who outlines implications and opportunities of the Green Energy Act to municipalities.

Roberto Garcia made an electronic presentation entitled 'Sudbury's Community Power Opportunity'. He stated that OSEA is a province-wide, member-based, non-profit association founded in 1999 that represents and serves Ontario's Community Power sector through policy advocacy, public outreach and capacity building activities comprised of over 120 Community Power organizations and sustainable energy enterprises including households, First Nations, co-ops, farmers, private businesses, municipalities and other local institutions. He provided a short history of the OSEA which was launched in 1999 leading up to the Green Energy Act (GEA) campaign and the first Community Power Conference in 2009. He listed the key elements of the GEA including enhanced policy commitment to conservation, smart grid and renewables, feed-in tariffs (FIT) to procure renewables, guaranteed connection of renewables and streamlined approvals while protecting neighbouring land uses. He further listed the key elements of the FIT program being differentiated by size, technology and application, tariffs based on cost of generation plus a reasonable profit, no program cap and no project size cap. He showed examples of facilities using

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Act (continued)

'green energy'. He advised of the amended Co-operative Act and indicated that renewal energy is now everybody's business. He also advised of price bonuses and project funding. He outlined renewable energy sector challenges including grid access, access to capital and affordable insurance, renewable energy approvals and social friction. He explained how the OSEA can help. He concluded by stating that Greater Sudbury can continue to look for conservation opportunities in buildings and services, utilize Greater Sudbury Utilities to facilitate broader participation and investigate new revenue opportunities made possible under new GEA and FIT programs.

PRESENTATIONS

Item 6
Ward 12 Development
Highlights

Helen Mulc, Manager of Economic Development, made an electronic presentation showing highlights of Ward 12. She stated that the Flour Mill is one of Sudbury's oldest neighbourhoods. She advised of the silo restoration project and Flour Mill Museum. She advised that the Franco-Ontarian flag flies at the corner of Notre Dame Avenue and Kathleen Street; an ideal location due to the Franco-Ontarian heritage and culture in the area. She showed photographs of a number of developments in the retail, industrial and residential sectors. She also advised that the Flour Mill Business Improvement Area has been active in the Ward. She stated that Ward 12 is historically significant for its many churches. She showed various residential, educational and recreational facilities and other points of interest.

Item 7
Ward 12 Capital
Improvement Projects

Robert Falcioni, Director of Roads & Transportation, and Nick Benkovich, Director of Water/Wastewater Services, made an electronic presentation regarding Ward 12 Capital Improvement Projects.

The Director of Roads & Transportation advised the proposed Roads and Transportation Projects in Ward 12 include major road construction on Notre Dame Avenue/Paris Street and Lasalle Boulevard and resurfacing on Kathleen, Redfern and Louis Streets. He also advised of the bridge work on the Paris Street/Elm Street Bridge. With respect to traffic signals, he advised of work done on Notre Dame Avenue/Paris Street, Lasalle Boulevard and on the Ste. Anne Road pedestrian crossing. He also advised of the engineering work on the Maley Drive Extension, Barry Downe Road Extension Route Planning Study and the Junction Creek Storm Water Management Study.

The Director of Water/Wastewater Services advised of the water projects including the distribution system projects on Notre Dame Avenue and Tedman Street in conjunction with roads projects

PRESENTATIONS (continued)

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Improvement Projects
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and condition assessment projects. He also advised of supply plant upgrades and improvements. With respect to wastewater, he advised of the collection systems projects at St. Charles Lift Station, Lagace Sewer replacement and inflow/infiltration system repairs. He also advised of plant upgrades to the Sudbury Waste/Wastewater Treatment Plant and the continuing work on the bio-solids treatment project.

CLOSING REMARKS – COUNCILLOR LANDRY-ALTMANN, WARD 12

Councillor Landry-Altmann stated that the Committee was shown everything that Ward 12 has to offer. She thanked the volunteers of the CANs and the other volunteer groups in the park associations as well as staff who helped with the presentations.

Adjournment

2009-39 Cimino-Barbeau: THAT this meeting does now adjourn.
Time: 8:21 p.m.

CARRIED

Councillor Doug Craig, Chair

Angie Haché, City Clerk