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CORPORATION OF HAMILTON
INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE
PUBLIC SESSION

Wednesday, June 15, 2022, 10:00 am
Mayor's Parlour, City Hall, Hamilton

Present: Councillor John Harvey, MBE, JP, Chairman
Councillor George Scott, JP
Councillor Nicholas Swan
Councillor Henry Ming
Councillor Jenefer Brimmer

Apologies: Rt. Wor. Charles R. Gosling, JP
Councillor RoseAnn Edwards
Michael Branco, JP - Associate Member

Staff: CEO/City Secretary - Dwayne A. Caines, JP
CFO/Acting City Secretary – Tanya Iris
COO/City Engineer - Patrick Cooper
Director of Marketing & Communications – Jessica Astwood
Public Relations Manager - Helen Zoellner

1. Confirmation of Notice

The CEO/City Secretary confirmed that the appropriate notices of the meeting were duly given according to the Meeting Guide.

2. Role of the Chairman

Councillor John Harvey confirmed his role as the Chairman.

3. Open Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 10.00 am.

4. Apologies

The CEO/City Secretary confirmed that apologies had been received from Councillor R. Edwards and Associate Member Michael Branco. Councillor H. Ming would join the meeting via zoom as an observer.

5. Public Participation/Presentation

There was no public participation/presentation.

6. Correspondence

There was no correspondence.

7. Minutes of the Previous Infrastructure Committee Meeting dated 11 May 2022 (Public Session)

Proposed: Councillor J. Brimmer

Seconded: Councillor N. Swan

The Minutes were accepted as read.

8. Matters Arising from the Previous Infrastructure Committee Meeting dated 12 May 2022 (Public Session)

8.1 Traffic Issues Review and Design Report

Carry out community consultation on the proposals as it related to the change of use for the six (6) parking bays on Laffan Street and the six (6) parking bays on Washington Street. On hold. **(City Engineer)** Action item had not been completed.

8.2 Angle Street Speed Bump

Following the community survey, carry out the installation of the speed bumps on Angle Street by the end of 2021. **(COO/City Engineer)** The COO/City Engineer said that the quotes and schedule for asphalt paving in 2022 was awaited from the contractor, following which the speed bump could be installed during the summer. Action item had not been completed.

8.3 Traffic Calming Policy

As there were no regulations in Bermuda for creating speed bumps, the COH would write a Speed Bumps Policy. **(COO/City Engineer)** The COO/City Engineer presented a draft Traffic Calming Policy noting that diagrams would be added. It was thought that imperial measurements could be included and the emergency services would include the police. The Mayor noted a contradiction in the first paragraph referring to Dundonald Street which currently had several speed bumps and where there was frequent freight traffic. Action item had not been completed.

8.4 Official Naming of Dudley Eve Park Event

Schedule a date for the official naming of Dudley Eve Park event with full PR, after installation of the stair structure and park signage. The Director of Marketing and Communications said that a proposed date for the official naming and opening of Dudley Eve Park would be 12 October 2022, after the mural had been installed in the Park. Councillor Brimmer referred to potential involvement in development of the Park by the Bermuda Economic Development Corporation. The CEO/City Secretary said that the COH had reached its budget for the Park in 2022, with the installation of the stairway. A budget for 2023 and sponsors would be preferred once the Park's usage had been designed by the Assistant City Engineer had been approved. Action item completed.

ACTION:

Circulate the image of the mural for Dudley Eve Park to the Infrastructure Committee by email. **(Director of Marketing and Communications)**

8.5 Parking

Form a Parking Sub-Committee to discuss a vision, potential changes and effects, to parking in the City, from the research presented in the Parking Strategy document. The CEO/City Secretary said that he had met with the COO/City Engineer and Assistant Superintendent Traffic in the first instance to identify priority parking issues, the actions from which were ongoing. The Assistant Superintendent Traffic had prepared a draft Parking Strategy document. The Parking Sub-Committee would include Councillor Swan, the CEO/City Secretary, the COO/City Engineer and the Assistant Superintendent Traffic. Action item completed.

ACTION:

Circulate the draft Parking Strategy document to the Infrastructure Committee for comment and input. **(CEO/City Secretary)**

8.6 Access to King Street Car Park - Seventh Day Adventist Church

Arrange a meeting with the Seventh Day Adventist Church, as it relates to their request for unimpeded access to their warehouse through the King Street car park. The CEO/City Secretary said that a meeting had been arranged for 23 June 2022. Action item completed.

8.7 Sponsorship Process Video

Produce an informational video to inform the public of the notice period for sponsorship applications, the COH budgetary considerations and recognition of the COH as sponsors without whom events could not take place, as it relates to applications for event sponsorship. Action item completed.

8.8 Paving Works Schedule

After survey, the results of the annual sidewalk and road assessments would be published to inform the community of upcoming works due to take place in the coming year. In 2022, this would include all work carried out since 2014. **(COO/City Engineer)** Action item had not been completed.

9. Resolutions Approved by the Minister

That the Board approve, in the spirit of assisting the re-establishment of the Bermuda tourism industry in 2022, as it relates to the Sail GP Block Party to be held on 11 May 2022, that the COH would waive the labour costs normally associated with an event such as this. In the future, the COH would require significantly more notice of a request for sponsorship than was given.

10. Recommendations for Review

10.1 Bermuda Pride

The Director of Marketing and Communications said that sponsorship of the parade had not been requested as the organisers would pay for that themselves.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Board approve the sponsorship of the Bermuda Pride event to be held on 27 August 2022, as set out in the attached estimate, excluding associated labour costs.

Proposed: Councillor J. Brimmer

Seconded: Councillor N. Swan

Unanimous

ACTION:

Ascertain from the Venue and Rentals Co-ordinator whether the Bermuda Pride event would include a march through the City. (Director of Marketing and Communications)

10.2 Bid Recommendation - Pier-6 Solar

The COO/City Engineer said that a tender had been issued for roof mounted solar panels to be installed on Pier-6, currently under renovation. There had been two (2) tender bids received; Noesis for \$140,450.00 and Bermuda Alternate Energy for \$163,770.00. The Designer at ABM had been requested to consider the bids. The Recommendation was for Bermuda Alternate Energy, the higher bid. Noesis had not complied fully with the tender requirements. The COO/City Engineer said that BAE had been used on previous solar panel installation projects and therefore recommended their bid.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Board approve the contract for the installation of solar panels at Pier-6 be awarded to Bermuda Alternate Energy at a cost of \$163,770.00.

Proposed: Councillor J. Brimmer

Seconded: Councillor N. Swan

Unanimous

11. Status Updates

11.1 Marketing & Communication

- VIVID Public Art initiative for Dudley Eve Park mural and a sculpture in the City.
- 13-19 June Bermuda Clipper Race.
- 17 June - Carnival - Barr's Bay Park.
- 19 June - Glow Bermuda - QEP.

- 25 June (rain 26th) - Movies in the Park - Barr's Bay Park - first in-person movie night.
- 3 July - Bermuda Charge Motor Show - Front Street.
- 5 July - Point Pleasant Park opening and Bermuda Triangle marker, by the Mayor - invites have been sent.
- 17 July - Summer Sunday - Victoria Park - Concert in the Park series. rain date following Sunday.
- 26 August - Staff Summer Party.
- 27 August - Bermuda Pride.
- 30 September-2 October - Taste of Bermuda - various activities, with sponsorship and potential celebrity chef.
- 29 October - Movie Night Halloween.
- 10 December (rain 17th) - Bermuda Boat Parade.
- Bermuda Marquee sign - awaiting planning approval. Social media comments were divided for and against.

Councillor G. Scott joined the meeting at 10.31 am.

11.2 Take Note: Project Charters 2022

- Fort Hamilton - refining concepts, upgrade of electrical supply - construction should commence in 2023.
- Pier-6 - roof is being replaced. The interior will then be completed. Many challenges and changes at Pier-6. Budget had been reached.
- Earl Cameron Dressing rooms - contractors have increased costs due to 6-month delay in commencement - decision to be made whether to do the renovations during the window of July and August, or shelve the project.
- Par-La-Ville/Church Street traffic lights punch list to be actioned. Design work for next section on Church Street is on hold.
- Paving works on Front Street, Albuoys Point, now on second section of Front Street.
- Paving works on Church Street to King Street will commence.
- City Hall office refurbishment of ladies bathrooms and accounting area with cubicles, furniture, colour scheme and layout - awaiting planning permission.
- Marquee sign - awaiting planning permission. Surrounding ground to be redeveloped which will continue through the proposed boardwalk at the water's edge.
- Removal of Trees on Victoria Street and rebuild wall adjacent to Ex-Artillerymen's Club. Councillor Brimmer noted a complaint relating to four (4) parking bays being blocked during the tree removal. An apology had been given.
- City Hall roof and wall painting - tender to be issued.

- Earl Cameron Theatre painting - tender to be issued.
- Front Street Pump Station piping replacement and microscreening.
- Preparation for hurricane season with 20 trees to be pruned throughout the City.
- Flags on Front Street - the Union Jack's on street poles would be reprinted correctly free of charge by the vendor and replaced.

12. Government's Water and Wastewater Plan - Update

There was no update.

13. Any Other Business

13.1 Accident Data Report - 1 January 2022-11 May 2022

The CEO/City Secretary said that the accident data report had been received from the Bermuda Police Service, in relation to traffic lights and speed bumps around the City, in order to determine whether extra equipment should be installed, in particular at the junction of Parliament Street and Reid Street. The matter would be added to the Parking Sub-Committee's agenda.

The CEO/City Secretary left the meeting at 10.50 am. The CFO/Acting City Secretary took the role of City Secretary in his absence.

The Public Relations Manager left the meeting at 10.50 am.

13.2 Fort Hamilton / Elizabeth Hills - Parking

The Chairman referred to the email from the Bermuda Housing Trust requesting notice of events at Fort Hamilton which attracted car parking on the Elizabeth Hills property, as previously agreed by the COH. The agreement had stated that visitors to Fort Hamilton were not permitted to park on the property and directions to other parking areas would be given. The COO/City Engineer said that hire of the venue at Fort Hamilton would require a person to direct traffic away from Elizabeth Hill to appropriate parking areas.

ACTION:

Refer the matter to the Venue and Rentals Co-ordinator to be included in the agreement relating to the hire of Fort Hamilton, that a person be hired to direct traffic away from the Elizabeth Hills Estate towards appropriate parking areas. **(COO/City Engineer)**

13.3 Lighting of City Hall Building

The Chairman referred to the light displays on Buckingham Palace during the Platinum Jubilee concert in London on 4 June 2022. A video was shown of the same. The Director of Marketing and Communications reminded the meeting that on New Year's Eve 2019, a full show light display had been shown on the front of City Hall. A video was shown. The COO/City Engineer said that the light show took months of planning and was expensive.

The Director of Marketing and Communications said that it took a year to plan and included a film crew, script writer, director, filming on a green screen of Gombey dancers, projection equipment was shipped in from California. She said that such light shows should be reserved for landmark years due to the expense. The Chairman had a vision for North Hamilton to be lit up every night.

13.4 SSL Public Tariff Rate 2023

The Chairman referred to the letter from Polaris Holding Company Limited, requesting a tariff rate increase for 2023 of 3%, in respect of Stevedoring Services Limited. Discussion ensued.

ACTION:

Request the Audited Financial Statement for Stevedoring Services Limited, as it relates to the request from Polaris Holding Company Limited, for a tariff rate increase of 3% for 2023. **(COO/City Engineer)**

13.5 Condolences for Resident

Councillor Brimmer noted the passing of Hamilton resident, Mr. Keith Gordon, and requested condolences be sent from the Mayor and Councillors of the COH to Mr. Keith Gordon's daughter, Ms. Karen Sewell, and his sisters, Ms. Patricia Gordon-Pamplin, and former Premier Dame Patricia Gordon-Banks, and the family.

ACTION:

Send condolences from the Mayor and Councillors of the COH on the passing of Hamilton resident, Mr. Keith Gordon, to Mr. Keith Gordon's daughter, Ms. Karen Sewell, and his sisters, Ms. Patricia Gordon-Pamplin, and former Premier Dame Patricia Gordon-Banks, and the family. **(CEO/City Secretary)**

14. Motion to Move to Restricted Session

Proposed: Councillor J. Brimmer

Seconded: Councillor N. Swan