

Community and Public Services Committee Minutes

May 16, 2022 9:30 a.m. Council Chamber, 2nd floor, City Hall

Present: T. Cartmell, M. Janz, A. Sohi, K. Tang, J. Wright

1. Call to Order and Related Business

1.1 Call to Order and Land Acknowledgement

Councillor T. Cartmell called the meeting to order at 9:31 a.m., Monday, May 16, 2022, and acknowledged that Community and Public Services Committee meets on the traditional land of Treaty 6 Territory. The Chair also acknowledged the diverse Indigenous peoples whose ancestors' footsteps have marked this territory for centuries such as: Cree, Dene, Saulteaux, Blackfoot, Nakota Sioux, as well as Metis and Inuit, and now settlers from around the world.

1.2 Roll Call

Councillor T. Cartmell conducted roll call and confirmed the attendance of Members of Community and Public Services Committee.

*Mayor A. Sohi is a Committee Member pursuant to section 15(3), Council Committee Bylaw 18156.

Councillors S. Hamilton, A. Knack, A. Paquette, K. Principe, J. Rice, E. Rutherford, A. Salvador and A. Stevenson; and E. Norton, M. de Guzman, T. Orbell and C. Schlamp, Office of the City Clerk, were also in attendance.

1.3 Adoption of Agenda

Moved by: T. Cartmell

That the May 16, 2022, Community and Public Services Committee meeting agenda be adopted with the following changes:

Additions:

- 6.1 Safer for All Strategy Community Safety, Well Being, Inclusion and Anti-racism
- 6.2 Community Safety and Well-Being Strategy
- 6.3 Community Safety and Well-Being Methodology and Results
- 6.4 ConnectEdmonton Next Steps Community Safety and Well-being and Edmonton's Healthy City Goal

In Favour (5): T. Cartmell, M. Janz, A. Sohi, K. Tang, and J. Wright

Carried (5 to 0)

Moved by: T. Cartmell

That the following items be dealt with together:

- 6.1 Safer for All Strategy Community Safety, Well Being, Inclusion and Anti-racism
- 6.2 Community Safety and Well-Being Strategy
- 6.3 Community Safety and Well-Being Methodology and Results
- 6.4 ConnectEdmonton Next Steps Community Safety and Well-being and Edmonton's Healthy City Goal

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Carried (5 to 0)

Moved by: T. Cartmell

That the Orders of the Day for the May 16, 2022, Community and Public Services Committee meeting be changed as follows:

- Recess at 5 p.m., May 16, 2022
- Continuation on May 17, 2022, at 9:30 a.m.
- Lunch Noon to 1:30 p.m.

- Recess 3:30 p.m. to 3:45 p.m.
- Adjournment 5 p.m.

In Favour (5): T. Cartmell, M. Janz, A. Sohi, K. Tang, and J. Wright

Carried (5 to 0)

1.4 Approval of Minutes

Moved by: J. Wright

That the April 25, 2022, Community and Public Services Committee meeting minutes be approved.

In Favour (5): T. Cartmell, M. Janz, A. Sohi, K. Tang, and J. Wright

Carried (5 to 0)

1.5 Protocol Items

There were no Protocol Items.

2. Items for Discussion and Related Business

2.1 Select Items for Debate

The following items were selected for debate: 6.1, 6.2, 6.3, 6.4, 6.5 and 6.6.

2.2 Vote on Reports not Selected for Debate

All items were selected for debate.

2.3 Requests to Speak

Moved by: T. Cartmell

That Community and Public Services Committee hear from the following speakers, in panels when appropriate:

- 6.1 Safer for All Strategy Community Safety, Well Being, Inclusion and Anti-racism
 - 1. H. Ali
 - 2. S. Sinha, Anti-racism Advisory Committee
- 6.2 Community Safety and Well-Being Strategy

- 6.3 Community Safety and Well-Being Methodology and Results
- 6.4 ConnectEdmonton Next Steps Community Safety and Well-being and Edmonton's Healthy City Goal
 - 1. P. Martinez, Edmonton Public Library
 - 2. P. McBryan, Edmonton Downtown Business Association
 - 3. J. Gebran, Gebran Enterprises Inc. O/A Kingsway McDonald's, Downtown, and central west Edmonton
 - 4. L. Hagen, Action on Smoking & Health organization
 - 5. H. Ali
 - 6. P. Brown
 - 7. L. Hugo Francescutti, Bridge Healing
 - 8. H. Leong, Chinatown Transformation Collaborative Society
 - 9. S. Oborowsky, Edmonton Police Foundation Community Solutions Accelerator
 - 10. S. Zaidi, Downtown Recovery Coalition
 - 11. T. LaRiviere, Accessibility Advisory Committee
 - 12. F. Omole, Women's Advocacy Voice of Edmonton
 - 13. K. O'Neill, YWCA Edmonton
 - 14. S. Haji, Africa Centre (to answer questions only)
 - 15. H. Shu, City of Edmonton Youth Council
 - 16. A. Irfan, City of Edmonton Youth Council
 - 17. E. Jones, Edmonton Public Library (to answer questions only)
 - 18. D. Rhodes, Edmonton Public Library (to answer questions only)
 - 19. S. Leavitt-Wright, Jewish Federation of Edmonton
 - 20. S. Sinha, Anti-racism Advisory Committee
 - 21.L. Cunningham-Shpeley, Edmonton Federation of Community Leagues
- 6.5 Recreation Centre Master Plan District and Local Level Funding Strategy Options for Recreation Centres

- 1. E. Solez, Friends of Scona Rec
- 2. K. Semeniuk, Friends of Scona Rec
- 3. J. Papineau, Friends of Scona Rec
- 4. K. Clegg, Queen Alexandra Community League

In Favour (5): T. Cartmell, M. Janz, A. Sohi, K. Tang, and J. Wright

Carried (5 to 0)

Moved by: T. Cartmell

That Community and Public Services Committee hear from the following additional speaker:

- 6.1 Safer for All Strategy Community Safety, Well Being, Inclusion and Anti-racism
- 6.2 Community Safety and Well-Being Strategy
- 6.3 Community Safety and Well-Being Methodology and Results
- 6.4 ConnectEdmonton Next Steps Community Safety and Well-being and Edmonton's Healthy City Goal
 - 1. R. Houle

In Favour (5): T. Cartmell, M. Janz, A. Sohi, K. Tang, and J. Wright

Carried (5 to 0)

Moved by: T. Cartmell

That Community and Public Services Committee hear from the following additional speaker:

- 6.5 Recreation Centre Master Plan District and Local Level Funding Strategy Optionsfor Recreation Centres
 - L. Cunningham-Shpeley, Edmonton Federation of Community Leagues

In Favour (4): T. Cartmell, M. Janz, K. Tang, and J. Wright

Carried (4 to 0)

2.4 Requests for Specific Time on Agenda

Moved by: T. Cartmell

That the following item be dealt with at a specific time on the agenda:

 6.5 Recreation Centre Master Plan - District and Local Level - Funding Strategy Options for Recreation Centres - 3:45 p.m.

In Favour (5): T. Cartmell, M. Janz, A. Sohi, K. Tang, and J. Wright

Carried (5 to 0)

Moved by: T. Cartmell

That the following item be dealt with at a specific time on the agenda:

 6.5 - Recreation Centre Master Plan - District and Local Level -Funding Strategy Options for Recreation Centres - First item of business, Tuesday, May 17, 2022

In Favour (5): T. Cartmell, M. Janz, A. Sohi, K. Tang, and J. Wright

Carried (5 to 0)

3. Councillor Inquiries

There were no Councillor Inquiries.

4. Reports to be Dealt with at a Different Meeting

There were no Reports to be Dealt with at a Different Meeting.

5. Requests to Reschedule Reports

There were no Requests to Reschedule Reports.

6. Public Reports

6.1 Safer for All Strategy - Community Safety, Well Being, Inclusion and Anti-racism

Items 6.1, 6.2, 6.3 and 6.4 were dealt with together.

The following members of Administration's delegation made a presentation:

A. Corbould, City Manager

- S. Ebrahim, Office of the City Manager
- L. Kardosh, REACH Edmonton
- J. Flaman, Deputy City Manager, Community Services

The following public speakers made presentations:

- P. Martinez, Edmonton Public Library
- J. Gebran, Gebran Enterprises Inc. O/A Kingsway McDonald's, Downtown, and central west Edmonton
- L. Hagen, Action on Smoking & Health organization
- S. Zaidi, Downtown Recovery Coalition
- T. LaRiviere, Accessibility Advisory Committee
- K. O'Neill, YWCA Edmonton
- S. Haji, Africa Centre
- S. Leavitt-Wright, Jewish Federation of Edmonton

The following public speakers made presentations and answered questions:

- P. McBryan, Edmonton Downtown Business Association
- R. Houle
- H. Leong, Chinatown Transformation Collaborative Society
- H. Ali
- L. Cunningham-Shpeley, Edmonton Federation of Community Leagues
- L. Hugo Francescutti, Bridge Healing
- F. Omole, Women's Advocacy Voice of Edmonton
- P. Brown
- A. Irfan, City of Edmonton Youth Council
- H. Shu, City of Edmonton Youth Council
- S. Sinha, Anti-racism Advisory Committee

 S. Oborowsky, Edmonton Police Foundation - Community Solutions Accelerator

The following public speakers answered questions:

- E. Jones, Edmonton Public Library
- D. Rhodes, Edmonton Public Library

The following members of Administration's delegation answered questions:

- L. Kardosh, REACH Edmonton
- A. Corbould, City Manager
- S. Padbury, Chief Financial Officer and Deputy City Manager, Financial and Corporate Services
- S. Ebrahim, Office of the City Manager
- C. Owen, Deputy City Manager, Communications and Engagement
- J. Flaman, Deputy City Manager, Community Services
- M. Chong, Financial and Corporate Services
- D. Jones, Community Services
- C. Kjenner, Community Services
- H. Rai, Financial and Corporate Services

The following members of the delegation answered questions:

- D. McFee, Edmonton Police Service
- J. Calahoo-Stonehouse, Edmonton Police Commission
- J. McDougall, Edmonton Police Commission
- D. Derko, Edmonton Police Service

Moved by: A. Sohi

That Administration work with:

 the Downtown Business Association and Edmonton Police Service, to request the use of up to \$1 million from Provincially provided downtown safety resources to fund social workers and mental health specialists to be partnered with law enforcement in Human-centred Engagement and Liaison Partnership Unit (HELP) teams throughout the downtown core and Chinatown, and to supplement daytime shelter space led by Indigenous Community Organizations; and

2. the Downtown Recovery Coalition, to allocate up to \$4 million from 2022-2024 from City provided Downtown Vibrancy Initiative recovery funds to fund social workers and mental health specialists to be partnered with law enforcement in the Edmonton Police Service and Administration to enhance The Police and Crisis Response Team (PACT), Human-centred Engagement and Liaison Partnership Unit (HELP) and Community Outreach Transit Team (COTT) resources in the Downtown, Chinatown and the Transit system, to expand the YEG Ambassador Program, and to supplement daytime shelter space led by Indigenous Community Organizations.

In Favour (5): T. Cartmell, M. Janz, A. Sohi, K. Tang, and J. Wright

Carried (5 to 0)

Moved by: T. Cartmell

Community Safety and Well-being Strategy - Federal, Provincial and Municipal Responsibilities

That Administration provide a report detailing federal, provincial and municipal responsibilities in relation to the work of the Community Safety and Well-being strategy, including but not limited to: housing, mental health, addictions, corrections; Reconciliation and First Nations, Métis, and Inuit leadership and responsibilities; and policing, diversion, prevention, reduction strategies. This report should also detail the comprehensive strategies that have been developed by the City to address these areas of responsibility.

Due Date: August 22, 2022, Community and Public Services Committee

In Favour (5): T. Cartmell, M. Janz, A. Sohi, K. Tang, and J. Wright

Carried (5 to 0)

Moved by: T. Cartmell

That the May 16, 2022, Office of the City Manager report OCM00568, be received for information.

6.2 Community Safety and Well-Being Strategy

Items 6.1, 6.2, 6.3 and 6.4 were dealt with together.

Moved by: M. Janz

That Community and Public Services Committee recommend to City Council:

- 1. That the Community Safety and Well-being Strategy, as outlined in the May 16, 2022, Office of the City Manager report OCM00991, be approved.
- 2. That the following adjustments to the 2022 and 2023 operating budget, as outlined in Attachment 1 of the May 16, 2022 Office of the City Manager report OCM00991, be approved, with funding from the Edmonton Police Services funds within Financial Strategies:
 - i. That the Office of the City Manager 2022 operating budget be increased by \$1,500,000 on a one-time basis, with funding from the Edmonton Police Services Funds held within Financial Strategies for the purpose of creating microgrants as per the Community Safety and Well-being strategy as outlined in Attachments 1 and 3 of the May 16, 2022, Office of the City Manager report OCM00991.
 - ii. That the Office of the City Manager 2022 operating budget be increased by \$1,500,000 in 2022 and \$555,000 in 2023 on an ongoing basis, with funding from the Edmonton Police Service Funds held within Financial Strategies for the Integrated Call Evaluation and Dispatch Centre purpose as outlined in Attachments 1 and 3 of the May 16, 2022, Office of the City Manager OCM00991 report.
 - iii. That the Social Development Branch 2022 operating budget be increased by \$811,000 on an on-going basis, with funding from the Edmonton Police Service Funds held within Financial Strategies for the Indigenous Framework Implementation as outlined in Attachments 1 and 3 the May 16, 2022, Office of the City Manager report OCM00991.
 - iv. That the Infrastructure Planning and Design Branch 2022 operating budget be increased by \$1,000,000 on a one-time basis, with

- funding from the Edmonton Police Service Funds held within Financial Strategies for the Indigenous-led Shelter as outlined in the report and Attachments 1 and 3 of the May 16, 2022, Office of the City Manager report OCM00991.
- v. That the Social Development Branch 2022 operating budget be increased by \$1,000,000 on a an on-going basis, with funding from the Edmonton Police Service Funds held within Financial Strategies for the Extreme Weather Protocol as outlined in the report and Attachments 1 and 3 of the May 16, 2022, Office of the City Manager report OCM00991.
- vi. That the Social Development Branch 2022 operating budget be increased by \$25,000 on a one-time basis, with funding from the Edmonton Police Service Funds held within Financial Strategies for the purpose of Drug Poisoning Response as outlined in Attachments 1 and 3 of the May 16, 2022, Office of the City Manager report OCM00991.
- vii. That the Community Standards and Neighbourhoods Branch 2022 operating budget be increased by \$415,000 on an on-going basis, with funding from the Edmonton Police Service Funds held within Financial Strategies for the purpose of Community Safety Peace Officers Training and Professional Standards Centre of Excellence as outlined in Attachments 1 and 3 of the May 16, 2022, Office of the City Manager report OCM00991.
- viii. That the Social Development Branch 2022 operating budget be increased by \$1,622,000 on an on-going basis, with funding from the Edmonton Police Service Funds held within Financial Strategies for the purpose of Community Wellness as outlined in Attachments 1 and 3 of the May 16, 2022, Office of the City Manager report OCM00991.
- ix. That the Boards and Authorities/Edmonton Public Library 2022 operating budget be increased by \$200,000 on a one-time basis, with funding from the Edmonton Police Service Funds held within Financial Strategies for the purpose of Sing, Sign, Laugh and Learn Program as outlined in Attachments 1 and 3 of the May 16, 2022, Office of the City Manager report OCM00991.
- x. That the Social Development Branch 2022 operating budget be increased by \$290,000 on a one-time basis, with funding from the

Edmonton Police Service Funds held within Financial Strategies for the purpose of Bridge Healing Centre as outlined in Attachments 1 and 3 of the May 16, 2022, Office of the City Manager report OCM00991.

Not put to vote

Moved by: K. Tang

Amendment 1:

Part 2. ix., Edmonton Public Library: Sing, Sign, Laugh and Learn Program:

That Action 9, Edmonton Public Library: Sing, Sign, Laugh and Learn Program, as outlined in Attachment 1 of the May 16, 2022, Office of the City Manager report OCM00991, be removed and that the funding be used to supplement Action 6, Drug Poisoning Response, for tangible actions other than education and awareness campaigns, working with service providers to address current Council motions on the opioid crisis.

With the unanimous consent of Community and Public Services Committee, Councillor K. Tang withdrew the amendment.

Withdrawn

Moved by: J. Wright

Amendment 2:

Part 2. ii., Integrated Call Evaluation and Dispatch Centre:

That Action 2, Integrated Call Evaluation & Dispatch Centre, be removed and the funds be re-allocated as follows:

- That the Social Development Branch 2022 operating budget be increased by \$400,000 on an ongoing basis for the Drug Poisoning response to enable Social Development to hire a full-time employee (FTE) to manage the file, continue the coordination of partners and to fund key activities as outlined in Attachment 3.
- That the Community Standards and Neighbourhood Branch 2022 operating budget hold the remaining funds in abeyance for further engagement with the Edmonton Federation of Community Leagues to support local community initiatives for safe, healthy and active communities as they move towards COVID-19 recovery.

With the unanimous consent of Community and Public Services Committee, Councillor J. Wright withdrew the amendment.

Withdrawn

Councillors T. Cartmell and K. Tang requisitioned report OCM00991 to City Council without a Committee Recommendation.

6.3 Community Safety and Well-Being Methodology and Results

Items 6.1, 6.2, 6.3 and 6.4 were dealt with together.

Moved by: T. Cartmell

That the May 16, 2022, Office of the City Manager report OCM00888, be received for information.

In Favour (5): T. Cartmell, M. Janz, A. Sohi, K. Tang, and J. Wright

Carried (5 to 0)

6.4 ConnectEdmonton Next Steps - Community Safety and Well-being and Edmonton's Healthy City Goal

Items 6.1, 6.2, 6.3 and 6.4 were dealt with together.

Moved by: T. Cartmell

That the May 16, 2022, Financial and Corporate Services report FCS00226, be received for information.

In Favour (5): T. Cartmell, M. Janz, A. Sohi, K. Tang, and J. Wright

Carried (5 to 0)

6.5 Recreation Centre Master Plan - District and Local Level - Funding Strategy Options for Recreation Centres

The following members of Administration's delegation made a presentation:

- J. Flaman, Deputy City Manager, Community Services
- R. Jevne, Community Services

The following public speaker made a presentation:

J. Papineau, Friends of Scona Rec

The following public speakers made presentations and answered questions:

- E. Solez, Friends of Scona Rec
- K. Semeniuk, Friends of Scona Rec
- K. Clegg, Queen Alexandra Community League
- L. Cunningham-Shpeley, Edmonton Federation of Community Leagues

The following members of Administration's delegation answered questions:

- R. Jevne, Community Services
- A. Laughlin, Deputy City Manager, Integrated Infrastructure Services
- S. McCabe, Deputy City Manager, Urban Planning and Economy

Moved by: M. Janz

That Administration prepare unfunded capital profiles for construction of the Rollie Miles Athletic Field District Park Renewal and the Rollie Miles Leisure Centre for consideration in the 2023-2026 capital budget.

Due Date: 2023-2026 City Council Budget Deliberations

In Favour (5): T. Cartmell, M. Janz, A. Sohi, K. Tang, and J. Wright

Carried (5 to 0)

The following members of Administration's delegation answered questions:

- G. Cebryk, Deputy City Manager, City Operations
- A. Laughlin, Deputy City Manager, Integrated Infrastructure Services

Moved by: M. Janz

Community-initiated Proposals for Off-leash Dog Parks

That Administration provide a report to Committee outlining options and resource requirements for community-initiated proposals for off-leash dog parks with the potential to have the options integrated into City processes and strategy implementation.

Due Date: August 22, 2022, Community and Public Services Committee

In Favour (5): T. Cartmell, M. Janz, A. Sohi, K. Tang, and J. Wright

Carried (5 to 0)

Moved by: J. Wright

That Administration provide a memo with information on the process to identify possible locations for an additional cricket pitch on City owned land and outline how community sport organizations can enhance Cityowned land to support the growth of their sport.

In Favour (5): T. Cartmell, M. Janz, A. Sohi, K. Tang, and J. Wright

Carried (5 to 0)

6.6 Edmonton Arts Council - Connections & Exchanges: A 10-Year Plan to Transform Arts and Heritage Annual Update

Moved by: A. Sohi

That the May 16, 2022, Edmonton Arts Council report EXT00901, be postponed to the May 30, 2022, Community and Public Services Committee meeting.

Due Date: May 30, 2022, Community and Public Services Committee

In Favour (5): T. Cartmell, M. Janz, A. Sohi, K. Tang, and J. Wright

Carried (5 to 0)

7. Responses to Councillor Inquiries

There were no Responses to Councillor Inquiries on the agenda.

8. Motions Pending

There were no Motions Pending on the agenda.

9. Private Reports

There were no Private Reports on the agenda.

10. Notices of Motion and Motions without Customary Notice

| 11. | Adjournment | |
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| | The meeting adjourned at 4:45 p.m., Tuesday, May 17, 2022. | |
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| | Chair | City Clerk |

Councillor T. Cartmell asked whether there were any Notices of Motion. There

were none.