



Urban Planning Committee Minutes

August 29, 2023

9:30 a.m.

River Valley Room, 1st floor, City Hall

Present: A. Stevenson, K. Tang, T. Cartmell, E. Rutherford, A. Sohi

1. Call to Order and Related Business

1.1 Call to Order an Land Acknowledgment

Councillor A. Stevenson called the meeting to order at 9:31 a.m., Tuesday, August 29, 2023, and acknowledged that Urban Planning Committee meets on the traditional land of Treaty 6 Territory and Métis Homelands. The Chair also acknowledged the diverse Indigenous peoples whose ancestors' footsteps have marked this territory for centuries such as: Cree, Dene, Sauteaux, Blackfoot, Nakota Sioux, as well as Métis and Inuit, and now settlers from around the world.

**Clerk's note: The August 29, 2023, Urban Planning Committee meeting was held over two days: August 29, 2023 and August 30, 2023.*

1.2 Roll Call

Councillor A. Stevenson conducted roll call and confirmed the attendance of Members of Urban Planning Committee.

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

Councillors M. Janz, A. Knack, A. Paquette, K. Principe, J. Rice, A. Salvador and J. Wright; and J. Vizbar, J. Shearer and C. Martin, Office of the City Clerk, were also in attendance.

1.3 Adoption of Agenda

Moved by: K. Tang

That the August 29, 2023, Urban Planning Committee meeting agenda be adopted.

In Favour (4): A. Stevenson, K. Tang, T. Cartmell, and E. Rutherford

Carried (4 to 0)

Moved by: A. Stevenson

That the Orders of the Day for the August 29, 2023, Urban Planning Committee meeting, be changed to continue Wednesday, August 30, 2023, from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m.

In Favour (5): A. Stevenson, K. Tang, T. Cartmell, E. Rutherford, and A. Sohi

Carried (5 to 0)

Moved by: A. Stevenson

That the August 29, 2023, Urban Planning and Economy report UPE01728 be postponed to the September 19, 2023, Urban Planning Committee meeting.

Due Date: September 19, 2023, Urban Planning Committee

In Favour (5): A. Stevenson, K. Tang, T. Cartmell, E. Rutherford, and A. Sohi

Carried (5 to 0)

1.4 Approval of Minutes

Moved by: K. Tang

That the July 12, 2023, Urban Planning Committee meeting minutes be approved.

In Favour (4): A. Stevenson, K. Tang, T. Cartmell, and E. Rutherford

Carried (4 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: 7.1, 7.2, 7.3, 7.4, 7.5 and 7.6.

2.2 Vote on Reports not Selected for Debate

Moved by: A. Stevenson

That the recommendation in the following report be approved:

- 5.1 Real Time Traffic Monitoring Review

In Favour (5): A. Stevenson, K. Tang, T. Cartmell, E. Rutherford, and A. Sohi

Carried (5 to 0)

2.3 Requests to Speak

Moved by: K. Tang

That Urban Planning Committee hear from the following speakers, in panels when appropriate:

- 7.1 Growth Management Framework Update - Substantial Completion Standard - Additional Information
 1. D. Berry, Grow Together Edmonton
 2. K. Anderson, Urban Development Institute - Edmonton Metro
 3. C. Nicholas, Urban Development Institute - Edmonton Metro
 4. R. Smith, Canadian Home Builders Association - Edmonton Region
 5. C. Brightwell, Urban Development Institute - Edmonton Metro
 6. N. Rheubottom, Infill Development in Edmonton Association
 7. Y. Bhandari, Grow Together Edmonton
- 7.2 Edmonton Transit Services in Newer Developing/Developed Communities
- 7.3 Bus Service for Youth after School Hours - Approach and Work Plan
- 7.4 Developer-funded Transit Service Options to Support Early Adoption of Transit in New Neighborhoods
 1. S. Bradshaw, Amalgamated Transit Union Local 569
 2. K. Anderson, Urban Development Institute - Edmonton Metro
 3. J. Brown, Urban Development Institute - Edmonton Metro
 4. S. Smith, Action for Healthy Communities
 5. T. Adams, Free Play for Kids
 6. A. Pye, NAIOP Edmonton
- 7.5 Open Space Amenities in Developing Neighbourhoods
 1. M. Davis, Urban Development Institute - Edmonton Metro
 2. W. Ollis, Urban Development Institute - Edmonton Metro
 3. K. Anderson, Urban Development Institute - Edmonton Metro
- 7.6 North Saskatchewan River Heritage Designation Initiative - Update

1. L. Duncan, North Saskatchewan River Valley Conservation Society
2. S. Millar, North Saskatchewan Watershed Alliance
3. D. Ridley, Edmonton Heritage Council

In Favour (5): A. Stevenson, K. Tang, T. Cartmell, E. Rutherford, and A. Sohi

Carried (5 to 0)

Moved by: A. Stevenson

That Urban Planning Committee hear from the following additional speaker:

- 7.6 North Saskatchewan River Heritage Designation Initiative - Update
 1. K. Kerr, Canadian Parks and Wilderness Society, Northern Alberta

In Favour (4): A. Stevenson, K. Tang, T. Cartmell, and E. Rutherford

Carried (4 to 0)

2.4 Requests for Specific Time on Agenda

There were no requests for items to be dealt with at a specific time on the agenda.

3. Councillor Inquiries

There were no Councillor Inquiries.

4. Reports to be Dealt with at a Different Meeting

4.1 Social Services Agencies for Houseless Persons (T. Cartmell)

This report was dealt with at the August 28, 2023, Community and Public Services Committee meeting.

5. Requests to Reschedule Reports

5.1 Real Time Traffic Monitoring Review

This item was not selected for debate and was dealt with as part of item 2.2. The following motion carried:

That the revised due date of Fourth Quarter 2023, Urban Planning Committee, for the City Operations report CO01784, Real Time Traffic Monitoring Review, be approved.

Revised Due Date: Fourth Quarter 2023, Urban Planning Committee

6. Unfinished Business

There was no Unfinished Business on the agenda.

7. Public Reports

7.1 Growth Management Framework Update - Substantial Completion Standard - Additional Information

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

- K. Snyder, Urban Planning and Economy
- H. Hassan, Urban Planning and Economy

The following public speakers made presentations and answered questions:

- K. Anderson, Urban Development Institute - Edmonton Metro
- C. Nicholas, Urban Development Institute - Edmonton Metro
- R. Smith, Canadian Home Builders Association - Edmonton Region
- C. Brightwell, Urban Development Institute - Edmonton Metro
- D. Berry, Grow Together Edmonton
- N. Rheubottom, Infill Development in Edmonton Association
- Y. Bhandari, Grow Together Edmonton

The following members of Administration's delegation answered questions:

- K. Snyder, Urban Planning and Economy

- K. Petrin, Acting Deputy City Manager, Urban Planning and Economy
- S. Wilmot, Urban Planning and Economy
- S. Padbury, Chief Financial Officer and Deputy City Manager, Financial and Corporate Services
- H. Hassan, Urban Planning and Economy
- P. Ladouceur, Acting Deputy City Manager, Integrated Infrastructure Services
- T. Pawlyk, Urban Planning and Economy

Moved by: A. Sohi

That Urban Planning Committee recommend to City Council:

1. That Administration review and update the Terms of Reference for the Preparation of Area and Neighbourhood Structure Plans (NSPs) to adequately address greenhouse gas impacts, climate resilience and provide the fiscal impacts of growth (ie. operating and capital costs) to increase new neighbourhood financial sustainability.
2. That Administration engage industry and community stakeholders, including Urban Development Institute, and return with a joint strategy to advocate to other orders of government on revenue sharing and other options to pay for growth to achieve fiscal sustainability.

Due Date: First Quarter 2024, City Council

In Favour (5): A. Stevenson, K. Tang, T. Cartmell, E. Rutherford, and A. Sohi

Carried (5 to 0)

7.2 Edmonton Transit Services in Newer Developing/Developed Communities

Items 7.2, 7.3 and 7.4 were dealt with together.

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

- E. Robar, Deputy City Manager, City Operations
- D. Vriend, City Operations
- C. Hotton-MacDonald, City Operations

The following public speakers made presentations and answered questions:

- S. Bradshaw, Amalgamated Transit Union Local 569
- J. Brown, Urban Development Institute - Edmonton Metro
- T. Adams, Free Play for Kids
- S. Smith, Action for Healthy Communities
- A. Pye, NAIOP Edmonton
- K. Anderson, Urban Development Institute - Edmonton Metro

The following members of Administration's delegation answered questions:

- C. Hotton-MacDonald, City Operations
- S. Feldman, City Operations
- D. Vriend, City Operations

Moved by: A. Stevenson

That Administration bring forward an unfunded service package to address service gaps and to advance plans for a satellite transit garage facility lease and an unfunded capital profile to purchase transit buses to grow the fleet as part of leasing the satellite transit garage facility for consideration by Council during the 2023 Fall Supplementary Capital Budget Adjustment as described in the August 29, 2023, City Operations report CO01337.

Due Date: Fall 2023 Supplemental Capital Budget Adjustment

In Favour (4): A. Stevenson, K. Tang, T. Cartmell, and E. Rutherford

Carried (4 to 0)

Moved by: A. Stevenson

Edmonton Transit Service - Bus Fleet Replacement Plan

That Administration provide a report to Committee outlining a bus fleet replacement plan that identifies efficiencies that can be reinvested into the bus network to address the service gaps as described in the August 29, 2023, City Operations report CO01337.

Due Date: February 2024, Urban Planning Committee

In Favour (4): A. Stevenson, K. Tang, T. Cartmell, and E. Rutherford

Carried (4 to 0)

7.3 Bus Service for Youth after School Hours - Approach and Work Plan

Items 7.2, 7.3 and 7.4 were dealt with together.

Moved by: K. Tang

That the August 29, 2023, City Operations report CO01562 be received for information.

In Favour (4): A. Stevenson, K. Tang, T. Cartmell, and E. Rutherford

Carried (4 to 0)

7.4 Developer-funded Transit Service Options to Support Early Adoption of Transit in New Neighborhoods

Items 7.2, 7.3 and 7.4 were dealt with together (see item 7.2)

Moved by: K. Tang

That the August 29, 2023, City Operations report CO01551 be received for information.

In Favour (4): A. Stevenson, K. Tang, T. Cartmell, and E. Rutherford

Carried (4 to 0)

7.5 Open Space Amenities in Developing Neighbourhoods

This item was postponed to the September 19, 2023, Urban Planning Committee meeting (see item 1.3).

7.6 North Saskatchewan River Heritage Designation Initiative - Update

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

- K. Snyder, Urban Planning and Economy
- H. Hassan, Urban Planning and Economy

The following member of the delegation made a presentation:

- K. Schole, Smoky Lake County

The following public speakers made presentations and answered questions:

- K. Kerr, Canadian Parks and Wilderness Society, Northern Alberta
- S. Millar, North Saskatchewan Watershed Alliance
- D. Ridley, Edmonton Heritage Council
- L. Duncan, North Saskatchewan River Valley Conservation Society

The following members of Administration's delegation answered questions:

- K. Snyder, Urban Planning and Economy
- H. Hassan, Urban Planning and Economy

The following member of the delegation answered questions:

- K. Schole, Smoky Lake County

Moved by: K. Tang

That Urban Planning Committee recommend to City Council:

That the Mayor, on behalf of City Council and in partnership with Smoky Lake County, write a letter to both the Minister of Alberta Environment and Protected Areas, and the Minister of Environment and Climate Change of Canada, supporting the designation of the North Saskatchewan River (Alberta) as a Heritage River under the Canadian Heritage Rivers System.

In Favour (5): A. Stevenson, K. Tang, T. Cartmell, E. Rutherford, and A. Sohi

Carried (5 to 0)

8. Responses to Councillor Inquiries

There were no Responses to Councillor Inquiries on the agenda.

9. Private Reports

There were no Private Reports on the agenda.

10. Motions Pending

There were no Motions Pending on the agenda.

11. Notices of Motion and Motions without Customary Notice

Councillor A. Stevenson asked whether there were any Notices of Motion. There were none.

12. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 3:41 p.m., Wednesday, August 30, 2023.

Chair

City Clerk