



**MINUTES**  
**Strategic Priorities Committee**

May 18, 2021

9:00 am

Town Hall, Council Chambers

Council Present: Mayor Strathdee (in-person)  
Councillor Craigmile (videoconference)  
Councillor Edney (videoconference)  
Councillor Hainer (videoconference)  
Councillor Luna (videoconference)  
Councillor Pridham (videoconference)  
Councillor Winter (in-person)

Staff Present: **In-Person**  
Brent Kittmer, Chief Administrative Officer  
Jenna McCartney, Clerk  
**Conference Line**  
Richard Anderson, Director of Emergency Services / Fire Chief

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Strathdee called the meeting to order at 9:00 am.

**3. AMENDMENTS AND APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

**Resolution 2021-05-18-01**

**Moved By:** Councillor Edney

**Seconded By:** Councillor Pridham

**THAT** the May 18, 2021 Strategic Priorities Committee agenda be accepted as presented.

**CARRIED**

**4. STRATEGIC PRIORITIES REVIEW**

**4.1 FD 07-2021 Fireworks By-law**

Chief Anderson presented FD 07-2021 report.

The Committee discussed the details of the by-law and the proposed set fines.

**Resolution 2021-05-18-02**

**Moved By:** Councillor Luna

**Seconded By:** Councillor Edney

**THAT** FD 07-2021 Fireworks By-law report be received for discussion; and

**THAT** the Strategic Priorities Committee recommends to Council:

**THAT** Council consider the revised draft by-law to prohibit and regulate the sale of fireworks and the setting off of fireworks and pyrotechnics in the Town of St. Marys at a subsequent meeting for approval.

**CARRIED**

**4.2 ADMIN 17-2021 Animal Control Review**

Jenna McCartney presented ADMIN 17-2021 report.

The Committee is of the consensus that a further report back is required regarding the following:

- permitting requirements for urban chickens including licensing, quantities per dwelling, zoning restrictions, enclosure provisions
- enhanced prohibited animal list

**Resolution 2021-05-18-03**

**Moved By:** Councillor Winter

**Seconded By:** Councillor Luna

**THAT** ADMIN 17-2021 Animal Control Review report be received; and

**THAT** the Strategic Priorities Committee recommends to Council:

**THAT** Council enter into a 3-year agreement with the Human Society Kitchener Waterloo Stratford Perth for animal control services.

**CARRIED**

**4.3 2021 Priorities Review**

Council was of the consensus that, due to time limitations, that the presentation of priorities be expedited with a full presentation at a later date.

Brent Kittmer presented the key points 2021 priorities review and answered Council questions.

**Resolution 2021-05-18-04**

**Moved By:** Councillor Hainer

**Seconded By:** Councillor Pridham

**THAT** the 2021 Priorities Review presentation be received for information.

**CARRIED**

The Committee took a brief break at 10:55 am.

Chair Strathdee called the meeting back to order at 11:05 am.

**4.4 ADMIN 18-2021 Re-Allocation of 2019 Provincial One-Time Modernization Funding**

Brent Kittmer presented ADMIN 18-2021 report.

**Resolution 2021-05-18-05**

**Moved By:** Councillor Hainer

**Seconded By:** Councillor Craigmile

**THAT** ADMIN 18-2021 Re-allocation of 2019 Provincial One-Time Modernization Funds be received; and

**THAT** the Strategic Priorities Committee recommends to Council:

**THAT** Council approves reallocating \$216,614 of 2019 One-Time Modernization funds to the following projects:

- Building/Development Department Property Files Digitization (if not funded by other sources)
- Corporate Services IT Strategy (if not funded by other sources)
- Human Resources Recruiting System
- PRC Capacitor Installation
- PRC Refrigeration Controls Replacement
- Childcare Centre Playground Astro Turf; and

**THAT** Council approves the use of the 2021 capital budget allocation for energy upgrades, as required, for the PRC Capacitor Installation and PRC Refrigeration Controls Replacement.

**CARRIED**

**5. CLOSED SESSION**

**Resolution 2021-05-18-06**

**Moved By:** Councillor Edney

**Seconded By:** Councillor Luna

**THAT** the Strategic Priorities Committee moves into a session that is closed to the public at 11:17 am as authorized under the Municipal Act, Section 239(2)(c) a proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local board.

**CARRIED**

**5.1 ADMIN 19-2021 CONFIDENTIAL Land Purchase Matter**

**6. RISE AND REPORT**

Chair Stratthdee reported that a closed session was held and one matter was discussed with staff being given direction. There is nothing further to report at this time.

**Resolution 2021-05-18-08**

**Moved By:** Councillor Winter

**Seconded By:** Councillor Edney

**THAT** the Strategic Priorities Committee rises from a closed session at 12:05 pm.

**CARRIED**

**7. NEXT MEETING**

Chair Stratthdee reviewed the upcoming meeting as presented on the agenda.

**8. ADJOURNMENT**

**Resolution 2021-05-18-09**

**Moved By:** Councillor Hainer

**Seconded By:** Councillor Luna

**THAT** this meeting of the Strategic Priorities Committee adjourns at 12:06 pm.

**CARRIED**

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Al Stratthdee, Mayor

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Jenna McCartney, Clerk