City of Barrie



Minutes - Final

Community Services Committee

Tuesday, November 20, 2012	4:30 PM	Council Chamber

For consideration by General Committee on November 26, 2012.

The meeting was called to order by Councillor L. Strachan at 4:33 p.m. The following were in attendance for the meeting:

PRESENT:

Councillor L. Strachan, Community Services Committee Chairperson Mayor J. Lehman, Community Service Committee Member (ex-officio) Councillor B. Ainsworth, Community Services Committee Member Councillor D. Shipley, Community Services Committee Member.

STAFF:

Administrative Assistant, CAO/Mayor's Office, L. Wild Chief Administrative Officer, C. Ladd City Clerk, D. McAlpine Committee and Print Services Supervisor, L. Pearson Director of Engineering, R. Kahle Director of Recreation, Facilities and Transit, B. Roth Energy and Environmental Officer, B. Thompson General Manager of Community Operations, R. Forward General Manager of Infrastructure Planning, W. McArthur Manager, Business Services - Recreation, Facilities and Transit, R. Emerson Manager of Recreation, S. Lee Young Manager of Infrastructure Planning, S. Patterson Manager of Planning Policy, M. Kalyaniwalla Planner, A. Shaikh Supervisor of Parks Planning, W. Fischer. The Community Services Committe met and recommends adoption of the following recommendation(s):

SECTION "A"

DISTRICT ENERGY PRESENTATION

That the presentation by Barry Thompson, Energy and Environmental Officer regarding District Energy be referred to the Environmental Advisory Committee for consideration at a future meeting. (File: E00)

This matter was recommended to General Committee for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 11/26/2012.

SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY WORK PROGRAM

That the report to Community Services Committee dated November 20, 2012 concerning the Sustainable Development Strategy Work Program be referred to the Environmental Advisory Committee for consideration at a future meeting. (12-G-018) (File: D00)

This matter was recommended to General Committee for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 11/26/2012.

The Community Services Committee met and reports as follows:

SECTION "B"

RECREATION PROGRAM AND FACILITIES SERVICE REVIEW - PROGRESS UPDATE

Rob Emerson, Manager, Business Services - Recreation, Facilities and Transit provided a presentation regarding the Recreation Program and Facilities Service Review: Progress Update. He explained the goals associated with the Recreation Program and Facilities Service Review related to cost recovery and utilization. Mr. Emerson highlighted that the service review activities are intended to change one or more of the following factors:

- Price
- Cost
- Participation
- Program Offering.

Mr. Emerson described the goals associated with each of the four factors. He noted that the collective ambition of the staff team from Recreation Programs and Recreation Facilities is "To be the recreation experience provided of choice in the City of Barrie". Mr. Emerson provided a progress update describing what has been done to date, what is currently being done and anticipated next steps in the process pertaining to pricing, cost savings, participation and program offering.

Mr. Emerson concluded by noting that a report to General Committee regarding the Recreation Program and Facilities Service review is anticipated for June, 2013, highlighting the anticipated matters that will be addressed in the report.

The Committee asked several questions related to the information provided and received responses from City staff.

The Community Services Committe met and recommends adoption of the following recommendation(s):

SECTION "C"

VOLUNTEER WORK GROUPS ON THE NORTH SHORE TRAIL

That the use of volunteer work groups to assist with the maintenance of vegetation (trees and shrubs) on the North Shore Trail not be implemented. (12-G-288) (11-G-275) (File: R00)

This matter was recommended for to General Committee for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 11/26/2012.

PROPOSED COUNCIL COMMUNITY MATCHING FUND

That the Item for Discussion regarding the Proposed Council Community Matching Fund be referred to staff in the Chief Administrative Officer's Department for further consideration of the concerns identified at the November 20th, 2012 Community Services Committee meeting and a report back to General Committee. (12-G-319) (Item for Discussion 6.4, November 12, 2012) (File: F00)

This matter was recommended General Committee for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 11/26/2012.

The Community Services Committee met and reports as follows:

SECTION "D"

COMMUNITIES IN BLOOM COMMMITTEE REPORT DATED OCTOBER 17, 2012

The Communities in Bloom Committee Report dated October 17, 2012 was received. (File: C05)

COMMUNITIES IN BLOOM COMMITTEE REPORT DATED NOVEMBER 7, 2012

The Communities in Bloom Committee Report dated November 7, 2012 was received. (File: C05)

The meeting adjourned at 6:17 p.m.

CHAIRMAN