THE REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF NIAGARA
CORPORATE SERVICES COMMITTEE
OPEN SESSION

CSC 10-2020
Monday, November 9, 2020
Council Chamber/Video Conference
Niagara Region Headquarters, Campbell West
1815 Sir Isaac Brock Way, Thorold, ON

Committee Members Present in the Council Chamber:	Fertich, Foster (Committee Chair), Whalen (Committee Vice-Chair)
Committee Members Present via Video Conference:	Bradley (Regional Chair), Butters, Campion, Diodati, Easton, Edgar, Gale, Heit, Ip, Redekop, Rigby
Other Councillors Present via Video Conference:	Bylsma, Witteveen
Staff Present in the Council Chamber:	H. Chamberlain, Director, Financial Management & Planning/Deputy Treasurer, M. Elia, Technology Support Analyst, T. Harrison, Commissioner/Treasurer, Corporate Services, A.-M. Norio, Regional Clerk, R. Tripp, Acting Chief Administrative Officer
Staff Present via Video Conference:	M. Cruickshank, Legal Counsel, D. Gibbs, Director, Legal & Court Services, A. Jugley, Commissioner, Community Services, H. Koning, Director, Senior Services, K. Lotimer, Legislative Coordinator, B. Menage, Director, Procurement & Strategic Acquisitions, C. Mustard, Real Estate Officer, C. Ogunniyi, Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Program Manager, D. Woiceshyn, Chief Executive Officer, Niagara Regional Housing, B. Zvaniga, Interim Commissioner, Public Works

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1. CALL TO ORDER

Committee Chair Foster called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

2. DISCLOSURES OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

There were no disclosures of pecuniary interest.

3. PRESENTATIONS

3.1 Hospice Niagara

Carol Nagy, Executive Director, Hospice Niagara, provided information respecting Investing in Hospice Palliative Care. Topics of the presentation included:

- The Project, Problem and Solution
- Hospice Care
- Hospice at Home
- Hospice Niagara Client and Caregiver Feedback
- Request

4. DELEGATIONS

4.1 Niagara Regional Hospital Funding Policy (Report CSD 73-2020 (Agenda Item 5.2))

Aaron Levo, Vice President, Communications and Public Affairs, Hamilton Health Sciences, Cindy MacDonald, Director, Community Programs, West Lincoln Memorial Hospital, Harry Schlange, Chief Administrative Officer, Town of Grimsby, Mike Kirkopoulos, Chief Administrative Officer, Town of Lincoln, Beverly Hendry, Chief Administrative Officer, Township of West Lincoln, Pam Ellens, Executive Director, West Lincoln Memorial Hospital Foundation, Kevin Antonides, Chair, West Lincoln Memorial Hospital Foundation and Andrew Smith, Campaign Chair, West Lincoln Memorial Hospital Foundation, appeared before Committee to request regional funding to support a new West Lincoln Memorial Hospital.

5. ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

5.1 CSD 70-2020
Amendment to By-Law 2019-79 Budget Planning

Moved by Councillor Rigby
Seconded by Councillor Ip

That Report CSD 70-2020, dated November 9, 2020, respecting Amendment to By-Law 2019-79 Budget Planning, **BE RECEIVED** and the following recommendations **BE APPROVED**:

1. That By-law 2019-79 Budget Planning By-law **BE AMENDED** to include section 1.7. “Establish social determinants of health as a consideration in program and budget decisions”; and
2. That the necessary by-law **BE PREPARED** and **PRESENTED** to Council for consideration.

Carried

5.2 CSD 73-2020
Niagara Regional Hospital Funding Policy

Erin O'Hoski, Principal, Boulevard Strategy Group, provided information respecting Niagara Regional Hospital Funding Report. Topics of the presentation included:

- Methodology
- Proposed Guiding Principles
- 6 Options for Consideration by Niagara Region
    - Proportionate Share Model
    - Durham Model
    - Hospital MOU Model
    - Regional Benefit Model
    - Limited Regional Participation Model
    - Hybrid Model

Moved by Councillor Easton
Seconded by Councillor Edgar

That Report CSD 73-2020, dated November 9, 2020, respecting Niagara Regional Hospital Funding Policy, **BE RECEIVED** and the following recommendation **BE APPROVED**:

1. That staff **BE DIRECTED** to develop a formal policy based on the hybrid option in Boulevard Strategy Group's "The Niagara Regional Hospital Funding Report".

Carried

6. CONSENT ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

6.1 CSC-C 22-2020
COVID-19 Response and Business Continuity in Corporate Services

Moved by Councillor Fertich
Seconded by Councillor Whalen

That Correspondence Item CSC-C 22-2020, being a memorandum from T. Harrison, Commissioner/Treasurer, dated November 9, 2020, respecting COVID-19 Response and Business Continuity in Corporate Services, **BE RECEIVED** for information.

Carried

7. OTHER BUSINESS

7.1 Hospice Niagara Presentation

Moved by Councillor Redekop
Seconded by Councillor Diodati

That the presentation by Hospice Niagara respecting Investing in Hospice Palliative Care (Minute Item 3.1), **BE RECEIVED** and **REFERRED** to staff to prepare a report regarding the funding request to be provided to the Budget Review Committee of the Whole meeting for consideration for the 2021 budget.

Carried

7.2 Provincial Policy Respecting Hospital Funding

Moved by Councillor Redekop
Seconded by Councillor Heit

That the Regional Chair **BE DIRECTED** to send a letter to the Minister of Health requesting that the Ministry develop a clear, consistent policy for hospital construction and re-construction funding in Ontario.

Carried

8. CLOSED SESSION

Committee did not resolve into closed session.

9. BUSINESS ARISING FROM CLOSED SESSION ITEMS

9.1 Confidential CSD 60-2020
A Matter of Advice that is Subject to Solicitor Client Privilege and Respecting Litigation – Summary of Civil Lawsuits Commenced Against The Regional Municipality of Niagara (Niagara Region), Niagara Regional Police Service (NRPS) and Niagara Regional Housing (NRH)

Moved by Councillor Campion
Seconded by Councillor Butters

That Confidential Report CSD 60-2020, dated November 9, 2020, respecting A Matter of Advice that is Subject to Solicitor Client Privilege and Respecting Litigation – Summary of Civil Lawsuits Commenced Against The Regional Municipality of Niagara (Niagara Region), Niagara Regional Police Service (NRPS) and Niagara Regional Housing (NRH), **BE RECEIVED** and the recommendations contained therein, **BE APPROVED**.

Carried

9.2 Confidential CSD 71-2020
A Matter Respecting a Proposed Acquisition of Land by the Municipality – Gateway Initiative Project

Moved by Councillor Rigby
Seconded by Councillor Edgar

That Confidential Report CSD 71-2020, dated November 9, 2020, respecting A Matter Respecting a Proposed Acquisition of Land by the Municipality – Gateway Initiative Project, **BE RECEIVED** and the recommendations contained therein, **BE APPROVED**.

Carried

10. NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, December 9, 2020, at 9:30 a.m. in the Council Chamber, Regional Headquarters.

11. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:46 a.m.

Councillor Foster
Committee Chair

Kelly Lotimer
Legislative Coordinator

Ann-Marie Norio
Regional Clerk