

Minute Item No. 3.2.1

CLK 5-2021

Application for Tourism Exemption for Holiday Openings under the *Retail Business Holidays Act* - Lowe's Store - McLeod Road, City of Niagara Falls

That Report CLK 5-2021, dated May 12, 2021, respecting Application for Tourism Exemption for Holiday Openings under the *Retail Business Holidays Act* – Lowe's Store – 7959 McLeod Road, City of Niagara Falls, **BE RECEIVED** and the following recommendations **BE APPROVED**:

1. That the application from Lowe's store, requesting a tourism exemption under the *Retail Business Holidays Act*, to permit the store located at 7959 McLeod Road, in the City of Niagara Falls, to open on all statutory holidays, with the exception of Christmas Day, from 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m., **BE APPROVED**; and
2. That the necessary by-law **BE PREPARED** and **PRESENTED** to Regional Council for consideration.

Minute Item No. 6.1

CSD 27-2021

Niagara Regional Police Services (NRPS) 1 District – Amending Agreement with Merit Contractors Niagara Ltd.

That Report CSD 27-2021, dated May 12, 2021, respecting Niagara Regional Police Services (NRPS) 1 District – Amending Agreement with Merit Contractors Niagara Ltd. , **BE RECEIVED** and the following recommendations **BE APPROVED**:

1. That the CCDC-2 Stipulated Price Contract of \$17,111,289 (including 13% HST) awarded to Merit Contractors Niagara Ltd. ("Merit") **BE INCREASED** by \$53,221 (including 13% HST) for a total revised Contract of \$17,164,510 (including 13% HST) for the construction of the NRPS 1 District Facility in St. Catharines;
2. That the Gross Budget for Niagara Regional Police Service (NRPS) 1 District Facility in St. Catharines **BE INCREASED** by \$47,927 and that the increase **BE FUNDED** from the Capital Variance – Levy Project; and
3. That the Regional Chair and the Regional Clerk **BE AUTHORIZED** to execute an amendment to the CCDC-2 Stipulated Price Contract between Niagara Region and Merit as proposed in Recommendation 1 above.

Minute Item No. 6.2

CLK 6-2021

**Community Member Appointments to the Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion
Advisory Committee**

That Report CLK 6-2021, dated May 12, 2021, respecting Community Member Appointments to the Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Advisory Committee, **BE RECEIVED** and the following recommendation **BE APPROVED**:

1. That the recommended community member appointments for the Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Advisory Committee, contained in Confidential Appendix 1 to Report CLK 6-2021, **BE APPROVED**.

Minute Item No. 6.3

CSC-C 17-2021

Referred Motion - Municipal Act Revisions for Code of Conduct Violations

WHEREAS the City of Ottawa Integrity Commissioner found that a Member of Ottawa City Council engaged in “incomprehensible incidents of harassment” involving job candidates and staff;

WHEREAS the Municipal Act, 2001 does not provide a mechanism to have a Councillor vacated from their seat despite any acts of serious misconduct;

WHEREAS the City of Ottawa has sent correspondence to the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing requesting revisions to the Municipal Act, 2001, to address such acts of serious misconduct;

WHEREAS the Women’s Advisory Committee is supportive of requesting revisions to the Municipal Act, 2001 to address these matters;

WHEREAS the Province of Ontario has opened a formal consultation process to invite members of public and municipalities to provide comments on ways to strength codes of conduct; and

WHEREAS the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) has released a position statement regarding this consultation.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

1. That the Regional Chair **BE DIRECTED** to send a letter to the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing requesting revisions be made to the Municipal Act, 2001, that would provide for the vacating of the seat of a member of council who has been found on clear and convincing evidence to have committed serious misconduct;
2. That Regional Council **ENDORSE** AMO’s position in regards to this matter; and
3. That the Regional Chair **BE DIRECTED** to actively participate, on behalf of Regional Council, in the ongoing provincial consultation on this matter; and
4. That the letter from the Regional Chair **BE CIRCULATED** to the local area MPPs.

Minute Item No. 6.4
CAO 7-2021
Communications Overview

That Report CAO 7-2021, dated May 12, 2021, respecting Communications Overview, **BE RECEIVED** and the following recommendations **BE APPROVED**:

1. That the report from the Boulevard Strategy Group entitled “Communications Overview” attached as Appendix 1 to Report CAO 7-2021 **BE RECEIVED**;
2. That the principles articulated in Section 5.0 of Appendix 1 to Report CAO 7-2021 **BE ADOPTED** as a frame for considering options to reorganize the communication work of the Region;
3. That further analysis of the potential options proposed in Section 6.0 of Appendix 1 to Report CAO 7-2021 **BE UNDERTAKEN** in the context of the development of a communication masterplan for the Region and against the principles articulated in Section 5.0 of Appendix 1 to Report CAO 7-2021;
4. That staff **BE DIRECTED** to report back to Council before the end of the year on the status of the development of the communication masterplan and on the analysis of potential options for consolidation of the communications functions of the Region;
5. That Council **APPROVE** the retention of consulting services to assist with the development of the communications masterplan and organizational options for communication functions within the Region with funding to be found within the current budget of the Office of the Chief Administrative Officer; and
6. That staff **BE DIRECTED** to continue to find opportunities in all communication portfolios to engage in new partnerships, improve communication strategic alignment as an enterprise, improve processes, procedures and services, and that progress be reported on as part of the report back noted in recommendation 4 above.

Minute Item No. 7.2
CLK 4-2021
Mandatory Lobbyist Registry

That Report CLK 4-2021, dated May 12, 2021, respecting Mandatory Lobbyist Registry **BE RECEIVED**; and

That staff **BE DIRECTED** to provide a report on the costs of the establishment of a mandatory Lobbyist Registry with enforcement, including staffing, technology requirements, processes, necessary by-law and Code of Conduct changes, and options for a Lobbyist Registrar and that considerations for the establishment of a Lobbyist Registry form part of the budget proposals for 2022.

Minute Item No. 7

Consent Items for Information

That the following items **BE RECEIVED** for information:

CSC-C 15-2021

COVID-19 Response and Business Continuity in Corporate Services

CSC-C 16-2021

Regional Municipality of Niagara Police Services Board Response to Councillor Information Request Respecting Report CSD 17-2021 - 2020 Year-End Results and Transfer Report

Minute Item No. 10.1

Confidential Report CSD 28-2021

A Matter Respecting Litigation and A Matter of Advice that is Subject to Solicitor-Client privilege under s. 239 (2) of the Municipal Act, 2001 - Carillion Canada Inc. v. RMON re NRPS Headquarters and 2 District

That Confidential Report CSD 28-2021, dated May 12, 2021, respecting A Matter Respecting Litigation and A Matter of Advice that is Subject to Solicitor-Client privilege under s. 239 (2) of the Municipal Act, 2001 - Carillion Canada Inc. v. RMON re NRPS Headquarters and 2 District, **BE RECEIVED** and the recommendations contained therein, **BE APPROVED**.

Minute Item No. 10.2

Confidential Report CSD 29-2021

A Matter of Advice that is Subject to Solicitor Client Privilege and Respecting Litigation under s. 239 (2) of the Municipal Act, 2001 - Summary of Civil Lawsuits Commenced Against The Regional Municipality of Niagara (Niagara Region), Niagara Regional Police Service (NRPS) and Niagara Regional Housing (NRH)

That Confidential Report CSD 29-2021, dated May 12, 2021, respecting A Matter of Advice that is Subject to Solicitor Client Privilege and Respecting Litigation under s. 239 (2) of the Municipal Act, 2001 - 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**.