CITY OF WINDSOR AGENDA 12/11/2023

Final Consolidated City Council Meeting Agenda

Date: Monday, December 11, 2023
Time: 4:00 o'clock p.m.

Location: Council Chambers, 1st Floor, Windsor City Hall

All members will have the option of participating in person in Council Chambers or electronically and will be counted towards quorum in accordance with Procedure By-law 98-2011 as amended, which allows for electronic meetings. The minutes will reflect this accordingly. Any delegations have the option to participate in person or electronically.

MEMBERS:

Mayor Dilkens

Ward 1 – Councillor Fred Francis

Ward 2 - Councillor Fabio Costante

Ward 3 - Councillor Renaldo Agostino

Ward 4 - Councillor Mark McKenzie

Ward 5 - Councillor Ed Sleiman

Ward 6 - Councillor Jo-Anne Gignac

Ward 7 - Councillor Angelo Marignani

Ward 8 - Councillor Gary Kaschak

Ward 9 - Councillor Kieran McKenzie

Ward 10 - Councillor Jim Morrison

ORDER OF BUSINESS

Item #	Item Description
1.	**ORDER OF BUSINESS**
2.	**CALL TO ORDER -** Playing of the National Anthem READING OF LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT We [I] would like to begin by acknowledging that the land on which we gather is the traditional territory of the Three Fires Confederacy of First Nations, which includes the Ojibwa, the Odawa, and the Potawatomi. The City of Windsor honours all First Nations, Inuit and Métis peoples and their valuable past and present contributions to this land.
3.	**DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST AND THE GENERAL NATURE THEREOF**
4.	**ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES**
4.1	Adoption of the Windsor City Council meeting minutes held November 27, 2023 **(SCM 323/2023)** ***(previously distributed)***
5.	**NOTICE OF PROCLAMATIONS** **Proclamations** “Crime Stoppers Month” – January 2024 **Flag Raising Ceremony** “Celebration of Victory Day of Bangladesh” – December 16, 2023 **Illumination** “Crime Stoppers Month” – January 1 – 7, 2024
6.	**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**

7. COMMUNICATIONS INFORMATION PACKAGE (This includes both Correspondence and Communication Reports)

7.1 Correspondence 7.1.1 through 7.1.8 **(CMC 16/2023)** ***(previously distributed)***
Clerk's Note:
Item 7.1.2 – Letter from Infrastructure Canada Community Policy and Programs Branch to Manager, Homelessness & Housing Support regarding the extension of the Reaching Home agreement (April 1, 2024 to March 31, 2028) and details regarding funding allocation.
Housing Information Services submitting the ***attached*** letter dated December 11, 2023 as a written submission.

7.2. 2022 Municipal Benchmarking Network of Canada (MBN Canada) Performance Report - City Wide **(CM 10/2023)**

8. CONSENT AGENDA

8.3. 2024 Interim Tax Bills - City Wide **(C 172/2023)**

8.4. Approval of Annual Temporary Borrowing By-Law for 2024 - City Wide **(C 173/2023)**

8.5. By-Law for the Repair and Improvement of the Gouin Drain - Ward 9 **(C 175/2023)**

8.6. 2023 Third Quarter Operating Budget Variance - City Wide **(C 154/2023)**

CONSENT COMMITTEE REPORT

8.7. Emergency Management Program and Emergency Response Plan By-law
(SCM 318/2023) & (C 171/2023)

9. REQUEST FOR DEFERRALS, REFERRALS AND/OR WITHDRAWALS

8.2. Temporary Patios on Private Property – Application and Approval Process – City Wide
(C 146/2023)
Clerk's note: Administration is requesting a further deferral on this item, to a future meeting of Council in early 2024, to allow for a further review regarding possible options for Council's consideration.

10. PRESENTATIONS AND DELEGATIONS

PRESENTATIONS (10 minutes**)**

10.1. EMG presentation regarding Fire Master Plan
a) Lyle Quan, Vice President of Operations, Emergency Management Group (PowerPoint)

10.2. University Medical Centre Presentation - Ward 3 **(SCM 319/2023)**
a) Mr. Dennis Koren, Pharmacist/Owner, University Medical Centre (in person) (PowerPoint) and, Dr. Bryce Leontowicz, ER Physician, Erie Shores Healthcare (in person) and, Jeanine Parete-Nakhle, Pharmacist and UMC/Healthfirst Pharmacy Group and Medical Centre owner, available for questions (in person) and, George El-Turk, Pharmacist and UMC/Healthfirst Pharmacy Group and Medical Centre owner, available for questions (in person)
b) Arms Bumanlag, Content Consultant, littleheart social, available for questions (in person)

DELEGATIONS (5 minutes)

11.4 Adoption of the Corporate Technology Strategic Plan - City Wide **(C 176/2023)** ***(previously distributed)***
a) Ben Perry, President, Perry Group Consulting, available for questions (via Zoom)

11.1. Auditor General Status Update Report **(SCM 317/2023)**
a) Christopher O'Connor, Managing Director, Risk Savvy Ltd., available for questions (in person)
b) Howard Weeks, Ward 4 resident (in person)

8.1. 2024 Schedule of Council and Standing Committee Meetings - City Wide **(C 150/2023)**
a) Kerry Ippolito, Ward 5 resident (in person)

11.2. Hazardous Materials Crossing Ambassador Bridge - Proposed Restriction Changes - City Wide **(C 174/2023)**
a) Terry Kennedy, Ward 2 resident (in person)

11.3. Future of Curling – City Wide **(C 166/2023)**
a) Terry Fink & Benjamin Iannetta, on behalf of the Future of Curling in Windsor Committee (in person)
b) Robert Cunningham, Curler (in person)
c) Rob Modestino, Ice Scheduler, Sun Parlour Female Hockey Association (in person)
d) Paul van Heugten, President, South Windsor Skating Club (in person)
e) Gail Robertson, Ward 10 resident (in person)
f) Paula Gignac, Roseland Curling League Member (in person)
g) Angela Barraco, President, Windsor Figure Skating Club (in person)

11. REGULAR BUSINESS ITEMS (Non-Consent Items)

11.5 Nursing and Incontinence Supplies for Huron Lodge - RFP #94-23 – Ward 1
(C 178/2023) ***(previously distributed)***

12. CONSIDERATION OF COMMITTEE REPORTS

12.1. (i) Report of the Special In-Camera meeting or other Committee as may be held prior to Council (if scheduled)
(ii) Report of the Striking Committee meeting

12.2 Adoption of the Special In-Camera Meeting minutes held December 1, 2023
(SCM 324/2023) ***(previously distributed)***

12.3 Report of the Striking Committee of its meeting held November 27, 2023.
(SCM 325/2023) ***(previously distributed)***

13. BY-LAWS (First and Second Reading) ***(previously distributed)***

13.1 **By-law 152-2023** A BY-LAW TO ASSUME CLEARY STREET FROM ROXBOROUGH BOULEVARD TO PARTINGTON AVENUE, BEING A STREET SHOWN ON PLAN OF SUBDIVISION 1196 KNOWN AS CLEARY STREET, IN THE CITY OF WINDSOR Authorized by M98-2012 dated February 21, 2012.

13.2 **By-law 153-2023** A BY-LAW TO ASSUME ST. PATRICK'S AVENUE FROM OJIBWAY STREET TO CLEARY STREET and ASKIN AVENUE FROM OJIBWAY STREET TO CLEARY STREET BEING STREETS SHOWN ON PLAN 12R-21561 KNOWN AS ST. PATRICK'S AVENUE and ASKIN AVENUE, IN THE CITY OF WINDSOR Authorized by M98-2012 dated February 21, 2012.

13.3 **By-law 154-2023** A BY-LAW TO ASSUME ROXBOROUGH BOULEVARD FROM OJIBWAY STREET TO CLEARY STREET, BEING A STREET SHOWN ON PLAN OF SUBDIVISION 12M-555 KNOWN AS ROXBOROUGH BOULEVARD, IN THE CITY OF WINDSOR Authorized by M98-2012 dated February 21, 2012.

13.4 **By-law 155-2023** A BY-LAW TO ASSUME OJIBWAY STREET FROM ROXBOROUGH BOULEVARD TO CALIFORNIA AVENUE, BEING A STREET SHOWN ON PLAN 1110, 1268, 973, 883 AND 989 KNOWN AS OJIBWAY STREET, IN THE CITY OF WINDSOR Authorized by M98-2012 dated February 21, 2012.

13.5 **By-law 161-2023** A BY-LAW TO ASSUME FOR SUBSEQUENT CLOSURE THE 4.57 METRE EAST/WEST ALLEY SOUTH OF CONTINENTAL AND WEST OF THE E.C. ROW EXPRESSWAY WESTBOUND ONRAMP AT HURON CHURCH ROAD AND THE 20.12 METRE HUDSON AVENUE RIGHT-OF-WAY, EAST OF FOURTH STREET AND WEST OF THE E.C. ROW EXPRESSWAY WESTBOUND ONRAMP AT HURON CHURCH ROAD, CITY OF WINDSOR. Authorized by CR 330/2023 dated August 8, 2023.

13.6 **By-law 162-2023** A BY-LAW TO CLOSE, STOP UP AND CONVEY THE 4.57 METRE EAST/WEST ALLEY SOUTH OF CONTINENTAL AND WEST OF THE E.C. ROW EXPRESSWAY WESTBOUND ONRAMP AT HURON CHURCH ROAD AND THE 20.12 METRE HUDSON AVENUE RIGHT-OF-WAY, EAST OF FOURTH STREET AND WEST OF THE E.C. ROW EXPRESSWAY WESTBOUND ONRAMP AT HURON CHURCH ROAD, CITY OF WINDSOR. Authorized by CR 330/2023 dated August 8, 2023.

13.7 **By-law 163-2023** A BY-LAW TO AMEND BY-LAW 10354, BEING A BY-LAW TO CLOSE, STOP UP AND CONVEY NORTH-SOUTH AND EAST-WEST ALLEYS WEST OF HURON CHURCH ROAD SOUTH OF CONTINENTAL. Authorized by CR 330/2023 dated August 8, 2023.

13.8 **By-law 164-2023** A BY-LAW TO FURTHER AMEND BY-LAW 9023 BEING A BY-LAW TO REGULATE VEHICULAR PARKING WITHIN THE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF WINDSOR ON MUNICIPAL STREETS, MUNICIPAL PARKING LOTS AND PRIVATE PROPERTIES. Authorized by CAO 283/2023 dated November 8, 2023.

13.9 **By-law 165-2023** A BY-LAW TO FURTHER AMEND BY-LAW NUMBER 9148 BEING A BY-LAW TO REGULATE TRAFFIC WITHIN THE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF WINDSOR. Authorized by CAO 248/2023 dates September 21, 2023.

13.10 **By-law 166-2023** A BY-LAW TO FURTHER AMEND BY-LAW 9023 BEING A BY-LAW TO REGULATE VEHICULAR PARKING WITHIN THE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF WINDSOR ON MUNICIPAL STREETS, MUNICIPAL PARKING LOTS AND PRIVATE PROPERTIES. Authorized by CAO 284/2023 dated November 8, 2023.

13.11 **By-law 167-2023** A BY-LAW TO ADOPT THE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PROGRAM AND THE EMERGENCY PLAN UNDER THE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AND CIVIL PROTECTION ACT.
(See Item No. 8.7, Report C171/2023)

13.12 **By-law 168-2023** A BY-LAW TO CONFIRM PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF WINDSOR AT ITS MEETING HELD ON THE 11th day of December, 2023.

14. MOVE BACK INTO FORMAL SESSION

15. NOTICES OF MOTION

16. THIRD AND FINAL READING OF THE BY-LAWS *(previously distributed)*

By-law 144-2023 and 152-2023 through 155-2023 and 161-2023 through 167-2023 inclusive

16.1 **By-law 144-2023** A PROVISIONAL BY-LAW TO PROVIDE FOR THE REPAIR AND IMPROVEMENT OF THE GOUIN DRAIN. Authorized by CR478/2022 dated November 28, 2022.

17. PETITIONS

18. QUESTION PERIOD

19. STATEMENTS BY MEMBERS

20. UPCOMING MEETINGS

21. ADJOURNMENT

Housing Information Services

December 11, 2023

Council Services
City of Windsor
350 City Hall Square West
Windsor, ON N9A 6S1

Attention: Mayor Drew Dilkens and Members of City Council

I am writing regarding concerns with the proposed funding cuts that threaten the crucial work of City Administration and community agencies such as Housing Information Services and other community partners, in addressing homelessness and affordable housing in Windsor Essex.

Reaching Home: Canada's Homelessness Strategy has been a cornerstone in our collective efforts to assist individuals experiencing or at risk of homelessness. Over the past eight years, Housing Information Services (HIS) has been steadfast in implementing the Housing First program, achieving significant success through collaboration with community partners. This initiative has resulted in tangible improvements in the lives of many in our community who have successfully exited homelessness, secured and maintained affordable housing.

The data demonstrates the positive impact of our combined efforts. In 2023 alone, HIS, with the support of Reaching Home funding, has assisted 1,610 individuals, housed 161 households, and provided essential items to 499 households through our Welcome Home program. These numbers underscore the undeniable success of our collaborative work and the transformative effect it has

had on the lives of those we serve. However, the proposed reduction in funding is deeply troublesome as such cuts will inevitably lead to a decrease in services precisely at a time when an increased level of support is urgently required. The consequences come at a time when our homeless population is on the rise and shelters are often operating beyond capacity, additionally the loss of provincially funded rent supplement programs, a vital component to increase affordability further compounds the challenges people face to continue to access affordable housing throughout the community.

Housing Information Services is also the lead agency at the Homelessness & Housing Help Hub (H4), which has been recognized as a best practice across the country to provide meaningful engagement and support to our most vulnerable. Since the beginning of this 2023, H4 has been accessed 35,964 times by homeless individuals, a stark illustration of the pressing need for the services we provide. On a daily basis, H4 continues to support 110-160 unique individuals in areas such as housing access, financial stability, mental health support, legal navigation, life skills development, employment, and provision of basic needs. Participant success stories underscore the positive impact of our programs, demonstrating how access to resources and person-centered support can empower individuals to overcome obstacles and make significant strides towards health, safety, and housing stability.

The tireless efforts of City Administration along with our community partners have been instrumental in mitigating some of these concerns, providing crucial support to those in need.

While we acknowledge the effectiveness of the hub model, the demand consistently outpaces our current capacity to respond adequately. The proposed funding cuts jeopardize the sustainability of proven-effective programs and services precisely when they are needed most.

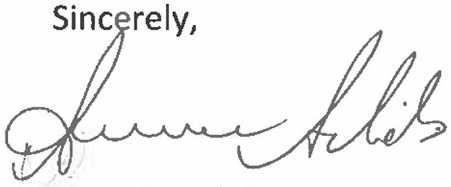
The proposed funding cuts jeopardize the progress made and may hinder our collective ability if additional funding is not secured to address the needs of vulnerable individuals and families in our community. This is not merely a financial concern; it is a matter of safeguarding the well-being and dignity of our community members who rely on these services for shelter, support, and a chance at stability.

The Government of Canada recognizes the complexity of homelessness, and we concur that now is not the time to reduce funding. Instead, increased support is needed to address challenges such as aging housing stock, the need for capital investment, and the growing demand for permanent affordable and supportive housing.

I urge City Council and the Government of Canada to consider the broader implications of these funding cuts and the potential ripple effects they may have on our community. Now, more than ever, we need to stand together and reinforce our commitment to tackling homelessness and ensuring access to affordable housing for all residents, which includes City Council's support in ensuring that the Government of Canada remains steadfast in its commitment to eliminating chronic homelessness in Canada by 2030.

Thank you for your time and consideration. I trust that you will weigh the gravity of this matter and continue to champion the well-being of our community by preserving the funding necessary for these vital initiatives

Sincerely,



Anna Angelidis,
Executive Director