



Near Campus Neighbourhoods Advisory Committee

MEMORANDUM

To: Chair; Arts, Recreation & Community Policies Committee

From: Mr. James Thompson, Committee Clerk

Date: February 16th, 2012

Subject: Limestone School Board Program and Accommodation Review Committee

At the regular meeting of the Near Campus Neighbourhoods Advisory Committee held on Wednesday February 15th, 2012 the following motion was approved.

WHEREAS *the mandate of the Near Campus Neighbourhoods Advisory Committee speaks to the need for “creating safe and sustainable neighbourhoods; and*

WHEREAS *the Limestone School Board has established a Program and Accommodation Review Committee (PARC) for the purpose of examining schools in neighbourhoods within the defined area of the Near Campus Neighbourhood Advisory Committee; and*

WHEREAS *it is widely believed in the community that the PARC may recommend the closing of one or more schools; and*

WHEREAS *the Near Campus Neighbourhood Advisory Committee believes that schools are an essential part of the fabric of any and every “safe and sustainable neighbourhood”; and*

WHEREAS *the Ministry of Education guidelines for schools being reviewed include the requirements that the value to the community and the value to the local economy are factors that must be considered; and*

WHEREAS *the City of Kingston does not appear to be studying the mandate, process or time line of the PARC, notwithstanding the enormous potential impact that an action as severe as a school closure would have on the city’s planning and economic development; and*

WHEREAS *it is understood that the PARC is to present its recommendations to the school board in June;*

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Near Campus Neighbourhoods Advisory Committee recommends that:

1. *The City Council give direction to the Chief Administrative Officer that staff be directed:*

a) to acquaint themselves with the mandate of the PARC and the issues it is required to address that the City may have a full understanding of the context in which the PARC has been established;

b) to review the PARC process to determine the optimum and other points where the City of Kingston might usefully represent to the school board matters that the City of Kingston deems to be of related interest;

c) to study the role of schools in “safe and sustainable neighbourhoods” and the impacts of school closures on those neighbourhoods, that the City might be better informed in any presentation it might chose to make;

d) to identify options of interest to the city for sharing space in schools that are otherwise under capacity, such as housing, or other community services; and

2. Staff be directed to bring forward either an information report which may be the basis for determining a position the City of Kingston may wish to adopt; or a report with recommendations for a presentation or other representation that the city may wish to consider, and that such report be available in a timely manner, (as determined by the review of the time line required above) for consideration by a committee or other public forum prior to its consideration by council; and

3. This recommendation be forwarded to the Arts Recreation and Community Policies Committee meeting on 23 February, that they may be able to forward a recommendation to the Council meeting on 6 March, while time still remains for the necessary action, should such direction be given.

Sincerely,

James Thompson
Committee Clerk



Memorial Centre Advisory Committee

MEMORANDUM

To: Councillor Glover; Chair, Art, Recreation & Community Policies Committee

From: Mr. James Thompson, Committee Clerk

Date: February 7th, 2012

Subject: Pilot Project – Outdoor Market at the Memorial Centre

At the regular meeting of the Memorial Centre Advisory Committee held on Monday February 6th, 2012 the following motion was approved.

THAT Council direct staff to issue a Request For Proposal, as per the Leasing and Licensing Policy, to operate a pilot outdoor market at The Memorial Centre; and

THAT Council direct staff to negotiate and enter into a land lease agreement, at market rate, with an independent association for the operation of a pilot outdoor market at the Memorial Centre; and

THAT the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to enter into such agreement in a form satisfactory to the Director of Legal Services.

Sincerely,

James Thompson
Committee Clerk



City Clerk's Department
MEMORANDUM

TO: Chair; Arts, Recreation & Community Policies Committee
FROM: Mr. James Thompson, Committee Clerk
DATE: February 1st, 2012
SUBJECT: Home Ownership Program Policy

At the regular meeting of the Arts, Recreation and Community Policies Committee held on January 26th, 2012 the following motion was deferred to the Housing and Homelessness Advisory Committee for clarity regarding the proposed amendments to Section 6.4 and 6.5 of the Home Ownership Program Policy:

THAT Council endorse the proposed Home Ownership Program Policy which sets out the guidelines for the municipally funded home ownership program subject to the following amendments:

THAT Section 6.4 of the draft Home Ownership Program Policy be amended to include pre-qualification and approval of condominiums and cooperative homes; and

THAT the language of Section 6.5 of the draft Home Ownership Program Policy be amended to clarify that only single residential unit homes may be purchased; and

THAT Council authorize the Mayor and Clerk to execute all loan agreements under this program, in a form satisfactory to the Legal Services Department.

At the regular meeting of the Housing and Homelessness Advisory Committee held on January 30th, 2012 the Committee amended the motion regarding the Home Ownership Program Policy to provide clarity.

THAT Council endorse the proposed Home Ownership Program Policy which sets out the guidelines for the municipally funded home ownership program subject to the following amendments:

*THAT Section 6.4 of the draft Home Ownership Program Policy be amended to include pre-qualification and approval of condominiums and **limited equity** cooperative homes; and*

THAT the language of Section 6.5 of the draft Home Ownership Program Policy be amended to clarify that only single residential unit homes may be purchased; and

THAT Council authorize the Mayor and Clerk to execute all loan agreements under this program, in a form satisfactory to the Legal Services Department.

Sincerely,

James Thompson
Committee Clerk