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City Hall
Moncton, N. B.
August 19, 2020
11:30 a.m.

MINUTES – SPECIAL PUBLIC MEETING

MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL

Mayor Dawn Arnold
Councillor Pierre Boudreau,
Councillor Paulette Thériault

Councillor Charles Léger
Councillor Bryan Butler
Councillor Brian Hicks
Councillor Susan Edgett

ABSENT

Councillor Greg Turner
Deputy Mayor Shawn Crossman
Councillor Blair Lawrence
Councillor Paul Pellerin

ALSO PRESENT

M. Landry, City Manager
B. Quigley, City Clerk, Director of Legislative Services
F. Levesque-Ouellette, Solicitor
B. Tait, Acting General Manager, Operations Services
J. MacDonald, General Manager, Sustainable Growth and Development Services

1.

CALL TO ORDER

2.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Motion: That the agenda for the Special Public Council meeting dated August 19, 2020 be approved.

Moved by: Councillor Thériault
Seconded by: Councillor Léger

MOTION CARRIED

3.

READING OF MEETING NOTICE

The Clerk read the following notice of meeting into the record:

Please be advised that there will be Special Public Meetings of City Council in the Council Chambers City Hall, Moncton, NB on August 19, 2020 @ 11:30 a.m. for the consideration of the following:

5. READING OF BY-LAWS

5.1 A **By-Law** in Amendment of a By-Law Relating to the Regulation of Traffic and Parking in the City of Moncton, being By-Law T-310.34 – **Second & Third Readings**

6. ADJOURNMENT

4.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATIONS

The Clerk inquired as to any conflicts to be declared. None declared.

5.

READING OF BY-LAWS / LECTURE D'ARRÊTÉS MUNICIPAUX

5.1 A **By-Law** in Amendment of a By-Law Relating to the Regulation of Traffic and Parking in the City of Moncton, being By-Law T-310.34 – **Second and Third Readings**

Motion: That Moncton City Council give second and third readings to By-law Amendment #T-310.34, being a By-law to Amend By-law #T-310, to return Main Street to its normal configuration as a two-way street from Botsford Street to Lutz Street and that the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to sign and affix the corporate seal to the by-law.

Moved by: Councillor Léger
Seconded by: Councillor Butler

Councillor Boudreau expressed his disappointment of the process throughout the issue at hand. He recognized that the barricades put up were ill advised. He explained that his issue is that over the past 24-hours, he has received numerous emails and phone calls from citizens who are upset with this quick turnaround decision to return Main Street to a two-way street. He will not be voting in favour of this item, as he felt that citizens have not had enough notice.

Ms. Levesque-Ouellette provided the timeline according the Local Governance Act for readings of by-laws. Should the reading of the by-law not allow for the 14-day timeframe for title reading only, the by-law must be read in its entirety during a meeting of Council. Three readings in one sitting can be done in one meeting only in an emergency situation.

Several other Councillors expressed their displeasure and the difficult decision for Council on the situation at hand.

Should the city considered closing, either partially or full, of Main Street again in the future, public consultation with both citizens and business owner is needed and consultation with Urban Planning will be required.

MOTION CARRIED

Nay:

Councillor Boudreau

The Clerk provided 2nd and 3rd readings by reading by-law amendment T-310.34 in its entirety during the second reading.

6. ADJOURNMENT

Motion: That the meeting be adjourned.

Moved by: Councillor Boudreau

MOTION CARRIED

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Dawn Arnold
MAYOR

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Barbara A. Quigley
CITY CLERK & DIRECTOR OF
LEGISLATIVE SERVICES

/11:56 a.m.

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