Committee of the Whole
MINUTES 10-005

9:30 a.m.
January 20, 2010
Southwest Ballroom
Sheraton Hotel

Present:
Mayor F. Eisenberger
Deputy Mayor B. McHattie
Councillors B. Bratina, B. Clark, C. Collins, S. Duvall,
L. Ferguson, T. Jackson, M. McCarthy, S. Merulla, B.
Morelli, D. Mitchell, R. Pasuta, M. Pearson, R.
Powers, T. Whitehead

Also Present:
C. Murray, City Manager
R. Rossini, General Manager, Finance and Corporate
Services
G. Davis, General Manager, Public Works
T. McCabe, General Manager, Planning and Economic
Development
J.A. Priel, General Manager, Community Services
J. Kay, General Manager, HES, Fire Chief
M. Gallagher, Co-ordinator, Council and Committee of the
Whole/Budgets

THE FOLLOWING ITEMS WERE REPORTED TO CITY COUNCIL FOR
CONSIDERATION:

1. CHANGES TO THE AGENDA

Added Private and Confidential Matter respecting a property acquisition
which will require committee to move into closed session. As well, should
Committee approve a recommendation on this matter in open session, the
rules of procedure will be waived to allow a special meeting of City Council
to be convened to approve the recommendation.
(Mitchell/Pearson)
That the agenda be adopted as amended. CARRIED.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

None

4. CAPITAL PRIORITY SESSION – FACILITATOR: TIM DOBBIE

9:30 a.m Welcome and Agenda Overview - Tim Dobbie

Tim Dobbie provided an overview of the session. Focus of today’s session:

1) to set priorities for the spending of the $5m that is available from Council Strategic Capital Projects reserve; and

2) to obtain comments from Council with respect to preliminary suggestions for the use of $5m from the Economic Development Initiatives fund

Councillors provided their list of priorities:

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS**

1. Waterfront Economic Development Corporation
2. Creative Catalyst
4. Waterfront Development East and West
5. Shelter Blueprint
6. Economic Development Proposals
7. Brownfields
8. Waterfront Rink.Restaurant

**CAPITAL PRIORITIES**

1. Highlander Games ($30,000)
2. Outdoor Rinks
3. Rollerblade/skateboard BMCX
4. Parkland Acquisition
5. Roads/Infrastructure including side streets
6. Lynden well
7. Central city seniors facility
8. 95 King Redevelopment ($900,000)
9. Infrastructure renewal – pedestrian and traffic signals $1.5 million
10. Flamborough Trust Fund $500,000
11. Waterfront Development
12. Westbound access to 403

Direction:

Staff will report back on the suggested items and will provide information and clarity on how the projects coincide with the strategic and priority plan.

Committee will then vote on the individual proposals.

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**5. MOTIONS**

(Pearson/Powers)

That Committee move into closed session further to sections 8.1(d) of the City’s Procedural By-law and Municipal Act as the matter relates to a pending or proposed acquisition of land.  CARRIED.

(Powers/Pearson)

That committee reconvene in Open Session.  CARRIED.
(Merulla/Morelli)
That the amount be area rated. WITHDRAWN

(Pearson/Whithead)
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Procedural By-law and Municipal Act as the matter relates to a pending or
proposed acquisition of land. CARRIED.

(Pearson/Mitchell)
That Committee reconvene in Open Session. CARRIED.

Re: Property Acquisition
(Pearson/Mitchell)

(a) That the Real Estate Section of the Economic Development and Real
Estate Division of the Planning and Economic Development Department
be authorized to submit an Option to Purchase for those lands outlined in
the Confidential Appendix “A”;

(b) That the Option to Purchase be conditional upon:

   (i) The option to purchase shall be conditional for a period of 45 days
       from the date of acceptance of the Option to allow the City to
       undertake at its own expense a Conditional Building Assessment, all
       to the satisfaction of the city, in the City’s sole, absolute and
       unfettered discretion, failing which the Option shall be null and void
       and of no further effect;

(c) That the financial details and funding options outlined in Appendix B and
    the information contained in Appendix A remain confidential until final
    disposition by Council and the completion of the transaction;

(d) That the Mayor and Clerk be authorized and directed to execute all
    requisite documents. CARRIED.

6. ADJOURNMENT

(Pearson/Mitchell)
There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 1:28 p.m.
Respectfully submitted,

Mayor F. Eisenberger

M. Gallagher, Co-ordinator
Committee of the Whole
January 13, 2010