



**The Corporation of The City of Dryden
Minutes of the Public Planning Meeting**

**September 23, 2024, 5:00 p.m.
Council Chambers - City Hall**

Members Present: Councillor Price
Councillor MacKinnon
Councillor Tardiff
Councillor Kiewning
Mayor Harrison
Councillor Noel

Members Absent: Councillor Latham

Staff Present: Clerk A. Euler
CAO R. Nesbitt
Fire Chief C. Wood

Others Present: Records & Legislative Coordinator Ms. L. Arseneault, CBO Ms. P. Skillen, Ms. A. Sott and Ms. J. MacDonald of WSP and 8 members of the public.

1. Convene the Public Meeting

Mayor Harrison convened the meeting at 5:00 p.m.

2. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and the general nature thereof for the agenda for this meeting

Mayor Harrison called for declarations of Pecuniary Interest, and the general nature thereof, under The Municipal Conflict of Interest Act with respect to the Agenda for this meeting and the response was negative.

3. Land Acknowledgement Statement

Mayor Harrison read the Land Acknowledgement Statement.

4. Meeting Procedures

Ms. Euler advised that representatives of the City's project consultant, WSP, would provide a presentation on the project following which there would be a Question and Answer period where members of the public and Council could ask questions. She advised members of the public who wanted to speak to identify themselves before doing so and requested that speakers introduce new material only so that there isn't a repetition of points raised by previous speakers.

5. Comments or Presentation by Staff and Consultant

- a. City of Dryden Comprehensive Zoning By-law Review - Ms. A. Sott and Ms. J. MacDonald of WSP.

Ms. Skillen introduced Ms. Sott and Ms. MacDonald of WSP who presented the Comprehensive Zoning By-law Review. The presentation contained information on what a Zoning By-law is, the need to review the

current Zoning By-law, the review process, the project update, the Draft Zoning By-law overview and next steps. They advised another Public Planning Meeting would be scheduled for later this fall.

6. Question and Answer Session

Ms. C. Hutchison asked the representatives of WSP if their company is a member of the International Council for Local Environmental Initiatives (ICLEI) and Ms. Sott advised it was not. Ms. Hutchison advised this is not they way to go green, that the municipality cannot afford electric vehicles and that our tax money should go to local initiatives rather than those of a global nature.

Councillor Kiewning asked Ms. Skillen about any changes to on-street parking that might come about due to Additional Residential Units (ARU) and was advised that any property with an ARU would have to have sufficient parking on the property, not on-street.

Councillor Tardiff asked for the number of respondents to the survey done previously rather than for the percentage of survey respondents as shown in the WSP presentation. Ms. Sott advised the numbers are in the background report on the City's website.

Councillor Tardiff asked if there could be ARUs on lots not serviced by the City. He was advised that any property owner wanting to add an ARU would have to provide evidence of sufficient servicing according to the Zoning By-law.

Mr. J. McCort noted ICLEI is an unelected entity with, in his no opinion, no business being involved with municipalities and with the goals and aspirations of local residents. He advised the City should steer clear of this group and that we don't need their influence.

Mayor Harrison thanked Ms. Sott and Ms. MacDonald for their presentation. He also thanked the public in attendance and Council for their questions on the Draft Zoning By-law.

7. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 5:48 p.m.

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Moved by Kiewning

Seconded by Noel

THAT this meeting be declared adjourned.

Carried

Confirmed this _____ day of _____, 2024.

Mayor

Clerk