

#### **DEVELOPMENT AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE**

# Tuesday, November 24, 2020

A special electronic meeting of the Development and Property Committee was held on Tuesday, November 24, 2020 at 9:00 a.m.

Present were: Chair Robert Sweet

Warden Debbie Robinson Councillor Peter Emon Councillor Sheldon Keller Councillor Daniel Lynch Councillor Janice Tiedje

Regrets: Vice-Chair Brian Hunt

Councillor John Reinwald

Staff Present: Paul Moreau, Chief Administrative Officer/Clerk

Craig Kelley, Director of Development and Property

Jeffrey Foss, Director of Finance/Treasurer

Lee Perkins, Director of Public Works and Engineering

Shelley Sheedy, Director of Long-Term Care

Alastair Baird, Manager of Economic Development

Jason Davis, Manager of Forestry and GIS

Kevin Valiquette, Manager of Real Property Assets

Rosalyn Gruntz, Deputy Clerk

Michael Barber, Media Relations/Grants Coordinator Evelyn VanStarkenburg, Administrative Assistant

Chair Sweet called the meeting to order at 9:02 a.m. The roll was called, and no pecuniary interests were disclosed.

Mr. Kelley overviewed the Development and Property Department Report which is attached as Appendix A.

Warden Robinson advised that she has spoken with the Honourable John Yakabuski, Minister of Natural Resources and Forestry to intercede on behalf of the County of Renfrew with regards to the opportunity to utilize the COVID-19 Resilience Infrastructure Stream funding for the Council Chamber renovations. Minister Yakabuski has discussed the issue with the Honourable Laurie Scott, Minister of Infrastructure who agrees that the Province would recommend this project to the Federal Government; however, there is no certainty on whether this would fall within the Federal Government timelines for a decision.

# **RESOLUTION NO. DP-C-20-11-79**

Moved by: Councillor Lynch Seconded by: Councillor Emon

THAT the Development and Property Committee amend Resolution No. DP-C-20-11-72 passed on November 10, 2020 which reads "THAT the County of Renfrew apply to the Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program (ICIP) – COVID-19 Resilience Infrastructure Stream for renovation of the Council Chamber for required physical and technical infrastructure to ensure compliance with COVID-19 health advice that would allow County Council to continue to operate in Council Chamber" to have the application redirected to the Algonquin Trail as it has been deemed an appropriate project for nomination towards such a program. CARRIED.

Mr. Kelley advised that from conversations with the architect, staff are confident that the previous budget of \$300,000 should be sufficient to cover the costs of the Council Chamber renovations. He noted that the Council Chamber remains functional in its current design and can accommodate all Council members with adequate social distancing.

Mr. Moreau advised that the new Emergency Services area will include a multipurpose training room and will be available for other County purposes if needed.

# **RESOLUTION NO. DP-C-20-11-80**

Moved by: Councillor Tiedje Seconded by: Councillor Emon

THAT the Development and Property Committee recommend that County Council direct staff to move forward with the design and concept for the necessary physical and technical upgrades to the Council Chamber. CARRIED.

#### **RESOLUTION NO. DP-C-20-11-81**

Moved by: Councillor Tiedje Seconded by: Councillor Lynch

THAT the Development and Property Committee recommend that County Council adopt a By-law to enter into a Conditional Flow Through Grant Agreement – Small Business Enterprise Centres (SBEC) between the County of Renfrew (Enterprise Renfrew County) and the Business Advisory Centre Durham Inc., Whitby, Ontario to secure \$32,000 of special funding being provided to Small Business Enterprise Centres (SBEC) by the Province of Ontario and available to Enterprise Renfrew County. CARRIED.

#### **RESOLUTION NO. DP-C-20-11-82**

Moved by: Councillor Keller Seconded by: Councillor Emon

THAT the Development and Property Department Report attached as Appendix A

be approved. CARRIED.

# **RESOLUTION NO. DP-C-20-11-83**

Moved by: Councillor Tiedje Seconded by: Councillor Emon

THAT this meeting adjourn and the next regular meeting be held at the call of the

Chair. Time: 9:28 a.m. CARRIED.