

**CITY OF IQALUIT
CITY COUNCIL MEETING #29
NOVEMBER 13, 2018 at 6:00 p.m.
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

PRESENT FROM COUNCIL

Deputy Mayor Romeyn Stevenson
Mayor Madeleine Redfern – via teleconference
Councillor Kuthula Matshazi
Councillor Jason Rochon
Councillor Joanasie Akumalik
Councillor Simon Nattaq
Councillor Noah Papatsie
Councillor Kyle Sheppard

PRESENT FROM ADMINISTRATION

Amy Elgersma, Acting CAO
Jennifer Jarvis, City Planner
Matthew Hamp, Engineering and Public Works Director
Andrea Spitzer, Communications Manager
Tammy Ernst-Doiron, Executive Assistant
Jeanie Eeseemailee, Senior Interpreter/Translator

PRAAYER

Councillor Nattaq opened the meeting with a prayer at 6:00 p.m.

SWEARING IN

None

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Motion #18-367

Moved by: Councillor Akumalik
Seconded by: Councillor Rochon

Adoption of the agenda as amended: Add 9(d) Appointment of Member at Large for Disabilities Advisory Committee; Delete 3(a) Iqaluit Humane Society

Unanimously Carried

1. **MINUTES**

- a. Planning and Development Committee of the Whole Meeting #06 – September 17, 2018

Motion #18-368

Moved by: Councillor Akumalik
Seconded by: Councillor Rochon

Planning and Development Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes #06 dated September 17, 2018.

Unanimously Carried

- b. Finance Committee of the Whole Meeting #03 – September 20, 2018

Motion #18-369

Moved by: Councillor Sheppard
Seconded by: Councillor Akumalik

Finance Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes #03 dated September 20, 2018.

Unanimously Carried

- c. City Council Meeting #25 – September 25, 2018

Motion #18-370

Moved by: Councillor Sheppard
Seconded by: Councillor Rochon

City Council Meeting Minutes #25 dated September 25, 2018.

Unanimously Carried

2. **DECLARATION OF INTEREST**

Councillor Sheppard declared a conflict of interest pertaining to one item in the Planning and Development Committee report.

3. **DELEGATIONS**

- a) Iqaluit Humane Society

This item was deleted from the agenda.

4. **AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS**

None

5. **STATEMENTS**

Councillor Sheppard thanked the firefighters for the work at the Northmart fire last week. He pointed out that every time the firefighters drive by and see the building standing, it will be a testament to the work they did, as well as the training beforehand. They did an incredible job and it is almost miraculous that the building is still standing today. While it looked pretty dire initially, things are progressing pretty well at this point in time. He also thanked the Hamlets of Pangnirtung and Cape Dorset for sending relief firefighters. They were able to come on short notice, as arranged by the Government of Nunavut Emergency Management Team. They provided relief for the Iqaluit firefighters and played a big part ensuring the city had adequate coverage for fire protection throughout the night. Everyone worked together really well.

The response was spearheaded by Ms. Elgersma, who did an incredible job for the first two days, as well as over the weekend. He did not feel the response would have been as adequate without her help throughout that time. The Government of Nunavut Emergency Management Team, the retailers and everyone else pulled together very quickly and made a big impact to minimize the effects on the community. A big thank you to everyone involved that helped out and first and foremost the firefighters for doing the job they did.

Councillor Nattaq thanked the firefighters and emergency personnel that came together for the Northmart fire.

Councillor Nattaq noted that on November 25th, 2018, he will be away for medical reasons until early December. In mid-December, he will attend the Education Curriculum meeting.

Councillor Akumalik acknowledged the emergency response team, especially the Iqaluit Fire Department, because they did such a great job. Both Mayor Redfern and Deputy Mayor Stevenson were out of town at the time and Councillor Sheppard acted in their absence. Councillor Akumalik requested that a thank you letter be sent to the firefighters from Pangnirtung and Cape Dorset.

Councillor Papatsie thanked the Iqaluit Fire Department and the cooperation of the staff from Northmart, as they were able to provide some safety and provisions for the elders in the elders' facility.

Councillor Matshazi thanked the Iqaluit Emergency Response Team, other levels of government and personnel from other communities. He thanked the business community, as there were no price increases and gouging.

Deputy Mayor Stevenson reminded residents of the Public Consultation on the city's new Solid Waste Management Plan that is being held Thursday, November 15th, 2018, at the Qajuqturvik Food Centre from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Residents will have the opportunity to hear about and speak about the new landfill and waste transfer station and the remediation of the old landfill.

6. **DEFERRED BUSINESS AND TABLED ITEMS**

None

7. **BY-LAWS**

a) **First Reading of By-law(s)**

i) Land Disposal By-law (Joamie Court)

Councillor Akumalik, Chair of the Planning and Development Committee of the Whole, presented a Land Disposal By-law, which authorizes the City to dispose of lands listed on Schedule "A" for the Joamie Court Subdivision.

Motion #18-371

Moved by: Councillor Akumalik
Seconded by: Councillor Sheppard

First Reading Land Disposal By-law (Joamie Court).

Unanimously Carried

b) **Second Reading of By-Law(s)**

i) Land Disposal By-law No. 865

Motion #18-372

Moved by: Councillor Akumalik
Seconded by: Councillor Sheppard

Second Reading Land Disposal By-law No. 865.

Unanimously Carried

Councillor Sheppard noted that the By-law allows the City to dispose of lands at Joamie Court, but Council has not yet determined how the disposal will happen.

c) **Third and Final Reading of By-Laws (s)**

None

8. **OLD BUSINESS**

None

9. **NEW BUSINESS**

a) **Northmart Fire Response Update**

Any Elgersma, Acting CAO, provided the following update on the Northmart fire:

- The fire began Thursday morning at approximately 1:40 a.m.
- There were more 18 firefighters, full-time employees and volunteer firefighters responding to the call initially.
- The airport fire department, as well as firefighters from the Fire Marshal's Office, quickly responded to the call for assistance.
- The Pangnirtung Fire Department sent eight firefighters and Cape Dorset Fire Department sent six firefighters to assist by providing relief and fire service coverage to the city.
- Elders were relocated from the elders' residence to the Elders Qammaq in the middle of the night.
- The Red Cross assisted the elders during the day.
- The City is grateful to the firefighters, dispatch staff and other departments that supported the operation including truck services, utilidor, roads, municipal enforcement, recreation, and local Red Cross volunteers.
- Early Thursday morning, the City established a Coordinated Community Response Group as per the Emergency Management Plan. The group consisted of:
 - City management and the Acting Mayor.
 - Community and Government Services Department including the Fire Marshal's Office, the Emergency Management Office (EMO) and the Deputy Minister.
 - The Government of Nunavut Departments of Health, Executive and Intergovernmental Affairs (EIA), Emergency Management Organization (EMO) and the Fire Marshal's Office.
 - Local retailers.
 - One of the airlines.
 - The Red Cross and RCMP provided updates to the group.
- A total of seven meetings were conducted to address the following concerns:
 - Fire and safety.
 - The elders who were displaced in their residence.
 - Roads.
 - Water Supply.

- Supply mitigation in terms of food and supplies for the community.
- Communications.
- The threat of more fires that evening.
- Prescription drugs availability.
- The response was well coordinated.
- The group met every few hours until the fire was extinguished.
- The group disbanded once the risks were mitigated and recovery efforts were underway.
- The City is grateful to the Government of Nunavut departments, especially Community and Government Services Department, Health, and Executive and Intergovernmental Affairs, as well as the retailers and businesses that participated in the Coordinated Community Response Group.
- The level of support and corporation from the City's partners was extraordinary and contributed to the success of the response.
- The City is continuing to work with the retailers to ensure coordination of efforts and on-going provisions of food and supplies.
- Available warehouse space has been secured for retailers and distribution arrangements are in place to ensure adequate supply of groceries are available for residents.
- Northmart is working quickly to renovate the store to be able to reopen.
- There is no shortage of groceries, but residents may wish to change their routines to shop earlier in the day or later in the evening to avoid lineups.
- The City is encouraging residents to continue to shop locally to reduce the burden on the current distribution system and to reduce shipping delays.
- For organizations and groups outside of the territory that may wish to provide support, the City is recommending that they work directly with local established charities and provide monetary donations.
- A big thank you to all of the partners, City staff and volunteers, because this could not have been done without their help.

Councillor Akumalik asked when the store will re-open.

Ms. Elgersma was unable to advise of a date, but noted they are working very quickly and it is hoped they will open in the next couple of weeks, if not earlier.

Councillor Akumalik expressed concern about the elders and asked how they are doing and what form of assistance is being given to them.

Ms. Elgersma advised that originally the elders were located to the Qammaq in the middle of the night and they stayed there until morning. There were four nurses on-site with them during the day. Red Cross volunteers came early in the morning, as well as Qammaq staff and city staff assisted as well. There were some cots available, as some of them did not sleep after they were awoken in the middle of the night.

That day, some were moved to the Frobisher Inn overnight and some were moved to the boarding home overnight. Since the weekend, they have moved back to the residence.

An inspection of the residence was done with the Acting Fire Chief and the Health Department to ensure the safety of the residence for the elders. There were tests carried out for smoke and particles, which required some minor washing that had to be carried out in a couple of the units. The units were in good condition and there was no damage to the units. Since then, the Government has been taking good care of them. Staff checked on the units and the air handling unit had been turned off, the windows and doors were all closed, which help to ensure that the residence was kept in good condition.

Councillor Akumalik asked if Northmart had 24-hour security.

Ms. Elgersma was not aware if they had 24-hour security. The RCMP noticed the fire and made sure the nighttime staff working in the building had been evacuated.

Councillor Matshazi asked the nature of the other five fires and how they were.

Ms. Elgersma advised there were a total of six fires. Four vehicle fires, one of which is considered unrelated at this time. The others are still under investigation and are considered to be related to the Northmart fire. The other fire was a structure fire at a vacant building.

Councillor Matshazi confirmed that there was property damage but no threat to life.

Ms. Elgersma was unable to answer the question at this time, but she did advise there were no injuries as a result of any of the fires.

Councillor Papatsie expressed concern that residents who used the Northmart Pharmacy do not know where to go to receive their prescription drugs.

Ms. Elgersma advised that through the Coordinated Community Response Group they have been advised that anyone who used the Northmart Pharmacy should go to one of the Health Centres – the hospital or public health. They will receive a new prescription or any prescription drugs that they may need. She explained that the hospital has brought in extra staff to assist with prescriptions that may be needed and support for drug supplies. Ms. Elgersma understood that Northmart is trying to establish another centre for prescriptions.

Councillor Sheppard advised that the last update directly from Northmart that was posted on-line, stated if a refill for medication is needed immediately or within the next five days, it can be obtained from Valupharm or going to the Walk-in Clinic to have the prescription reissued. He believed majority of the prescriptions have been transferred over electronically, with the exception of opioids and pain medication that will require a new prescription.

Councillor Akumalik asked if there are any liability issues to the City.

Ms. Elgersma advised that during the fire, the City was well aware of the safety of its employees and had safety practices and procedures in place. The response was very well done and at this time, there is no concern about any additional liability towards the City.

b) Appointment of Member-at-Large – Board of Revision

Motion #18-373

Moved by: Councillor Sheppard
Seconded by: Councillor Matshazi

That Irene Korablin is appointed as a member-at-large on the Board of Revision.

Unanimously Carried

c) Appointment of Chair – Development Appeal Board

This item was not discussed.

d) Appointment of Member-at-Large – Disabilities Advisory Committee

Motion #18-374

Moved by: Councillor Papatsie
Seconded by: Councillor Sheppard

That Jennifer Noah and Nalini Vaddapilli are appointed as members-at-large on the Disabilities Advisory Committee.

Unanimously Carried

10. COMMITTEE REPORTS

a) Planning and Development Committee of the Whole
Councillor Akumalik, Chair

i) Development Permit Application DP 18-049 (Amendment to DP18 016)

Motion #18-375

Moved by: Councillor Akumalik
Seconded by: Councillor Sheppard

Council approves Development Permit Application DP 18-049 to amend DP 18-016 to allow the proposed exterior colour change for the four storey mixed-use building located on Plan 914, Lots 507-510.

Unanimously Carried

ii) Development Permit Application No. 18-058 (Phase 1)

Motion # 18-376

Moved by: Councillor Akumalik
Seconded by: Councillor Sheppard

Council approves Development Permit Application DP 18-058 for Phase 1 ground work on Lot 76, Plan 3677 in the Plateau Subdivision.

Unanimously Carried

iii) Development Permit Application No. 18-050 and Request for Variance

Councillor Akumalik advised that the recommendation to Council will not be presented until public input can be clarified.

iv) Development Permit Application No. 18-027 and Request for Variances

Councillor Sheppard declared a conflict of interest and left the Council Chamber.

Motion # 18-377

Moved by: Councillor Akumalik
Seconded by: Councillor Rochon

Council approves:

- Development Permit Application DP 18-027 for Lot 165, Plan 674 to allow a change of use from a semi-detached to a single detached dwelling and a home-based business subject to the City's standard conditions, the special approval listed and as shown on the site and floor plans received October 15, 2018;
- A variance to Section 6.9 of Zoning By-law 704 to allow four back-out parking spaces on the municipal road; and
- A variance to Section 5.5 of Zoning By-law 704 to increase the allowable size of a home-based business from 40 m² to 85 m².

Unanimously Carried

Councillor Sheppard returned to the Council Chamber.

- v) Land Use Permit Application LUP 18-002 – De Beers Canada Winter Trail

Motion #18-378

Moved by: Councillor Akumalik
Seconded by: Councillor Sheppard

Council approves Land Use Application 18-002 to allow De Beers Canada to maintain and use the nine kilometre portion of the Pangnirtung-Iqaluit trail which falls within the municipal boundary during the winter and spring seasons for a period of one year beginning the winter of 2018 ending in the spring of 2019.

Unanimously Carried

- vi) Land Use Permit Application LUP 18-003

Motion #8-379

Moved by: Councillor Akumalik
Seconded by: Councillor Sheppard

Council approves Land Use Permit 18-003 to allow explosive storage on a portion of Lot 1 and Lot 3, Block 227, Plan 4131 for a period of one year commencing July 1, 2018 and terminating June 30, 2019, with the locations as shown on the Magazine Locations Map and subject to the following additional Land Use Permit conditions:

- Installation of warning signage at the location and on the ski-doo trail located near the shelters;
- Applicant to prepare and deliver communications to the community warning about the installation subject to approval of the Development Officer; and
- By issuing the Land Use Permit the City does not relinquish the ability to undertake punitive actions against the applicant for the installation of the facility prior to City approval.

Unanimously Carried

- vii) Amendment to Zoning By-law No. 704

Motion #18-380

Moved by: Councillor Akumalik
Seconded by: Councillor Sheppard

Councillor Sheppard clarified if a motion is required to deny an application.

Deputy Mayor Stevenson was not sure as he has never seen a motion to refuse before.

Council refuses Zoning By-law Amendment Application 18-002 to rezone Lot 567, Plan 1358 in the Core Area from Medium Density Residential Zone (R2) to Medium Density Residential Zone Special Exception 6 (R2(6)) to allow up to 50 percent of the building to be used for office space and recognize the non-conforming conditions of the existing building.

Unanimously Carried

viii) Development Permit Application DP 18-057

Councillor Matshazi requested clarification that if there is a family living there, will they receive services? For instance, the school bus does not provide service to that area.

Councillor Sheppard noted that the intent for the unit is not for a family. It is a caretaker unit for an employee of the business to look after the site after hours and while brewing activity is taking place.

Motion #18-381

Moved by: Councillor Akumalik
Seconded by: Councillor Sheppard

Council approves to give First Reading to the proposed amending by-law to rezone Plan 1673, Lot 655 and a portion of Lot 666 (West 40) from Heavy Industrial Zone (M2) to Heavy Industrial Zone Special Exception 2 (M2(2)) to permit an accessory dwelling unit up to 72 m² in gross floor area as may be required for a facility manager or employee, and approve Development Permit Application DP 18-057 to allow an accessory dwelling unit within the existing brewery building subject to the City's standard conditions, the special conditions of approval in attachment 3 and as shown on the floor plan (A1-01) dated October 16, 2018.

**For – Sheppard, Akumalik, Rochon, Matshazi, Papatsie, Redfern
Opposed - Nattaq
Carried**

11. **CORRESPONDENCE**

a) NRI Application – Community Intervention to Prevent Repeated Suicide Attempts

Councillor Akumalik asked if this reflects the Territorial Suicide Prevention Strategy Action Plan.

Deputy Mayor Stevenson felt the research will not as of yet, but felt that once the researcher is here there will be a meeting with the territorial organizations dealing with

suicide prevention. The information provided on the outline of the research does not indicate if the Territorial Suicide Prevention Strategy Action Plan will be considered.

Motion # 18-382

Moved by: Councillor Rochon
Seconded by: Councillor Sheppard

That the Nunavut Research Institute application “Implementation Research: A Community Intervention to Prevent Repeated Suicide Attempts in Nunavut, Canada” is approved.

Unanimously Carried

b) NRI Application – Health Behaviour in School-aged Children

Councillor Akumalik asked the age of Grade 6 students.

Deputy Mayor Stevenson advised they are 12 years of age.

Councillor Sheppard noted that this is an on-going study which takes place every four years, since 1989. He felt that a study collecting data for that length of time is important to continue.

Councillor Akumalik understands that this has been ongoing, but expressed concern with studying 12 year old children.

Councillor Nattaq pointed out that schools in Iqaluit, Rankin Inlet, and Arviat will be used in the study.

Deputy Mayor Stevenson noted that approval will also have to be received from Rankin Inlet and Arviat.

Motion #18-383

Moved by: Councillor Sheppard
Seconded by: Councillor Papatsie

That the Nunavut Research Institute application “The Health Behaviour in School-aged Children (HBSC) Study” is approved.

Unanimously Carried

12. **IN CAMERA SESSION**

(1) as per Section 22 (2) (a) CTV Act and By-law 526 Section 67

- Legal Item

Motion #18-384

Moved by: Councillor Akumalik
Seconded by: Councillor Rochon

Council goes In Camera at 6:55 p.m.

Unanimously Carried

Motion #18-385

Moved by: Councillor Akumalik
Seconded by: Councillor Sheppard

Council returns to Regular Session at 7:45 p.m.

Unanimously Carried

13. **ADJOURNMENT**

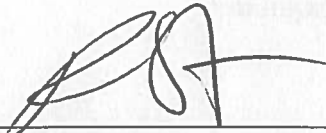
Motion #18-386

Moved by: Councillor Sheppard
Seconded by: Councillor Akumalik

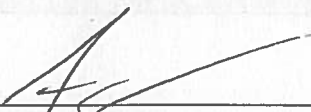
Council adjourns at 7:46 p.m.

Unanimously Carried





Romeyn Stevenson
Deputy Mayor



Amy Elgersma
Acting Chief Administrative Officer

Approved by City Council on the 11th day of December, 2018.