

**THE SEVENTEENTH MEETING OF THE PRIORITIES COMMITTEE  
OF THE CITY OF GREATER SUDBURY**

**Council Chamber  
Tom Davies Square**

**Tuesday, November 9, 2004  
Commencement: 7:07 p.m.**

Chair

**COUNCILLOR KETT, IN THE CHAIR**

Present

Councillors Berthiaume; Bradley; Callaghan; Craig (A 7:10 pm); Dupuis; Gainer; Gasparini; Reynolds; Rivest; Thompson

City Officials

C. Hallsworth, Acting Chief Administrative Officer; D. Belisle, General Manager of Public Works; D. Tincombe, Acting General Manager of Health & Social Services; B. Johnston, Acting General Manager of Economic Development & Planning Services; A. Stephen, General Manager of Emergency Services; D. Wuksinic, General Manager of Corporate Services; R. Swiddle, City Solicitor/Director of Legal Services; G. Lamothe, Manager of Corporate Communications & French Language Services; M. Blanchard, Call Centre Lead, R. LeBouthillier, Assistant Manager/Arenas & Community Centres; P. Demers, Community Relations and Policy Advisor; T. Mowry, City Clerk; M. Burtch, Licensing and Assessment Clerk; CJ Caporale, Council Secretary

News Media

Sudbury Star; MCTV; Channel 10 News

Declarations of  
Pecuniary Interest

None declared.

**PRESENTATIONS/DELEGATIONS**

Item 2  
Private Road  
Donnelly Crt, Garson

Report dated 2004-11-03, with attachments, from the General Manager of Public Works regarding Private Road, Donnelly Court, Garson was received.

An information package prepared by Mr. Lloyd Blanchard of 55 Donnelly Court, Garson, was attached under separate cover.

In response to questions from Councillors, the City Solicitor briefly outlined the legal history and current obligations of the City with respect to Donnelly Court and concluded by advising the Committee that, despite having expended public funds for winter maintenance on this roadway, its legal status remained that of a private road.

The General Manager of Public Works advised the Committee that if the City were to assume this particular road, this would set a precedence for other private roads.

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The Chair thanked Mr. Blanchard for his presentation. He advised Mr. Blanchard that there was neither a staff recommendation nor was there a recommendation tabled by any Councillor. He suggested that either Ward Councillor may in future present a motion for Council's consideration.

Councillor Craig suggested that staff be directed to further review and investigate the matter, as Donnelly Court may prove to be a unique case.

The Chair stated that as no recommendation had been made, the matter now rested with the two Ward Councillors. On a point of order, Councillors Callaghan and Thompson stated that a recommendation was not required only direction need be given to staff in this instance and appealed from the decision of the Chair.

On a vote, by a show of hands, the ruling of the Chair was sustained.

Item 3  
Solutions Team -  
Community Halls

Report dated 2004-11-04, with attachments, from the Chief Administrative Officer regarding Final Report of the Solutions Team - Community Halls was received.

Mr. Chris Sheridan and Mr. Dan Lee, Co-Chairs, Solutions Team - Community Halls gave an electronic presentation outlining the goals and objectives of community hall usage, how they obtained their information and their findings, the role and purpose of community halls, simplifying access of community halls, revenue opportunities, marketing of halls, and what services should be offered.

Mr. Lee concluded by reviewing the following available three options. The Community Hall Usage Committee, however, recommended that the Committee consider adopting Option 2:

**Option 1**

Leave as is - continue to see a decline in hall usage.

**Option 2**

Enhanced service improvements - consolidate and harmonize rental fees, market hall facilities thru various mediums of media, phone book advertising, pamphlets, trade shows, bill boards.

Create a new City staff contract position to co-ordinate bookings, liaise with clients, and staff, control costs for hall rentals, collect money for rentals.

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Develop a RFP inviting qualified caterers to tender for the rights to host functions and provide food services in the facilities. Caterer would provide food and bartending services if and when required. Agreement would still allow qualified and responsible community groups with access to kitchen, however, under supervision of caterer. Initiate in 2005 budget reviews, implement in 2006.

And further, a review of performance of new rate schedule take place at end of year 2007.

A complete review of CGS current no risk policy should be undertaken so as to ultimately improve all rental opportunities for facilities.

A review of current rate schedule for existing outdoor educational facilities such as Camp Sudaca, Camp Wassakwa, and several large playground field houses that could be rented out for specific events. Found prices vary per location and should be reviewed and re-established for uniformity.

**Option 3**

Privatization - lease out facilities to private group and draw monthly rental revenue only. Limited input into operation and service provision of facility. Certain decline in volunteer hosted activities and decrease in community spirit.

**RECOMMENDATION 2004-78: Moved by Councillor Berthiaume:**

THAT the Report of the Community Halls Solutions Team be received with the thanks and appreciation of Council;

AND THAT staff be directed to prepare a budget option to implement Option Two, as recommended by the Community Halls Solutions Team and that the budget option be included in the 2005 Budget package for Council's consideration.

**CARRIED**

## **MANAGERS' REPORTS**

Item 4  
Annualized Base  
Funding - Emergency  
Shelters &  
Homelessness  
Programs

Report dated 2004-10-29 from the General Manager of Health & Social Services regarding Annualized Base Funding for Emergency Shelters and Homelessness Programs was received.

### **RECOMMENDATION 2004-79: Moved by Councillor Berthiaume:**

WHEREAS the City of Greater Sudbury provides annual financial assistance to designated community organizations which meet the needs of the homeless and those at risk of becoming homeless or provide emergency shelter assistance to those in need;

AND WHEREAS the 2004 budget process approved the expenditure of \$684,565 for such purpose;

AND WHEREAS the City receives reimbursement of \$538,435 towards this expenditure from the Provincial Government through the "Hostels and Transients Funding Program", and the "Off the Street into Shelter Program" at the rate of 80% reimbursement, and through the "Provincial Homelessness Initiative Fund" at the rate of 100% reimbursement, capped at \$90,000;

AND WHEREAS in the 2004 budget, Council approved the expenditure of the amount of \$34,040 to cover additional costs not covered by the Provincial Homelessness Initiative Fund;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the necessary grant bylaw be passed to authorize the making of grants in the 2004 calendar year to the organizations and in the amounts and for the purposes set out in this report, conditional, where appropriate, upon receipt of Provincial funding in accordance with the report;

AND BE IT RESOLVED THAT the necessary by-law be passed to authorize the entry into purchase of service agreements for the year 2004, in accordance with this report dated 2004-10-29 from the General Manager of Health & Social Services, conditional upon availability of Provincial funding as described in this report.

**CARRIED**

Item 5  
Elizabeth Fry Society  
Proposal - Emergency  
Shelter - Women &  
Families

Report dated 2004-10-29 from the General Manager of Health & Social Services regarding Elizabeth Fry Society Proposal to Continue to Deliver Emergency Shelter Services for Women and Families on an Interim Basis was received.

**RECOMMENDATION 2004-80: Moved by Councillor Berthiaume:**

WHEREAS the City of Greater Sudbury has requested the Elizabeth Fry Society to provide emergency shelter services to homeless women age 19 or older with or without dependents on an interim basis;

AND WHEREAS the Elizabeth Fry Society has established that it will cost \$41,810 to deliver these services;

AND WHEREAS there are sufficient dollars available in the uncommitted Community Placement Target Fund Reserve;

AND WHEREAS an action plan and community model is being developed to address a viable long term solution for emergency shelter bed provision;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT an expenditure of \$41,810 be authorized to the Elizabeth Fry Society to continue the delivery of emergency shelter services to homeless women and their dependents from October 16, 2004 until March 31, 2005.

**CARRIED**

Item 6  
Building, Property &  
Park Name Policy  
Amendments

Report dated 2004-10-29 from the General Manager of Citizen & Leisure Services regarding Building, Property and Park Name Policy Amendments was received.

**RECOMMENDATION 2004-81: Moved by Councillor Berthiaume:**

THAT Council amend By-law 2003-126, being a By-law of the City of Greater Sudbury to Adopt a Building, Property and Park Name Policy;

AND THAT the Building, Property and Park Name Policy be amended to ensure that there is a broader public consultation process, which shall include a requirement for advertising of the proposed name;

AND FURTHER THAT in circumstances where there are different perspectives on the proposed name, that a public meeting be held.

**CARRIED**

**CORRESPONDENCE - INFORMATION ONLY**

Item 7  
Clean Air Sudbury,  
Greater Sudbury's  
Improving Air Quality

Report dated 2004-11-03, with attachments, from the General Manager of Public Works regarding Clean Air Sudbury, Greater Sudbury's Improving Air Quality was received for information only.

Adjournment

**RECOMMENDATION 2004-82: Moved by Councillor Berthiaume:**

THAT this meeting does now adjourn. Time: 9:14 p.m.

**CARRIED**

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Councillor Kett

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City Clerk