### City of Mississauga

# **Minutes**

Approved: January 11, 2021



## **Planning and Development Committee**

Date: December 9, 2020

Time: 9:08 AM

Location: Online Video Conference

Members Present Mayor Bonnie Crombie

Councillor Stephen Dasko Ward 1 Councillor Karen Ras Ward 2 Councillor Chris Fonseca Ward 3 Councillor John Kovac Ward 4 Councillor Ron Starr Ward 6 Councillor Dipika Damerla Ward 7 Councillor Matt Mahoney Ward 8 Councillor Sue McFadden Ward 10

Councillor George Carlson Ward 11 (Chair)
Councillor Carolyn Parrish Ward 5 (ex-officio)
Councillor Pat Saito Ward 9 (ex-officio)

#### Staff Present

Mr. Paul Mitcham, City Manager

Mr. Andrew Whittemore, Commissioner, Planning & Building

Ms. Shari Lichterman, Commissioner, Community Services

Mr. Gary Kent, Commissioner, Corporate Services

Mr. Geoff Wright, Commissioner, Transportation and Works

Ms. Andra Maxwell, City Solicitor

Ms. Diana Rusnov, Director Legislative Services and City Clerk

Mr. Michal Minkowski, Legal Counsel

Mr. Chris Rouse, Director, Development and Design

Mr. Jordan Lee, Development Planner

Ms. Sacha Smith, Manager, Legislative Services and Deputy Clerk

Ms. Angie Melo, Legislative Coordinator

- 1. CALL TO ORDER 9:08 AM
- 2. <u>DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST</u> Nil
- 3. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING Nil
- 4. MATTERS CONSIDERED
- 4.1 <u>PUBLIC MEETING INFORMATION/RECOMMENDATION REPORT (ALL WARDS)</u>
  <u>COVID-19 Recovery Support for Outdoor Business Activities</u>

Jordan Lee, Planner provided an overview of Support for Outdoor Business Activities during COVID-19, highlighting proposed regulations under the Temporary Use By-law; what is and is not permitted on public vs. private property and next steps.

In response to Councillor Dasko's inquiry regarding the use of the Lakeview lands as an outdoor entertainment venue, Chris Rouse, Director, Development and Design advised that it would depend on the current zoning of the Lakeview lands whether that would be permissible, and noted that staff would look into the zoning and report back to him.

In response to Councillor Ras' inquiry regarding resolving issues between retailers acquiring space, Jordan Lee, Planner advised that in the case of private property, the property owner would have to work with the tenants on resolving space issues.

In response to Councillor Damerla's inquiry regarding whether this would allow businesses such as car dealerships to park their inventory on city property, mainly the lawn area, and whether the parkette at the intersection of Dundas Street and Hurontario Street can be utilized by the retailers in the area, Jordan Lee, Planner, advised that this would not be permitted as dealerships are not considered as a retail store, and further advised that requests under this initiative would be evaluated through a permit process and if it does not fall within the purview of the initiative it is denied. Further Mr. Lee advised that he would have to look into the zoning permissions of the property and would report back to her.

In response to Councillor Fonseca's inquiry whether fitness and wellness, including dance group programs would be permitted outdoors in park spaces, parking lots, and whether fees would be waived, Jordan Lee, Planner advised that these groups are defined as recreation establishments and would be permitted. Shari Lichterman, Commissioner, Community Services advised that use of city park space would require park/sports field rental permit which is not being considered at this time.

In response to Councillor Parrish's inquiry regarding what car dealerships are permitted to do outdoors and whether they are permitted to operate indoors with customers, Chris Rouse, Director, Design and Development, they are not exempted from bylaw provisions they are not defined under the retail definition under the bylaw but they can still operate

outside and set up tents, and as for indoor operations, staff would have to look into the matter and report back to her.

The following persons spoke:

1. Brad Butt, Mississauga Board of Trade spoke in support of the report and the temporary bylaw and noted that the timing of the changes may not benefit a lot of business during the winter months but noted that he is pleased to see that the bylaw extends to the end of December 2021. Mr. Butt suggests that the Mayor and Members of Council proactively lobby the Provincial government to allow businesses in Mississauga to operate indoors in some capacity as soon as possible.

Mayor Crombie commented that at this time the number of COVID-19 cases in Mississauga would still keep us in the lockdown zone, and that our Chief Medical Officer is not advising that we move out of lockdown, and further that there may be lockdowns coming soon to other jurisdictions given the rise in numbers throughout the Province.

2. Petra Scheller, MIRANET, spoke in support for the staff recommendations to assist small businesses in the City of Mississauga during this pandemic.

#### RECOMMENDATION PDC-0053-2020

Moved By Councillor S. Dasko

- 1. That subject to applicable prohibitions and restrictions established by the Provincial regulations under the Keeping Ontario Safe and Open Framework, that Council temporarily permit outdoor retail sales and display and outdoor recreational and entertainment establishments, for a period of time expiring on December 31, 2021, through a temporary use by-law in accordance with the regulations contained in the staff report dated November 16, 2020 from the Commissioner of Planning and Building.
- 2. That a by-law be enacted to exempt the application of City of Mississauga by-laws that prohibit or require fees to be paid for temporary outdoor retail sales and display and temporary outdoor recreational and entertainment establishments until December 31, 2021.
- 3. That a recommendation report regarding the amendment of the City's Building By-law.2032019, to waive building permit application fees associated with temporary outdoor retail sales and display and temporary outdoor recreational and entertainment establishments until December 31, 2021, from the Commissioner of Planning and Building be scheduled for a Planning and Development Committee meeting to conduct a public meeting to meet the statutory requirements under the provisions of the Building Code Act.
- 4. That City staff are hereby authorized to negotiate the encroachment permit between The Corporation of the City of Mississauga, as property owner, and the applicant, to use City owned lands as required in connection with temporary outdoor retail sales

and display or temporary outdoor recreational and entertainment establishments, in form and content satisfactory to Legal Services.

5. That two oral submissions be received.

YES (12): Mayor Crombie, Councillor S. Dasko, Councillor K. Ras, Councillor C. Fonseca, Councillor J. Kovac, Councillor R. Starr, Councillor D. Damerla, Councillor M. Mahoney, Councillor S. McFadden, Councillor G. Carlson, Councillor C. Parrish, and Councillor P. Saito

Carried (12 to 0)

5. <u>ADJOURNMENT</u> - 9:42 AM (Councillor K. Ras)