



**The Corporation of the City of St. Catharines  
CITY COUNCIL AGENDA  
Regular, Monday, January 12, 2015  
Council Chambers, City Hall, 6:30 PM**

*His Worship Mayor Walter Sendzik takes the Chair and opens the meeting*

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- 1. Invocation**
- 2. Opening Remarks, Mayor Sendzik**
- 3. Presentations**
- 4. Adoption of the Agendas**
- 5. Declarations of Interest**
- 6. Public Meetings Pursuant to Planning Act (Commencing at 7:30 p.m.)**
- 7. Adoption of the Minutes (Council and General Committee)**
  - 7.1 Special Meeting and Regular Meeting of [Council Minutes](#), December 15, 2014
  - 7.2 [General Committee](#) Minutes, December 15, 2014
- 8. Delegations**
  - 8.1 Gary Murphy, Chair and Len O'Conner, Manager, Niagara District Airport Commission; Re: Strategic Business Plan and Capital Budget
  - 8.2 Kithio Mwanzia, Greater Niagara Chamber of Commerce Re: Vacancy on Regional Council (see General Committee January 12, 2015 Item Number 3.2)
  - 8.3 George Darte; Re: Vacancy on Regional Council (see General Committee January 12, 2015 Item Number 3.2)
- 9. Call for Notices of Motion**

## 10. Motions

### 10.1 Mental Health Services for Veterans - Notice of Motion, December 15, 2014 by Councillor Stevens

WHEREAS Canada's Auditor General recently released a report which states that Disability Benefits Program through which the majority of veterans receive long-term mental health support is a complex and time consuming process; and

WHEREAS the report further concludes that veterans must endure lengthy delays in obtaining medical and service records from National Defence, with these records being mandatory for application for services; and

WHEREAS Veterans Affairs Canada does not meet its standard of making 80% of eligibility decisions within 16 weeks, and some veterans are forced to wait as long as eight months for mental health services; and

WHEREAS Veterans Affairs Canada has developed a mental health strategy that does not have performance measures that adequately focus on mental health, as concluded by the Auditor General. As a result, Veterans Affairs Canada is not able to demonstrate that the mental health services are effective; and

WHEREAS St. Catharines City Council supports any and all measures and efforts put forth to improve access to mental health services and ensure effective treatment for our veterans who have served our country proudly.

BE IT RESOLVED that St. Catharines City Council urge Prime Minister Stephen Harper, Minister of Veterans Affairs Julian Fantino, and Niagara MPs to immediately address the concerns outlined in the Auditor General's report regarding services for veterans in order to address the concerns listed in the report;

AND FURTHER that this motion be forwarded to Prime Minister Harper, Minister Fantino, and Niagara MPs.

10.2 Extension of the Term for the Committees of Council

WHEREAS the Committee Review Task Force has begun the process of evaluating the existing Committees of Council; and

WHEREAS the process of evaluating those Committees, as well as the current committee structure, is a complex process which requires additional time for an effective overall review and to develop recommendations; and

WHEREAS the current term for members of the Committees of Council expire before the task force can bring its recommendations to Council for approval.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Council supports the extension of the term of membership on the existing Committees until Council has reviewed recommendations from the task force and approved the Committees and a committee structure; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Committees of Council be advised of the extension and continue to function and operate in their current capacity.

**11. Resolve into General Committee**

**12. Motion Arising from In-Camera Session**

**13. Motion to Ratify Forthwith Recommendations**

**14. By-laws**

14.1 Reading of the By-laws

**15. Agencies, Boards, Committee Reports**

**16. Adjournment**

## **By-laws to be considered – January 12, 2015**

- (a) A By-law to authorize a Lease Extension Agreement with 1182237 Ontario Limited. (Three readings – with respect to storage unit at Seymour-Hannah Sports & Entertainment Centre. Delegation By-law No. 2004-277, as amended.)
- (b) A By-law to authorize an Assignment of the Agreement from Brickyard Developments Limited to Meridian Credit Union Limited. (Three readings – with respect to the development at 77 Avery Crescent. To Be Considered by General Committee, January 12, 2015.)
- (c) A By-law to authorize an Encroachment Agreement with Maxima Holdings Corp. (Three readings – with respect to façade improvements to 18 and 22 King Street. To be considered by General Committee, January 12, 2015.
- (d) A By-law to authorize an Agreement with Niagara Grape and Wine Festival. (Three readings – with respect to fees for services for the 2015 Festival. To be considered by General Committee, January 12, 2015.
- (e) A By-law to authorize a contract with Peters Excavating Inc. (Three readings – with respect to 2014 Water System Improvement Program, Project P14-102. Delegation By-law No. 2004-277, as amended.)
- (f) A By-law to confirm the proceedings and decisions of the Council of The Corporation of the City of St. Catharines at its Meeting held on January 12<sup>th</sup>, 2015. (Three readings – with respect to ratification and adoption of City Council Minutes of December 15, 2014, and General Committee Minutes of December 15, 2014.)