

# Environmental Sustainability Committee

## Minutes

**Tuesday, October 10, 2017**

**Burgoyne Woods Room at 4:30pm**

### **Attendance:**

Councillor Dave Haywood (Chair)  
Elaine Manocha (Chair, Clean City Committee),  
Peter Thompstone (Chair, Green Committee)

### **Staff:**

Phil Cristi (Director PRCS)  
Jeff McCormick (Acting Chief, Fire Services)

### **Regrets:**

Councillor Matt Harris  
Councillor Jennie Stevens (Vice Chair)  
Dave Wood, Fire Chief

### **Staff Liaisons:**

Pat Conway (Clean City Committee)  
Ilyse Norton (Green City Committee)  
Julie Hughes, Pillar Committee, Recorder

### **Guest:**

Kristen Sullivan (Project & Development Planner, PRCS)

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1. **Call meeting to order:** Chair Haywood  
4:40pm

2. **Motion to approve the agenda**

*That the ESC approve the agenda, as presented*

Moved: P Thompstone

**Carried**

3. **Motion to adopt the minutes of the previous meeting**

*That the ESC minutes, May 17 and Sept 28, 2017 be approved*

Moved: E Manocha

**Carried**

**4. Presentations, Kristen Sullivan**

*Community Gardens on City Land, Revised Policy*

- The 2015 Council approved policy for Community Gardens on City lands required a review, with the following staff recommendations to be presented to Council
  - Applicant needs support from 10 households in area of proposed community garden
  - Addition of formal process for reviewing proposals
  - Inclusion of site selection criteria and guidelines
  - Delegation of approval authority for community gardens on City land to the ESC pillar

**Motion:**

*That the Environmental Sustainability Pillar Committee supports the revised Community Gardens on City Lands policy (staff report PRCS-244-2017)."*

Moved: E Manocha

**Carried**

**5. Business arising from the minutes, May 17 or Sept 28**

- n/a

**6. Business**

**6.1 Clean City Update ~ E Manocha**

- Clean City Committee has requested \$10,000 for 2018 budget
- Currently, there is balance of \$17,187, to be allocated to the following projects:
  - "Pitch in Day" street banners need replacing, supplies needed for spring and fall clean up
  - "Don't Flick It" campaign, pocket ashtrays and City bus wraps
  - Educational kits and promotion materials for graffiti, cigarette butt and clean up campaigns
  - Newsletter
  - Clean City mascot needs cleaning
  - Promotional booth for community locations

## **Motion**

*That the Clean City update be received*

Moved: P Thompstone

**Carried**

### **6.2 Green Committee update ~ P Thompstone**

- For Canada 150, 25 trees planted for ward
- Flower pot program had 77 pots sold and 23 distributed throughout city properties
- The following projects will continue on from 2017 to 2018, necessitating a carry-over of the budget:
- 327 Glendale
  - 3 benches installed through private donations
  - Staff working to install signage
  - A second focal point has been designed towards the Sobey's end of the parkette
- Gateway at Lake and James
  - YMCA will donate the doorway from downtown location but we need to confirm storage arrangements and eventual transportation to site
  - Green Committee needs this commitment to move forward with planning, design and fundraising
- Eastchester/Bunting
  - Naturalized garden planned
  - Poor soil conditions will require excavation and 2 feet of new soil
- Walker's Creek
  - One planting bed installed by Friends of Malcolmson Park
  - Second will be dug this fall and planted in the spring
- Niagara Street Arboretum
  - Path system designed
  - Trees have all be documented
  - Park to be named in accordance with City's naming policy
- Tree bags
  - 200 purchased
  - Taken off trees in the fall and put back on in the spring
- Club Roma
  - Partnered to create a pollinator garden
- Trillium Awards
  - Monday October 16<sup>th</sup> at 5pm, the Atrium
- Waterbill insert proposal
  - How to contribute to or participate in our "Bee City"

## **Motion**

*That the Green Committee update be received*

Moved: E Manocha

**Carried**

### **7. Other business**

n/a

### **8. Directions/follow ups**

- **Phil Cristi:** Follow up with YMCA on donation of door to inquire whether the Y will donate the door but continue to store it until the project is ready. Commit to paying for transportation of door to site. Also arrange to see the door
- Follow up with the Region and their plans to increase the tree canopy throughout St. Catharines
- **Chair Haywood:** Inform Coun Siscoe and Elliott of the Green Committee's plans for a "gateway to Downtown" at corner of Lake and James
- Arrange regular individual meetings with the Chairs of the Green Committee and the Clean City Committee

### **9. 2018 meetings:**

*Not third Tues or Wed of each month, but will schedule closer to dates of:*

**Jan**

**Apr**

**Jul**

**Oct**

### **10. Motion to adjourn**

*That the ESC be adjourned at 5:45pm*

Moved: P Thompson

**Carried**