

Wednesday, October 17, 2018

Burgoyne Woods Room, City Hall at 5:00 pm

Attendance: Stephen Holmes, Peter Howes, Robin McDonald, John Stevens, Dick Thomas, Peter Thompstone

Staff Liaison: Ilyse Norton

Regrets: Mary Jane Clark, James McWilliam

1. **Call meeting to order** (Peter Thompstone) 5:04 pm
2. **Additions / Deletions to the Agenda:** Nil
3. **Motion to approve the Agenda:** Peter Howes
4. **Presentations:** Nil
5. **Motion to adopt minutes from the previous meeting:** Robin McDonald
6. **Business arising from the minutes:**
 - A. **Updates on Projects and Budgets.** Only projects with changes were discussed.

15-2: 327 Glendale Parkette: Ilyse Norton reported the dead trees would be replaced. We have heard nothing further on the sign.

16-6: Eastchester at Bunting: The dead tree has been replaced. As noted in the 19 Sep GAC Meeting Minutes, additional trees were to be planted in fall 2018. As requested, John Stevens and Peter Howes had prepared a list of four tree species and recommended five of each be planted this fall.

Motion: Moved by Peter Thompstone that the GAC authorize up to \$4,000.00 to create a bed, plant and mulch the recommended 20 trees with the work to be carried out this fall.

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16-12: Walker's Creek: Although he could not attend, Ray Vachon confirmed the \$7,000.00 allotment should cover the cost of installing the 'water bib'. The GAC asked that Ray Vachon be contacted and requested to coordinate installation this fall if possible.

16-14: 360 Niagara Arboretum: As noted in 16 May GAC Meeting Minutes, the GAC had authorized acquisition of additional trees and 'ID Tags' if funds were available. Since funds are available, the GAC requested that Ilyse Norton look into acquiring up to 100

Tree ID Tags. Peter Howes and John Stevens offered to prepare a list of trees to be so identified.

16-15: Lake Street Armoury: Dick Thomas reported there had been some progress. He will take another copy of the 3-D renderings and further discuss the project with Armoury staff. During the discussion, Armoury staff wondered if the GAC could place a large planter to act as a barrier to protect their front entrance. The GAC will consider options such as using the large tree pots which are currently in storage.

18-4: Administration: The GAC 'Display Banner' had been purchased and was on display at the GAC Meeting. Ilyse Norton will keep the banner in a safe place. The GAC thanked Ilyse for her efforts in obtaining the banner

18-9: Michigan Avenue Parkette: Trees have been received, as soon as 'locates' have been obtained, PRCS will plant the trees.

18-11: Water Bill Flyer: Stephen Holmes had circulated additional draft 'mock-ups' of the flyer prior to the GAC Meeting. The GAC reviewed the recommended iteration and suggested a few modifications. Stephen Holmes offered to incorporate the changes and to circulate for final approval prior to Ilyse sending to Communications for their review and production of a finished product for inclusion in late winter / spring 'Water-Wastewater' billings.

18-13: Meadowvale Trees: GAC has received approval to proceed with the planting this fall.

B. Work Plan for 2019:

The list of possible 2019 projects which was included with the August GAC Meeting minutes was again discussed. In addition to the Michigan Avenue Parkette which was added at the 17 Sep Meeting, the GAC recommended considering a Facer Street project which could include a 'Community Sign' and flower bed.

C. GAC Term-end Report to Council:

Peter Howes and Peter Thompstone offered to start a draft of the report and to circulate to GAC members for comment and suggested improvements prior to the 21 Nov GAC Meeting. It was noted that some of our recommendations could tie into the recent UN Report on Climate Change.

7. **Business:** There was no new business.
8. **Correspondence:** Nil
9. **Date of Next Meeting:** Wednesday, 21 November, 2018.
10. **Motion to Adjourn:** John Stevens at 6:59 pm.

Attachment:

2018 GAC Project Expenditure Forecast (updated to 17 Oct 2018)