



**The Corporation of the City of St. Catharines
CITY COUNCIL AGENDA
Sixth Meeting, Regular, Monday, March 4, 2013
Council Chambers, City Hall, 6:30 p.m.**

His Worship Mayor Brian McMullan takes the Chair and opens the meeting

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- 1. Invocation**
- 2. Opening Remarks, Mayor McMullan**
- 3. Presentations**
- 4. Adoption of the Agendas as Presented**
- 5. Declarations of Interest**
- 6. Public Meetings Pursuant to the Planning Act (Commencing at 7:30 p.m.)**
- 7. Adoption of the Minutes (Council and General Committee)**
 - a) Fifth Meeting of City Council, February 25, 2013
 - b) Fifth Meeting of General Committee, February 25, 2013
- 8. Delegations**
 - a) **PUBLIC MEETING (Pursuant to the Notice By-law)**
2013 Operating Budget (see General Committee, March 4, 2013, Item 3.1)
- 9. Call for Notices of Motion**
- 10. Motions**
 - a) Councillor Siscoe to present the following Motion on March 4, 2013:

Proposed Highway 406 and Third Avenue Interchange

WHEREAS the Region of Niagara is in the process of consulting the public on a new 406 interchange to service the new hospital; and

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WHEREAS the preferred option for this interchange would divert some traffic into the residential Martindale/Louth neighbourhood down First Street Louth; and

WHEREAS this flow of traffic would be directly through a school zone with two elementary schools and a very high volume of foot traffic from children;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that St. Catharines City Council is in opposition to any plan for the development of an interchange at Third Avenue and Highway 406 that would encourage traffic movement onto First Street Louth and into the Martindale neighbourhood; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be forwarded to the appropriate groups and agencies at Niagara Region; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution be forwarded to other municipalities in the Niagara Region.

[Addenda]

b) Councillor Elliott to present the following Motion on March 4, 2013:

District School Board of Niagara's School Closure Recommendations

WHEREAS the District School Board of Niagara senior administration has recommended the closure of Memorial, Maywood and Alexandra public schools and the construction of a new elementary school at 185 Carlton Street with a capacity of 550 students; and

WHEREAS the Central St. Catharines Elementary Schools Accommodation Review Committee (ARC) has recommended closure of Maywood and Alexandra public schools, the renovation and retention of Memorial public school, and the construction of a new elementary school with a capacity of 350 students; and

WHEREAS the ARC process was open to the public and balanced the needs of students, the community and the local economy with the needs of the District School Board of Niagara to eliminate unused pupil spaces; and

WHEREAS Memorial public school is located within the Queen Street Heritage District under Part V of the Ontario Heritage Act, and the St. Catharines Heritage Committee supports the retention and conservation of the building as part of this district based on its individual heritage significance; and

WHEREAS the Province of Ontario's Places to Grow Act has designated Downtown St. Catharines as Niagara's only Urban Growth Centre, a designation

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intended to focus a high concentration of mixed uses in the municipality including residential and employment growth; and

WHEREAS the location of schools within or in the immediate vicinity of the Urban Growth Area supports the growth initiatives established in the Places to Grow Act and the Garden City Plan; and

WHEREAS the Garden City Plan emphasizes the revitalization of Downtown St. Catharines supported by residential intensification and investments in services and amenities which encourage residential and employment uses, active transportation, walkability, and greening; and

WHEREAS the closure of the existing downtown elementary schools and replacing them with a single school located in the northern most section of the catchment area will negatively impact on strong neighbourhoods and walkability; and

WHEREAS the location of the proposed new school will require additional vehicle Transportation, either by school bus or personal automobile, which will increase pollution and the release of greenhouse gases that are hazardous to human health and contribute to global warming.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that St. Catharines City Council strongly oppose the District School Board of Niagara Senior Administration recommendation to close Memorial, Maywood and Alexandra public schools and build a new elementary school at 185 Carlton Street with a capacity of 550 students;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that St. Catharines City Council support, in principle, the recommendation of the Central St. Catharines Elementary Schools Accommodation Review Committee for the retention of two elementary schools within central St. Catharines, based on consideration of the four pillars of sustainability, Smart Growth principles, accessibility and walkability, and conformity to the intent of the Places to Grow Act and the City's Official Plan;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and the City's directors of Planning and Development Services and Economic Development and Customer Service be directed to present the City Council's position at a meeting of the District School Board of Niagara's Board of Trustees;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution be circulated to Honourable Liz Sandals, Minister of Education; Honourable Glen Murray, Minister of Infrastructure; Honourable Jim Bradley, Minister of the Environment and St. Catharines MPP; and the Trustees of the District School Board of Niagara.

[Addenda]

- 11. Resolve into General Committee**
- 12. Motion Arising from In-Camera Session**
- 13. Motion to Ratify Forthwith Recommendations**
- 14. By-laws**
 - a) Reading of the By-laws
- 15. Agencies, Boards, Committee Reports, and Extras**
- 16. Adjournment**

By-laws to be considered on March 4, 2013

- (a) A By law to authorize a Subdivision Agreement with PBG Properties Inc. (Three readings – with respect to Mondavi Estates Plan of Subdivision, 1042 Vansickle Road. Delegation By-law No. 2004-277, as amended.)
- (b) A By law to authorize a Partial Release of Agreement over certain lands municipally known as 376 Carlton Street. (Three readings – with respect to lands being Part 1 on Plan 30R-14035. Delegation By-law No. 2004-277, as amended.)
- (b) A By law to authorize a contract with Weinmann Electric Ltd. (Three readings – with respect to Seymour Hannah Lighting Upgrade, Project P12-164-2. Delegation By-law No. 2004-277, as amended.)
- (c) A By law to authorize the conveyance of certain lands to Mennonite Brethren Senior Citizens Home. (Three readings – with respect to sale of lands being Youngblut Street east of Harcove Street. Lands being; Youngblut St. PL 519, LT 7, PL 519; St. Catharines (PIN 46253-0021(LT)). Regular Council, December 10, 2012, Item No. 12. Realty File # 11-10)
- (d) 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 March 4, 2013. (Three readings – with respect to ratification and adoption of City Council Minutes of February 25, 2013, and General Committee Minutes of February 25, 2013.)