

**THE NINETEENTH MEETING OF THE PRIORITIES COMMITTEE
OF THE CITY OF GREATER SUDBURY**

**Council Chamber
Tom Davies Square**

**Wednesday, June 11th, 2003
Commencement: 7:05 p.m.**

Chair

DEPUTY MAYOR DAVE COURTEMANCHE, IN THE CHAIR

Present

Councillors Bradley; Callaghan; Craig (D9:37 pm); Dupuis; Kilgour; Lalonde; McIntaggart; Petryna (D8:00 pm); Portelance

City Officials

M. Mieto, Chief Administrative Officer; T. Beadman, Acting General Manager, Emergency Services; D. Belisle, General Manager of Public Works; C. Hallsworth, General Manager of Citizen & Leisure Services; D. Nadorozny, General Manager of Economic Development & Planning Services; C. Sandblom, General Manager of Health & Social Services; D. Wuksinic, General Manager, Corporate Services; R. Swiddle, Director of Legal Services/City Solicitor; P. Aitken, Government Relations/Policy Analyst; A. Dagostino, Roads and Drainage Engineer; K. Bowschar-Lische, Law Clerk; F. Bortolussi, Planning Secretary; T. Mowry, City Clerk; G. Ward, Council Secretary

News Media

MCTV; My Town; Sudbury Star; Northern Life; CIGM

Declarations of
Pecuniary Interest

None declared.

PRESENTATIONS/DELEGATIONS

Item 2
Earth Tech Canada
Inc. - Detail Design,
New Hwy. 17
Interchange

Mr. A. Rose, Earth Tech, North Bay Office, addressed the Committee with an electronic presentation of the design for the proposed new interchange of Highway 17 at Sudbury Municipal Road 80 (Long Lake Road). Ms. S. Graham, Mr. J. Fraser and Mr. C. Redman were in attendance to respond to questions from the Committee.

Item 3
Preferred Plan for
Hwy. 144, Vermillion
River Bridge
Replacement

Mr. John Low, Project Manager, Stantec Consulting, and Mr. Per Furst, MTO Northeastern Region, addressed the Committee presenting their preferred plan for the Highway 144, Vermillion River Bridge Replacement for information.

Item 4
Sun Safety Awareness
Public Education
Policy

Report dated 2003-05-30 from the General Manager of Health & Social Services regarding Sun Safety Awareness Public Education Policy was received.

Ms. Laurie Fraser, Public Health Nurse, addressed the Committee with an electronic presentation on the creation and posting of sun safety tips and exposure to UV-V radiation.

Item 4
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The following recommendation was presented:

WHEREAS Health Canada advises that the ozone layer is thinning, therefore, more ultraviolet radiation, a type of invisible light sent out by the sun, is getting through to the earth's surface;

AND WHEREAS according to Environment Canada, sunburn is the most immediate response the excessive exposure to UV radiation;

AND WHEREAS eye cataracts and skin cancers can also develop with repeated exposure to these damaging rays;

AND WHEREAS the Sudbury and District Health Unit reports that 43% of residents polled between May-October, 2001 rarely or never wore sun screen;

AND WHEREAS the Mayor and Council's Committee on Seniors' Issues Seniors Walking Initiative has approved funds for the creation and posting of sun safety awareness tips in public places frequented by seniors;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the City of Greater Sudbury

- erect sun safety signs in local community parks;
- attach the sun safety tips to their recreation and facility booking applications
- include sun safety tips in the Leisure Guides, and
- provide information pamphlets to summer program participants

Amendment

The following amendment to the Recommendation was then presented:

RECOMMENDATION 2003-39: Moved by Councillor Portelance

THAT the foregoing Recommendation be amended by adding the following:

"WHEREAS the Council of the City of Greater Sudbury has adopted the Children's First Charter which outlines that all children deserve to live in a community that believes the welfare of children is of primary importance and that all children deserve a safe and protective environment that provides protection from mistreatment, injury and disease;"

CARRIED

Main
Recommendation

The main Recommendation, as amended, was then presented:

RECOMMENDATION 2003-40: Moved by Councillor Kilgour

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AND WHEREAS the Mayor and Council's Committee on Seniors' Issues Seniors Walking Initiative has approved funds for the creation and posting of sun safety awareness tips in public places frequented by seniors;

AND WHEREAS the Council of the City of Greater Sudbury has adopted the Children's First Charter which outlines that all children deserve to live in a community that believes the welfare of children is of primary importance and that all children deserve a safe and protective environment that provides protection from mistreatment, injury and disease;

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CARRIED

Item 5
Kyoto Agreement

Letter dated 2003-05-14 from Sirio Bacciaglia regarding the Kyoto Agreement was received for information.

Mr. Bacciaglia addressed the Committee regarding global warming effects and suggested the City of Greater Sudbury review the following areas of concern:

- elimination of **all** "No Right Turn" signals;
- additional "left turn" or flashing green lights at intersections;
- implementation of a "no idling" by-law
- eliminate idling of transit buses at the downtown terminal;

Item 5
(Continued)

- all Public Works vehicles be turned off at work sites when not in use;
- start an education program to request the public to turn off engines when they are stopped at railway crossings.

Item 6
Physician Recruitment
& Retention - Action
Plan 2003

Report dated 2003-05-30 from the General Manager of Health & Social Services regarding Mayor and Council's Roundtable on Recruitment and Retention of Physicians and Allied Health Care Professionals - Action Plan 2003 was received.

Councillor Craig and Jackie Thoms, Co-Chairs, Mayor and Council's Roundtable on Physician Recruitment and Retention - Action Plan 2003 addressed the Committee with an electronic presentation that included a summary of the 2002 accomplishments, their 2003 goals and objectives and the long-term strategic plan.

Report Request

The consensus of the Committee was obtained that a report be prepared that would clarify the amount of money that has been budgeted for physician recruitment in the Capital Budget.

RECOMMENDATION 2003-41: Moved by Councillor Dupuis

WHEREAS the Mayor and Councils Roundtable on Recruitment and Retention for Physicians and Allied Health Care addresses the current crisis and shortages of health professionals;

AND WHEREAS the City of Greater Sudbury is recognized as an underserved area and that approximately 30,000 people in our community do not have a family medicine practitioner;

AND WHEREAS the Physician Recruitment and Retention working group attained their objectives for 2002;

AND WHEREAS the Physician Recruitment and Retention working group continue their efforts toward enhancing primary care delivery through recruitment, retention and recognition initiatives;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Mayor and Council's Roundtable on Recruitment and Retention of Physicians and Allied Health Care Professionals "Action Plan" be accepted;

AND THAT the Physicians and Retention Working Group develop a Strategic Plan to map out the mechanisms for enhancing the delivery of primary care in our community over the next 3-5 years.

CARRIED

Item 7
City of Greater
Sudbury - Road
Expenditures

Report dated 2003-06-04 from the General Manager of Public Works regarding City of Greater Sudbury, Road Expenditures was received for information.

Item 7
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The General Manager of Public Works addressed the Committee with an electronic presentation of the history of capital reconstruction, reconstruction vs. maintenance, needs vs. expenditures, maintenance costs since amalgamation and projections after 2003.

A motion for **deferral** of the matter to either the next meeting of the Priorities Committee (June 25th) or the next meeting of City Council (June 26th) was considered by the Committee. The Chief Administrative Officer was directed to review the agendas for each of the meeting dates and include this matter at the beginning of the appropriate agenda.

The Committee concurred with a recommendation by Councillor Kilgour that any report brought forward to the meeting dealing with road expenditures include all financial options available to Council.

Adjournment

RECOMMENDATION 2003-42: Moved by Councillor Dupuis

THAT this meeting des now adjourn. Time: 9:57 p.m.

CARRIED

Deputy Mayor Courtemanche

Clerk