

# COMMUNITY AND CORPORATE SERVICES STANDING COMMITTEE MEETING

## MINUTES

Tuesday, March 25, 2025

9:00 am - 12:00 pm

COUNCIL CHAMBERS

400 Main Street SE

### PRESENT

Councillor T. Petrow (Chair) (Voting)  
Councillor R. Chapman (Voting)  
Councillor A. Jones (Voting) (by MS Teams)  
C. Blumhagen (Non-Voting)

### STAFF

M. Lock, Director Community Services  
S. Schindeler, Director Corporate Services & CFO  
C. Aragon, Manager Culture, Heritage and Events  
J. Bayly-Atkin, Senior Legislative Officer/Committee Clerk  
C. Phillips, Legislative Officer I  
K. Rushford, Recording Technician

### ABSENT WITH REGRETS

G. Singh (Non-Voting)

## 1. CALL TO ORDER

Councillor Petrow called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. and confirmed that quorum has been met for this meeting.

## 2. DIRECTOR'S BRIEF (verbal only)

### 2.1 Shannon Schindeler, Director, Corporate Services & CFO

S. Schindeler advised that her Directorate has been busy during this first quarter. The Finance team is nearing completion of the external audit. The auditors will be presenting the audit report to this Committee next month. In the second quarter, the Finance team will be busy preparing for the 2026 Budget. The Procurement and Finance teams are also working to figure out the impacts of the tariffs on a day-by-day basis and will bring more information back to Council and this Committee as it becomes available.

### 2.2 M. Lock, Director, Community Services

M. Lock advised that her Directorate has been busy with planning of the SW Recreation Centre. Public engagement is underway. The online survey has closed and an open house was held at Genesis Place in which the consultants had an opportunity to speak to about 200 people and answer questions. The next steps are to consolidate the results into a

report which will be presented to this Committee at the April meeting. Public input was that 10 years is way too long for full build-out, given the size of the community.

Construction of the Inspire facility is on schedule and on budget. Administration is working on the transition plan, the service overview plan, and overarching governance for Inspire.

In May, we will work on the site master plan for the SW Recreation Centre and policies and scheduling through the allocation policy. We are also working on the Francosud Agreement for programs and services for that space.

A question was asked, when the public commented that 10 years is much too long for full build-out of the new Recreation facility, whether people were asked if they are willing to pay increased taxes to accelerate construction. M. Lock confirmed that this was asked, with a range of responses. A suggestion was made to create a municipal recreation tax specifically for construction of new facilities. Some people commented that they don't want a plebiscite on this issue, as elected officials are elected to make those decisions.

### **3. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

#### **3.1 Regular meeting of November 26, 2024**

**2025-CCS-001**

**Moved By** Councillor Jones

That the Community and Corporate Services Standing Committee adopts the minutes of the regular meeting of November 26, 2024, as presented.

**Carried**

### **4. PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS AND QUESTIONS**

There are no items.

### **5. CONSENT AGENDA**

#### **5.1 2024 Fourth Quarter Cash and Investment Report (Monica Labait, Manager Treasury)**

**2025-CCS-002**

**Moved By** Councillor Chapman

That the Community and Corporate Services Standing Committee accepts the report entitled "2024 Fourth Quarter Cash and Investment Report" for information.

**Carried**

**6. AGENDA REPORTS**

**6.1 Research and Engagement Summary Report Community Facility Needs Assessment (Clay Aragon, Manager of Culture, Heritage and Events)**

**2025-CCS-003**

**Moved By** Councillor Jones

That the Community and Corporate Standing Committee accepts the report entitled "Research and Engagement Summary Report - Community Facilities Needs Assessment" for information.

**Carried**

**7. ITEMS REFERRED FROM COUNCIL**

There are no items.

**8. UPDATE OF COMMITTEE RESOLUTIONS**

There are no items.

**9. CLOSED SESSION**

There are no items.

**10. ITEMS ARISING FROM CLOSED SESSION**

There are no items.

**11. ADJOURNMENT**

Councillor Petrow adjourned the meeting at 10:04 a.m.

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Committee Chair

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Committee Clerk