

Minutes of Town of Hampstead

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF HAMPSTEAD HELD ON JULY 18TH, 2016, AT THE COMMUNITY CENTER, 30 LYNCROFT ROAD, AT 7:00 P.M.

THOSE PRESENT WERE: Mayor William Steinberg, Councillors Jack Edery, Leon Elfassy, Michael Goldwax and Harvey Shaffer, forming a quorum with Mayor Steinberg presiding.

ABSENT: Councillors Karen Zajdman, Leon Elfassy and Mr. Richard Sun, Director General.

ALSO PRESENT: Mrs. Simona Sonnenwirth, Acting Director General and Me Pierre Tapp, Town Clerk, acting as Secretary of the Meeting.

OPENING OF MEETING

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

PUBLIC QUESTION PERIOD

The Mayor invited those persons in attendance to ask their questions.

- No question was asked.

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ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

On motion of Councillor Michael Goldwax, seconded by Councillor Harvey Shaffer, it was UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED:

- THAT the agenda of the special meeting is hereby adopted as submitted.

Adopted

2016-200

NOTICE OF MOTION OF BY-LAW NO. 761-4 ENTITLED BY-LAW MODIFYING BY-LAW 761 CONCERNING DOGS

NOTICE OF MOTION was given by Councillor Michael Goldwax that, at a subsequent meeting of Council, By-law N° 761-4 amending By-law no 761 entitled By-law modifying By-law 761 concerning dogs will be submitted to Council for adoption.

All Council members have received a draft copy of By-law N° 761-4 and a motion to dispense with the reading of the said By-law was made.

2016-201

OPPOSITION SUBJECTING NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS TO DRAFT BILL N° 56 ENTITLED: “LOBBYING TRANSPARENCY AND ETHICS ACT”

WHEREAS draft Bill n° 56 entitled: “*Lobbying Transparency and Ethics Act*” states that non-profit organizations (“OBNL”) are subject to the “*Lobbying Transparency and Ethics Act*”;

WHEREAS there is a significant positive impact of OBNLs on the territory of the Town of Hampstead;

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WHEREAS the new obligations stipulated in draft bill n° 56 risk substantially impeding upon the relationship between the Town of Hampstead and its OBNLs working on its territory as well hindering the OBNL's mission;

WHEREAS there currently exists approximately 60,000 OBNLs in Quebec comprised of all types;

WHEREAS within the context of a study of draft Bill 56 entitled: “*Étude sur l’assujettissement des OBNL*” lead by the Commissioner of Lobbyism in Quebec, approximately 60 OBNLs were heard and approximately hundreds of documents were deposited;

WHEREAS OBNLs all opposed draft Bill 56; in particular, because the said Bill considerably burdens the tasks of volunteers obliging them, for example:

- to inscribe in the Register of Lobbyists anyone who contacts an elected person or an employee, either verbally or in writing, for various requests;
- to keep a log any of these representations made; and
- to produce four times a year the said log on lobbying activity;

WHEREAS OBNLs are supported and guided by its volunteers and the funds raised must serve the community and not be allotted towards administrative tasks with no added value;

WHEREAS the collaborative relationship between OBNLs and municipalities must remain flexible and agile;

WHEREAS the Town of Hampstead desires to oppose OBNLs being subject to the “*Lobbying Transparency and Ethics Act*”;

It was proposed by Councillor Michael Goldwax, seconded by Councillor Harvey Shaffer and UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED:

“THAT the Town of Hampstead Council denounces and opposes non-profit organizations being subject to draft Bill n° 56 entitled: “*Lobbying Transparency and Ethics Act*”;

THAT a copy of this resolution be transmitted to: the Commissioner of Lobbyism of Quebec, Mr. François Casgrain; to the Minister responsible of Intergovernmental Affairs and Institutional Democratic Reform, Mr. Jean-Marc Fournier and Member of the National Assembly for D’Arcy McGee, Mr. David Birnbaum.”

Adopted

2016-202

REQUEST TO AUTHORIZE MODIFICATIONS TO THE FRONT FACADE WINDOWS OF A PREVIOUSLY APPROVED PROJECT FOR A NEW CONSTRUCTION OF A DETACHED SINGLE FAMILY DWELLING LOCATED AT 57 THURLOW ROAD, LOT 2 088 997, ZONE RA-1, (ZONING BY-LAW N° 727) (SPAIP BY-LAW N°775)

WHEREAS the site planning and architectural integration program showing modifications to the plans and elevations to authorize modifications to the front facade windows of a previously approved project for a new construction of a detached single family dwelling located at 57, Thurlow Road, submitted to the Planning Advisory Committee meeting of July 11th, 2016;

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WHEREAS the proposed project meets the prescribed standards of the Zoning By-law number 727 and partially meets the prescribed standards of the Site Planning and Architectural Integration Program By-law number 775, the Planning Advisory Committee at its meeting of July 11th, 2016 recommended that the modifications be refused;

Notwithstanding the PAC recommendation, it was proposed by Councillor Warren Budning, seconded by Councillor Michael Goldwax and UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED *to adopt the present project as per the revised elevations submitted to the July 11th PAC meeting.*

Adopted

2016-203

REQUEST TO AUTHORIZE MODIFICATIONS TO THE FRONT PORCH OF A SEMI DETACHED SINGLE FAMILY DWELLING LOCATED AT 5573 QUEEN-MARY ROAD, LOT NO.: 2 088 795, ZONE RA-1 (ZONING BY-LAW NO. 727) (SPAIP BY-LAW NO.775)

On motion of Councillor Warren Budning, seconded by Councillor Harvey Shaffer, it was UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED:

- THAT the site planning and architectural integration program showing modifications to the plans and elevations to authorize modifications to the front porch of a semi-detached single family dwelling located at 5573, Queen Mary Road, submitted to the Planning Advisory Committee meeting of July 11th, 2016 is *conditionally approved*. The modifications meet the prescribed standards of the Zoning By-law number 727 and partially meet the prescribed standards of the Site Planning and Architectural Integration Program By-law number 775 and as recommended by the PAC provided that:
 - A proper landscaping plan must be submitted;
 - The evergreens, when planted, must be high enough to hide the base of porch as per the sketches;
 - The white base of the two columns must be painted to match the color of the cut stone.

Adopted

2016-204

ADJOURNMENT

All the subjects of the Agenda having been discussed, it was proposed by Councillor Michael Goldwax, seconded by Councillor Harvey Shaffer and unanimously resolved to declare that the meeting be closed at 7.21 p.m.

Adopted

(s) William Steinberg _____
Dr. William Steinberg, Mayor

(s) Pierre Tapp _____
Me Pierre Tapp, Town Clerk