



Finance and Corporate Services Committee

Minutes

Meeting #: 21
Date: February 4, 2025
Time: 9:30 am
Location: Andrew S. Haydon Hall, 110 Laurier Avenue West, and by electronic participation

Present: Chair: Mayor Mark Sutcliffe, Vice-Chair: Councillor Catherine Kitts, Councillor Matt Luloff, Councillor Laura Dudas, Councillor Cathy Curry, Councillor Glen Gower, Councillor Tim Tierney, Councillor Rawlson King, Councillor Jeff Leiper, Councillor Riley Brockington, Councillor Shawn Menard, Councillor David Brown

1. Notices and meeting information for meeting participants and the public

Notices and meeting information are attached to the agenda and minutes, including: availability of simultaneous interpretation and accessibility accommodations; *in camera* meeting procedures; information items not subject to discussion; personal information disclaimer for correspondents and public speakers; notices regarding minutes; and remote participation details.

Accessible formats and communication supports are available, upon request.

Except where otherwise indicated, reports requiring Council consideration will be presented to Council on 12 February 2025 in Finance and Corporate Services Committee Report 21.

The deadline to register by phone to speak, or submit written comments or visual presentations is 4 pm on Monday, 3 February 2025, and the deadline to register to speak by email is 8:30 am on Tuesday, 4 February 2025.

These “Summary Minutes” indicate the disposition of items and actions taken at the meeting. This document does not include all of the text that

will be included in the full Minutes, such as the record of written and oral submissions. Recorded votes and dissents contained in the Summary Minutes are draft until the full Minutes of the meeting are confirmed by the Committee. The draft of the full Minutes (for confirmation) will be published with the agenda for the next regular Committee meeting and, once confirmed, will replace this document.

2. Declarations of Interest

No Declarations of Interest were filed.

3. Confirmation of Minutes

3.1 FCSC Minutes 20 – 3 December 2024

Carried

4. Responses to Inquiries

4.1 OCC 2024-17 - Councillor J. Bradley - 3-1-1 Call Centre Protocols

4.2 OCC 2024-19 - Councillor L. Johnson - Public Engagement Strategy & Engage Ottawa Update

5. City Manager's Office

5.1 2024 Lansdowne Annual Report

File No. ACS2025-CRM-OCM-0001 - Citywide

Report recommendation(s)

That the Finance and Corporate Services Committee recommend that Council receive the following status update report related to the Lansdowne Partnership Plan.

- 1. The update from the City Manager outlining the delegated authority exercised from November 10, 2023 to date by the City Manager in consultation with the City Solicitor and the City Treasurer, under the finalized and executed Lansdowne Partnership Plan Legal Agreements.**
- 2. The update from the City Manager on the August 20, 2024 Lansdowne Master Partnership Meeting and Meetings Amongst Parties to the Unanimous Shareholder Agreements.**

3. The status update outlined in this report regarding the operations of the Lansdowne Public-Private Partnership as referenced in Section 11 of the 2023 Procurement Year in Review report ([ACS2024-FCS-PRO-0001](#)).

Carried as amended

Motion No. FCSC 2025 - 21-xx

Moved by C. Kitts

WHEREAS the following documents were not circulated with the agenda package:

- Document 3 - “Draft Minutes - Meetings Amongst Parties to Unanimous Shareholder Agreements - August 20 2024”
- Document 4 - “Draft Minutes - Lansdowne Master Limited Partnership Annual Unitholder Meeting - August 20 2024”;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Finance and Corporate Services Committee approve the addition of these documents for consideration by the Committee at today’s meeting, pursuant to Section 89(3) of the Procedure By-law (being By-law no. 2022-410).

Carried

6. Strategic Initiatives Department

6.1 Surplus Lands Declaration of 5 City Properties - 2575 Reaneyhill Way, 3131 Jockvale Road, 7010 Parkway Road, 1127 & 1137 Mill Street

Report recommendation(s)

That the Finance and Corporate Services Committee declare as surplus to City needs, the following properties:

- a. 2575 Reaneyhill Way, described as Concession 7, Part Lot 20 Registered Plan 5R10782, parts 3, 4 and 11 being all of PIN 04314-0188 shown as Parcels 1 and 2 and on Document 1 attached, containing a total area of 59,500 sq. m (640,453 sq. ft.), subject to final survey.

- b. 3131 Jockvale Road, described as Concession 3, Rideau Front, Part Lot 16, Registered Plan 5R-14710, Parts 1-3, 6, 8-9 and 11, being part of PIN's 04599-0353, 04599-0327 (Block 44 on Plan 4M-342) and 04599-0356 and part of 04599-0359; shown as Area A on Document 2 attached, containing a total area of 2,620 sq. m. (28,202 sq. ft.), subject to final survey;
- c. 7010 Parkway Road, described as Plan 902 Part Lot 34, Registered Plan 5R2356, part 1 being all of PIN 04315-0078 shown as Area A on Document 3 attached, containing a total area of 2,080.79 sq. m. (22,397.44 sq. ft.), subject to final survey;
- d. 1127 Mill Street, described as Concession A Part Lots 1 and 2; North Gower; known as the Dickenson House identified as all of PIN 03903-2407 shown as Area A on Document 4 attached, containing a total area of 2,874.28 sq. m. (30,938.47 sq. ft.), subject to final survey; and
- e. 1137 Mill Street, described as Plan 15, Lot 4, North Gower, being all of PIN 03903-0010 and shown as Area A on Document 4 attached, containing a total area of 459.53 sq. m. (4,9646.33 sq. ft.), subject to final survey.

Carried

7. In Camera Items

There were no *in camera* items.

8. Other Business

8.1 Motion - Kitts - Mitigate Financial Impacts of U.S.-Canada Trade Tariffs on the City of Ottawa

Vice-Chair Kitts moved the motion on behalf of Councillor D. Brown.

Pursuant to Subsection 89(3) of Procedure By-law 2022-410, to add the motion to the agenda was Carried on a division of 9 Yeas to 1 Nay (7 votes required) as follows:

Motion No. FCSC 2025 - 21-xx

Moved by C. Kitts

BE IT RESOLVED that this Motion be added to the agenda pursuant to Subsection 89(3) of the Procedure By-law so that staff can provide the requested information to Council as soon as possible.

For (9): M. Sutcliffe, C. Kitts, M. Luloff, L. Dudas, C. Curry, G. Gower, R. King, J. Leiper, and S. Menard

Against (1): R. Brockington

Carried (9 to 1)

Vice-Chair Kitts moved the motion on behalf of Councillor Brown.

Motion No. FCSC 2025 - 21-xx

Moved by C. Kitts

WHEREAS despite the 30-day reprieve achieved on February 3, the threat of U.S. tariffs against the Canadian economy remains; and

WHEREAS a 25 percent levy on Canadian imports to the U.S., along with anticipated retaliatory tariffs from Canada, will disrupt supply chains, increase prices for goods, depreciate the Canadian dollar, and negatively impact the Canadian economy and major industries, potentially leading to a recession; and

WHEREAS the City of Ottawa should take proactive measures to support federal and provincial efforts while mitigating financial impacts on the municipality,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that staff prepare an update outlining the economic forecast and potential negative impacts of the ongoing trade war on the City of Ottawa's procurement exposure and financial positions; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that staff present a plan to ensure the City's procurement bylaws and processes are sufficiently flexible to support the purchase of local, Canadian and non-American goods and services, wherever possible; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor convene a meeting of local business leaders to develop an action plan to support and promote local products and businesses; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor work with the Mayor of Gatineau on a request to the other levels of government to eliminate interprovincial trade barriers; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City of Ottawa collaborate with other levels of government and representative business and trade organizations in efforts to create local supply chains for products and services currently purchased from American companies; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the City of Ottawa examine only utilizing the banking and investment services of Canadian financial institutions.

Carried

Councillor Dudas introduced the following Direction to Staff during the discussion of Councillor Kitts Motion, as follows:

Motion No. FCSC 2025 - 21-xx

Direction to Staff (Councillor L. Dudas)

While Canada has been given a 30-day reprieve from the Trump Tariffs, the threat of them still remains over our country. Knowing that the tariffs would be far reaching and incredibly impactful to residents, small and large businesses alike. It is imperative that the coordinated response from the City considers the economies of our City and region as a whole, but also include looking at measures specifically tailored to our downtown, suburban and rural economies.

That City staff be directed to:

Include in any action plan, or response strategy, targeted measures on how the City and residents can also support Ottawa's local neighbourhood economies, Ottawa's rural village economies, and Ottawa's agricultural and rural economies.

8.2 Motion - Dudas - X Corp

Councillor Dudas sought to add a motion to the agenda with respect to X-Corporation.

Pursuant to Subsection 89 (3) of Procedure By-law 2022-410, the request to add the item was LOST on a division of 7 Yeas to 4 Nays (8 votes required) as follows:

Motion No. FCSC 2025 - 21-xx

Moved by L. Dudas

BE IT RESOLVED that the matter below be added as an additional item at the February 4, 2025 meeting of Finance and Corporate Services Committee, pursuant to Section 89(3) of the Procedure By-law, to allow consideration by Council on February 12, 2025 to expedite leaving the platform in a timely fashion.

For (7): M. Sutcliffe, M. Luloff, L. Dudas, C. Curry, G. Gower, T. Tierney, and J. Leiper

Against (4): C. Kitts, R. King, R. Brockington, and S. Menard

Lost (7 to 4)

As the request to add the Motion was Lost. The Motion was introduced as a Notice of Motion for the next meeting.

9. Notices of Motions (For Consideration at Subsequent Meeting)

9.1 Motion - Dudas - X-Corp

Moved by L. Dudas

WHEREAS the City of Ottawa maintains the core values of transparency, impartiality, respect, and accountability; and

WHEREAS the parent company X-Corp purchased the platform formerly known as Twitter in 2022; and

WHEREAS the company X-Corp, the owner, and their platform X have clearly demonstrated that they no longer possess or respect these values; and

WHEREAS the City of Ottawa, and associated departments, currently maintains active accounts on X; and

WHEREAS other social media platforms have emerged as viable alternatives; and

WHEREAS numerous other Canadian municipalities have suspended their X accounts, and shifted their public communications to these alternative platforms;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the City of Ottawa, and all associated departments, create a plan to suspend all associated X-holdings platforms and migrate to alternative platforms.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT prior to the suspension, the City of Ottawa post on X informing residents of the intent to suspend its accounts, and redirect residents to other platforms through which they can engage and receive updates from the City of Ottawa.

9.2 Motion - Menard - Accessibility Review at the Lansdowne Site

Moved by S. Menard

WHEREAS under the City of Ottawa's Accessibility Policy, the City is committed to providing equal treatment to people with disabilities with respect to the use and benefit of City services, programs, goods and facilities in a manner that respects their dignity and that is equitable in relation to the broader public. This commitment extends to residents, visitors and employees with visible or non-visible, permanent or temporary disabilities;

WHEREAS this commitment to accessibility applies when the City renews or renovates its aging public infrastructure; and

WHEREAS City Council has not given final approval to the Event Centre and North Side Stands proposed under Lansdowne 2.0; and

WHEREAS the Council-approved City multi-year accessibility plan includes a commitment that the Lansdowne North side stands and event centre will be accessible; and

WHEREAS people with disabilities deserve the City of Ottawa's commitment to accessibility at Lansdowne, whether or not proposals for a new Event Centre and North Side Stands are approved; and

WHEREAS the City's multi-year accessibility plan also commits to the "Nothing Without Us" principle, which emphasizes the importance of including people with lived experience in the design and implementation of policies, programs, and services that impact their lives; and

WHEREAS feedback has already been received from City's Accessibility Advisory Committee and people with disabilities on the barriers of the existing site and facilities.

WHEREAS Council has directed staff to develop a public realm improvement plan for Lansdowne in association with the Site Plan Control application for the Event Centre and North Side Stands redevelopment; and,

WHEREAS Council further directed staff for public realm enhancements identified in Document 2 of the May 2022 Lansdowne Partnership Sustainability Plan and Implementation Report to be prioritized and undertaken as part of the initial work for Lansdowne 2.0; and,

WHEREAS an accessibility review ought to take place for Lansdowne as part of a public realm improvement plan for Lansdowne regardless of whether Lansdowne 2.0 proceeds;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT, should the Lansdowne 2.0 proposal for the Event Centre and North Side Stands proposed under Lansdowne 2.0 not be approved by City Council, that staff, in consultation with the Accessibility Advisory Committee and the broader disability community, be directed to report to City Council with an accessibility review of the existing facilities, including options and estimated costs for remediating barriers for people with disabilities

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT staff be directed to undertake an accessibility review of the Lansdowne site beyond existing or proposed facilities including, but not limited to, accessible transportation and points of access to the site, accessibility of the grounds of the site, and dedicated accessible on-site parking capacity.

10. Inquiries

There were no Inquiries.

11. Adjournment

Next Meeting

Tuesday, March 4, 2025.

The meeting adjourned at 1:38 pm.

Original signed by M. Aston,
Committee Coordinator

Original signed by Mayor M.
Sutcliffe, Chair