



City Council Meeting Minutes

Monday, June 2, 2025, 10:02 p.m.

S.H. Blake Memorial Auditorium

Present:

- Councillor Rajni Agarwal
- Councillor Albert Aiello
- Councillor Mark Bentz
- Councillor Shelby Ch'ng
- Councillor Kasey Etrene
- Councillor Andrew Foulds
- Councillor Brian Hamilton
- Councillor Greg Johnsen
- Councillor Kristen Oliver
- Councillor Dominic Pasqualino
- Councillor Michael Zussino

Officials:

- Krista Power, Director - Legislative Services & City Clerk
- Kerri Marshall, Acting City Manager
- Michael Grimaldi, Solicitor
- Kayla Dixon, Commissioner - Infrastructure & Operations
- Keri Greaves, Commissioner - Corporate Services & City Treasurer
- Kelly Robertson, Commissioner – Community Services
- Jonathan Paske, Supervisor – Parking Authority
- Kristyn Lovato-Day, Policy & Research Analyst – Corporate Services
- Katie Piché, Council & Committee Clerk

1. City Council

Chair: Acting Mayor Shelby Ch'ng

2. Opening Ceremonies

One Minute of Silence.

3. Disclosures of Interest

Aside from those disclosures already recorded in the previous minutes as presented here, no additional disclosures of interest were announced.

4. Confirmation of Agenda

MOVED BY: Councillor Albert Aiello

SECONDED BY: Councillor Dominic Pasqualino

WITH RESPECT to the June 2, 2025 City Council, we recommend that the agenda as printed, including any additional information and new business, be confirmed.

CARRIED

5. Minutes of Previous Meetings

5.1 City Council Minutes

The Minutes of the following Meetings of the Thunder Bay City Council, to be confirmed:

1. The Thunder Bay City Council held on May 26, 2025 was distributed separately on Thursday, May 29, 2025.

MOVED BY: Councillor Andrew Foulds

SECONDED BY: Councillor Brian Hamilton

THAT the Minutes of the following Meetings of the Thunder Bay City Council, be confirmed:

1. The Thunder Bay City Council meeting held on May 26, 2025.

CARRIED

6. Reports of Committees, Boards, and Outside Agencies

6.1 Committee of the Whole Minutes

The Minutes of the following Committee of the Whole meeting, to be adopted:

1. May 26, 2025 Committee of the Whole was distributed separately on Thursday, May 29, 2025.

MOVED BY: Councillor Andrew Foulds

SECONDED BY: Councillor Kasey Etreni

THAT the Minutes of the following Committee of the Whole meeting, be adopted:

1. May 26, 2025 Committee of the Whole.

CARRIED

7. Ratifying Resolution

The City Clerk advised that the resolution previously adopted by Committee of the Whole held earlier in the evening required ratification by Council. Under Council's policy a two-thirds vote of Council was necessary.

MOVED BY: Councillor Michael Zussino

SECONDED BY: Councillor Dominic Pasqualino

THAT the following ratifying resolution be introduced, read, dealt with individually:

1. Board Appointment - CEDC Board of Directors

CARRIED

8. By-laws and By-law Resolution

8.1 By-law 177-2025 – Appointment of Persons to Enforce Parking

A By-law to amend By-law Number 99-2005, being a By-law to appoint Municipal Law Enforcement Officers for The Corporation of the City of Thunder Bay for the enforcement of Municipal Parking By-laws.

8.2 By-law Resolution

By-law Resolution - June 2, 2025 - City Council

MOVED BY: Councillor Andrew Foulds

SECONDED BY: Councillor Greg Johnsen

THAT the following By-laws be introduced, read, dealt with individually, engrossed, signed by the Mayor and Clerk, sealed and numbered:

By-law Number 177-2025

1. Appointment of Persons to Enforce Parking

CARRIED

9. Notice of Motion

9.1 Notice of Motion to Amend - Parking Authority Financial Plan - Complimentary Parking

At the December 9, 2024 City Council meeting, an amended resolution relative to Report 309-2023-Corporate Services-Licensing & Enforcement was ratified.

Memorandum from Councillor Rajni Agarwal, dated May 13, 2025 requesting that a Notice of Motion to Amend the resolution relating to Report 309-2024-Parking Authority Financial Plan was introduced at the May 26, 2025 City Council Meeting, for debate at the June 2, 2025 City Council meeting, re-presented.

Report 309-2023 - Parking Authority Financial Plan

MOVED BY: Councillor Brian Hamilton

SECONDED BY: Councillor Andrew Foulds

WITH RESPECT to Report 309-2023-Corporate Services-Licensing & Enforcement, we recommend that that the City of Thunder Bay Parking Authority Financial Plan (Attachment A) be endorsed;

AND THAT rates and fees levied by the Parking Authority as proposed in the Financial Plan be included in the 2024 budget for Council consideration;

- With the exception of monthly rental rates for parkades which would be phased in over two years;
- With the exception of changing the fee for the Marina parking lot from \$3.00 per hour to \$2.00 per hour with the exclusion of the Market Square

parking lot which would remain at \$3.00 per hour;

- That parking in the City of Thunder Bay hours be enforced Monday to Saturday, 9 am to 6 pm;

AND THAT such rates and fees be presented with inflationary increases in subsequent years for Council consideration;

AND THAT Administration be directed to close the five identified underutilized lots, namely Camelot, Machar, Viscount and Nesco, on or before June 1, 2024;

AND THAT new paid parking be established in the identified marina parking areas including Market Square, as of June 1, 2024;

AND THAT Administration be directed to develop a no free parking policy and present to Council for consideration on or before March 25, 2024;

AND THAT Administration review the recommendation to dissolve the Parking Authority Board and By-law 101-2007, being a by-law to recognize and continue the Municipal Service Board known as "The Thunder Bay Parking Authority;" and report back on implications on or before March 25, 2024;

AND THAT Administration monitor actual financial performance to the plan and Report back to Council Q1 of 2026 with an update and recommendations, if required;

AND THAT the item "Parking Authority Financial Plan – Financial Performance Update" be added to the Outstanding List with a report back date of on or before January 31, 2026;

AND THAT any necessary by-laws be presented to City Council for ratification.

The following resolution relative to Report 309-2023-Parking Authority Financial Plan was presented for Council's consideration. Under Council's policy, a two-thirds vote is required.

Amendment - Report 309-2023 - Parking Authority Financial Plan

MOVED BY: Councillor Rajni Agarwal

SECONDED BY: Councillor Kasey Etrene

WITH RESPECT to Report 309-2023-Corporate Services-Licensing & Enforcement, we recommend that the following be added to paragraph 1:

- With the exception of 4-hour complimentary parking, with the option to purchase an additional 4 hours at the Marina/Waterfront, including Market Square, be implemented;
- With the exception of a 2-hour complimentary parking program for on-street meters, with the option to purchase an additional 2 hours be implemented until December 31, 2027;

CARRIED

Amended - Report 309-2023 - Parking Authority Financial Plan

MOVED BY: Councillor Brian Hamilton

SECONDED BY: Councillor Andrew Foulds

WITH RESPECT to Report 309-2023-Corporate Services-Licensing & Enforcement, we recommend that that the City of Thunder Bay Parking Authority Financial Plan (Attachment A) be endorsed;

AND THAT rates and fees levied by the Parking Authority as proposed in the Financial Plan be included in the 2024 budget for Council consideration;

- With the exception of monthly rental rates for parkades which would be phased in over two years;
- With the exception of changing the fee for the Marina parking lot from \$3.00 per hour to \$2.00 per hour with the exclusion of the Market Square parking lot which would remain at \$3.00 per hour;
- That parking in the City of Thunder Bay hours be enforced Monday to Saturday, 9 am to 6 pm;
- With the exception of 4-hour complimentary parking, with the option to purchase an additional 4 hours at the Marina/Waterfront, including Market Square, be implemented;
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AND THAT any necessary by-laws be presented to City Council for ratification.

CARRIED

10. Confirming By-law and Confirming By-law Resolution

10.1 By-law 192-2025 – Confirming By-law – June 2, 2025

A by-law to confirm the proceedings of a meeting of City Council, this 2nd day of June 2025.

10.2 Confirming By-law Resolution

Confirming By-law Resolution - June 2, 2025 - City Council

MOVED BY: Councillor Greg Johnsen

SECONDED BY: Councillor Kasey Etreni

THAT the following By-law be introduced, read, dealt with individually, engrossed, signed by the Mayor and Clerk, sealed and numbered:

By-law Number 192-2025

1. A By-law to confirm the proceedings of a meeting of Council, this 2nd day of June, 2025.

CARRIED

11. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 10:50 p.m.

Acting Mayor

City Clerk