



City Council Meeting Minutes

Monday, August 25, 2025, 8:23 p.m.

S.H. Blake Memorial Auditorium

Present: Councillor Rajni Agarwal
Councillor Albert Aiello
Councillor Shelby Ch'ng
Councillor Kasey Etreni
Councillor Brian Hamilton
Councillor Greg Johnsen
Councillor Kristen Oliver
Councillor Dominic Pasqualino
Councillor Michael Zussino

Officials: Jeff Walters, Manager – Legislative Services & Deputy City Clerk
John Collin, City Manager
Kayla Dixon, Commissioner - Infrastructure & Operations
Keri Greaves, Commissioner - Corporate Services & City
Treasurer
Kelly Robertson, Commissioner - Community Services
Cynthia Olsen, Acting Commissioner - Growth
Krista Power, Director, Legislative Services & City Clerk
Cynthia Cline, Deputy City Solicitor
Gordon Stover, Committee & Meeting Management System
Coordinator

1. City Council

Chair: Acting Mayor Greg Johnsen

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 Dominic Pasqualino

SECONDED BY: Councillor Brian Hamilton

WITH RESPECT to the Monday, August 25, 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

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

1. The Thunder Bay City Council held on August 11, 2025.

MOVED BY: Councillor Brian Hamilton

SECONDED BY: Councillor Kristen Oliver

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

1. The Thunder Bay City Council held on August 11, 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. August 11, 2025 Committee of the Whole.

MOVED BY: Councillor Kristen Oliver
SECONDED BY: Councillor Shelby Ch'ng

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

1. August 11, 2025 Committee of the Whole.

Allowable Tent Encampment Areas

It was requested that the following item from the August 11, 2025 Committee of the Whole minutes, be voted on separately:

MOVED BY: Councillor Kristen Oliver
SECONDED BY: Councillor Brian Hamilton

WITH RESPECT to the memorandum from Councillor Kristen Oliver, dated July 11, 2025 we recommend that Administration be directed to create criteria for Allowable Tent Encampments in the City of Thunder Bay and report back to City Council for approval;

AND THAT once criteria are approved, Administration work with agency partners, and individuals living in encampments to determine where Allowable Tent Encampments are located;

AND THAT Administration continue to update City Council on this work and share information with the public to provide education, support and assistance related to the Human Rights-Based Community Action Plan;

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

Ratification Deferral - Allowable Tent Encampment Areas

MOVED BY: Councillor Brian Hamilton
SECONDED BY: Councillor Kasey Etreni

WITH RESPECT to resolution from August 11, 2025 Committee of the Whole meeting relative to Allowable Tent Encampment Areas, we recommend that ratification be deferred to the September 2, 2025 City Council Meeting.

CARRIED

Committee of the Whole Minutes

MOVED BY: Councillor Kristen Oliver

SECONDED BY: Councillor Shelby Ch'ng

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

1. August 11, 2025 Committee of the Whole.

CARRIED

7. Ratifying Resolution

The Deputy 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 Kristen Oliver

SECONDED BY: Councillor Albert Aiello

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

1. Memorandum - Pre-Budget Consultations - Budget 2025.

CARRIED

8. By-laws and By-law Resolution

8.1 By-law 254-2025 – Holding Symbol Removal – 1510 Paquette Road

A By-law to remove a Holding Symbol pursuant to Section 36 of the *Planning Act R.S.O.*, as amended (1510 Paquette Road).

8.2 By-law 256-2025 - Amendment to By-law 390-1981, The Waterfront District Business Improvement Area

A By-law to amend By-law 390-1981, being a by-law to designate The Waterfront District as a Business Improvement Area.

8.3 By-law Resolution

By-law Resolution - August 25, 2025 - City Council

MOVED BY: Councillor Albert Aiello

SECONDED BY: Councillor Rajni Agarwal

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

By-law Number: 254- 2025

1. A By-law to remove a Holding Symbol pursuant to Section 36 of the *Planning Act R.S.O.*, as amended (1510 Paquette Road).

By-law Number: 256- 2025

1. A By-law to amend By-law 390-1981, being a by-law to designate The Waterfront District as a Business Improvement Area.

CARRIED

9. Confirming By-law and Confirming By-law Resolution

9.1 By-law 265-2025 – Confirming By-law – August 25, 2025

A By-law to confirm the proceedings of a meeting of Council, this 25th day of August 2025.

9.2 Confirming By-law Resolution

Confirming By-law Resolution - August 25, 2025 - City Council

MOVED BY: Councillor Michael Zussino

SECONDED BY: Councillor Kristen Oliver

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

By-law Number: 265-2025

1. A By-law to confirm the proceedings of a meeting of Council, this 25th day of August, 2025.

CARRIED

10. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Acting Mayor

Deputy City Clerk