MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY, JUNE 8, 2020 AT 8:00PM BY WAY OF VIDEOCONFERENCE¹

PRESENT:

Mayor Mitchell Brownstein, B. Comm., B.C.L., L.L.B. presiding Councillor Sidney Benizri Councillor Dida Berku, B.C.L. Councillor Mike Cohen, B.A. Councillor Steven Erdelyi, B.Sc., B.Ed. Councillor Mitch Kujavsky, B. Comm Councillor Oren Sebag, B.Sc. RN MBA Councillor David Tordjman, ing.

ALSO PRESENT:

Ms. Tanya Abramovitch, City Manager
Me Jonathan Shecter, Co-City Manager, Director of Legal Services
and City Clerk
Ms. Nadia Di Furia, Associate City Manager
Me Jason Prévost, Assistant City Clerk, acted as Secretary of the
meeting

OPENING STATEMENT BY THE MAYOR CONCERNING THE COVID-19 VIRUS

Prior to the holding of tonight's council meeting, Mayor Brownstein asked that a moment of silence be observed for the people who have passed away due to the COVID-19 virus.

QUESTION PERIOD

The question period started at 8:12 p.m. and finished at 8:28 p.m. Twelve (12) residents submitted questions prior to the holding of tonight's meeting and they were answered during the live feed.

1) Sveta and Oleg Shulman

The residents inquired about street cleaning operations on Centennial Avenue, more specifically, the installation of permanent signage; to which Mayor Brownstein provided information on the City's street cleaning schedule and indicated that signage is installed 24 hours before the cleaning operations.

2) Lionel Rossdeutscher

The resident inquired about the overnight parking ban between the hours of 3:00 am and 6:00 am as provided by the municipal regulation, more specifically; the resident asked that this section of the by-law be repealed; to which Mayor Brownstein responded that safety and security issues exist to justify the existence of this restriction, such as, but not limited to, identifying cars that have an overnight parking permit, snow removal operations and street cleaning operations. He further indicated that, originally, the by-law did not provide for any exception for overnight parking, but it has evolved, and the overnight parking system was introduced as an exception.

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¹ Tonight's council meeting was held by way of videoconference by virtue of Ministerial Order 2020-029 adopted by the Quebec government on April 26, 2020.

The resident further provided a petition signed by residents who wish this provision be repealed.

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3) Nadav Sandroussy

The resident inquired about the same information provided in tonight's second question and Mayor Brownstein already responded to it.

4) Arie Benhacoun

The resident inquired about the same information provided in tonight's second question and Mayor Brownstein already responded to it.

5) Sonia Cohen

The resident inquired about the same information provided in tonight's second question and Mayor Brownstein already responded to it.

6) Ariel Edery

The resident inquired about the same information provided in tonight's second question and Mayor Brownstein already responded to it.

7) Daniel Ross

The resident inquired about the same information provided in tonight's second question and Mayor Brownstein already responded to it.

8) Julie Gold

The resident inquired about the same information provided in tonight's second question and Mayor Brownstein already responded to it.

9) David Rosenbaum

The resident inquired about the parking restrictions on Trent Avenue (alternating from one side of the street to the other), more specifically, if the City is willing to reduce the restrictions to twice per week; to which Mayor Brownstein responded by providing details on the parking restriction schedule and the reason why these restrictions exist, namely, to allow for proper snow removal and street cleaning operations. Mayor Brownstein further indicated that he would ask the traffic committee to review the matter. Councillor Steven Erdelyi further mentioned that Trent Avenue is a smaller street where snow removal operations are difficult and therefore, the parking restrictions are justified.

10) Toby Shulman

The resident inquired about the wearing of face coverings in apartment buildings and condominium complexes when it is impossible to practice physical distancing of 2 meters; to which Mayor Brownstein responded that by-law 2557 does not oblige residents to wear face coverings in these types of buildings, but rather recommends it. Mayor Brownstein further indicated that the obligation is to put up the appropriate signage in all apartment buildings and condominium complexes.

11) Adina Gordon

The resident inquired about the Quebec government's announcement that indoor gatherings in private dwellings will be allowed as of June 22, 2020 and if this measure will apply to apartment buildings and condominium complexes; to which

Mayor Brownstein responded that, to his knowledge, this will apply to apartment buildings and condominium complexes.

12) Doudou Dahan

The resident inquired about the closing of the Mikvah in Côte Saint-Luc; to which Mayor Brownstein responded that the City did not close the Mikvah and that the provincial authorities closed the establishment based on the DSP and SPVM recommendations.

200603

CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL DATED MAY 11, 2020 AT 8:00 P.M.

It was

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR MITCH KUJAVSKY SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR MIKE COHEN

AND RESOLVED:

"THAT the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council dated May 11, 2020 at 8:00 p.m. be and are hereby approved as submitted." CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

200604

CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF COUNCIL DATED MAY 25, 2020 AT 8:00 P.M.

It was

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR MITCH KUJAVSKY SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR MIKE COHEN

AND RESOLVED:

"THAT the Minutes of the Special Meeting of Council dated May 25, 2020 at 8:00 p.m. be and are hereby approved as submitted." CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

200605

CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF COUNCIL DATED JUNE 1, 2020 AT 8:00 P.M.

It was

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR MITCH KUJAVSKY SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR MIKE COHEN

AND RESOLVED:

"THAT the Minutes of the Special Meeting of Council dated June 1, 2020 at 8:00 p.m. be and are hereby approved as submitted." CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MONTHLY DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS FOR MAY 2020

It was

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR SIDNEY BENIZRI SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR DIDA BERKU

AND RESOLVED:

"THAT the monthly departmental reports submitted for May 2020 be and are hereby approved as submitted."

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

200607

APPROVAL OF INTEREST RATE ON OVERDUE TAXATION AMOUNTS BETWEEN JUNE 30, 2020 AND DECEMBER 31, 2020

WHEREAS Section 6 of By-law No. 2548 entitled: "By-Law 2548 concerning taxes of the City of Côte Saint-Luc for the fiscal year 2020" provides that the interest rate for tax invoices is fixed at 10%, payable daily;

WHEREAS Section 481 of the Cities and Towns Act (C.Q.L.R., chapter c-19) allows Council to set a different interest rate by resolution;

WHEREAS by way of resolution number 200353, adopted on April 6, 2020, the Côte Saint-Luc City Council ("Council") fixed the interest rate at 5% per annum for the period between March 15, 2020 and May 24, 2020;

WHEREAS by way of By-Law No. 2548-1, adopted on May 11, 2020, Council fixed the interest rate at 0% per annum for the period between May 25, 2020 and June 29, 2020;

WHEREAS due to the exceptional circumstances related to COVID-19, the City of Cote Saint-Luc wishes to lighten the tax burden for its taxpayers by reducing the interest rate between June 30, 2020 and December 31, 2020;

It was

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR STEVEN ERDELYI SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR DIDA BERKU

AND RESOLVED:

"THAT Council approves the interest rate on overdue balances as follows:

- interest rate on unpaid municipal tax invoices and transfer duty invoices be revised to 5% per annum, payable daily, effective June 30, 2020;

THAT the revised interest rate remains in effect until December 31, 2020." CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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200608

RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE DISBURSEMENTS FOR THE PERIOD OF MAY 1, 2020 TO MAY 31, 2020

It was

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR STEVEN ERDELYI SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR DIDA BERKU

AND RESOLVED:

"THAT the Côte Saint-Luc City Council approves the list of disbursements for the period of May 1, 2020 to May 31, 2020 for a total amount of \$4,120,521.55 in Canadian Funds;

THAT Treasurer's certificate No. 20-0069 dated June 1, 2020 has been issued by the City Treasurer attesting to the availability of funds to cover the described expenses."

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

200609

HUMAN RESOURCES - PUBLIC SAFETY - HIRING OF TWO (2) ON-CALL PUBLIC SECURITY AGENTS - WHITE COLLAR, AUXILIARY POSITIONS

It was

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR DIDA BERKU SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR STEVEN ERDELYI

AND RESOLVED:

"THAT the Côte Saint-Luc City Council ratifies the hiring of Jakub Stolarek, effective April 22, 2020, and Xavier Gendreau, effective May 19, 2020, as on-call Public Security Agents (white collar, auxiliary positions);

THAT Treasurer's certificate No. 20-0068, dated May 29, 2020 has been issued by the City Treasurer, attesting to the availability of funds to cover the above-described expenses."

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

200610

HUMAN RESOURCES - PUBLIC WORKS - DISCIPLINARY MEASURES - EMPLOYEE NUMBER 2349

It was

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR DIDA BERKU SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR STEVEN ERDELYI

AND RESOLVED:

"THAT the Côte Saint-Luc City Council approves the decision made on May 8, 2020 to suspend without pay, Public Works employee number 2349, effective May 8, 2020, pending an internal investigation." CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

HUMAN RESOURCES - PUBLIC WORKS - TERMINATION OF EMPLOYMENT - EMPLOYEE NUMBER 2349

WHEREAS on May 8, 2020 employee number 2349 was suspended without pay pending an investigation;

WHEREAS the conclusion of the internal investigation was to terminate the employment of auxiliary, blue collar employee number 2349, effective May 28, 2020;

It was

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR DIDA BERKU SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR STEVEN ERDELYI

AND RESOLVED:

"THAT the Côte Saint-Luc City Council approves the termination of auxiliary, blue collar employee number 2349, effective May 28, 2020." CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

200612

LEGAL – AUTHORIZATION FOR THE CITY OF CÔTE SAINT-LUC'S RECORD AND ARCHIVES TECHNICIAN TO SUBMIT THE RETENTION SCHEDULE AND ITS MODIFICATIONS TO THE BIBLIOTHÈQUE ET ARCHIVES NATIONALES DU QUÉBEC

WHEREAS article 7 of the *Archives Act* (C.Q.L.R., chapter A-21.1) ("Act") obliges all public bodies to establish and maintain an up-to-date Record Retention Schedule;

WHEREAS the third paragraph of article 8 of the said Act obliges the public bodies mentioned in paragraphs 4 to 7 of the annex of the said Act, in accordance with regulations, to submit their Record Retention Schedule and its modification respecting the addition of new documents or documents scheduled for permanent preservation to the *Bibliothèque et Archives nationales du Québec* for approval;

WHEREAS the City of Côte Saint-Luc ("City") is a public body mentioned in paragraph 4 of the annex of said Law;

It was

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR DIDA BERKU SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR OREN SEBAG

AND RESOLVED:

"THAT the Côte Saint-Luc City Council authorizes the Record and Archives Technician of the City to sign and submit the Record Retention Schedule and its modifications respecting the addition of new documents or documents scheduled for permanent preservation to the *Bibliothèque et Archives nationales du Québec* for their approval, on behalf of the City."

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

PARKS AND RECREATION - AWARDING OF A CONTRACT FOR THE MAINTENANCE OF THE REFRIGERATION SYSTEMS AT THE SAMUEL MOSKOVITCH ARENA (K-27-20)

WHEREAS the City of Côte Saint-Luc ("City") wishes to award a contract for the maintenance of the two (2) refrigeration systems at the Samuel Moskovitch Arena;

WHEREAS in order to maintain the two (2) year warranty, the City must award this contract to Cimco Refrigeration, namely, the company that provided and installed the two (2) refrigeration systems;

WHEREAS as per Article 12.1 of the City's By-law concerning contract management, the City is allowed to award a contract by mutual agreement for an amount between \$25,000 and \$100,000, if it is in the best interest of the City (criteria (b) and (f));

It was

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR MITCH KUJAVSKY SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR SIDNEY BENIZRI

AND RESOLVED

"THAT the Côte Saint-Luc Council City Council hereby awards a contract for the maintenance of the two (2) refrigeration systems at the Samuel Moskovitch Arena to Cimco Refrigeration for the period between March 1, 2020 and May 31, 2022, for a total amount of \$38,826.00, plus applicable taxes;

THAT Treasurer's Certificate No. 02-0070 dated May 30, 2020 has been issued by the City Treasurer attesting to the availability of funds to cover the above-described expenses."

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

200614

NOTICE OF MOTION - BY-LAW 2539-1 TO BE ENTITLED: "BY-LAW TO AMEND BY-LAW 2539 TO CONSOLIDATE EXISTING TARIFFS FOR THE CITY OF CÔTE SAINT-LUC IN ORDER TO ELIMINATE DEPOSITS REQUIRED FOR STREET EXCAVATION"

Councillor David Tordjman gave Notice of Motion that By-Law 2539-1 to be entitled: "By-law to amend By-law 2539 to consolidate existing tariffs for the City of Côte Saint-Luc in order to eliminate deposits required for street excavation" will be presented at a later meeting for adoption.

Councillor David Tordjman mentioned the object and scope of By-Law 2539-1 to be entitled: "By-law to amend By-law 2539 to consolidate existing tariffs for the City of Côte Saint-Luc in order to eliminate deposits required for street excavation."

200615

TABLING OF DRAFT BY-LAW 2539-1 TO BE ENTITLED: "BY-LAW TO AMEND BY-LAW 2539 TO CONSOLIDATE EXISTING TARIFFS FOR THE CITY OF CÔTE SAINT-LUC IN ORDER TO ELIMINATE DEPOSITS REQUIRED FOR STREET EXCAVATION"

Councillor David Tordjman tabled draft By-Law 2539-1 to be entitled: "By-law to amend By-law 2539 to consolidate existing tariffs for the City of Côte Saint-Luc in order to eliminate deposits required for street excavation."

URBAN PLANNING - SITE PLANNING AND ARCHITECTURAL INTEGRATION PROGRAMS (SPAIP) - 5757 CAVENDISH - CÔTE SAINT-LUC

It was

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR DIDA BERKU SECONDED COUNCILLOR MIKE COHEN

AND RESOLVED:

"THAT the site planning and architectural integration programs received February 27, 2020 showing the construction of a double-faced illuminated pylon sign for the identification of tenants with a total area of 60 sq.ft. to be facing Cavendish Boulevard instead of the maximum area of 20 sq.ft. per sign on lot 1 561 095 at 5757 Cavendish Boulevard and prepared by International Neon, contractor; for the Planning Advisory Committee meeting of March 26, 2020, be approved according to the provisions of Chapter 14 of by-law 2217, of the City of Côte Saint-Luc."

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

200617

URBAN PLANNING - SITE PLANNING AND ARCHITECTURAL INTEGRATION PROGRAMS (SPAIP) - 6607 CÔTE SAINT-LUC - CÔTE SAINT-LUC

It was

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR DIDA BERKU SECONDED COUNCILLOR OREN SEBAG

AND RESOLVED:

"THAT the site planning and architectural integration programs received May 14, 2020 showing the brick replacement on the East and West façade sides of an existing multifamily dwelling on lot 1 561 194 at 6607 Côte Saint-Luc; for the Planning Advisory Committee meeting of May 19, 2020, be approved according to the provisions of Chapter 14 of by-law 2217, of the City of Côte Saint-Luc." CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

200618

URBAN PLANNING - MINOR EXEMPTION - 5751 WESTMINSTER - CÔTE SAINT-LUC

It was

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR DIDA BERKU SECONDED COUNCILLOR MITCH KUJAVSKY

AND RESOLVED:

"THAT in accordance with the provisions of by-law G18-0005, the request for a Minor Exemption regarding the property located at 5751 Westminster, lot 1 052 595, be and is hereby approved, the whole as more amply delineated hereunder:

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The request is in order to allow an existing, detached, single-family dwelling built in 1959 under permit no. 920, to be located at 4,52m (14.83 ft.) from the South/ East side Land Line (facing Kildare Road) instead of the minimum required secondary front setback of 4,57m (15.0 ft.).

The whole notwithstanding the provisions of Zoning Bylaw 2217, Annex B (Zone RU-43)."

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

200619

URBAN PLANNING - MINOR EXEMPTION - 5757 CAVENDISH - CÔTE SAINT-LUC

It was

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR DIDA BERKU SECONDED COUNCILLOR MIKE COHEN

AND RESOLVED:

"THAT in accordance with the provisions of by-law G18-0005, the request for a Minor Exemption regarding the property located at 5757 Cavendish Boulevard, lot 1 561 095, be and is hereby approved, the whole as more amply delineated hereunder:

The request is in order to allow for the identification of the building's tenants:

- a. the construction of a double-faced illuminated pylon sign with a total area of 5,57 sq.m. (60 sq.ft.) facing Cavendish Boulevard instead of a maximum area of 1,85 sq.m. (20 sq.ft.) per sign; and
- b. the installation of a 0,15 sq.m. (1,63 sq.ft.) non-illuminated sign on the wall adjacent to the building's main entrance on Cavendish Boulevard.

The whole notwithstanding the provisions of Zoning By-law no. 2217, articles 9-1-3j), 9-2a) and 9-3-2."

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

200620

RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH THE STANCE OF THE CITY OF CÔTE SAINT-LUC COUNCIL ON ISSUES TO BE PRESENTED AT THE MONTREAL URBAN AGGLOMERATION COUNCIL MEETING

WHEREAS according to section 4 of *An Act respecting the exercise of certain municipal powers in certain urban agglomerations* (CQLR, c. E-20.001) (hereinafter "the Act"), the urban agglomeration of Montreal is made up *inter alia*, of the City of Côte Saint-Luc since January 1, 2006;

WHEREAS according to section 58 of the Act, every central municipality has an urban agglomeration council, the nature, composition and operating rules of which are set out in an order in council and that this agglomeration council constitutes a deliberative body of the municipality;

WHEREAS under section 59 of the Act, every municipality must be represented on the urban agglomeration council;

WHEREAS according to section 61 of the Act, at a meeting of the council of a related municipality, the Mayor informs the council of the matters that are to be considered at a future meeting of the urban agglomeration council, sets out the position the Mayor intends to take on any matter referred to at the urban agglomeration council meeting, discusses that position with the other members present and proposes the adoption of a resolution establishing the council's stance;

WHEREAS agglomeration council meetings may be held in July 2020 for which members of the municipal council shall establish the stance that it wishes to take;

It was

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR OREN SEBAG SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR DAVID TORDJMAN

AND RESOLVED

"THAT Council take the following stance in view of any Agglomeration Council meetings to be held in July 2020 as follows:

- to authorize the Mayor or his duly authorized replacement to make any decisions he deems necessary and in the best interest of the City of Côte Saint-Luc and its residents regarding the items on the agenda of the Agglomeration Council meetings to be held in July 2020 based on the information to be presented during those meetings."

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

SECOND QUESTION PERIOD

There were no questions.

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APPROVAL OF THE ADJOURNMENT OF THE MEETING

It was

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR OREN SEBAG SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR MITCH KUJAVSKY

AND RESOLVED:

"THAT Council hereby authorizes the Mayor to declare the Meeting adjourned."

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

AT 9:15 P.M. MAYOR BROWNSTEIN DECLARED THE MEETING ADJOURNED.

MITCHELL BROWNSTEIN MAYOR

JASON PRÉVOST ASSISTANT CITY CLERK