



## GENERAL COMMITTEE MEETING

Tuesday, April 13<sup>th</sup>, 2004  
7:00 P.M.  
COUNCIL CHAMBERS - CITY HALL

Meeting Number G.C. 2004 - 04

**Members present:** Mayor Damian Goulbourne

Councillors:

D. Alexander  
D. Beaudoin  
M. Belcastro  
P. Chiocchio  
M. Dzugan  
D. Fortier

P. Grenier  
M.A. Grimaldi  
J. Larouche  
S. O'Dell  
B. Sharpe  
J. Spadafora

**Members of the Staff and Others Present:**

City Clerk C.A. Stirtzinger  
City Solicitor G. Banks  
City Manager T. Fitzpatrick  
General Manager Engineering, Public Works and Transportation Services D. Shantz  
Acting General Manager, Parks & Recreation R. Morwald  
Manager, Human Resources R. Beaumont  
Recording Secretary, Games Licensing Clerk S. Stirling

Mayor Goulbourne called the General Committee Meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

1. **ADDITIONS/DELETIONS TO AGENDA: NIL**



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2. DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST: NIL

3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES OF GENERAL COMMITTEE MEETING OF FEBRUARY 24<sup>th</sup>, 2004

Moved by Councillor Dzugan that the Minutes of the General Committee Meeting of February 24<sup>th</sup>, 2004 be and the same are hereby approved and adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS:

(A) CORPORATE SERVICES - Councillor M. Belcastro, Chair

Office of the City Manager

01-161 - City of Welland Strategic Plan.  
(CM-2004-05)

Councillor O'Dell requested clarification on page 12 of this report regarding exploring the structure of Hydro rates. Other points of concern by Councillors in the report that were discussed include number 6 on page 15 regarding the Canal Corporation and number one on page 19 regarding ward-specific issues. Mr. Fitzpatrick indicated that he has not received a list regarding ward-specific issues from any Councillors yet. Councillor Grimaldi replied that she has submitted her list to Laura Ip. Councillors Alexander and Chiochio also indicated that they had submitted the list for their ward by email to the City Manager. The discussion continued with Councillor Alexander stressing that it is important to ensure that this document evolves and is not static and to integrate Council's work with the Region. The Mayor added that the Region has a committee to Analyze Committees to enhance the relationship with other levels of government. The Mayor pointed out that it is also important for the Region to enhance its relationship with the area municipalities. It was agreed to alter the recommendation to include building on the guidelines outlined in the report and to share the report with the public and the Region.

**Moved by Councillor Spadafora**

1. That Council receive Report CM-2004-05 – City of Welland Strategic Plan; and
2. That Council establish a Strategic Plan Implementation Committee to build upon the guidelines outlined in the Strategic Planning Report attached to Report CM-2004-05 developed on January 9 & 10, 2004; and further
3. That this Report be shared with the public and the Region of Niagara's Strategic Planning Task Force.

CARRIED

5. PUBLIC HEARINGS: NIL



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6. DELEGATIONS: NIL

7. STAFF REPORTS:

(A) **COMMUNITY SERVICES** - Councillor S. O'Dell, Chair

**Parks & Recreation Department**

**04-19 - Replacement and Operation the City of Welland Parade Float.  
(P&R-04-07)**

**Moved by Councillor Sharpe**

1. That Council authorizes staff to replace the existing parade float that is owned and operated by the City of Welland; and
2. That use of the parade float is limited to events that occur in the City of Welland.

**CARRIED**

**04-21- Welland County Motorcycle Club Annual "Spring Mud Run".  
(P&R-04-08)**

**Moved by Councillor Dzugan**

That the City of Welland grants approval to the Welland County Motorcycle Club for the use of the Welland Canal East-Side Trail to conduct its "Spring Mud Run" on Saturday, May 8, 2004, between the hours of 12:00 p.m. and 4:00 p.m., as set out in Mr. Rene Landry's letter of March 17, 2004, subject to the club providing proof of insurance in the amount of \$5,000,000.00 and that said insurance shall list the Corporation of the City of Welland named insured.

**CARRIED**

(B) **CORPORATE SERVICES** - Councillor M. Belcastro, Chair

**Human Resources Department**

**01-23 - Update on Rodrigues Report Recommendations.  
(HR-04-01)**

Councillor Spadafora inquired as to which organization chart the City is currently operating under. Mr. Fitzpatrick responded that the chart appearing on page 35 (chart is labeled "as



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recommended by H.R. Committee") of the agenda is the working chart. A short discussion ensued with Councillors requesting clarification on different points in the report.

### **Moved by Councillor Spadafora**

That Council receive for information Report HR-2004-01, concerning the Rodriques Organizational/Structural Review of the City of Welland; and  
That Council adopt the revised Organization Chart contained in the Report as recommended by the Human Resources Committee.

**CARRIED**

### **(C) OPERATIONAL SERVICES - Councillor Dzugan, Chair**

#### **Engineering, Public Works and Transportation Services**

##### **Engineering Division**

#### **02-151 - Closed Circuit TV Inspection of Sewers. (ENG-2004-15)**

### **Moved by Councillor Dzugan**

That Council authorize the General Manager Engineering, Public Works and Transportation Services to proceed with the preparation of Tenders to qualified Sewer Pipeline Inspectors to undertake closed circuit TV inspection of the sewer system.

**CARRIED**

#### **03-22 - Parking Concerns – Kingsway. (TRAF-2004-08)**

Councillor O'Dell indicated that this report and the installation of parking signs in this area is only moving the problem from one area to another. He pointed out that the only way to solve this parking problem during rowing events is to put in a parking lot and he urged Council to consider this expenditure to allow the cars to park off the road. Mr. Fitzpatrick indicated that an expenditure for this parking lot is currently in the Capital Budget that will be presented to the Finance Committee on Monday. Councillor Fortier expressed his concern that the City will receive complaints from tourists visiting the City for rowing events when they are fined for parking in this area. Mr. Fitzpatrick responded that he has discussed the situation with Stephen Kaiser of the Rowing Club and he has indicated that the teams will be given early notification from the Rowing Club before they arrive regarding the parking situation. Councillor Alexander suggested that the Rowing Club be invited to Council to further discuss this matter. Councillor Spadafora mentioned that this area is not



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the only area of concern in the City that needs to be addressed. He referred to Rice Road across from the Niagara College track where cars park on both sides of the road. Mr. Shantz indicated that the Rowing Club does not take ownership for the problems their events are creating. He stressed that even by putting in a parking lot there will be excess parking needs and the Rowing Club is not willing to share in the expense of putting in the parking lot. Councillor O'Dell requested that signage for no parking continue for approximately 100 feet south of Forkes Road. He will meet with Mr. Ferguson regarding the extent of the signage relative to the Forkes Road intersection.

### Moved by Councillor O'Dell

- 1) That the City Solicitor be requested to prepare a By-law to amend Schedule 'C' No Parking Zones of By-law 89-2000 by:
  - i) DELETING the following:

Column 1	Column 2	Column 3		Column 4
Street	Side	From	To	Period (Times/Day)
Kingsway	West Side	Forks Road	Southerly Termination	At No Time

- ii) ADDING the following:

Column 1	Column 2	Column 3		Column 4
Street	Side	From	To	Period (Times/Day)
Kingsway	East	Forks Road	South limit of roadway	At No Time
Glenwood Parkway	Both	Kingsway	Crescent Drive	At No Time
Talbot Avenue	Both	Kingsway	East limit of roadway	At No Time

**CARRIED**

### **04-75 - Tender – Supply of Top Soil. (ENG-2004-18)**

Councillor Beaudoin inquired as to whether the four companies that submitted tenders for this project all have the same composition of top soil due to the large difference in quoted prices received. Staff were directed to review these tenders and respond to this inquiry at the next Council Meeting.

### Moved by Councillor Dzugan

That Council accept the quotations for the Supply of Top Soil as submitted by Compost Niagara Inc. at the quoted price of \$18.50 per cubic metre, DiMartle Farms at the quoted price of \$24.24 per cubic metre, as well as the submission by Young Sod Farms at the



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quoted price of \$44.54 per cubic metre, and Plant's Choice at the quoted price of \$23.15 per cubic metre, as these being the prices submitted by the four (4) companies to supply top soil.

**CARRIED**

**04-76 - Tender – Supply of RS1 Asphalt Emulsion.  
(ENG-2004-19)**

**Moved by Councillor Dzugan**

That Council accept the tender of Norjohn Ltd. Emulsion Division for the supply of RS1 or HF150S Asphalt Emulsions at the quoted price of \$20,900.00, this being the lowest tender of three (3) tenders meeting specifications.

**CARRIED**

**04-77 - Tender – Supply and Application of Road Surface Treatment Materials.  
(ENG-2004-20)**

**Moved by Councillor Dzugan**

That Council accept the tender of Norjohn Emulsion Division for the supply and application of Road Surface Treatment Materials for the total price of \$58,440.00, as this being the lowest of the two (2) tenders submitted meeting tender specifications.

**CARRIED**

**04-74 - Tender – Supply of Stone.  
(ENG-2004-21)**

**Moved by Councillor Dzugan**

That Council accept the tenders of Port Colborne Quarries and Vineland Quarries for the Supply of Stone at the tendered prices of \$99,038.00 and \$5,080.40 respectively, using the lowest tendered price for each stone category in the corresponding Trucking Areas.

**CARRIED**



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### **04-72 - Tender – Supply of Asphaltic Materials. (ENG-2004-22)**

Councillor Alexander informed staff and Council that the City of Burlington has a policy that does not allow any paving on smog alert days and he inquired as to whether the City of Welland has a similar policy. Mr. Shantz responded that the City of Welland does not currently have such a policy but, at the direction of Council, the smog alert issue could be reviewed and included.

#### **Moved by Councillor Alexander**

That Council accept the tenders of Materials of Matrex Company for the supply of Fine and Course Blend Cold Mix and Hard Rock Paving for the supply of HL2, HL3, HL3A and HL8 Hot Mix Asphaltic Materials, at the lowest unit prices submitted, as these were the lowest of the four (4) tenders submitted.

**CARRIED**

### **04-78- Tire Maintenance Service. (ENG-2004-23)**

Councillor Beaudoin inquired as to whether there is any type of performance policy in respect to the tendering out of this contract. Mr. Shantz replied that the City's previous experience with the company is reviewed when the tender is accepted. Councillor Beaudoin asked if there is a policy with respect to the materials and level of service received from the companies. Mr. Fitzpatrick indicated that if Council has a problem with the service of any supplier they should discuss it with himself.

#### **Moved by Councillor Beaudoin**

That Council accept the tender of Niagara Battery & Tire for the Tire Maintenance Service, being the lowest of the two (2) quotations received.

**CARRIED**

**8. NEW BUSINESS: NIL**

**9. OUTSTANDING ITEMS REFERRED TO COMMITTEE:**

Mayor and Council reviewed with staff the status of the outstanding items.



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10. The General Committee Meeting adjourned at 9:20 p.m.