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**From: Heather Sutherland, Economic
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Council Briefs

The following actions were taken at the Committee and Council meetings of Tuesday, October 1, 2019:

Striking Committee:

PBIA Nomination

Motion:

Moved by Deputy Mayor Gervais

Seconded by Councillor Abdallah

That the Striking Committee recommends to Council that Renee Rotblatt be appointed to the PBIA Board of Management until the end of the current term of Council.

Carried

Finance & Administration Committee:

2018 Draft Financial Statements

Motion:

Moved by Deputy Mayor Gervais

Seconded by Councillor Reavie

That the Finance and Administration Committee accept the 2018 Draft Financial Statements as final, as presented.

Carried

Gazebo Construction – Lea Street Park and Riverside Park – Tender No. T-19-15

Motion:

Moved by Councillor Abdallah

Seconded by Deputy Mayor Gervais

That the Finance and Administration Committee approve award for the construction of two gazebos at both Lea Street Park and Riverside Park in the amount of \$84,057 + HST, as presented.

Carried

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Commercial & Industrial Sub-Class Reductions

Motion:

Moved by Councillor Lafreniere

Seconded by Councillor Abdallah

That the Finance and Administration Committee direct staff to prepare a resolution, including the measures taken to ensure the business community is aware of the potential change, proposing a change and submit it to the Minister of Finance for regulatory approval.

Carried

Explanatory Note:

The impact of this action will be to apply to the Province to phase out current vacancy rebates for vacant and excess commercial and industrial land. This would be consistent with Council's action in 2018 to phase out vacant tax rebates on vacant commercial and industrial units. Information will be provided to the local business community to ensure they are aware of the proposed changes.

Pembroke Operations Building Entrance Accessibility Renovation & Kiwanis Lift – Tender Contract No. 28711

Motion:

Moved by Mayor LeMay

Seconded by Councillor Lafreniere

That the Finance and Administration Committee approve the award for the Operations building entrance portion of the Pembroke Operations Building Entrance Accessibility Renovations & Kiwanis Lift Tender Contract No 28711, to Frecon Construction Limited in the amount of \$97,000.00 plus HST, being the lowest responsive and responsible bidder; and that Committee approve additional expenditures in the amount of \$7,500.00 for a contingency allowance; with a total value of the recommendations equal \$104,500.00 plus applicable HST, and that Committee NOT approve award for the Kiwanis Lift portion of the Pembroke Operations Building Entrance Accessibility Renovations & Kiwanis Lift – Tender Contract No. 28711 due to excessive costs, and staff return the grant funding to the Enabling Accessibility Fund, as presented.

Carried

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Reconstruction of Miller Street – Phase 1- Tender Contract No. 19-17

Motion:

Moved by Councillor Lafreniere

Seconded by Councillor Reavie

That the Finance and Administration Committee approve award of the Reconstruction of Miller Street – Phase 1 (Trafalgar Road to Dominion Street) Tender Contract No.T-19-17 to Smiths Construction, A Division of Miller Paving Limited in the amount of \$278,164.00 plus HST; and that Committee approve additional expenditures in the amount of \$25,000.00 plus HST for a contingency allowance; being funded by the General Capital Reserves, with the shortfall of approximately \$78,500.00 being financed by reallocating the funds from the Operations Department Oil/Water Ceptor project with design only continuing with the remaining 2019 budget, as presented.

Carried

Traffic Disruptions and Detours (Fall Construction Projects)

Motion:

Moved by Deputy Mayor Gervais

Seconded by Councillor Abdallah

That the Finance and Administration Committee approve the presented traffic disruptions and detours related to upcoming fall construction projects.

Carried

Explanatory Note:

The impact of this action will be significant traffic related inconvenience to local motorists in order to complete works taking advantage of available grant funding and while receiving financial credits from contractors completing the required works. Motorists can expect detours over a four-week period and are asked to show patience while important infrastructure and road works are completed as quickly as possible.

Planning & Development Committee

10-Minute Parking Space Request on Albert Street

Motion:

Moved by Councillor Plummer

Seconded by Councillor Abdallah

That the Planning and Development Committee approve a 10-minute parking zone on the east side of Albert Street, north of the Market Square Parking Lot entrance, as presented.

Carried

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Request for Free Parking at Downtown Meters

Motion:

Moved by Councillor Abdallah

Seconded by Councillor Lafreniere

That the Planning and Development Committee approve 2-hour free parking at the meters for November 8, 15, and 22, 2019, as presented.

Carried

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