

Minutes of the Go-To Meeting of the Calgary Metropolitan Region Board on Friday September 18, 2020

## **Delegates in Attendance:**

Mayor Peter Brown – City of Airdrie Councillor Gian-Carlo Carra – City of Calgary Mayor Marshall Chalmers – City of Chestermere Mayor Jeff Genung – Town of Cochrane Reeve Suzanne Oel – Foothills County Mayor Bill Robertson – Town of Okotoks Reeve Greg Boehlke – Rocky View County Mayor Pat Fule – Town of Strathmore Reeve Amber Link – Wheatland County

Dale Beesley, Municipal Affairs

#### **CMRB Administration:**

Chris Sheard, Chair Jordon Copping, Chief Officer Liisa Tipman, Project Manager–Land Use Jaime Graves, Project Manager–Intermunicipal Servicing Shelley Armeneau, Office Manager

#### 1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 9:30 AM.

#### 2. Approval of Agenda

M 2020-82

Moved by Mayor Genung, Seconded by Mayor Robertson, accepted by Chair.

**Motion:** That the Board approve the agenda of the September 18, 2020 meeting, adding a discussion on 911 dispatch to the roundtable discussion.

Motions carried unanimously.

#### 3. Approval of Minutes

M 2020-83

Moved by Mayor Robertson Seconded by Mayor Genung, accepted by Chair.

**Motion:** That the Board approve the Minutes of the July 17, 2020 meeting.

Motion carried unanimously.



#### 4. Growth & Servicing Plan Project Update

HDR Calthorpe reviewed the update in the agenda package and answered questions.

M 2020-84

Moved by Mayor Chalmers Seconded by Mayor Robertson, accepted by Chair.

**Motion:** That the Board receive for information an update on the progress of the Growth & Servicing Plan.

Motion carried unanimously.

#### 5. Workshop #3 What We Heard Summary

HDR Calthorpe presented the Summary and the following motion was made:

M 2020-85

Moved by Mayor Brown Seconded by Mayor Genung, accepted by Chair.

Motion: That the Board approve the Workshop #3 What We Heard Summary.

Motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Fule arrived at 9:52 AM

#### **6. Public Engagement Update**

Anne Harding provided a presentation on public engagement. Reeve Oel asked about the percentage of responses by municipality and Anne advised: Airdrie 5%, Calgary 64%, Chestermere 3%, Cochrane 11%, Foothills 2%, High River 2%, Okotoks 7%, Rocky View 1%, Strathmore 2%, Wheatland 1%. Reeve Link noted that some addresses that are registered by postal code are in Wheatland County and not Strathmore. Mayor Genung suggested that each municipality do more work from within for the next round of engagement to help share the message and get residents engaged, including their own municipal staff.

M 2020-86

**Moved by** Reeve Link **Seconded by** Mayor Brown, accepted by Chair.

**Motion:** That the Board receive for information an update on Public Engagement for the Growth & Servicing Plan.

Motion carried unanimously.

## 7. Indigenous Awareness Workshop

M 2020-87

Moved by Mayor Robertson Seconded by Mayor Fule, accepted by Chair.

**Motion:** That the Board approve proceeding with an Indigenous Awareness Workshop with a cost of up to \$5,000.00 coming out of the contingency budget.

Motion carried unanimously.



### 8. Board Chair Recruitment Subcommittee Update

Mayor Genung advised that Leaders International has been retained to commence the recruitment process for a new Chair. A meeting has been set of the Committee to outline the job role and start the recruitment phase as soon as possible, in order to allow some overlap for the current Chair and the new Chair.

M 2020-88

Moved by Mayor Robertson Seconded by Mayor Genung, accepted by Chair.

**Motion:** That the Board receive for information an update on the Board Chair Recruitment Subcommittee.

Motion carried unanimously.

## 9. Proposed 2021 Board & Committee Dates

Jordon Copping noted that two Board meetings have been scheduled for both March and April in anticipation of potentially needing more time to finalize the Growth & Servicing Plan. Chair Sheard asked members to contact CMRB Administration if they are aware of any major conflicts with the dates provided.

M 2020-89

Moved by Mayor Brown Seconded by Mayor Robertson, accepted by Chair.

**Motion:** That the Board receive for information the proposed 2021 Board and Committee dates.

Motion carried unanimously.

#### 10. Roundtable Discussion

#### i. New Minister of Municipal Affairs

- Chair Sheard advised that he and Jordon Copping have a meeting scheduled with the new Minister at the end of September. Topics to be addressed are: status of request for an extension to complete the Growth & Servicing Plan, discuss and ask questions about the Minister's views on regional planning, and invite the Minister to attend an upcoming CMRB Board meeting.
- Dale Beesley provided an update on Municipal Affairs priorities and COVID-19.

## ii. Resumption of in-person meetings

 The Board discussed resuming in-person meetings and the following motion was made:



M 2020-90

#### **Motion Arising:**

**Moved by** Mayor Robertson **Seconded by** Mayor Genung, accepted by Chair.

**Motion:** That the Board directs CMRB Administration to prepare a report on returning to in-person meetings and bring to the October meeting.

### Motion carried unanimously.

### iii. Emergency 911 Dispatch

 Mayor Nenshi joined the meeting and the Board discussed an announcement by Minister Shandro regarding potential changes to Emergency Medical Services (EMS) dispatch resulting from the AHS review, and the following motion was made:

M 2020-91

#### **Motion Arising:**

Moved by Mayor Genung Seconded by Mayor Robertson, accepted by Chair.

**Motion:** To approve a letter to be signed by Chair Christopher Sheard to the Minister of Health and the Minister of Municipal Affairs expressing the Board's support of retaining local control of EMS Dispatch.

#### Motion carried unanimously.

A letter was drafted by CMRB Administration and circulated to the CMRB Board by email on September 20, 2020. Members voted via email and the motion to approve and send the letter was *carried*.

In favour: Airdrie, Calgary, Chestermere, Cochrane, Foothills, High River, Strathmore, and Okotoks (8)

Against: Rocky View and Wheatland (2)

#### Motion carries.

The letter to the Minister of Health (and copied to the Minister of Municipal Affairs) was sent on September 23 by email and regular mail.



## 11. Next Meeting

Friday October 16, 2020

# 12. Adjournment

The Chair declared the meeting adjourned at 11:44 AM.

CMRB Chair, Christopher Sheard

