

THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF ST. THOMAS
CIP EVALUATION COMMITTEE

COMMITTEE ROOM #304
CITY HALL

MAY 6, 2019

The meeting convened at 9:00 a.m.

ATTENDANCE

Members

Harrison Cole, MHC
Councillor Jim Herbert
Councillor Joan Rymal
Russell Schnurr, DDB
Susan Boldt, DDB

Officials

Wendell Graves, City Manager
Matt Smale, Corporate Administrative Clerk

Applicants

Matt McLennan, 613 Talbot Street
Lindsay Luyks, 192-194-198 Talbot Street

Regrets

Craig Crane, MHC

DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

Nil.

MINUTES

Moved by S. Boldt – R. Schnurr:

THAT: The minutes of the meeting held on March 26, 2019 be confirmed.

Carried.

PROJECT APPLICATIONS

Application: 2019-097 - 186 Centre Street - Karen Vaughan

The City Manager advised that the application was for residential rehabilitation work on the rear of a residence at 186 Curtis Street, that the residence was not within the heritage conservation district boundary, and that the project was eligible for a loan of \$5,000 and subsequent grant of \$5,000.

Moved by S. Boldt – R. Schnurr:

THAT: The Community Improvement Plan application for 186 Centre Street be approved.

Carried.

CONFIRMED _____ CHAIR

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Application: 2019-098 - 613 Talbot Street - Ark Properties

The City Manager advised that the project proposed for 613 Talbot Street was eligible for a façade improvement grant of \$10,000 and that the applicant had received a heritage alteration permit for the proposed work.

Moved by R. Schnurr – S. Boldt:

THAT: The Community Improvement Plan application for 613 Talbot Street be approved.

Carried.

Application: 2019-099 - 16 Hincks Street - Hillside Property

The City Manager advised that the applicant proposed to construct residential units in the former St. Thomas Times Journal building and that the project would be eligible for a 50% rebate of development charges over 10 years and a 100% rebate of the municipal portion of property taxes over 5 years.

The members inquired what the total value of the eligible incentives for this project would be.

The City Manager advised that the total value of the development charge and tax rebates would not be known until reassessment of the property occurred.

The Chair inquired how project costs were verified.

The City Manager advised that an audit process was employed with submittal of original receipts from applicants and that a project must comply with the building and fire codes and applicable City by-laws prior to any grant funding being released.

Moved by R. Schnurr – S. Boldt:

THAT: The Community Improvement Plan application for 16 Hincks Street be approved.

Carried.

Application: 2019-100 – 192-194-198 Talbot Street – Victoria Building Inc.

The applicant advised that the proposed scope of work would involve landscaping, replacement of awnings and lighting, repointing of brick, reparging and painting and new signage for the west façade of the building.

The City Manager advised that the building was outside the heritage conservation district and that the project was eligible for a Community Improvement Plan grant of \$27,500.

Moved by Councillor Herbert – R. Schnurr:

THAT: The Community Improvement Plan application for 192-194-198 Talbot Street be approved.

Carried.

PROJECT APPLICATION UPDATE

519 Talbot Street - Yurek Pharmacy

Mr. Schnurr requested clarification of the municipal address for the Yurek's Pharmacy building and whether the heritage alteration permit conditions applied to the entire building or a specific segment.

APPLICATIONS BEING DEVELOPED

389 Talbot Street - Craig Hansford

The City Manager advised that the applicant had applied for a consent to merge the ownership on title for the property and that an application to the Committee may be pursued once that consent process was completed.

The members discussed property standards and inquired whether the building would be secured until work commenced.

The City Manager advised that property standards concerns should be addressed through Customer Service.

71-89 Princess Avenue

The City Manager advised that the owner was proposing to construct an 11 unit condominium development at 71-89 Princess Avenue and that an application to the Community Improvement Plan may be forthcoming.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 9:25 a.m.