Wednesday, September 21, 2016

**Members Present:**

City Councillor J. Bowman – Wards 3 and 4 *(Chair)*
Regional Councillor G. Gibson – Wards 1 and 5
Regional Councillor E. Moore – Wards 1 and 5
Regional Councillor M. Palleschi – Wards 2 and 6
  (arrived at 1:03 p.m. – personal)
Regional Councillor M. Medeiros – Wards 3 and 4
  (left at 1:46 p.m. – other municipal business)
Regional Councillor G. Miles – Wards 7 and 8
  (left at 2:06 p.m. – personal)
Regional Councillor J. Sprovieri – Wards 9 and 10
City Councillor D. Whillans – Wards 2 and 6
  *(Vice-Chair, Economic Development and Enterprise Services)*
City Councillor P. Fortini – Wards 7 and 8
City Councillor G. Dhillon – Wards 9 and 10

**Staff Present:**

H. Schlange, Chief Administrative Officer
B. Seguin, Advisor, Economic Development

**Economic Development Office:**

B. Darling, Director, Economic Development
D. McClure, Manager, Entrepreneurial Services
J. Vivian, Small Business Advisor
L. Rossetti, Business Associate

**City Clerk’s Office:**

P. Fay, City Clerk
E. Evans, Deputy City Clerk
S. Pacheco, Legislative Coordinator
The meeting was called to order at 1:01 p.m. and adjourned at 2:09 p.m.

1. **Approval of Agenda**

   The following motion was considered.

   ED094-2016 That the agenda for the Economic Development Committee Meeting of September 21, 2016 be approved as amended to add the following item:

   9.1. Discussion at the request of Regional Councillor Medeiros, re: Exploration of Twinning with the Municipality of Ribeira Grande, Azores, Portugal.

   Carried

The following delegation requests were received by the City Clerk’s Office after the agenda was printed and relate to **Item 6.1** on the agenda. In accordance with Procedure By-law 160-2004, as amended, Committee approval was not required to add these delegations:

5.2. Delegations, re: **Update from the Brampton Entrepreneur Centre on Summer Company, Starter Company and Upcoming Fall Activities**.

   1. Lisa Clark, Owner, La La Wellness
   2. Lovedeep Puri, Founder, Laroop Digital
   3. Aadi Mundil, Owner, Bubble Soccer Bash

2. **Declarations of Interest under the Municipal Conflict of Interest Act** – nil

3. **Consent**

   * The following items listed with an asterisk (*) were considered to be routine and non-controversial by the Committee and were approved at one time.

   (10.1)

4. **Announcements** – nil
5. **Delegations**

5.1. Delegation from Rebecca Raven, CEO, Brampton Library, re: **Overview of Attendance at the International Federation of Library Associations Conference in Philadelphia – August 10-11, 2016.**

Rebecca Raven, CEO, Brampton Library, provided an overview of the International Federation of Library Associations Conference held in Philadelphia on August 10-11, 2016. Ms. Raven was invited to this conference to speak about the partnership between Brampton Library, City of Brampton and Sheridan College, and how this partnership benefits the residents of Brampton and the local economy. She provided a handout which outlined a number of programs available through the library as a result of this partnership, and highlighted the success of the MakerSpace Brampton program. In addition, Ms. Raven explained how libraries are an important part of the City's infrastructure, and was enthusiastic about maintaining this partnership and working together to serve the residents of Brampton.

Committee Members acknowledged the efforts of Ms. Raven and K. Stahl, Interim Manager, Arts, Culture and Theatre, Community Services, for their role in developing this partnership and in the success of the MakerSpace Brampton program.

The following motion was considered.

**ED095-2016**  That the delegation from Rebecca Raven, CEO, Brampton Library, to the Economic Development Committee Meeting of September 21, 2016, re: **Overview of Attendance at the International Federation of Library Associations Conference in Philadelphia – August 10-11, 2016** be received.

Carried

5.2. **Delegations, re: Update from the Brampton Entrepreneur Centre on Summer Company, Starter Company and Upcoming Fall Activities.**

1. Lisa Clark, Owner, La La Wellness
2. Lovedeep Puri, Founder, Laroop Digital
3. Aadi Mundil, Owner, Bubble Soccer Bash

_Dealt with under Item 6.1 – Recommendation ED096-2016_
6. **Staff Presentations**

6.1. Presentation by D. McClure, Manager, Entrepreneurial Services, J. Vivian, Small Business Advisor, and L. Rossetti, Business Associate, Economic Development, Office of the Chief Administrative Officer, re: **Update from the Brampton Entrepreneur Centre on Summer Company, Starter Company and Upcoming Fall Activities.**

Item 5.1 was dealt with at this time.

D. McClure, Manager, Entrepreneurial Services, J. Vivian, Small Business Advisor, and L. Rossetti, Business Associate, Economic Development, presented an update from the Brampton Entrepreneur Centre on the Summer and Starter Company programs, and highlighted upcoming Fall activities.

The following delegations provided an overview of their respective businesses, shared their experiences with the Summer and Starter Company programs, and responded to questions from Committee:

1. Lisa Clark, Owner, La La Wellness (Starter Company)
2. Lovedeep Puri, Founder, Laroop Digital (Starter Company)
3. Aadi Mundil, Owner, Bubble Soccer Bash (Summer Company)

Committee thanked the delegations for their submissions and congratulated them on the success of their respective businesses.

In response to questions from Committee regarding the Summer Company program, staff provided information on how this program is promoted to students, and advised that Brampton was allocated 30 positions by the Province in 2016. The program continues to expand each year and is fully funded by the Province.

Committee thanked staff for their efforts and success in implementing the Summer and Starter Company programs.

The following motion was considered.

ED096-2016 1. That the following delegations to the Economic Development Committee Meeting of September 21, 2016, re: **Update from the Brampton Entrepreneur Centre on Summer Company, Starter Company and Upcoming Fall Activities,** be received; and,
   1. Lisa Clark, Owner, La La Wellness
   2. Lovedeep Puri, Founder, Laroop Digital
   3. Aadi Mundil, Owner, Bubble Soccer Bash
2. That the presentation by D. McClure, Manager, Entrepreneurial Services, J. Vivian, Small Business Advisor, and L. Rossetti, Business Associate, Economic Development, to the Economic Development Committee Meeting of September 21, 2016, re: Update from the Brampton Entrepreneur Centre on Summer Company, Starter Company and Upcoming Fall Activities be received.

Carried

7. Economic Development and Enterprise Services – nil

8. Minutes – nil

9. Other/New Business

9.1. Discussion at the request of Regional Councillor Medeiros, re: Exploration of Twinning with the Municipality of Ribeira Grande, Azores, Portugal.

On behalf of Regional Councillor Medeiros, City Councillor Bowman advised that the Mayor of Ribeira Grande, Azores, Portugal, contacted Councillor Medeiros to express an interest in exploring the possibility of establishing a twinning or friendship city relationship with the City of Brampton. Councillor Bowman advised that there is a large Portuguese community in Brampton from this region, and the Mayor of Ribeira Grande will be visiting Brampton on October 21-23, 2016 to attend an annual celebration organized by this community.

In response to questions from Committee, B. Darling, Director, Economic Development, advised that staff will provide a report regarding friendship and sister city protocols, including information on the number and status of existing relationships.

The following motion was considered.

ED097-2016 That staff be requested to investigate the potential to establish a city twinning relationship with Ribeira Grande, Azores, Portugal, within the context of existing City policy, and report back to Committee or Council, with consideration that the Mayor of Ribeira Grande will be in Brampton on October 21-23, 2016 for a local celebration organized by the Portuguese community.

Carried
10. **Referred Matters**

10.1. **Referred Matters List – Economic Development Committee**

The following motion was considered.

ED098-2016 That the **Referred Matters List – Economic Development Committee** to the Economic Development Committee Meeting of September 21, 2016, be received.

Carried

11. **Deferred Matters** – nil

12. **Notices of Motion** – nil

13. **Correspondence** – nil

14. **Councillors Question Period** – nil

1. In response to a question from Committee, H. Schlange, Chief Administrative Officer, introduced Bob Seguin, Advisor, Economic Development.

   Mr. Seguin provided information on his previous work experience and new role with the City of Brampton. He reported that he will be involved in various key projects, including bringing a university campus to Brampton, expanding the Human Health and Sciences sector and developing an Economic Development Master Plan.

15. **Public Question Period** – nil

16. **Closed Session** – nil

17. **Adjournment**

The following motion was considered.
ED099-2016  That the Economic Development Committee do now adjourn to meet again on Wednesday, October 19, 2016 at 1:00 p.m. or at the call of the Chair.

Carried

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City Councillor J. Bowman, Chair