

The meeting of the Newmarket Downtown Development Committee was held on Friday, November 27, 2015 in Hall # 4 of the Community Centre - 200 Doug Duncan Drive, Newmarket.

Members Present: Jackie Playter, Chair
Olga Paiva
Councillor Sponga

Absent: Barbara Leibel
Steve Whitfield

Staff Present: C. Kallio, Economic Development Officer
L. Moor, Council/Committee Coordinator

The meeting was called to order at 11:21 a.m.

Jackie Playter in the Chair.

Additions

The Economic Development Officer advised of two items to be discussed related to Financial Incentive Applications as he had just recently obtained pertinent information with respect to the files.

Approval of Minutes

1. Newmarket Downtown Development Committee Minutes of November 6, 2015.

Moved by: Councillor Sponga
Seconded by: Olga Paiva

THAT the Newmarket Downtown Development Committee Minutes of November 6, 2015 be approved.

Carried

Items

2. Financial Incentives Program Application 2015-02 – Interior Renovation and Improvement Program - 189 Main Street South.

The Economic Development Officer provided a verbal update with respect to the application and advised that due to increased interior renovation costs, the applicant is requesting an increase to the maximum \$100,000.00 no interest loan.

Moved by: Olga Paiva
Seconded by: Jackie Playter

i) THAT the previously approved Financial Incentives Application 2015-02 - Interior Renovation and Improvement Program No-Interest Loan amount be increased to \$100,000.00 from \$87,435.00, based on confirmed interior renovation costs;

a) AND THAT 189 Main Street Holdings Inc., c/o Mr. Peter Anderson, 189 Main Street South, Newmarket, ON L3Y 3Y9 be notified of this action.

Carried

3. Financial Incentives Program Application 2014-14 – Planning and Building Fees Rebate/Credit Program Grant Application – 30-32 Main Street South.

The Economic Development Officer provided a verbal update with respect to the application and advised that staff have issued a building permit based on renovation costs.

Moved by: Olga Paiva
Seconded by: Jackie Playter

i) THAT the Planning and Building Fees/Rebate/Credit Program Grant Application in the amount of \$5,209.57 be approved, subject to Council approval of the 2016 Financial Incentive Program budget;

a) AND THAT Mr. Mehdi Jafari Berenji, 30-32 Main Street South, Newmarket, ON L3Y 3Y4 be notified of this action.

Carried

4. Financial Incentives Program Application 2015-05 – Business Sign Program – 196 Main Street South.

The Economic Development Officer provided a verbal update regarding the application and advised that the applicant submitted an incomplete application lacking the appropriate number of quotations.

Moved by: Councillor Sponga
Seconded by: Olga Paiva

a) THAT the request for Financial Incentive Program grants under the Business Sign Program and the Façade Improvement and Restoration Program be denied, due to program eligibility requirements;

i) AND THAT 2432563 Ontario Inc., c/o Mr. Allan Cockburn, 196 Main Street South, Newmarket, ON L3Y 3Z2 be notified of this action.

Carried

New Business

a) Councillor Sponga advised those present that the municipality of Algonquin Highlands located in Haliburton, Ontario will be requesting a presentation to their Council from the Town of Newmarket Economic Development Officer and Ward Councillor highlighting details of the Financial Incentive Program.

b) Councillor Sponga advised that a representative of the property known as 180-194 Main Street South (Main Street Clock Inc.) has recently met with the Town's Planning Department staff with the intention of submitting a revised development application in the near future.

Adjournment

Moved by: Olga Paiva
Seconded by: Councillor Sponga

THAT the meeting adjourn.

Carried

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:50 a.m.

Date

Jackie Playter, Chair