SPECIAL OTTAWA CITY COUNCIL AGENDA 37

Wednesday, July 15, 2020

9:00 AM

By Electronic Participation

MOTION

Moved by Councillor L. Dudas Seconded by Councillor M. Luloff

WHEREAS pursuant to Subsection 28(4) of the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990. C. P.13, City Council may, where it has passed a by-law designating the whole or any part of an area covered by an Official Plan as a community improvement project area, adopt a plan as a community improvement plan for the community improvement project area; and

WHEREAS Section 5.2.5 of the City of Ottawa Official Plan contemplates the preparation of Community Improvement Plans for designated Community Improvement Project Areas;

WHEREAS on November 14, 2012 City Council approved the "Economic Development and Innovation Department Work Program", which included a strategy to develop an Orléans Community Improvement Plan (the "Orléans CIP") as one of two pilots; and

WHEREAS on September 11, 2013 City Council enacted By-law 2013-293 to adopt the Orléans CIP; and

WHEREAS Section 5.3 of the Orléans CIP indicated that a Tax Incentive Equivalent Grant program would be offered for an initial period of five years, ending 10 September 2018, with an option to extend the program for up to another five years, subject to the availability of funding as approved by City Council; and

WHEREAS the principal goal of the Orléans Community Improvement Plan is to attract major knowledge-based employers to the area and to encourage the creation of new high-quality jobs; and WHEREAS construction of Stage 2 of the Confederation Line is already underway with the east extension from Blair Station to Trim Road scheduled to be finished in 2022 and whereas higher densities near stations and the expected increase in transit ridership would provide new opportunities for private investment in property revitalization in Orléans with associated employment increases as envisioned in the Orléans CIP; and

WHEREAS the Ward Councillors and staff continue to receive expressions of interest in extending the Orléans CIP grant program;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Council approve that the duration of the Tax Incentive Equivalent Grant program available pursuant to the Orléans CIP be extended from 11 September 2018 until 10 September 2023, inclusive.

CARRIED