

May 5, 2014 - Special Meeting of Sarnia City Council – Minutes
Excerpt

Action Item #1

City Engineer, dated April 29, 2014, regarding Centennial Park – Approval of Remedial Strategies and Park Concept to allow finalization of the Remedial Action Plan

The City Engineer presented the staff report and responded to questions from Council.

Councillor McEachran left the meeting at 3:38pm.

Moved by Councillor Gillis, seconded by Councillor Foubister, and **carried:**

That the recommendation be introduced for discussion.

Mayor Bradley indicated that motions should only be made to make amendments or deletions to the recommendation.

1. That Council direct staff to incorporate into the RAP, the soft cap risk mitigation measure, consisting of a geotextile layer/fabric with 0.5 metres of clean material (clay fill and topsoil), topped with grass seed, for the majority of grassed areas in areas 1, 1A, 1B, 2, 2A and 3A, as per the attached plan of Centennial Park.

Moved by Councillor MacDougall, seconded by Councillor Gillis, and **carried:**

That staff be directed to ask the QP if there are other options than geo-textile fabric.

2. That Council direct staff to exclude remediation for Area 3B (proposed area of the Legacy project amphitheater) and Area 4 (currently not fenced) within the scope of this RAP.

3. That Council direct staff to leave existing utilities (water, sewer, hydro) in place and adjust surface fixtures for the new grades, and that the Environmental Management Plan (EMP) and the Health and Safety Plan (HASP) being prepared as part of the RAP outline the

requirements should repairs be required in the future on these existing utilities.

4. That Council direct staff to investigate technologies and techniques, with assistance from our environmental consultant, to preserve and protect, or salvage and replant, as many trees within the impacted areas as possible, and establish a replacement policy of 2 trees for 1, for trees that must be cut down.

Moved by Councillor Boushy, seconded by Councillor Gillis, **that recommendation #4 be deleted, was lost when put to the vote.**

5. That Council direct staff to pursue the donated offer for demolition of the McLean Centre.

6. That Council direct staff to establish a strict policy of no ground penetration activities by members of the public throughout the entirety of Centennial Park.

Moved by Councillor Burrell, seconded by Councillor Gillis, and **carried:**

That staff be directed to report back to Council with options for the use of tents in the park.

Moved by Councillor Burrell, seconded by Councillor Boushy, and **carried:**

That recommendations #7 (a) and (b) be deleted.

7. That Council direct staff to proceed with the concept plan of the park as shown on the attached drawing, which includes the following subitems:

c) Salvage and assess the existing playground equipment, and consider possible reuse in Centennial or other parks; and

d) Include the provision of new playground equipment, installed on a remediated hard surface (as per the possible location shown on the attached drawing), and worked into the phased plan, within the scope of this RAP, based on available funding; and

e) Use a hard cap risk mitigation measure to remediate the current playground area and the surrounding adjacent area to create a hard surface, using the most economical and reasonable option, for use as a future social/gathering area, with the exact nature and extent of the hard cap to be determined with assistance from our environmental consultant and landscape specialists, within the scope of this RAP; and

f) Use a hard cap risk mitigation measure to remediate the current beach area, using the most economical and reasonable option, with the exact nature and extent of the hard cap to be determined with assistance from our environmental consultant and shoreline/landscape specialists, within the scope of this RAP; and

g) Remove and reinstall existing monuments within the park that are in areas that require remediation

Moved by Councillor Burrell, seconded by Councillor Gillis, and **carried:**

That staff be directed to report back with several options, not just the most economical, for the hard cap remediation of the current beach area.

Moved by Councillor Gillis, seconded by Councillor Foubister, and **carried:**

That the recommendation be approved as amended.