City of Barrie



Minutes - Final

Town and Gown Committee

Tuesday, January 24, 2017	10:00 AM	Sir Robert Barrie Room

For consideration by the Finance and Corporate Services Committee of the City of Barrie on March 29, 2017.

The Town and Gown Committee met at 10:00 a.m. in the Sir Robert Barrie Room and the following were in attendance:

Present:	5 -	Councillor B. Ainsworth J. Fisher J. Hanson - East End Homeowners Association B. Muscat - Georgian College C. Riepma - East End Homeowners Association
Absent:	4 -	R. Calvano - Georgian College S. Emslie - Georgian College F. Ottaway T. Zubyck - Georgian College

ALSO PRESENT: Barrie Police Service, Sergeant J. Brooks.

STAFF:

Committee Support Clerk, J. Werth Supervisor of Enforcement Services, R. Osborne Supervisor of Traffic Operations and Community Safety, J. Sharp Zoning Officer, V. Cyr.

The Town and Gown Committee met and reports as follows:

RENTAL HOUSING REVIEW - UPDATE

R. Osborne, Supervisor of Enforcement Services of the Legislative and Court Services Department provided an update regarding the status of the draft staff report on rental housing licencing. Mr. Osborne reviewed the advantages and disadvantages of the rental housing licencing models currently operating at two other municipalities. He noted that the final staff report on rental housing licencing will include options for Council's consideration.

GENERAL UPDATES

B. Muscat, Executive Director, Student and Learning Services at Georgian College provided an update regarding student housing at Georgian College. Mr. Muscat reviewed student demographic statistics and compared on-campus student residence vacancy levels with rental rates at the College. He noted that the College's orientation sessions also include safety information concerning off-campus student residences.

Sergeant J. Brooks of the Barrie Police Service noted that effective January 2017 that the Community Oriented Response (COR) Unit merged with the Community Engagement, Education and Enforcement Response Team (CERT) to serve Barrie residents.

J. Sharp, Supervisor of Traffic Operations and Community Safety advised that the Roads, Parks and Fleet Department recently completed a survey of on-street parking at Dunsmore Lane. Mr. Sharp noted that the Roads, Parks and Fleet Department is currently summarizing the results of the Dunsmore Lane on-street parking survey and will report the results to Council.

V. Cyr, Zoning Officer of the Planning and Building Services Department provided an update regarding zoning enforcement responsibilities. Ms. Cyr noted that Zoning Enforcement staff work in conjunction with the Barrie Fire and Emergency Services, the Property Standards Branch and/or Building Services when responding to resident complaints. She noted that there has been a reduction in the number of complaints regarding front yard parking at residential homes in Ward One.

R. Osborne, Supervisor of Enforcement Services provided an update from the Enforcement Services Branch of the Legislative and Court Services Department on matters related to:

- A change in the Branch name from By-law Services to Enforcement Services effective December 2016;
- Complaints regarding residential drainage violations;
- Overnight parking infractions during the winter months; and
- An overview of a new computer program Applications, Permits, Licenses and Inspections (APLI) scheduled to launch in the Spring 2017 to improve the sharing of databases within City departments and allow Enforcement Services staff to print violation notices while off site.

The meeting adjorned at 11:01 a.m.

CHAIRMAN