



**Minutes - Final  
Finance and Corporate Services  
Committee**

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Wednesday, November 23, 2016

6:30 PM

Council Chamber

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**For consideration by General Committee on December 12, 2016**

**The meeting was called to order by Councillor, M. Prowse at 6:31 p.m. The following were in attendance for the meeting:**

**Present:** 5 - Councillor, M. Prowse  
Mayor, J. Lehman  
Councillor, A. Khan  
Councillor, M. McCann  
Councillor, A. Prince

**ALSO PRESENT:**

Councillor, B. Ainsworth  
Councillor, B. Ward  
K. Robertson, 123 Barrie  
P. Jesty, Partner Deloitte LLP  
P. Kizoff, 123 Barrie.

**STAFF:**

Chief Administrative Officer, C. Ladd  
City Clerk/Director of Legislative and Court Services, D. McAlpine  
Committee Support Clerk, T. McArthur  
Deputy City Clerk, W. Cooke  
Director of Finance/Treasurer, C. Millar  
Director of Human Resources, A. M. Langlois  
Director of Internal Audit, S. MacGregor  
General Manager of Community and Corporate Services, P. Elliott-Spencer  
General Manager of Infrastructure and Growth Management, R. Forward.

**The Finance and Corporate Services Committee met and reports as follows:**

**SECTION "A"**

**OPEN DELEGATION BY A REPRESENTATIVE(S) OF BARRIE 123  
REGARDING A RANKED BALLOT VOTING SYSTEM**

Dr. P. Kizoff and Mr. K. Robertson from Barrie 123 provided an Open Delegation concerning ranked ballot voting systems.

Dr. Kizoff discussed that recent changes to the Municipal Elections Act, provide municipalities with the option of using a ranked ballot voting system for future municipal elections. He commented that this voting method is currently utilized by political parties when selecting a new party leader. He noted the opportunity for the City of Barrie to be part of a historic moment.

Dr. Kizoff explained the concept of a ranked ballot voting system, and that it would give voters the option to rank a list of candidates on a ballot in order of their preference. He detailed the process related to how votes are counted and allocated to each candidate. He also provided reasons related to why he felt that a ranked ballot system is beneficial. Dr. Kizoff discussed possible avenues for gathering information related to public interest concerning ranked ballot.

In closing, Dr. Kizoff and Mr. Robertson advised that the introduction of a ranked ballot voting system in municipal elections is not likely to happen right away, but they were asking to start the discussion, to educate the public, begin the investigation and bring democracy into the City of Barrie.

Members of the Committee and members of Council present asked a number of questions of the presenters and received responses.

**PRESENTATION BY A REPRESENTATIVE(S) OF DELOITTE LLP  
CONCERNING THE 2016 AUDIT SERVICE PLAN**

Ms. Paula Jesty, Partner of Deloitte LLP provided an overview of the 2016 Audit Service Plan. She noted that the Plan presents the Deloitte LLP audit approach, audit scope and planned communications with the City of Barrie.

Ms. Jesty reviewed the key elements of the Audit Service Plan including details related to the following aspects:

- Audit objectives, risk areas and the key audit team members;
- Significant events, materiality, scope and terms of engagement, audit risks and group audit;

- Fraud risk, and use of specialists; and
- Audit risks related to revenue recognition, management override of controls, and management estimates.

In closing, Ms. Jesty discussed the audit approach, communication requirements and financial reporting updates.

Members of the Committee asked a questions related to the information provided and received responses from the presenter and City staff. (File: F03)

**The Finance and Corporate Services Committee met and recommends adoption of the following recommendation(s):**

**SECTION "B"**

**2016 AUDIT SERVICE PLAN**

That the 2016 Audit Service Plan presented by Deloitte LLP to the Finance and Corporate Services Committee on November 23, 2016, be approved. (File: F00)

**This matter was recommended to General Committee for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 12/12/2016.**

**The Finance and Corporate Services Committee met and reports as follows:**

**SECTION "C"**

**INTERNAL AUDIT UPDATE**

S. MacGregor, Director of Internal Audit provided a presentation regarding the role of Internal Audit.

Ms. MacGregor discussed slides concerning the following topics:

- The myths associated with meaning of Internal Audit;
- What Internal Audit is not; and
- What Internal Audit is.

In closing Ms. MacGregor provided the next steps including building an internal audit plan, prioritizing areas of focus and the approval of an internal audit plan.

Members of the Committee asked questions related to the information presented and received responses from City staff.

**The Finance and Corporate Services Committee met and recommends adoption of the following recommendation(s):**

**SECTION "D"**

**LIVING WAGE CALCULATION FOR BARRIE**

That the Living Wage Information Sheet provided as part of the Finance and Corporate Services Committee Agenda package, be received. (H00)

**This matter was recommended General Committee for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 12/12/2016.**

**The Finance and Corporate Services Committee met and reports as follows:**

**SECTION "E"**

**REPORT OF THE INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE DATED SEPTEMBER 20, 2016**

The Report of the International Relations Committee dated September 20, 2016 was received. (File: C05)

**REPORT OF THE ACCESSIBILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE DATED SEPTEMBER 22, 2016**

The Report of the Accessibility Advisory Committee dated September 22, 2016 was received. (File: C05)

**REPORT OF THE TOWN AND GOWN COMMITTEE DATED SEPTEMBER 27, 2016**

The Report of the Town and Gown Committee dated September 27, 2016 was received. (File: C05)

**REPORT OF THE TOWN AND GOWN COMMITTEE DATED OCTOBER 25, 2016**

The Report of the Town and Gown Committee dated October 25, 2016 was received. (File: C05)

**REPORT OF THE INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE DATED NOVEMBER 16, 2016**

The Report of the International Relations Committee dated November 16, 2016 was received. (File: C05)

**The Finance and Corporate Services Committee met and recommends adoption of the following recommendation:**

**SECTION "F"**

**20TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE SIGNING OF THE TWINNING AGREEMENT WITH ZWÉIBRÜCKEN, GERMANY - MAY, 2017**

1. That the Mayor's Office extend an invitation to The Lord Mayor and nine Council members and/or citizens of Zwéibrücken, Germany from May 4, 2017 to May 10, 2017 for a celebration of the 20th Anniversary of the signing of the Twinning Agreement between the City of Zwéibrücken and the City of Barrie.
2. That an official event be held on May 7, 2017 to commemorate the actual anniversary date of the signing of the Twinning Agreement between the City of Zwéibrücken and the City of Barrie.
3. That other activities and events in celebration of the 20th Anniversary of the Twinning Agreement be arranged by the Barrie German Twinning Committee. (File: C06)

**This matter was recommended to General Committee for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 12/12/2016.**

**The meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.**

**CHAIRMAN**