

City of Barrie

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Final Sustainability Advisory Committee

Thursday, October 2, 2025 5:30 PM Sir Robert Room

SUSTAINABILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPORT For consideration by Infrastructure and Community Investment Committee on November 19, 2025.

The meeting was called to order by the Co-Chair, W. Steimle at 5:35 p.m. The following were in attendance for the meeting:

Present: 9 - Chair - Councillor S. Morales

Councillor, B. Hamilton

J. Bourne L. Hoffarth

K. MacLeod - SMDHUD. McKeown - Nature Barrie

J. Northcote W. Steimle D. Waters

Absent: 3 - N. Flinn

S. Schwartz - Living Green

E. vanWesenbeeck

STAFF:

Climate Change Coordinator, C. Rodger Deputy City Clerk, T. Macdonald Manager of Energy Management, A. McMullin

The Sustainability Advisory Committee met and reports as follows:

SEAN MASON, SUSTAINABILITY INITIATIVES

Sean Mason provided a presentation regarding sustainability initiatives in building.

Mr. Mason discussed slides concerning the following topics:

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- Sustainable building Doing a better job
- Net Zero Solar Project
- Rain water project
- Industry first
 - Incorporating geothermal
 - Optional rooftop patios
 - Parking stackers
 - Sapphire pre fab clip on balconies

Members of committee asked a number of questions of the consultant and received responses.

The committee discussed the idea of prioritizing green initiatives in building at the City.

The committee discussed the current requirement to use Kentucky Bluegrass in developments and will discuss this item further at the next meeting. Chair, Councillor Morales, will speak with staff to determine what the current requirements are.

Adam McMullin, Manager of Energy Management, and Wilf Steimle, will obtain additional information relating to sustainability in building and report back to the committee.

UPDATES FROM WORKING GROUPS:

- a) Circular Economy
- b) Building, Energy and Housing
- c) Food Productions and Security
- d) Active and Non-Active Transportation
- e) Environment and Nature

No updates were provided by the working groups.

COMMITTEE MANDATE DISCUSSION

This matter was not fully discussed and will be listed on the next meeting agenda.

The committee briefly discussed the matter of mixed recycling and will add this as an agenda item for the next meeting.

SUSTAINABILITY COORDINATOR DISCUSSION

Tracy Macdonald, Deputy City Clerk provided information relating to the position of an accessibility coordinator at the City. Ms. Macdonald indicated that responsibility for sustainability is spread among various departments. Kelly-Ann McLeod will provide additional information relating to this topic at the next meeting.

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ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:38 p.m.

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