



City of Barrie

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Final General Committee

Tuesday, April 23, 2024

7:00 PM

Council Chambers/Virtual Meeting

GENERAL COMMITTEE REPORT

For consideration by Barrie City Council on May 1, 2024

The meeting was called to order by Mayor, A. Nuttall at 7:33 p.m. The following were in attendance for the meeting:

Present: 11 - Mayor, A. Nuttall
Deputy Mayor, R. Thomson
Councillor, C. Riepma
Councillor, C. Nixon
Councillor, A.M. Kungl
Councillor, A. Courser
Councillor, N. Nigussie
Councillor, G. Harvey
Councillor, J. Harris
Councillor, S. Morales
Councillor, B. Hamilton

STAFF:

Associate Director of Corporate Asset Management, K. Oakley
Chief Administrative Officer, M. Prowse
Chief Financial Officer, C. Millar
City Clerk/Director of Legislative and Court Services, W. Cooke
Deputy City Clerk, T. Macdonald
Director of Corporate Facilities, R. Pews
Director of Economic and Creative Development, S. Schlichter
Director of Information Technology, R. Nolan
Director of Internal Audit, S. MacGregor
Director of Legal Services, I. Peters
Director of Operations, D. Friary
Director of Recreation and Culture Services, D. Bell
Director of Transit and Parking Strategy, B. Forsyth
Executive Director of Development Services, M. Banfield
General Manager of Access Barrie, R. James-Reid
General Manager of Infrastructure and Growth Management, B. Araniyasundaran
Legislative Coordinator, T. Maynard

Manager of Court Services, R. Bates
Senior Planner, A. Gameiro
Senior Policy Advisor and Special Projects Coordinator, E. Chappell
Service Desk Generalist, K. Kovacs.

SM 240423**COMMENTS BY OUTGOING STUDENT MAYOR**

Gabriel Gagnon of St. Monica's Catholic School thanked members of Council and St. Monica's Catholic School for the opportunity to serve as Student Mayor.

Gabriel commented on what he learned during his time in office and that he felt it was an amazing experience. He noted he observed how much thought the members of Council put into each little decision to better the community. He noted that before this experience that he never realized how many issues are addressed daily related to the city's growth and development.

Gabriel advised that he felt that the members of Council are leading the municipality down a good path towards greater success.

Mayor Nuttall presented Gabriel a certificate commemorating his time as Student Mayor.

The General Committee recommends adoption of the following recommendation(s) which were dealt with on the consent portion of the agenda:

SECTION "A"**24-G-085****REFERRED BY MOTION 24-G-062 - CORRESPONDENCE FROM CIRCULATION LIST DATED MARCH 20, 2024, REGARDING A REQUEST TO THE PROVINCE TO EXTEND THE REMOVAL DATE OF LISTED (NON-DESIGNATED) PROPERTIES FROM THE MUNICIPAL HERITAGE REGISTERS**

That the copy of correspondence from the Town of Cobourg dated March 8, 2024, concerning a resolution requesting an amendment to Subsection 27(15) of the Ontario Heritage Act for the removal of listed (non-designated) properties from municipal heritage registers to be extended from January 1, 2025 to January 1, 2030, be referred to the Heritage Barrie Committee for further discussion. (C6, Circulation List dated March 20, 2024)

This matter was recommended (Section "A") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 5/1/2024.

24-G-086 **2024 DOORS OPEN BARRIE EVENT**

That the Heritage Barrie Committee supports the registration of the City of Barrie with Doors Open Ontario to participate in a 2024 Doors Open Barrie Event, with dates to be determined.

This matter was recommended (Section "A") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 5/1/2024.

24-G-087 **INVESTIGATION - ADDITIONAL FREE TRANSIT OPTIONS FOR SENIORS**

That staff in the Transit and Parking Strategy Department investigate the cost of offering additional free transit options for seniors and the costs of discounts or free transit options for specialized transit riders; and that staff report back to Council with information following the completion of the Provincial Fare Integration Program.

This matter was recommended (Section "A") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 5/1/2024.

24-G-088 **CORRESPONDENCE TO MUNICIPAL HERITAGE REGISTER LISTED PROPERTIES**

That staff in the Development Services Department be directed to send correspondence on behalf of the Heritage Barrie Committee to those listed property owners on the Municipal Heritage Register and include information concerning heritage designation.

This matter was recommended (Section "A") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 5/1/2024.

SECTION "B"**24-G-089** **REFERRAL MOTION 23-G-153 - BRADFORD STREET CORRIDOR STUDY MUNICIPAL CLASS ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT (WARDS 2 AND 8).**

1. That the Bradford Street Corridor Study Municipal Class Environmental Assessment as outlined in Staff Report DEV025-23, be received.
2. That the recommended design solution identified in the Bradford Street Corridor Study Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (refer to Appendix "E" in Staff Report DEV025-23) be approved and adopted for corridor protection purposes and that staff in the Development Services Department acquire land conveyances, as identified in the recommended design solution through Planning Act approvals.
3. That staff employ access management practices, where appropriate, when assessing Planning Act approvals on the Bradford Street corridor.

4. That staff be directed to conclude the Bradford Street Corridor Study Municipal Class Environmental Assessment and in accordance with the requirements of the Municipal Class Environmental Assessment process, publish a Notice of Completion.
5. That as implementation is forecasted beyond 2031, prior to undertaking implementation, staff complete a future Municipal Class Environmental Assessment Addendum (or applicable processes in-effect at that time), to assess in-effect transportation and land use policies, and where warranted, complete refinements to the recommended design solution to mitigate impacts based on future in-situ corridor constraints.
6. That staff complete an in-service safety review for the Tiffin Street and Bradford Street intersection to assess opportunities for interim safety improvements. (DEV025-23)

This matter was recommended (Section "B") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 5/1/2024.

SECTION "C"

24-G-090 ZONING BY-LAW AMENDMENT APPLICATION - 500 SALEM ROAD (WARD 7)

1. That the Zoning By-law Amendment Application submitted by Innovative Planning Solutions Inc., on behalf of LSR Salem Inc., to rezone a portion of lands known municipally as 500 Salem Road from 'Agricultural General' (AG) to 'Neighbourhood Residential' (R5), 'Environmental Protection' (EP), and 'Open Space' (OS) attached as Appendix "A" to Staff Report DEV017-24 be approved.
2. That the written and oral submissions received relating to this application, have been, on balance, taken into consideration as part of the deliberations and final decision related to the approval of the application, as amended, including matters raised in those submissions and identified within Staff Report DEV017-24.
3. That pursuant to Section 34 (17) of the *Planning Act*, no further public notification is required prior to the passing of this By-law. (DEV017-24).

This matter was recommended (Section "C") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 5/1/2024.

24-G-091**2023 YEAR END DEVELOPMENT CHARGE REPORTS AND TREASURER'S STATEMENT**

1. That the following 2023 Annual Development Charge Statements be received:
 - a) Annual Treasurer's Development Charge Reserve Fund Statement as attached as Appendix "A" to Staff Report FIN004-24;
 - b) Municipal Development Charge Reserve Fund Statement with Project Activity as attached as Appendix "B" to Staff Report FIN004-24;
 - c) Listing of Section 13 Credits as attached as Appendix "C" to the Staff Report FIN004-24 owing where a front ending agreement existed prior to the first City by-law under the *Development Charges Act 1997*; and
 - d) Listing of Section 38 Credits as attached as Appendix "D" to Staff Report FIN004-24 owing where a front ending agreement exists subsequent to the first City by-law under the *Development Charges Act 1997*. (FIN004-24)

This matter was recommended (Section "C") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 5/1/2024.

24-G-092**2023 YEAR END CASH IN LIEU OF PARKLAND REPORT AND TREASURER'S STATEMENT**

- That the following 2023 Annual Cash in Lieu of Parkland Statements be received:
- a) Cash in Lieu of Parkland Reserve Fund Statement as attached as Appendix "A" to Staff Report FIN005-24; and
 - b) Cash in Lieu of Parkland Project Activity as attached as Appendix "B" to Staff Report FIN005-24. (FIN005-24)

This matter was recommended (Section "C") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 5/1/2024.

24-G-093**2023 YEAR END COMMUNITY BENEFITS CHARGES REPORT AND TREASURER'S STATEMENT**

That Staff Report FIN006-24 concerning the 2023 Year End Community Benefits Charges Report and Treasurer's Statement be received. (FIN006-24).

This matter was recommended (Section "C") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 5/1/2024.

24-G-094**2024 TAX RATES**

1. That the tax rates for the 2024 taxation year be established as identified in Appendix "A" to Staff Report FIN012-24:
2. That the City Clerk be authorized to prepare all necessary by-laws to establish the 2024 tax rates as described within Staff Report FIN012-24. (FIN012-24).

This matter was recommended (Section "C") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 5/1/2024.

The General Committee reports that the following matter(s) were dealt with on the consent portion of the agenda:

SECTION "D"

Councillor, J. Harris provided an overview of the Affordability Committee dated April 10, 2024.

24-G-095**REPORT OF THE AFFORDABILITY COMMITTEE DATED APRIL 10, 2024.**

The Report of the Affordability Committee dated April 10, 2024, be received. (File: C05)

This matter was recommended (Section "D") to City Council for consideration of receipt at its meeting to be held on 5/1/2024.

Councillor, S. Morales provided an overview of the Community Safety Committee dated April 17, 2024.

24-G-096**REPORT OF THE COMMUNITY SAFETY COMMITTEE DATED APRIL 17, 2024.**

The Report of the Community Safety Committee dated April 17, 2024, be received. (File: C05)

This matter was recommended (Section "D") to City Council for consideration of receipt at its meeting to be held on 5/1/2024.

Councillor, B. Hamilton provided an overview of the Infrastructure and Community Safety Committee dated April 17, 2024.

24-G-097 **REPORT OF THE INFRASTRUCTURE AND COMMUNITY INVESTMENT COMMITTEE DATED APRIL 17, 2024**

The Report of the Infrastructure and Community Investment Committee dated April 17, 2024, be received. (File: C05)

This matter was recommended (Section "D") to City Council for consideration of receipt at its meeting to be held on 5/1/2024.

The General Committee met and recommends adoption of the following recommendation(s):

SECTION "E"

24-G-098 **KEMPENFEST**

1. That the City of Barrie continue their in-kind support for Kempenfest in 2024 at a service level consistent with previous years including, but not limited to direct staff support, site services, coordination, administrative support, and parking passes, valued at approximately \$22,000.
2. That the Kempenfest Board be requested to seek fundraising sponsorship to support their funding request in the amount of \$15,000 in shuttle bus service and \$10,000 for the Family Side Stage and should they be unsuccessful, that Kempefest advise Council in writing prior to Council's summer recess.
3. That up to \$25,000 be allocated from the Tourism Reserve to support Recreation and Culture Services and Economic and Creative Development Departments in collaboration with the Kempenfest Board and Tourism Barrie, to retain a consultant to support Kempenfest with assessing the overall economic impact of Kempenfest and a financial and governance review to determine opportunities for operational and financial sustainability.
4. That staff in Economic and Creative Development and Recreation and Culture Services report back on the findings of the economic impact analysis and overall event review and provide recommendations on future support of Kempenfest.(ECD004-24).

This matter was recommended (Section "E") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 5/1/2024.

SECTION "F"

24-G-099

ELECTRIC VEHICLE SUPPLY EQUIPMENT MANAGEMENT

1. That the Director of Corporate Facilities issue a request for proposals and be authorized to enter into an agreement with the successful third-party turn-key service provider for the replacement and upgrade of the current downtown Electric Vehicle Supply Equipment (EVSE) under the following general parameters and with terms subject to approval by the Director of Legal Services and the Director of Transit and Parking Strategy:
 - a) The third-party turn-key service provider would be responsible for the provision and installation of replacement and/or upgrading of existing EVSE in the downtown with universal charging stations, at no cost to the City;
 - b) The third-party turn-key service would be responsible for decisions related to the number and location of EVSE in consultation with the City;
 - c) The third-party turn-key service would be responsible for management of operational aspects related to the EVSE including maintenance, client services, as well as setting, collecting and overseeing fee and charging services;
 - d) The third-party turn-key service would be responsible for maintenance and other operating costs associated with the equipment; and
 - e) The third-party turn-key user would be responsible for providing the City with data concerning utilization of the EVSE
2. That the Director of Corporate Facilities be authorized to amend the agreement with the turnkey service provider to accommodate the inclusion of additional electric vehicle supply equipment or to modify the terms of the agreement as needed. (FAC001-24).

This matter was recommended (Section "F") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 5/1/2024.

SECTION "G"**24-G-100****ADMINISTRATIVE PENALTY SYSTEM**

1. That an Administrative Penalty System be implemented for Automated Speed Enforcement matters and in the future municipal by-law violations (such as parking violations), and the by-laws to establish an Administrative Penalty System, as required by the *Municipal Act, 2001* and the *Highway Traffic Act, RSO 1990* be circulated to Council via memorandum prior to being placed on a Council Agenda.
2. That the Chief Administrative Officer and City Clerk be authorized to execute any documents necessary to implement an Administrative Penalty System for Automated Speed Enforcement and municipal by-law violations.
3. That the City Clerk be authorized to hire two Screening Officers/Junior Prosecutors, funded by additional Automated Speed Enforcement program revenue, with further authorization to hire one officer per additional 40,000 in violation issues in Barrie.
4. That staff in the Legislative and Court Services Department be authorized to issue an RFP to retain Hearing Officer Services in an amount not to exceed \$50,000, funded by additional Automated Speed Enforcement program revenue.
5. That a minor Capital Project "Cedar Pointe AP Renovations" be approved in the amount \$100,000 for the purpose of renovations for Screening and Hearing Officers required for the Administrative Penalty Program to be funded from the Tax Capital Reserve, to be offset by a \$100,000 transfer to the tax capital reserve from additional revenue in the operating budget.
6. That staff in the Legislative and Court Services provide a memorandum annually to advise of the number of violations issued/processed and associated resources that have been retained.
(LCS004-24)

This matter was recommended (Section "G") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 5/1/2024.

ENQUIRIES

Members of General Committee did not address any enquires to City staff.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Members of General Committee provided announcements concerning a number of matters.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 9:33 p.m.

CHAIRMAN