



City of Barrie

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Final General Committee

Monday, March 21, 2022

7:00 PM

Council Chambers/Virtual Meeting

GENERAL COMMITTEE REPORT

For consideration by Barrie City Council on March 28, 2022.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor, J. Lehman at 7:02 p.m. The following were in attendance for the meeting:

Present: 11 - Mayor, J. Lehman
Deputy Mayor, B. Ward
Councillor, C. Riepma
Councillor, K. Aylwin
Councillor, A. Kungl
Councillor, R. Thomson
Councillor, N. Harris
Councillor, G. Harvey
Councillor, J. Harris
Councillor, S. Morales
Councillor, M. McCann

STAFF:

Chief Administrative Officer, M. Prowse
City Clerk/Director of Legislative and Court Services, W. Cooke
Committee Support Clerk, T. Maynard
Deputy City Clerk, M. Williams
Director of Corporate Facilities, R. Pews
Director of Development Services, M. Banfield
Director of Economic and Creative Development, S. Schlichter
Director of Finance/Treasurer, C. Millar
Director of Information Technology, R. Nolan
Director of Legal Services, I. Peters
Director of Operations, D. Friary
Director of Recreation and Culture Services, R. Bell
Director of Transit and Parking Strategy, B. Forsyth
Executive Director of Access Barrie, R. James-Reid
Fire Chief, C. Mainprize
General Manager of Community and Corporate Services, D. McAlpine
General Manager of Infrastructure and Growth Management, B. Araniyasundaran

Landscape Architectural Planner, K. Lui
Manager of Energy, A. McMullin
Manager of Marketing and Communications, C. Harris
Service Desk Specialist, K. Kovacs.

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

SECTION "A"

22-G-047 REPORT OF THE FINANCE AND CORPORATE SERVICES COMMITTEE DATED MARCH 1, 2022.

The Report of the Finance and Corporate Services Committee dated March 1, 2022 was received.

This matter was recommended (Section "A") to City Council for consideration of receipt at its meeting to be held on 3/28/2022.

22-G-048 REPORT OF THE CITY BUILDING COMMITTEE DATED MARCH 8, 2022.

The Report of the City Building Committee dated March 8, 2022 was received.

This matter was recommended (Section "A") to City Council for consideration of receipt at its meeting to be held on 3/28/2022.

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

SECTION "B"

22-G-049 PUBLIC ART PROGRAM - 2022 TEMPORARY PROJECT AND MAINTENANCE BUDGET ALLOCATION

1. That up to \$25,000 for temporary public art installations in 2022 be approved and funded from the Public Art Reserve as recommended by the Barrie Public Art Committee.

2. That up to \$10,000 for maintaining the permanent works of art with the Public Art Inventory, in accordance with the approved maintenance plan and/or conservation plan required for each piece, be approved and funded from the Public Art Reserve.
3. That per the recommendation of the Barrie Public Art Committee, the number of Citizen representatives be increased to 10 and the following individuals be added to the membership of the Barrie Public Art Committee for the duration of the current Council Term:
 - a) Andrea Araujo
 - b) Sharon Bagot
 - c) Emily Emond
 - d) Jenn Guerin
 - e) Craig Handy
 - f) Sarah Jensen
 - g) Laura Kelly

(File: ECD002-22)

This matter was recommended (Section "B") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 3/28/2022.

22-G-050

INVESTIGATION TO CONSTRUCT PROFESSIONAL GRADE PICKLEBALL COURTS AT PAINSWICK PARK (WARD 9)

1. That Painswick Park Pickleball Development Concept A included in Appendix "C1" of Staff Report DEV006-22 to add eight (8) dedicated pickleball courts with lighting, remove the existing soccer field, relocate the existing ball diamond, expand the existing parking area, and add new accessible pathways with lighting in Painswick Park be approved.
2. That staff in Development Services be authorized to proceed with a Design-Build project delivery methodology with the public procurement process to select the Design-Build team initiated in the second quarter of 2022.
3. That staff in Development Services be directed to host a Public Information Centre (PIC) to seek public feedback on the Painswick Park preliminary design prior to any works proceeding in the park.
4. That the existing budget of \$650,000 in project EN1504 - Pickleball Courts be transferred to project EN1182 - Painswick Park Rehabilitation and \$1,260,000 of the approved budget for project EN1182 - Painswick Park Rehabilitation be utilized for the construction of the proposed pickleball court facility and associated park renewal at Painswick Park, as per Concept A in Appendix C1.
5. That staff in the Operations Department include \$25,480 in the 2024 operating budget to offset the increased annual expenditures to maintain and operate the proposed pickleball facility. (DEV006-21)

This matter was recommended (Section "B") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 3/28/2022.

22-G-051 FACILITIES PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT 2022 CAPITAL FUNDING

1. That the 2022 budgets for the eight projects identified within the report and set out in Appendix "A" of Staff Report FAC002-22 be increased by a total of \$798,300 to be funded from the Tax Capital Reserve.
2. That the 2022 budget for capital project FC1139 - City Hall Renovation Project be decreased by \$798,300, with this reduction in funding to be returned to the Tax Capital Reserve. (FAC002-22) (File: F05)

This matter was recommended (Section "B") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 3/28/2022.

22-G-052 CARDIOVASCULAR REHABILITATION PROGRAM AGREEMENT WITH THE ROYAL VICTORIA REGIONAL HEALTH CENTRE

That the Director of Recreation and Culture Services be authorized to execute an agreement between the City of Barrie and the Royal Victoria Regional Health Centre (RVH) to allow RVH to utilize the Allandale Recreation Centre to facilitate their Cardiovascular Rehabilitation Program, subject to the agreement conforming to the following;

- a) The existing administration space at Allandale Recreation Centre shall be altered to accommodate 2 office spaces for use by RVH Cardiac Rehabilitation Staff;
- b) The conditioning room shall be exclusively used by Royal Victoria Regional Health Centre during designated dates and times;
- c) The fee for the term shall be \$600 per month, plus a 2% increase in 2023, with an annual review by both parties concerning the potential for the extension of the agreement;
- d) The City acknowledges that the Royal Victoria Regional Health Centre will operate their Cardiovascular Rehabilitation Program at the Allandale Recreation Centre during the term of the agreement; and
- e) The agreement shall contain any other terms and conditions deemed necessary by the General Manager of Community and Corporate Services, and the form of the agreement shall be prepared to the satisfaction of the Director of Legal Services. (REC003-22) (File: R06)

This matter was recommended (Section "B") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 3/28/2022.

22-G-053**PARKING RESTRICTIONS - TOMLIN COURT**

1. That Schedule '2' "No Parking in Specified Places Where Signs on Display at Stated Times" of Traffic By-law 2020-107, as amended be further amended by adding:

"No Parking restrictions from 9:00 p.m. to 9:00 a.m. daily at Dixon Court, Tomlin Court and MacMillan Crescent between Yonge Street and Brunton Crescent." (Item for Discussion, 8.1, March 21, 2022).

2. That staff in the Legislative and Court Services Department report back one year after the implementation of the restrictions.

This matter was recommended (Section "B") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 3/28/2022.

The General Committee met and reports as follows:

SECTION "C"**22-G-054****PRESENTATION CONCERNING THE COMMUNITY ENERGY AND GREENHOUSE GAS REDUCTION PLAN**

Adam McMullin, Manager of Energy, Lucy Duncan and Rosa Yu of the Simcoe County Environmental Youth Alliance provided a presentation concerning the Community Energy and Greenhouse Gas Reduction Plan.

Lucy Duncan and Rosa Yu provided the background of the Simcoe County Environmental Youth Alliance which is a youth led initiative working to amplify youth voices surrounding climate change and to bring climate justice to the County of Simcoe. They addressed their concerns for the future if all levels of government do not take immediate action to address the climate crisis. Ms. Duncan and Ms. Wu provided an overview of the youth alliance led initiative "Imagine Barrie Campaign" which was a platform for sharing information, educating the public about the greenhouse gas reduction plan, encourage youth to use their voices and to reimagine the City's future.

Ms. Duncan and Ms. Yu advised that the Simcoe County Environmental Youth Alliance has reviewed the draft Community Energy and Greenhouse Gas Reduction Plan and are in support of the plan.

Mr. McMullin discussed slides concerning the following topics:

- The objective and goals of the Community Energy Greenhouse Gas Reduction Plan;
- The Council support for climate and energy action;

- Timelines associated with developing the plan;
- The members of the Stakeholder Advisory Committee;
- The stakeholder engagement and community consultation in developing the plan;
- A chart illustrating Greenhouse Gas Emissions (GHG) by subsector in 2018;
- The highlights of the key findings in the plan related to the City's emissions;
- The framework, vision and principles of the plan;
- The City's goals of the plan related to the following:
 - Buildings;
 - Transportation
 - Waste; and
 - Natural Environment and Land Use.
- The implementation framework and action tables related to City-led and community supported activities; and
- The immediate priority actions and next steps for the City.

Members of General Committee asked a number of questions of Mr, McMullin, Ms. Duncan and Ms. Yu and received responses.

This matter was recommended (Section "C") to City Council for consideration of receipt at its meeting to be held on 3/28/2022.

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

SECTION "D"

22-G-055

COMMUNITY ENERGY AND GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSION REDUCTION PLAN ADOPTION

1. That the Community Energy and Greenhouse Gas Emission Reduction Plan attached as Appendix "A" to Staff Report FAC001-22, be endorsed in principle
2. That staff be directed to investigate ways to eliminate the use of gas-powered lawn and garden equipment in the City's own operations, and throughout the City generally, and report back to General Committee at the end of the second quarter in 2022.
3. That staff in the Facilities Department present a progress report annually to General Committee concerning the Community Energy and Greenhouse Gas Emission Reduction Plan. (FAC001-22) (File: E00)

This matter was recommended (Section "D") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 3/28/2022.

SECTION "E"**22-G-056 WATERFRONT PARKING PERMIT UPDATE**

1. That a digital Waterfront Parking Permit be made available through the HotSpot app and website as outlined below:
 - a) Issued on a per-vehicle basis;
 - b) No limit to the number of permits that can be issued per municipal address;
 - c) Costs for permits will remain the same as the current hangtags, except Barrie residents will not be charged \$20 for third and subsequent permits; and
 - d) Resident permit will be valid for two calendar years.
2. That existing resident waterfront hangtags issued since 2017 that did not have a set term (until a new program is released) will now expire December 31, 2023, and that staff will transition away from issuing new hangtags ahead of the summer of 2022.
3. That the Executive Director of Access Barrie and the Director of Transit and Parking be delegated the authority to issue waterfront parking permits in exceptional scenarios and implement minor, cost-neutral program adjustments to enable staff with the ability to provide an enhanced customer experience as this digital program is launched.
4. That staff in the Traffic and Parking Services Department investigate ways to prevent long-term parking by nearby residents in waterfront lots and streets and report back to Finance and Corporate Services Committee.

This matter was recommended (Section "E") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 3/28/2022.

22-G-057 NEEDLE COLLECTION KIOSKS AND PUBLIC ACCESS NALOXONE KITS PILOT PROGRAMS UPDATE

1. That the Naloxone Kit Pilot Program for the provision of publicly accessible kits in City facilities be adopted as a permanent City program.
2. That staff be directed to investigate other needle kiosk designs which would only allow needles to be added, and report back to General Committee (BFES001-22) (File: S08)

This matter was recommended (Section "E") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 3/28/2022.

22-G-058 **ESTABLISHING A YOUTH COUNCIL**

That staff in the Legislative and Court Services Department include the requirements for establishing a Youth Council that includes a mandate of providing feedback on social, environmental, and municipal issues that affect youth in our community to be considered by the 2022-2026 Council as part of its Council Committee appointments. (Item for Discussion 8.2, March 21, 2022)

This matter was recommended (Section "E") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 3/28/2022.

SECTION "F"**22-G-059** **RYAN'S HOPE BREAKFAST TO GO PROGRAM**

1. That notwithstanding provisions within the Parks Use and Use of Public Property By-laws, Ryan's Hope be permitted to operate its Breakfast to Go Program from the gazebo located in Heritage Park from 7:45 a.m. to 10:00 a.m., daily for a one year trial period and that dates of community functions where the Heritage Park Gazebo is booked for other events be provided to Ryan's Hope so that it can serve breakfast at a different location on those days.
2. That Ryan's Hope be responsible for ensuring that all garbage, paper, paper or plastic products, cans, rubbish, food, clothing or other debris associated with the Breakfast to Go Program is collected and removed from City property at the end of each daily operation.
3. That Ryan's Hope provide a certificate of insurance in the amount of \$5 million, naming the City of Barrie as an additional insured.
4. That the General Manager of Community and Corporate Services be authorized to negotiate an agreement with Ryan's Hope to outline the respective responsibilities of each of the parties associated with the Breakfast to Go Program's use of the gazebo and the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to execute the agreement. (Item for Discussion 8.3, March 21, 2022)

This matter was recommended (Section "F") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 3/28/2022.

The General Committee met and reports as follows:

SECTION "G"

22-G-060

CORNERSTONE GRANT

The Committee met and discussed the Item for Discussion concerning the Cornerstone Grant as follows:

- “1. That Cornerstone be provided a grant in the amount to \$158,263, representing 100 per cent of the City of Barrie Development Charge fees paid for the proposed Cornerstone to Recovery-Women’s Residential Addiction Facility at 236 Dunlop Street West with funding from the Tax Rate Stabilization Reserve (\$118,697.68), Water Stabilization Reserve (\$14,243.75) and the Wastewater Stabilization Reserve (\$25,322.21)
2. That correspondence be sent to the school boards asking that they consider waiving or rebating Development Charge fees for the Cornerstone to Recovery-Women’s Residential Addiction Facility. (Item for Discussion 8.4, March 21, 2022)”

A vote was taken and the motion was **LOST**. The Committee provided no further direction with respect to the Item for Discussion concerning the Cornerstone Grant.

This matter was recommended (Section "G") to City Council for consideration of receipt at its meeting to be held on 3/28/2022.

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

SECTION "H"

22-G-061

NATURE BARRIE BIRD FRIENDLY DESIGNATION

That Nature Barrie be invited to provide a presentation to the City Building Committee concerning a Bird Friendly City designation which outlines the following:

1. The benefits of being designated a Bird Friendly City;
2. What it takes to become a Bird Friendly City, including the specific role and work required by City staff; and

3. The benefit(s) of partnering with Nature Barrie to earn this designation.

(Item for Discussion 8.5, March 21, 2022)

This matter was recommended (Section "H") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 3/28/2022.

SECTION "I"

22-G-062

HEART BARRIE LANDMARK SIGN

That the size of the heart in the Heart Barrie landmark sign be increased from 8 feet to 10 feet, with the remaining letters being no more than 8 feet, as previously approved by Council. (Item for Discussion 8.6, March 21, 2022)

This matter was recommended (Section "I") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 3/28/2022.

SECTION "J"

22-G-063

SCHOOL SAFETY

1. That a letter be sent to the Simcoe County District School Board, Simcoe Muskoka Catholic District School Board, Conseil scolaire Viamonde, and Conseil scolaire catholique MonAvenir expressing Barrie City Council's ongoing concern regarding the safety of students in the areas surrounding schools that do not have off-street kiss and ride facilities or do not utilize existing ones that are available in accordance with the approved site plans, as it is understood all conditions of site plan must be adhered to.
2. That staff in the Development Services Department report to General Committee regarding:
 - a) Restarting/expanding City programs that can assist in encouraging walking to school, such as the walking school bus, and resource implications associated with these programs; and
 - b) The potential to meet with school principals to establish off-street kiss and ride locations at City parks and/or other adjacent appropriate locations nearby, together with ways to encourage/enforce parent drop-off at these locations. (Item for Discussion 8.7, March 21, 2022)

This matter was recommended (Section "J") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 3/28/2022.

ENQUIRIES

A member of General Committee addressed an enquiry to City staff and received a response.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

A member of General Committee provided announcements concerning a number of matters.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 10:44 p.m.

CHAIRMAN