



City of Barrie

Final

City Council

70 Collier Street
P.O. Box 400
Barrie, ON L4M 4T5

Wednesday, February 1, 2023

7:00 PM

Council Chamber/Virtual

CALLING TO ORDER BY THE CITY CLERK, WENDY COOKE

The meeting was called to order by the City Clerk at 7:02 p.m. The following were in attendance for the meeting:

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

STAFF:

Associate Director of Communications and Customer Services, C. Harris
Chief Administrative Officer, M. Prowse
Chief Building Official, P. Evans
Chief Financial Officer, C. Millar
City Clerk/Director of Legislative and Court Services, W. Cooke
Committee Support Clerk, T. Maynard
Deputy City Clerk, T. McArthur
Director of Corporate Facilities, R. Pews
Director of Economic and Creative Development, S. Schlichter
Director of Information Technology, R. Nolan
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
General Manager of Community and Corporate Services, D. McAlpine
General Manager of Infrastructure and Growth Management, B. Araniyasundaran
Manager of Business Planning and Budget, J. Kuehl
Senior Manager of Corporate and Finance Investments, C. Gillespie

Service Desk Generalist, K. Kovacs.

PLAYING OF THE NATIONAL ANTHEM

The National Anthem was played.

READING OF LAND ACKNOWLEDGMENT

Mayor A. Nuttall read the Land Acknowledgement.

CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES

23-A-008 The Minutes of the City Council meeting held on January 18, 2023 were adopted as printed and circulated.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

23-A-009 General Committee Report dated January 25, 2023, Sections A, B, C and D (APPENDIX "A").

SECTION "A" - TO BE ADOPTED

Moved by: Deputy Mayor, R. Thomson
Seconded by: Councillor, B. Hamilton

That Section "A" of the General Committee Report dated January 25, 2023, be adopted.

23-G-014 AUTHORIZATION TO NEGOTIATE LIMITING DISTANCE AND ENCROACHMENT AGREEMENTS WITH DEBUT WATERFRONT RESIDENCES - 55 DUNLOP STREET WEST

CARRIED

SECTION "B" - TO BE ADOPTED

Moved by: Deputy Mayor, R. Thomson
Seconded by: Councillor, B. Hamilton

That Section "B" of the General Committee Report dated January 25, 2023, be adopted.

23-G-015 ONTARIO LAND TRIBUNAL REPORT - ACQUISITION OF 922 VETERAN'S DRIVE TO FACILITATE MCKAY ROAD ROW EXPANSION - REID DRIVE TO WEST OF HIGHWAY 400 (PROJECT EN1257) AND VETERAN'S DRIVE NEW TRUNK WATERMAIN (PROJECT EN1258) (WARD 7)

23-G-016 MEMORANDUM FROM CIRCULATION LIST DATED JANUARY 25, 2023 CONCERNING AN UPDATE ON THE PERMANENT MARKET

CARRIED

SECTION "C" - TO BE RECEIVED

Moved by: Deputy Mayor, R. Thomson
Seconded by: Councillor, B. Hamilton

That Section "C" of the General Committee Report dated January 25, 2023, be received.

23-G-017 CONFIDENTIAL PERSONAL INFORMATION MATTER - PART OF MOTION 23-G-012 REFERRED BY CITY COUNCIL ON JANUARY 18, 2023 - APPOINTMENTS TO COMMITTEE OF ADJUSTMENT

CARRIED

SECTION "D"- TO BE ADOPTED

Moved by: Deputy Mayor, R. Thomson
Seconded by: Councillor, B. Hamilton

That Section "D" of the General Committee Report dated January 25, 2023, be adopted.

23-G-018 APPOINTMENTS TO THE COMMITTEE OF ADJUSTMENT

CARRIED

PRESENTATIONS

23-A-010 PRESENTATION REGARDING THE BARRIE POLICE SERVICE PROPOSED 2023 BUDGET REQUEST

Councillor, G. Harvey declared that to remain in compliance with his statutory obligations under Section 17(3) of the *Police Services Act* he was unable to participate in the discussions or vote on the foregoing matter. He did not participate in the discussion or vote on the matter. He left the virtual Council meeting.

Greg Ferguson, Chair of the Barrie Police Services Board and Police Chief Rich Johnson of Barrie Police Service provided an overview of the Barrie Police Service (BPS) 2023 Budget requirements.

Mr. Ferguson advised that the strategic business plan requirements are guided by several key factors to fulfill policing responsibilities, public expectations, evidence-based delivery of police services, and increasing

financial pressures. He commented that the 2023 Budget requirement balances fiscal constraints while meeting the obligations under the *Police Services Act* and the expectations of the Community.

Police Chief Johnson discussed the three main strategic priorities of the Barrie Police Service to Prevent and Address Crime, Leverage Partnerships to Reduce Social Disorder, and Build a Resilient Organization. He commented that BPS also supports and implements the City's Community Safety and Well-Being Plan.

Mr. Ferguson and Police Chief Johnson discussed slides concerning the following topics:

- A pie chart illustrating a breakdown of BPS salaries, benefits, and overtime;
- The legislative impacts of *Supporting Ontario's First Responders Act* and Next Generation 911;
- Budget increases associated with salaries, benefits, and overtime and *Supporting Ontario's First Responders Act*;
- A bar graph comparing the numbers of authorized and actual sworn officers between 2015 to 2023;
- A chart illustrating a comparison of various municipalities and Provincial and National averages of officer ratios by population between 2018 to 2021;
- Charts illustrating the BPS operating expenditures and revenues;
- An overview of the transfer to capital reserve associated with the fleet, information technology, specialized equipment, radio equipment, and an upgrade to the City's Radio system;
- A summary of the 2023 BPS Budget;
- A chart illustrating the BPS Budget and Barrie's population between 2011 to 2022; and
- The municipal funding requirement for 2023, 7.28% over the 2022 Budget.

In closing, Mr. Ferguson expressed that the Barrie Police Service does recognize that their 2023 Budget request is significant; however, staffing levels of sworn officers and civilians needs to increase to the amount approved by the Barrie Police Services Board. He requested approval of the municipal funding portion of the Barrie Police Service 2023 Budget request.

Members of Council asked a number of questions of Mr. Ferguson and Chief Johnson and received responses.

23-A-011

**PRESENTATION REGARDING THE BARRIE PUBLIC LIBRARY
PROPOSED 2023 BUDGET REQUEST**

Lauren Jessop, Chief Executive Officer for the Barrie Public Library, and Austin Mitchell, Chair of the Barrie Public Library Board provided a presentation concerning the Barrie Public Library (BPL) proposed 2023 Budget request. She commented that the Budget request maintains service levels while expanding community outreach collections and the creation of

flexible, inclusive, and engaging spaces.

Ms. Jessop and Mr. Mitchell discussed slides concerning the following topics:

- The objectives and achievements of the new Holly Community Library;
- The expansion community outreach, including the “BPL on the GO” and “Book Bike” programs;
- An overview of the BPL mission to support literacy, inclusiveness, learning, and engagement with the community;
- A summary of the increases in the community’s usage of digital library services, online learning, technology, and eResources;
- The expansion of library services and refreshed spaces;
- A summary of the BPL’s 2023 Budget including expenses and revenues;
- The Barrie Public Library alignment with the City’s 2022-2026 Strategic Priorities;
- An overview of the social supports, services and programs available to the community and in partnership with community partners, volunteers and social agencies;
- The priorities of the BPL; and
- The next steps and future plans for the Barrie Public Library.

In closing, Mr. Mitchell highlighted that the library supports individual growth, entertains, and educates through programming that is provided to the community at no cost. He expressed that Barrie Public Library staff are continuously working to ensure more people can discover opportunities inside and outside the walls of the Library.

Members of City Council asked a number of questions of Ms. Jessop and Mr. Mitchell and received responses.

23-A-012

PRESENTATION REGARDING THE COUNTY OF SIMCOE PROPOSED 2023 BUDGET REQUEST

Trevor Wilcox, General Manager of Corporate Performance, Jane Sinclair, General Manager of Health and Emergency Services, Mina-Fayez Bahgat, General Manager of Social and Community Services for the County of Simcoe provided a presentation concerning the 2023 County of Simcoe Budget Request.

Mr. Wilcox, Ms. Sinclair, and Mr. Bahgat discussed slides concerning the following topics:

- An overview of the County of Simcoe, Social and Community Services including Ontario Works, Children Services, Community Services, and Social Housing;
- A summary of the services and programs provided by Ontario Works, Children Services, Community Services, and Social Housing;
- Highlights of the Social and Community Services Operating Budget from 2020-2023;
- An overview of the County of Simcoe, Health and Emergency Services

that includes Long Term Care Homes, and Paramedic Services;

- Highlights of the Health and Emergency Services Operating Budget from 2017-2022;
- A summary of the Municipal Services Agreement associated with services and cost sharing;
- A chart illustrating the shared services between Barrie, Orillia, and Simcoe County and the net Municipal Operating Requirements for 2022 and 2023;
- A chart illustrating the shared services allocation area for the City of Barrie for 2022 to 2023;
- The County of Simcoe's 2023 Capital Budget and Capital calculations of capital projects; and
- A chart illustrating the City's Operating and Capital Budget allocations for 2020, 2021, 2022, and 2023.

Members of Council asked a number of questions of Mr. Wilcox, Ms. Sinclair and Mr. Bahgat and received responses.

ENQUIRIES

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Members of Council provided announcements concerning a number of matters.

BY-LAWS

Moved by: Deputy Mayor, R. Thomson

Seconded by: Councillor, B. Hamilton

That leave be granted to introduce the following Bills and these Bills be read a first, second and third time this day and finally passed:

BY-LAW
2023-004

Bill #004

A By-law of The Corporation of the City of Barrie to further amend By-law 2019-100 as amended, being a by-law to govern the proceedings of Council. (22-G-181 and 22-G-184) (Procedural By-law Updates and Structures of Committees of Council) (LCS006-22 and LCS007-22) (File:C01)

BY-LAW
2023-005**Bill #005**

A By-law of The Corporation of the City of Barrie to exempt Part of Block 2, Plan 51M-1193 being Parts 1 through 8 on Plan 51R-43864 subject to an easement in gross as in SC1712097, City of Barrie, County of Simcoe, being part of PIN: 58091-4742 (LT) from Part Lot Control imposed by Section 50(5) of the *Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, c.P.13.* (12-G-190) (Part Lot Control Exemption - Mapleview Development Ltd., 100 Blue Forest Crescent) (File: D23-001-2023)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**CONFIRMATION BY-LAW**

Moved by: Deputy Mayor, R. Thomson

Seconded by: Councillor, B. Hamilton

That leave be granted to introduce the following Bill and this Bill be read a first, second and third time this day and finally passed:

BY-LAW
2023-006**Bill #006**

A By-law of The Corporation of the City of Barrie to confirm the proceedings of Council at its meeting held on the 1st day of February, 2023.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**ADJOURNMENT**

Moved by: Councillor, C. Riepma

Seconded by: Deputy Mayor, R. Thomson,

That the meeting be adjourned at 10:36 p.m.

CARRIED

Mayor, A. Nuttall

Wendy Cooke, City Clerk