



City of Barrie

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Minutes - Final General Committee

Monday, December 9, 2013

7:00 PM

Council Chamber

GENERAL COMMITTEE REPORT For consideration by the Council of the City of Barrie on December 16, 2013

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Lehman at 7:01 p.m. The following were in attendance for the meeting:

Present: 11 - Mayor J. Lehman; Councillor B. Ainsworth; Councillor L. Strachan; Councillor D. Shipley; Councillor B. Ward; Councillor P. Silveira; Councillor M. Prowse; Councillor J. Brassard; Councillor A. Khan; Councillor B. Jackson; and Councillor A. Nuttall

STUDENT MAYOR:
Rachel Pigott.

STAFF:
Chief Administrative Officer, C. Ladd
City Clerk/Director of Legislative and Court Services, D. McAlpine
Deputy City Clerk, W. Cooke
Director of Engineering, J. Weston
Director of Environmental Services, J. Thompson
Director of Facilities and Transit, K. Bradley
Director of Finance, D. McKinnon
Director of Legal Services, I. Peters
Director of Human Resources, A.M. Langlois
Director of Information Technology, C. Glaser
Director of Planning, S. Naylor
Director of Roads, Parks and Fleet, D. Friary
Executive Director of Innovate Barrie, R. Bunn.

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

"SECTION A"

13-G-311 REPORT OF THE FINANCE AND CORPORATE SERVICES COMMITTEE DATED NOVEMBER 27, 2013

The report of the Finance and Corporate Service Committee dated November 27, 2013 was received. (File: C05)

Attachments: [131209 Minutes - Finance and Corporate Services Committee 131127.pdf](#)

This matter was recommended (Section "A") to City Council for consideration of receipt at its meeting to be held on 16/12/2013.

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

"SECTION B"

13-G-312 BOROUGH OF HARROGATE, NORTH YORKSHIRE, UNITED KINGDOM SUB-COMMITTEE REPRESENTATIVE

That Bill Sergeant, Lieutenant Colonel (Retired) be appointed as the representative of the Borough of Harrogate, North Yorkshire, United Kingdom Sub-Committee. (File: C06)

This matter was recommended (Section "B") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 16/12/2013.

13-G-313 REAR WINDOW CAPTIONING AND DESCRIPTIVE VIDEO SERVICE AT MOVIE THEATRES

That a letter be sent to new or existing movie theatres in Barrie to request consideration of the provision of Rear Window Captioning ("RWC") for deaf, deafened and hard of hearing patrons, as well as providing Descriptive Video Service ("DVS") for blind and visually impaired patrons. (File: D21)

This matter was recommended (Section "B") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 16/12/2013.

13-G-314 PROPOSED 2014 COMMITTEE BUDGET (REVISED) - INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE

That an increase in the International Relations Committee budget (accounts 01-06-0935-0000-xxxx) from \$20,500 to \$37,500 (net increase of \$17,000) be included in the 2014 Business Plan for consideration to reflect increase anticipated expenditures associated with commitments to the City of Barrie's twinning relationship with Murayama, Japan; Taizhou, China; Zweibrücken, Germany; The Borough of Harrogate, North Yorkshire; United Kingdom, and Puerto Princessa, Philippines. (File: F05)

This matter was recommended (Section "B") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 16/12/2013.

13-G-315 ST. MARGUERITE D'YOUVILLE CATHOLIC SCHOOL VARIABLE TIME FLASHING 40 KM/H ZONE (WARD 4)

1. That Rates of Speed By-law 2002-191, Schedule "A" "Authorized Rates of Maximum Speed - 40 kilometres per hour", be amended by deleting the following:

"Street/Location: Hanmer Street
From: Anne Street
To: 195 metres east of Kozlov Street

And, adding the following:

Street/Location: Hanmer Street
From: Anne Street
To: 13 metres west of Finlay Road"

2. That Rates of Speed By-law 2002-191, Schedule "B" "Authorized Rates of Maximum Speed - Variable Time Flashing 40 kilometres per hour", be amended by adding the following:

"Street/Location: Hanmer Street
From: 13 metres west of Finlay Road
To: 38 metres east of Kozlov Street"

(ENG030-1) (File T08-VA)

Attachments: [ENG030-1 131209.pdf](#)

This matter was recommended (Section "B") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 16/12/2013.

13-G-316 **INTERIM TAXES**

1. That staff prepare annually the interim billing for all property classes established at no more than 50% of the annualized tax amount for the previous year.
2. That the amount to be billed for each property for the annual interim billing for all property classes include any special charges (i.e. local improvements for water and sewer) which were billed in the previous year.
3. That, pending approval of the annual Business Plan, typical expenditure requirements be authorized in accordance with corporate policies and procedures for payroll, supplies, services, and contracts.
4. That the City Clerk be authorized to prepare all necessary by-laws to formally establish the interim tax levy on all property classes, for each year. (FIN022-13) (File F22)

Attachments: [FIN022-13 131209.docx](#)

This matter was recommended (Section "B") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 16/12/2013.

13-G-317 **PROPOSED INTENSIFICATION NODE AND CORRIDOR ZONES**

That a public meeting be scheduled to consider a Zoning By-law Amendment to facilitate the creation of a new 'Mixed Use' zoning category, the creation of two new zones for the intensification nodes and corridors, and an amendment to the parking standards applicable to residential uses within the intensification areas. (PLN029-13) (File D14TE-INT)

Attachments: [PLN029-13 131209.pdf](#)

This matter was recommended (Section "B") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 16/12/2013.

13-G-318 **DRIVER CERTIFICATION PROGRAM (DCP) AGREEMENT**

1. That the Director of Roads, Parks and Fleet be authorized to execute on behalf of the Corporation an agreement with the Province of Ontario for the Driver Certification Program commencing December 1st, 2013.
2. That the Director of Roads, Parks and Fleet be authorized to execute extensions to the Driver Certification Program Agreement or any successor Agreement with substantially similar program intent. (RPF0004-13) (File: C11-2013)

Attachments: [RPF0004-13 131209.pdf](#)

This matter was recommended (Section "B") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 16/12/2013.

13-G-319 BARRIE PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD APPOINTMENT

1. That Councillor L. Strachan's resignation from the Barrie Public Library Board be accepted.
2. That Councillor A. Khan be appointed to the Barrie Public Library Board for a term ending November 30, 2014. (File C06)

This matter was recommended (Section "B") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 16/12/2013.

"SECTION C"**13-G-320 EXTENSION OF TIMELINE FOR BARRIE HYDRO HOLDINGS INC. INVESTMENT IN POWERSTREAM INC. SOLAR INITIATIVE**

That, acting as sole shareholder in Barrie Hydro Holdings Inc., the amendments to the Subscription Agreement identified in Barrie Hydro Holding Inc.'s resolution 2013-H-05 to extend the timeline associated with BHHL's equity participation in PowerStream Inc.'s Solar Initiative, be approved. (File: F12)

Councillor, B. Ward declared a potential pecuniary interest in the foregoing motion as his spouse is employed by Powerstream Inc. He did not participate in the discussion or vote on the question and he did not leave the Council Chamber.

This matter was recommended (Section "C") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 16/12/2013.

The General Committee met for the purpose of a public meeting at 7:05 p.m. and reports as follows:

Mayor Lehman advised the public that any concerns or appeals dealing with the Zoning By-law Amendment application that was the subject of the Public Meeting should be directed to the City Clerk's Office. Any interested persons wishing further notification of the staff report regarding the application were advised to sign the appropriate notification form required by the City Clerk's Office. Mayor Lehman confirmed with the Deputy City Clerk that notification was conducted in accordance with the Planning Act.

"SECTION D"

13-G-321

APPLICATION FOR AN AMENDMENT TO THE ZONING BY-LAW - LUCAS & ASSOCIATES ON BEHALF OF THE OWNER, F&I GATEWAY INVESTMENTS INC. - 290, 294, 298, 302, 306, 310 & 314 GEORGIAN DRIVE, BARRIE (WARD 1) (December 9, 2013) (File D14-1567)

George Lucas of Lucas & Associates, on behalf of the property owner F&I Gateway Investments Inc. advised that the purpose of the public meeting is to review an application to consider an amendment to the Zoning By-law for lands at 290, 294, 298, 302, 306, 310 and 314 Georgian Drive to permit a student residence. Mr. Lucas displayed maps of the subject lands identifying the existing use of the lands as 7 residential properties and the surrounding property uses including medical, retail and residential. He proved an excerpt from the City of Barrie Official Plan and Zoning By-law to illustrate the current designation and zoning on the lands.

Mr. Lucas provided highlights from the noted that the Georgian College Neighbourhood Strategy and identified the subject properties for the potential development for student housing. He reviewed the objectives associated with the Georgian College Neighbourhood Community Improvement Area.

Mr. Lucas detailed the proposed phase one of the student residence proposal concept plan and that phase two would mirror phase one. He also provided an artist's rendering of the proposed development.

Mr. Lucas detailed the studies and reports prepared in support of the proposal. He described the proposed Zoning By-law amendment including the exceptions being sought to the RA2 standard.

In closing, Mr. Lucas noted that in his professional planning opinion, the amendment to the Zoning By-law represents good planning and summarized the rationale associated with his opinion.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

1. **John Kennedy, 330 Georgian Drive** requested that the property owner consider a buffer between the proposed building and the existing residential area in order to address the potential for garbage and debris to be blown onto the properties.
2. **Adam Huard, 322 Georgian Drive** indicated that he owns a neighbouring property and is concerned about the building height, the shadowing impact as well as the impacts on his property value.

Members of General Committee asked a number of questions and received responses from the representative of the applicant and City staff.

WRITTEN CORRESPONDENCE

1. Correspondence received from Bell, dated November 26, 2013
2. Correspondence received from Adam Huard and Brittney Rowen, received December 4, 2013
3. Correspondence received from the Ministry of Transportation, dated November 20, 2013

Attachments: [131209 PM Notice 290,294,298,302,306, 310 and 314 Georgian Dr.pdf](#)
[131209 PM PRES Georgian Drive.pdf](#)
[131209 Correspondence F&I Gateway Investments Inc.pdf](#)

This matter was recommended (Section "D") to City Council for consideration of receipt at its meeting to be held on 16/12/2013.

"SECTION E"**13-G-322 PRESENTATION REGARDING INNOVATE BARRIE POWERING UP CHANGE**

Rhonda Bunn, Executive Director of Innovate Barrie provided a presentation regarding Innovate Barrie "Powering Up Change" including the three pillars of people, process and technology. She described how Innovate Barrie leverages people and technology to ignite positive change and inspire progressive solutions. R. Bunn detailed how Innovate Barrie will internally support the organization now and in the future. She highlighted the vision statement for Innovate Barrie and tag line of "Powering Up Change".

Anne Marie Langlois, Director of Human Resources provided details on the Human Capital Strategic Plan, and the connections to the plan for organizational design, workforce, training and development, safety and wellness, talent management and compensation. She also discussed the four organizational areas taken in to account in the Human Capital Plan including culture, operations, people and systems.

R. Bunn detailed the framework for portfolio governance to ensure that there is a consistent approach and process to determining resource allocations, agreement model with clear accountabilities and staff work on projects that are the most valuable and implement initiatives and align with Council's Strategic Plan. She discussed the governance model associated with projects and commented on the portion of resource requirements for core services and projects.

Carolyn Glaser, Director of Information Technology discussed the five areas of focus for the Information Technology Department including flexible, reliable infrastructure, digitizing core processes, mobilizing the workforce, embracing consumer like devices and services and improving IT service delivery. She described the technology landscape and highlighted areas of focus.

C. Glaser reviewed the transformation changes related to technology investments, corporate governance, IT Department changes and corporate culture.

In closing, R. Bunn detailed Innovate Barrie's key initiatives for 2014.

Members of General Committee asked questions and received responses from City staff.

Attachments: [131209 Presentation - Innovate Barrie.pdf](#)

This matter was recommended (Section "E") to City Council for consideration of receipt at its meeting to be held on 16/12/2013.

"SECTION F"**13-G-323****DOWNTOWN MARKET FEASIBILITY STUDY**

1. That staff be authorized to conduct a feasibility study for a self-sustainable year round market in the Downtown.
2. That additional funding in the amount of \$30,000 be recommended in the 2014 Business Plan staff report and that the BIA and other partners be approached for their support of the project.
3. That staff submit funding applications to the programs identified in staff report EDO010-13 to offset a portion of the costs associated with competing a market feasibility study.
4. That the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to execute any successful funding agreements associated with applications made to partially fund the downtown market feasibility study. (EDO010-13) (File D18-MAR)

Attachments: [EDOOO10-13 131209.docx](#)

This matter was recommended (Section "F") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 16/12/2013.

"SECTION G"**13-G-324****GROWTH MANAGEMENT UPDATE: SALEM AND HEWITT'S SECONDARY PLANS AND RELATED OFFICIAL PLAN AMENDMENTS**

1. That the Secondary Plan Consultant Team Response to Stakeholder Submissions Report by Macaulay Shiomi Howson Ltd. dated December 6, 2013 and attached as Appendix "A" to Staff Report IGM001-13 be received.
2. That staff and the consultant team be directed to consider modifying the Salem Secondary Plan to include the Innisbrook Golf Course lands - as presented by their consultant team, for the development of an Adult Lifestyle Community.
3. That the direction and approach contained in the Secondary Plan Consultant Team Response to Stakeholder Submissions Report be endorsed and that staff be directed to prepare, post and release Updated Draft Salem and Hewitt's Secondary Plans and further, in order to advance the secondary plan process, initiate discussions with the development community in accordance with the direction approved in Staff Report ENG033-13.
4. That the Growth Management Coordinator be instructed to provide written communication from the City of Barrie to the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing requesting the ability for the City of Barrie to include lands adjacent to the railway in the Salem Secondary Plan should a request from industry be received prior to the designated timing, in order to provide an investment ready environment for industrial purposes that benefit and cluster around railway infrastructure and upon receipt of a response from the provincial government, a memo be prepared for Council detailing the response received.
5. That staff be directed to present the Secondary Plans for approval along with the agreed upon fiscal framework with the development community, to the General Committee by March 31, 2014. (IGM001-13) (File: D09-ANN)

Attachments: [IGM001-13-131209.pdf](#)

This matter was recommended (Section "G") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 16/12/2013.

Pursuant to Section 2 (18) of Procedural By-law 2013-072, the Committee adopted a procedural motion in order to extend the meeting past 11:00 p.m.

"SECTION H"

13-G-325 **RESPONSE TO MOTION 13-6-284 - CASH IN LIEU OF PARKING REQUIREMENTS - 70/74 DUNLOP STREET EAST (WARD 2)**

1. That the Applicant enter into a S. 40 Planning Act Agreement to pay cash in lieu for residential development at 70-74 Dunlop Street East.
2. That the rate at which the cash in lieu is paid be \$5,000 per deficient parking space in accordance with Council's current Cash in Lieu of Parking Policy and be based on one (1) parking space per residential unit. (PLN030-13) (File: T02-PAR)

Attachments: [Response to Council Motion - Cash in Lieu of Parking 70&74 Dunlop Street E](#)

This matter was recommended (Section "H") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 16/12/2013.

"SECTION I"

13-G-326 **PARKING RATE REVIEW - HOURLY AND MONTHLY PASS RATES**

1. That the current hourly rates for parking be increased by \$0.25 per hour effective April 30, 2014.
2. The current Parkade Monthly Pass rate be raised by \$5.00 from \$80 to \$85 effective April 30, 2014.
3. That By-law 2013-31, Schedule "J", Section 5 - Parking Fees and By-law 80-138 to regulate traffic on highways, be amended in accordance with the above paragraphs. (RPF003-13) (File: T02-PA)

Attachments: [RPF003-13 131209.pdf](#)

This matter was recommended (Section "I") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 16/12/2013.

"SECTION J"**13-G-327 PARKING RATE REVIEW - PARKING ALONG THE WATERFRONT**

That staff in the Roads, Parks and Fleet Department prepare a plan/options for early implementation of paid parking on the waterfront for non-residents. (File T02-A)

Attachments: [RPF003-13 131209.pdf](#)

This matter was recommended (Section "J") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 16/12/2013.

"SECTION K"**13-G-328 PARKING RATE REVIEW - EVENING PARKING**

That the following paragraph be referred to the Transportation and Economic Development Committee for further consideration:

“That the hours of paid parking be increased until 11:00 p.m. Monday to Friday commencing April 30, 2014.” (File T02-PA)

Attachments: [RPF003-13 131209.pdf](#)

This matter was recommended (Section "K") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 16/12/2013.

ENQUIRIES

There were no enquires at General Committee.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Members of City Council provided announcements concerning a number of matters.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 11:32 p.m.

CHAIRMAN