



City of Barrie

70 Collier Street
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Meeting Agenda General Committee

Monday, November 2, 2020

7:00 PM

Virtual Meeting

Notice

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1. CONSENT AGENDA

2. PUBLIC MEETING(S)

Nil.

3. PRESENTATIONS BY STAFF/OFFICERS/AGENTS OF THE CORPORATION

Nil.

4. DEFERRED BUSINESS

Nil.

5. REPORTS OF REFERENCE, ADVISORY OR SPECIAL COMMITTEES

Nil.

6. STAFF REPORT(S)**DEV031-20 INVESTIGATION OF IMPLEMENTING A BIKE AND/OR SCOOTER SHARE PILOT PROGRAM**

That staff in the Development Services Department monitor similar sized municipalities operating bike and/or scooter share programs that have successfully demonstrated financial (revenue neutral or near revenue neutral) multi-year program viability in mid-sized Canadian cities and report back to General Committee. (DEV031-20) (P56/19)

Attachments: [DEV031-201102](#)

DEV032-20 INVESTIGATION OF STRATEGIES TO ADVANCE THE ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION MODE SHARE AND ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION INFRASTRUCTURE FUNDING

That Staff Report DEV032-20 concerning the investigation of strategies to increase the active transportation mode share and funding for active tractive transportation infrastructure, be received for information. (DEV032-20) (P61/19)

Attachments: [DEV032-201102](#)

DEV033-20

Note: This item has been WITHDRAWN and will be reintroduced at a future meeting.

AMENDMENT TO THE CITY OF BARRIE STREET ADDRESSING POLICY

That Sections 1.5.2, 1.5.3. and 1.5.6. of the City of Barrie Street Addressing Policy be amended to reflect the policy changes attached as Appendix "A" to Staff Report DEV033-20. (DEV033-20) (File: D19-STR)

Attachments: [DEV033-201102](#)

ECD015-20 ECONOMIC RECOVERY ACTION PLAN

1. That Staff Report ECD015-20 concerning an update on the Barrie COVID-19 Economic Recovery Action Plan and next steps for consultations be received as a follow-up to motions 20-G-061 and 20-G-099.
2. That funding in the amount of up to \$150,000 be allocated from the Community Benefit Reserve in support of the following recovery actions:
 - a) Up to \$75,000 to allocate as municipal contributions to leverage and apply for Provincial and Federal funding programs that will bring additional funding and supports to local business response and recovery; and
 - b) \$75,000 for a pilot partnership with Georgian College's Department of Research, Innovation and Entrepreneurship, which will deliver programming direct to businesses and entrepreneurs to

build resiliency through research and innovation supports; the pilot partnership will aid recovery and help deliver on the strategic priorities of Council and the Economic and Creative Development Department.

3. That staff in the Economic and Creative Development Department report back to General Committee on municipal funds allocated to funding applications, as well as return on investment for any approved applications where funding is allocated.
4. That the Business in the Parks pilot be extended until December 31, 2020, and that staff in the Economic Creative Development Department review the scope of eligible applicants to provide more opportunity for program utilization in consultation with the Operations, Enforcement Services, Legal Services, and Recreation and Culture Services Departments. (ECD015-20)

Attachments: [ECD015-201102](#)

7. REPORTS OF OFFICERS OF THE CORPORATION

Nil.

8. ITEM(S) FOR DISCUSSION

ITM 8.1 FEASIBILITY OF IMPLEMENTING PARKING RESTRICTIONS - TOMLIN COURT, DIXON COURT, AND NORTH SIDE OF MACMILLAN COURT (WARD 8)

1. That staff in the Operations Department investigate the feasibility of implementing parking restrictions on Tomlin Court, Dixon Court and the north side of MacMillan Court between house numbers 28-50 and on the south side 27 to 10 metres west of the mailboxes inclusive and report back to General Committee.
2. That the resident survey to be conducted as part of this investigation include various options for restrictions that could be considered, including but not limited to three-hour parking restrictions, specific times/hours of the day. (Item for Discussion, 8.1, November 2, 2020)

Sponsor: Councillor, J. Harris

ITM 8.2 CONFIDENTIAL POTENTIAL ACQUISITION OF PROPERTY MATTER - WELLINGTON STREET

(Item for Discussion 8.2, November 2, 2020)

Sponsor: Councillor, S. Morales

ITM 8.3**REQUEST TO PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT TO REVERSE PROPOSAL TO REMOVE RANKED BALLOT OPTION FOR MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS**

WHEREAS, Ontario municipalities are constitutionally "creatures of the province" and operate under statutory power granted by the provincial government, such as the *Municipal Elections Act* legislation which permits local governments to select the process by which municipal elections occur; and

WHEREAS, Ranked Ballots are regarded as a fair, effective, and democratic tool, which promote diversity and civility, employed with success by all of Canada's major political parties to select their leaders (federally and provincially) and like the City of London; and

WHEREAS, currently the Ontario provincial government, as part of Bill 218 is seeking to amend the *Municipal Elections Act* by removing municipalities' ability to use Ranked Ballots without consultation or consideration for the democratic process by which Barrie residents could express their preference for this system of voting; and

WHEREAS Barrie City Council's intention, as actioned on June 15th, 2020 is that in the Fall of 2021, the City Clerk undertake the steps provided for in Section 8.1 of the *Municipal Elections Act* to submit a question on the 2022 election ballot concerning the implementation of ranked ballots for the 2026 election.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

Barrie City Council request the Provincial Government respect the current provision of the *Municipal Elections Act* and reverse their proposal to remove Ranked Ballots as a legitimate option for municipal elections (as per Bill 218), to preserve the integrity and importance of local decision-making by ensuring local governments continue to select the process by which municipal elections occur.

Further, that by way of correspondence from the Mayor, local MPPs are encouraged to respect the fundamental principles of democracy and current provision of the *Municipal Elections Act* by supporting the reversal of the government's proposal to remove Ranked Ballots as a legitimate option for municipal elections (as per Bill 218), and that correspondence also be issued to the Association of Municipalities of Ontario to urge action across their network of elected local leaders to encourage the government to reconsider making changes to the authority of local governments in the selection of the process by which municipal elections occur. (Item for Discussion 8.3, November 2, 2020)

Sponsor: Councillor, A.M. Kungl

9. INFORMATION ITEMS

Nil.

10. ENQUIRIES

11. ANNOUNCEMENTS**12. ADJOURNMENT****HEARING DEVICES AND AMERICAN LANGUAGE (ASL) INTERPRETERS:**

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