

City of Barrie

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Final

Town and Gown Committee

Wednesday, April 27, 2022 10:00 AM Virtual Meeting

For consideration by the Finance and Corporate Services Committee on May 31, 2022.

The meeting was called to order by the Chair, Councillor C. Riepma at 10:01 a.m. The following were in attendance for the meeting:

Present: 5 - Councillor C. Riepma

J. Chevrier Robb Meier J. Morozuk

B. Muscat - Georgian College

Absent: 3 - R. Calvano - Georgian College

R. Cardwell - East End Household Association

T. Zubyck - Georgian College

STAFF:

Committee Support Clerk, B. Thompson Manager of FPPE - Deputy Fire Chief, C. Clark Supervisor of Enforcement Services, J. Forgrave Supervisor of Traffic Operations and Community Safety, J. Sharp Zoning Officer, M. Gallagher.

ALSO PRESENT:

Barrie Police Service, M. Winn

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The Town and Gown Committee met and reports as follows:

SECTION "A"

MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS - STUDENT EDUCATION

The Committee discussed the municipal elections and what can be done to educate and engage students at Georgian College, as well as student voting eligibilities.

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

SECTION "B"

MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS - STUDENT EDUCATION

That Access Barrie and the Legislative and Court Services Department be requested to work with Georgian College to encourage greater engagement of the student population in the municipal election.

The Town and Gown Committee met and reports as follows:

SECTION "C"

NEW TERM OF TOWN AND GOWN COMMITTEE

The Committee discussed demographics Committee the of past memberships, the upcoming recruitment of new members, Georgian College and City relations, reframing the Committee to be more proactive and focused policy and systemic cooperation between representative on organizations, more diverse representation in the Committee, as well as communication of the application process. The Committee deferred conversations to the next meeting.

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GEORGIAN COLLEGE UPDATES

Brian Muscat, Georgian College provided updates concerning the continuation of the remote first delivery methods, as well that all staff will be back on campus for the summer semester. Mr. Muscat further provided that more in-person programs and Georgian College Flex hybrid programming will be available to students in the fall. He indicated that the college has maintained the masking mandate but has removed all entry restrictions. Mr. Muscat mentioned that the current President of Georgian College will be retiring in June and will be replaced by the current Vice-President.

CITY UPDATES

Jeff Sharp, Supervisor of Traffic Operations and Community Safety discussed the speed boards on Grove Street and Cook Street. Mr. Sharp indicated that the work to finalize the temporary speed cushion locations is ongoing and they should be installed by the end of June.

Michael Gallagher, Zoning Officer provided that there have been 110 city-wide zoning complaints since the last Committee meeting. Mr. Gallagher indicated that 40% of the complaints are from the northeast end of the City for both interior and exterior issues.

Forgrave, Supervisor Enforcement Services discussed the Jason of escalating property standards complaints on yard maintenance, dog feces, and garbage. Mr. Forgrave provided that complaints to Enforcement Services can be made by telephone or email. He further discussed spring recruitments, summer students to help at the waterfront, and new full-time officers to assist with complaints, such as parking issues, animal control, licencing issues, and yard maintenance.

Carrie Clark, Manager of FPPE, Deputy Fire Chief indicated that the Barrie Fire and Emergency calls for service and complaints between landlord and tenants have increased. Ms. Clark mentioned that from January to the end of March, there have been 77 calls for service, which included medical calls, fires, and alarms that required no action.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 10:46 a.m.

CHAIRMAN

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