



City of Barrie

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Minutes - Final General Committee

Monday, February 22, 2021

7:00 PM

Virtual Meeting

GENERAL COMMITTEE REPORT For consideration by Barrie City Council on March 1, 2021.

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

Present: 10 - Mayor, J. Lehman
Deputy Mayor, B. Ward
Councillor, C. Riepma
Councillor, K. Aylwin
Councillor, A. Kungl
Councillor, R. Thomson
Councillor, G. Harvey
Councillor, J. Harris
Councillor, S. Morales
Councillor, M. McCann

Absent: 1 - Councillor, N. Harris

STAFF:

Chief Administrative Officer, M. Prowse
City Clerk/Director of Legislative and Court Services, W. Cooke
Committee Support Clerk, T. McArthur
Deputy City Clerk, C. Swan
Director of Economic and Creative Development, S. Schlichter
Director of Corporate Facilities, R. Pews
Director of Infrastructure, B. Araniyasundaran
Director of Finance/Treasurer, C. Millar
Director of Information Technology, R. Nolan
Director of Legal Services, I. Peters
Director of Development Services, M. Banfield
Director of Recreation and Culture Services, R. Bell
Director of Operations, D. Friary
Director of Transit and Parking Strategy, B. Forsyth

Executive Director of Access Barrie, R. James-Reid
General Manager of Community and Corporate Services, D. McAlpine
General Manager of Infrastructure and Growth Management, A. Miller
Legal Council, C. Packham
Manager of Corporate Asset Management, K. Oakley
Manager of Legal Services, A. Mills
Manager of Linear Infrastructure, A. Kiley.

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

SECTION "A"

21-G-024 REPORT OF THE CITY BUILDING COMMITTEE DATED FEBRUARY 2, 2021

That the Report of the City Building Committee dated February 2, 2021, be received. (File: C05)

This matter was recommended (Section "A") to City Council for consideration of receipt at its meeting to be held on 3/1/2021.

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

SECTION "B"

21-G-025 SINGLE USE PLASTICS AT CITY OWNED FACILITIES AND CITY PERMITTED EVENTS

1. That staff in the Business Performance and Environmental Sustainability, and Recreation and Culture Services Departments and Access Barrie develop a program to encourage local businesses and event organizers to discontinue the provision of single-use plastics at their establishments or events with an approach suitable to their operation and that the City implement a voluntary ban of single-use plastics at all City Facilities and City Special Events.
2. That to encourage participation in the voluntary single-use plastics ban, City staff develop an associated Outreach Program that complements Federal, Provincial, and Municipal Circular Economy Initiatives.

This matter was recommended (Section "B") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 3/1/2021.

21-G-026**TEMPORARY SANITARY SERVICING ARRANGEMENTS - SALEM
SECONDARY PLAN AREA**

1. That the General Manager of Infrastructure and Growth Management and the Chief Administrative Officer be authorized to negotiate a Construction, Maintenance and Operation Agreement wherein Watersand Construction Ltd. and Wormwood Developments Ltd. (collectively, the "Landowner") and the City agree to the details of the Landowner's commitments to construct, operate and maintain a temporary sanitary pumping station and forcemain (the "Project"), in a form approved by the Director of Legal Services and the Director of Infrastructure, and as detailed in Appendix "A" to Staff Report IGM001-21.
2. That the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to execute a Construction, Maintenance and Operating Agreement for the Project with Watersand Construction Ltd. and Wormwood Developments Ltd.
3. That the principle of temporarily redistributing sewer capacity between wastewater sewersheds, in order to facilitate development in the northeast and southeast quadrants of Veteran's Drive and McKay Road, be supported.
4. That the General Manager of Infrastructure and Growth Management and the Chief Administrative Officer be authorized to negotiate a sewer capacity allocation agreement with H&H Capital and 2528286 Ontario Inc./2431805 Ontario Inc. ("Poponne") for the Salem Secondary Plan Area Phase 1 lands they own, located in the northeast corner of Veteran's Drive and McKay Road, generally in accordance with the principles set out in Staff Report IGM001-21, and in a form approved by the Director of Legal Services and the Director of Finance.
5. That the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to execute the Sewer Capacity Allocation Agreement.
6. That the forecasted budget of \$15,361,783 for construction of project EN1257 in the 2021 Capital Plan for the McKay Road ROW Expansion - Reid Drive to west of Highway 400 (Developer), be approved.
7. That the forecasted budget of \$7,193,602 for construction for project EN1258 in the 2021 Capital Plan for the Veterans Drive New Trunk Watermain - Salem to McKay (Developer), be approved.
8. That the General Manager of Infrastructure and Growth Management and the Chief Administrative Officer be authorized to negotiate a Development Charge Credit Agreement with Watersand Construction Ltd. for the approved infrastructure works related to road, storm and sanitary sewer works (associated with project EN1257) generally in

accordance with the principles set out in Staff Report IGM001-21 and in a form approved by the Director of Legal Services and the Director of Infrastructure.

9. That the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to execute the Development Charge Credit Agreement for the EN1257 works.
10. That the General Manager of Infrastructure and Growth Management and the Chief Administrative Officer be authorized to negotiate a Development Charge Credit Agreement with Watersand Construction Ltd. for the approved watermain works within Veterans Drive (associated with project EN1258) generally in accordance with the principles set out in Staff Report IGM001-21 and in a form approved by the Director of Legal Services and the Director of Infrastructure.
11. That the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to execute the Development Charge Credit Agreement for the EN1258 works.
12. That the principles detailed in Appendix "B" of Staff Report IGM001-21 be supported to form the basis for annual monitoring and decision making around measures to mitigate the risks of temporarily reallocating sewer capacity between sewersheds. (IGM001-21) (File: D17-GRO) (P1/21)

This matter was recommended (Section "B") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 3/1/2021.

21-G-027 EN1169 LOVERS CREEK NEW BRIDGE AT TOLLENDAL MILL ROAD (WARD 8)

That staff proceed with Capital Project EN1169 Lovers Creek New Bridge at Tollendal Mill Road for construction in 2021 as recommended in the Capital Plan and as identified in Staff Report INF002-21. (INF002-21) (File: E02-LOV)

This matter was recommended (Section "B") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 3/1/2021.

21-G-028 DISPOSITION OF PROPERTY MATTER - KING STREET (WARD 7)

1. That the property legally described as Block 22, Plan 51 M-695 and known municipally as 72 King Street, Barrie (the "Subject Property") as shown in Appendix "A" to Confidential Staff Report LGL002-21, be sold to 52 King Street (Barrie) Inc. (In Trust) (the "Purchaser") in accordance with the terms and conditions set out in the Agreement of Purchase and Sale (the "APS") attached as Appendix "B" to Confidential Staff Report LGL002-21.
2. That The Corporation of the City of Barrie (the "City") remove its condition on Council approval contained within the APS and proceed to complete the sale process.

3. That the City Clerk be authorized to execute all associated and required documents necessary to remove the condition of sale or amend any term contained in the APS on the recommendation of and in a form approved by the Director of Legal Services.
4. That the proceeds from the sale be transferred to the Parkland Reserve. (LGL002-21) (File: L17-33) (P36/20)

This matter was recommended (Section "B") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 3/1/2021.

21-G-029**RAIL CROSSING AGREEMENTS FOR MUNICIPAL INFRASTRUCTURE AND SERVICES**

1. That the General Manager of Infrastructure and Growth Management be authorized to negotiate Crossing Agreements for various City infrastructure projects within the City's boundaries with Metrolinx or any other applicable rail owner or operator, in a form approved by the Director of Legal Services and the Director of Infrastructure.
2. That the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to execute Crossing Agreements. (LGL005-21) (L04-GEN)

This matter was recommended (Section "B") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 3/1/2021.

21-G-030**2020-2021 ONTARIO GAS TAX FUNDING AGREEMENT**

That the Mayor and Treasurer be authorized to execute a Letter of Agreement with the Province of Ontario as represented by the Ministry of Transportation related to the Dedicated Gas Tax Funds for Public Transportation Program to allow for the alignment of the program year with the Provincial fiscal year. (TPS002-21)

This matter was recommended (Section "B") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 3/1/2021.

21-G-031**CONTINUANCE OF THE DIGITAL MAIN STREET PROGRAM**

WHEREAS the COVID-19 pandemic has had a negative impact on main street businesses and the survival of the small business sector is essential to the Province's recovery efforts; and

WHEREAS on December 26, 2020 at 12:01 a.m. Ontario entered into a Province-wide Shutdown which limited many main street businesses to curbside pick-up and delivery options only; and

WHEREAS ongoing restrictions under the Ontario COVID-19 response framework continue to challenge the revenue models of businesses; and

WHEREAS online and digital channels have emerged as an important method for main street businesses to interact with customers and generate revenues; and

WHEREAS the Digital Main Street program has been implemented by the City of Barrie through local Digital Service Squads which have supported over 215 main street businesses in the City of Barrie to adopt new online and digital tools and skills, and opportunities for qualifying businesses to access \$2,500 Digital Transformation Grants to successfully implement these digital tools within their business; and

WHEREAS as of December 31, 2020 applications are no longer being accepted for the \$2,500 Digital Transformation Grant and the specific funding for the Digital Service Squads administered by the City of Barrie ends in March 2021.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

1. That the provincial and federal governments be requested to renew and expand their funding to the Digital Main Street program to help Barrie businesses survive the COVID-19 pandemic and to figure in the recovery of the Ontario economy in the future.
2. That the provincial and federal governments be requested to renew funding for the \$2,500 Digital Transformation Grant and Digital Service Squad grant programs within the Digital Main Street portfolio.
3. That the provincial and federal governments be requested to expand the Digital Transformation Grant program to be available to all main street businesses that are located outside of a designated Business Improvement Area (BIA).
4. That the provincial and federal governments be requested to commit to a minimum two (2) year funding extension to the Digital Main Street program.
5. That a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Right Honourable Justin Trudeau, P.C., Prime Minister of Canada, the Honourable Mélanie Joly, Minister of Economic Development and Official Languages, the Honourable Mary Ng, Minister of Small Business, Export Promotion and International Trade, the Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario, the Honourable Victor Fedeli, Minister of Economic Development, Job Creation and Trade, the Honourable Prabmeet Sarkaria, Associate Minister of Small Business and Red Tape Reduction, the Honourable Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, Barrie's MPs, Barrie's MPPs, the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM), the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), Ontario Big City Mayor's Caucus (OBCM), Mayors and Regional Chairs of Ontario (MARCO), GTHA Mayors and Chairs, Ontario Business Improvement Area Association (OBIAA), Tourism Industry Association of Ontario (TIAO), Ontario Restaurant, Hotel and Motel Association (ORHMA), Ontario Chamber of Commerce (OCC), Greater Barrie Chamber of Commerce, Tourism Barrie, Barrie Downtown Business Improvement Association. (Item for Discussion 8.1, February 22, 2021)

This matter was recommended (Section "B") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 3/1/2021.

21-G-032 **INVESTIGATION ADVANCE LEFT-TURN SIGNALS (WARD 6)**

That staff in the Development Services Department investigate the feasibility of adding an advance left-turn signal at the following intersections and report back to General Committee:

- a) Ardagh Road and Wright Drive; and
- b) Ardagh Road and Hawkins Drive. (Item for Discussion 8.2, February 22, 2021)

This matter was recommended (Section "B") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 3/1/2021.

21-G-033 **ADDITION OF MUNICIPAL STREET NAME - JOHN BORROWS**

That the name John Borrows be added as a Municipal Street Name to the Municipal Naming Registry in recognition of his contribution to Indigenous and legal rights. (Item for Discussion 8.6, February 22, 2021)

This matter was recommended (Section "B") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 3/1/2021.

21-G-034 **COVID-19 IMMUNIZATION CLINICS**

- 1. That the utilization by the Simcoe Muskoka District Health Unit of City of Barrie Community Centres as COVID-19 immunization centres and support services, be supported.
- 2. That the General Manager of Community and Corporate Services be authorized to negotiate the arrangements as well as other terms associated with its use of City Community Centres, subject to the satisfaction of the Chief Administrative Officer and the Director of Legal Services.
- 3. That the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to execute any documents that may be required. (Item for Discussion 8.7, February 22, 2021)

This matter was recommended (Section "B") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 3/1/2021.

SECTION "C"**21-G-035 REPLACEMENT OF DOOR FRAME AND TRANSOM WINDOW -
SOUTHSORE COMMUNITY CENTRE**

That consent be granted, in accordance with Section 33 of the *Ontario Heritage Act*, to allow for the replacement of a door frame and transom window at the designated heritage property (By-law 91-197) municipally known as 205 Lakeshore Drive with the proposed alterations described in the Heritage Barrie Report dated December 9, 2020.

Councillor, M. McCann declared a potential pecuniary interest on the foregoing matter as he owns a window and door business. He did not participate in any discussion or vote on the matter. He remained in the virtual General Committee meeting.

This matter was recommended (Section "C") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 3/1/2021.

SECTION "D"**21-G-036 MUNICIPAL HERITAGE REGISTER - 59 WILLIAM STREET AND 188
COLLIER STREET**

That the properties known municipally as 59 William Street and 188 Collier Street be added to the Municipal Heritage Register as listed properties.

Mayor, J. Lehman declared a potential pecuniary interest on the foregoing matter as he lives in a neighbouring property near 59 William Street. He did not participate in any discussion or vote on the matter. He remained in the virtual General Committee meeting.

This matter was recommended (Section "D") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 3/1/2021.

SECTION "E"**21-G-037 REMUNERATION FOR ANTI-RACISM TASK FORCE**

That, as of March 1, 2021, the members of the Anti-Racism Task Force be remunerated \$45.00 per meeting, not to exceed \$90.00 per month, to be funded previously committed funds approved by Council and allocated to the Anti-Racism Task Force through the Mayor's Office and Barrie Police Service budgets. (Item for Discussion 8.5, February 22, 2021)

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 remained in the virtual General Committee meeting.

This matter was recommended (Section "E") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 3/1/2021.

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

SECTION "F"**21-G-038 WATER OPERATIONS BRANCH 2020 DRINKING WATER SYSTEM REPORTS**

That Staff Report INF001-21 regarding the Water Operations Branch 2020 Drinking Water System Reports be deferred to the next General Committee meeting of March 8, 2021. (INF001-21)

This matter was recommended (Section "F") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 3/1/2021.

SECTION "G"**21-G-039 TRAFFIC CALMING ASPHALT SPEED CUSHIONS**

That Capital Project #001048 be amended to reflect that permanent traffic calming speed cushions be constructed using asphalt instead of concrete. (INF003-21) (File: T00)

This matter was recommended (Section "G") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 3/1/2021.

SECTION "H"**21-G-040****I LOVE BARRIE SIGNAGE**

1. That staff in Access Barrie investigate the feasibility of procuring a landmark sign ('heart icon' Barrie) to bring the City of Barrie together and encourage residents and tourist to capture memories and share on social media, with the proposed sign being bold and having Lake Simcoe in the backdrop, with the sign being a size of 6-10 feet high, and the sign incorporate basic colours and effects so that the lights could be changed in recognition of special occasions, including consultation with the Barrie Public Art Committee and the MacLaren Arts Centre concerning the potential location and report back to General Committee.
2. That upon completion of a competitive bid process and once a preferred vendor is selected, a Working Group be established, including Mayor, J. Lehman, Councillor, M. McCann and Councillor, R. Thomson, the vendor, and staff from Access Barrie to select the final design of the signage and installation timelines with a goal of July 1, 2022, and report back to General Committee via memorandum.
3. That the cost of the sign not exceed \$200,000 with the total cost to be fundraised by Councillor, M. McCann in accordance with the City's Donation Policy with assistance from the BIA, Tourism Barrie and Chamber of Commerce and that an update on the total funds raised be provided to General Committee with the report back from staff. (Item for Discussion 8.3, February 22, 2021)

This matter was recommended (Section "H") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 3/1/2021.

SECTION "I"**21-G-041****AMENDMENT TO BUSINESS LICENSING BY-LAW REGARDING SALE OF ANIMALS**

That staff in the Legislative and Court Services Department investigate the feasibility of amending Business Licensing By-law 2006-266 as amended, to implement restrictions to only permit dogs sold through a Pet Shop if acquired through reputable sources including, but not limited to, an animal shelter, registered humane society and licenced breeder. (Item for Discussion 8.4, February 22, 2021)

This matter was recommended (Section "I") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 3/1/2021.

The General Committee reports that upon adoption of the required procedural motion it met in closed session electronically at 8:54 p.m. to discuss the content of confidential Staff Report LCS002-21 concerning a confidential personal information matter – appointments to the Accessibility Advisory Committee and the Active Transportation and Sustainability Advisory Committee.

Members of General Committee (with the exception of Councillor, N. Harris), Chief Administrative Officer, City Clerk/Director of Legislative and Court Services, Deputy City Clerk, Director of Finance/Treasurer, Director of Legal Services, Executive Director of Access Barrie, General Manager of Infrastructure and Growth Management and the General Manager of Community and Corporate Services were in attendance for the portion of the meeting closed to the public. Members of the press and public were not present for this portion of the meeting.

The General Committee met and reports as follows:

SECTION "J"

21-G-042 CONFIDENTIAL PERSONAL INFORMATION MATTER - APPOINTMENTS TO THE ACCESSIBILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE AND ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION AND SUSTAINABILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

That motion 21-G-042 contained within the confidential notes to the General Committee Report dated February 22, 2021 concerning the discussion of Staff Report LCS002-21 regarding a confidential personal information matter - Appointments to the Accessibility Advisory Committee and the Active Transportation and Sustainability Advisory Committee, be received. (LCS002-21) (File: C06)

This matter was recommended (Section "I") to City Council for consideration of receipt at its meeting to be held on 3/1/2021.

The General Committee reports upon adoption of a procedural motion, it met in public/open session at 9:00 p.m.

Mayor, J. Lehman noted that the in-camera/closed session portion of the meeting was related to a confidential personal information matter concerning an appointment to Accessibility Advisory Committee and Active Transportation and Sustainability Advisory Committee. Mayor, J. Lehman stated that with the exception of the procedural matter to move into public / open session, votes were not taken during the portion of the meeting closed to the public.

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

SECTION "K"**21-G-043 COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS**

That Marie Francis be appointed to the Accessibility Advisory Committee and Kelly Patterson-McGrath be appointed to the Active Transportation and Sustainability Advisory Committee for a term of office to expire on November 14, 2022. (LCS002-21) (File: C06)

This matter was recommended (Section "K") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 3/1/2021.

ENQUIRIES

Members of General Committee addressed enquires to City staff and received responses.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Members of General Committee provided announcements concerning a number of matters.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 9:02 p.m.

CHAIRMAN