



City of Barrie

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Final General Committee

Wednesday, January 10, 2024

7:00 PM

Council Chamber/Virtual

GENERAL COMMITTEE REPORT

For consideration by Barrie City Council on January 17, 2024.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor, A. Nuttall 7:53 p.m. The following were in attendance for the meeting:

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

STAFF:

Chief Administrative Officer, M. Prowse
Chief Financial Officer, C. Millar
City Clerk/Director of Legislative and Court Services, W. Cooke
Deputy City Clerk, T. McArthur
Director of Development Services, M. Banfield
Director of Economic and Creative Development, S. Schlichter
Director of Information Technology, R. Nolan
Director of Recreation and Culture Services, D. Bell
Executive Assistant to the Mayor, E. Chappell
Executive Director of Access Barrie, R. James-Reid
General Manager of Community and Corporate Services, D. McAlpine
General Manager of Infrastructure and Growth Management, B. Araniyasundaran
Legislative Coordinator, T. Maynard
Manager of Strategic Initiatives, Policy and Analysis, J. Roberts
Portfolio Manager, T. Rayaisse
Service Desk Generalist, K. Kovacs.

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

SECTION "A"

24-G-003 REPORT OF THE AFFORDABILITY COMMITTEE DATED DECEMBER 13, 2023

That the Report of the Affordability Committee dated December 13, 2023, be received.

This matter was recommended (Section "A") to City Council for consideration of receipt at its meeting to be held on 2024-01-17.

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

SECTION "B"

24-G-004 ALECTRA PROMISSORY NOTE

1. That the promissory note from Alectra Inc. (Alectra) in the principal amount of \$20 million be redeemed at maturity on May 31, 2024.
2. That the proceeds associated with the redemption be invested in the City's general fund in accordance with the City's Investment Policy, with earned interest included in the City's annual operating budget.
3. That the reserve for tracking the \$20 million funds be named Hydro Contribution Reserve with earned investment returns being used in the operating budget replacing the current Alectra promissory note interest. (FIN001-24) (File: F12)

This matter was recommended (Section "B") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 2024-01-17.

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

SECTION "C"

24-G-005

AFFORDABLE HOUSING STRATEGY

1. That the City of Barrie's Affordable Housing Strategy (AHS) dated November 2023, attached as Appendix "A" to Staff Report DEV002-24, be the guiding strategy for the City to action on housing affordability in 2024 and beyond as resources and budget allow, be approved.
2. That staff in the Development Services Department bring forward an implementation plan, including any budget requirements, and report back to the Affordability Committee by June 2024. (DEV002-24)

This matter was recommended (Section "C") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 2024-01-17.

ENQUIRIES

Members of General Committee did not address any enquires to City staff.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mayor Nuttall provided announcements concerning a number of matters.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:57 p.m.

CHAIRMAN