

City of Barrie

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Minutes - Final Town and Gown Committee

Wednesday, October 28, 2020

10:00 AM

Virtual Meeting

For consideration by the Finance and Corporate Services Committee on November 17, 2020.

The meeting was called to order by the Chair, Councillor C. Riepma at 10:03 a.m. The following were in attendance for the meeting:

Present: 6 - Councillor C. Riepma

R. Cardwell - East End Household Association

J. Chevrier

R. Meier - East End Household Association

J. Morozuk

B. Muscat - Georgian College

Absent: 2 - R. Calvano - Georgian College

T. Zubyck - Georgian College

ALSO PRESENT:

Georgian College, K. Watson.

STAFF:

Assistant Deputy Fire Chief of Fire Prevention and Public Education, C Clark Committee Support Clerk, T. Maynard Planner, T. Wierzba Supervisor of Traffic Operations, J. Sharp Zoning Enforcement Officer, M. Gallagher.

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The Town and Gown Committee met and reports as follows:

PRESENTATION CONCERNING THE DRAFT NEW OFFICIAL PLAN AND CITY-WIDE URBAN DESIGN GUIDELINES

T. Wierzba, Planner provided a presentation concerning the draft New Official Plan and City-Wide Urban Design Guidelines entitled "One City, One Vision, One Plan Barrie's New Official".

Mr. Wierzba discussed slides concerning the following topics:

- An overview on developing the New Official Plan and City-Wide Urban Design Guidelines;
- The September 24, 2020 release of the draft OP and City-Wide Urban Design Guidelines for public review;
- An overview depicting the approach to the Official Plan;
- The key principles in the development of Urban Design in Barrie;
- A video illustrating the vision for the City's New Official Plan;
- The vision for the Georgian College area;
- The next steps for the New Official Plan; and
- The community/stakeholder engagement and approval timelines.

Members of Committee asked a number of questions to City staff and received responses.

B. Muscat of Georgian College, R. Meier and R. Cardwell volunteered to review the new Draft Official Plan and will report back at the Committee's next meeting.

STUDENT ORIENTATION AT GEORGIAN COLLEGE

- B. Muscat provided an update concerning Georgian College and the COVID-19 pandemic. Mr. Muscat advised that a majority of students are learning remotely with a small portion of students learning on-campus dependent of the type of program.
- Mr. Muscat and K. Watson advised that Georgian College is preparing a COVID-19 Readiness Plan that will require the approval from the Province of Ontario prior to allowing international students access to the College.

UPDATE REGARDING STUDENT HOUSING

B. Muscat provided an update concerning student housing at Georgian College and he noted that the occupancy at student residences is approximately at forty-percent.

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NON-SMOKING POLICY AND THE IMPACT ON THE NEIGHBOURS OF GEORGIAN COLLEGE

There was no update provided regarding non-smoking policy and the impact on the neighbours of Georgian College.

GENERAL UPDATES

- M. Gallagher, Zoning Enforcement Officer provided an update concerning zoning enforcement in the Georgian College area.
- R. Cardwell, Barrie East End Household Association advised that BEEHA is currently looking for new members to join the association.
- J. Sharp, Supervisor of Traffic Operations provided an update on the status of speed cushions in Barrie. Mr. Sharp advised that during the summer months that bike lanes were installed along Georgian Drive and Penetanguishene Road.

The meeting adjourned at 11:22 a.m.

CHAIRMAN

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