



City of Barrie

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Final Town and Gown Committee

Wednesday, October 27, 2021

10:00 AM

Virtual Meeting

For consideration by the Finance and Corporate Services Committee on November 16, 2021.

The meeting was called to order by the Chair, Councilor C. Riepma at 10:05 a.m. The following were in attendance for the meeting:

- Present:** 5 - Councillor C. Riepma
J. Chevrier
Robb Meier
J. Morozuk
T. Zubyck - Georgian College
- Absent:** 3 - R. Calvano - Georgian College
R. Cardwell - East End Household Association
B. Muscat - Georgian College

STAFF:

Committee Support Clerk, B. Thompson
Supervisor of Traffic Operations and Community Safety, J. Sharp
Zoning Officer, M. Gallagher

The Town and Gown Committee met and reports as follows:

ABSENTEE LANDLORD LICENCING STATUS UPDATE

Councillor, C. Riepma provided an update on the status of the proposed Absentee Landlord Licencing Program discussed at recent General Committee and City Council meetings. He advised that the recommendation presented by City staff was amended by City Council to request staff to provide an Intake Form for the 2022 budget to include additional enforcement officers to focus on property standards matters instead of the Licensing Program.

The Committee discussed their concerns for the Georgian College area in the absence of an Absentee Landlord Licencing Program.

GEORGIAN COLLEGE UPDATES

Todd Zubyck provided an update on the operations of Georgian College including classes operating at 30 percent on campus, and an expected increase to 90 percent for the winter semester. He commented that in January 2022 the winter orientation is anticipated to run at normal capacity and operations. Mr. Zubyck advised that there is a vaccine mandate still in affect for anyone entering the College and will continue into January 2022.

WORK PLAN PRIORITIES

Councillor, C. Riepma summarized past discussions on the Committee's Work Plan priorities that included the Snow Angels, the ReThink Waste Program, and the composition of the Committee.

The Committee discussed and provided feedback for future item discussions, such as Georgian College student representation on the Committee, systemic racism within the community, and mandate opportunities. They agreed to invite Access Barrie and the Director of Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion (EDI) of Georgian College to a future meeting to discuss a communication and outreach strategy in working to reducing the racism in the community.

CITY UPDATES

Jeff Sharp, Supervisor of Traffic Operations and Community Safety provided updates on the traffic calming activities, such as permanent speed cushion installations on Codrington Street and Cheltenham Road, the removal of temporary speed cushions, and moving the speed boards around the City for speed control.

Michael Gallagher, Zoning Officer provided a statistical update concerning complaints throughout the City as well as information on boarding, lodging, rooming houses, second suites, vehicle storage on landscaped areas, and interior and exterior issues.

Members of the Committee asked questions of Mr. Gallagher on the complaints, the locations of the complaints, and the issues resolved.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 10:48 a.m.

CHAIRMAN