



# City of Barrie

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## Final General Committee

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Wednesday, January 10, 2024

7:00 PM

Council Chamber/Virtual

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### 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**