



City of Barrie

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Minutes - Final General Committee

Saturday, December 5, 2020

8:30 AM

Virtual Meeting

GENERAL COMMITTEE REPORT

For consideration by Barrie City Council on December 14, 2020.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Lehman at 8:30 a.m. The following were in attendance for the meeting:

Present: 11 - Mayor, J. Lehman
Deputy Mayor, B. Ward
Councillor, C. Riepma
Councillor, K. Aylwin
Councillor, A. Kungl
Councillor, R. Thomson
Councillor, N. Harris
Councillor, G. Harvey
Councillor, J. Harris
Councillor, S. Morales
Councillor, M. McCann

STAFF:

Chief Administrative Officer, M. Prowse
City Clerk/Director of Legislative and Court Services, W. Cooke
Director of Finance/Treasurer, C. Millar
Director of Information Technology, R. Nolan
Director of Legal Services, I. Peters
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.

ALSO PRESENT:

Kirk Fox, Devlp

The General Committee reports that upon adoption of the required procedural motion it met in closed session electronically at 8:31 a.m. to discuss a presentation concerning a confidential education and training session - Approaches to Strategic Priorities Setting.

Members of General Committee, the Chief Administrative Officer, City Clerk/Director of Legislative and Court 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 "A"

20-G-220 CONFIDENTIAL EDUCATION AND TRAINING SESSION - APPROACHES TO STRATEGIC PRIORITIES SETTING

That motion 20-G-220 of the General Committee Report dated December 5, 2020, being the confidential notes concerning the discussion of a presentation regarding a confidential education and training session - Approaches to Strategic Priorities Setting, be received.

This matter was recommended (Section "A") to City Council for consideration of receipt at its meeting to be held on 12/14/2020.

General Committee recessed at 10:16 a.m. and reconvened at 10:30 a.m.

Upon adoption of the required procedural motion, General Committee moved into Open Session at 10:30 a.m.

Mayor Lehman provided a brief overview of the nature of the closed session noting that General Committee met and discussed the content a presentation concerning a confidential education and training session - Approaches to Strategic Priorities Setting. Mayor 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 reports as follows:

SECTION "B"

20-G-221 MID-TERM REVIEW OF COUNCIL'S STRATEGIC PRIORITIES 2018-2022

Mayor Lehman introduced Kirk Fox, Devlp the facilitator for the Strategic Priorities Session.

M. Prowse, CAO reviewed the 2018-2022 Barrie City Council Strategic Priorities presentation that highlighted the achievements and key performance indicators to-date in order to frame the discussion and context of the meeting.

Mr. Fox reviewed the ranking of Council's priorities based on interviews with the individual members of Council. Now to come to an agreement the priorities to focus on for the last half of the term.

1. Growing our Economy
2. Fostering a Safe and Healthy City
3. Building Strong Neighbourhoods
4. Improve the Ability to get around
5. Offering Innovative and Citizen Driven Services

Mr. Fox noted the top 3 areas that at least 50% of the individual Councillors recognized as still requiring additional focus:

- Affordable housing/homelessness;
- Recover from the effects of COVID-19; and
- Downtown and waterfront core projects, walkable neighborhoods.

Mr. Fox discussed the feedback he received indicating that Councillors did not feel any priorities were missing.

Members of General Committee discussed the three areas of focus identified by Mr. Fox as well as an additional priority and subsets.

This matter was recommended (Section "B") to City Council for consideration of receipt at its meeting to be held on 12/14/2020.

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

SECTION "C"

20-G-222

UPDATE TO CITY COUNCIL'S 2018-2022 STRATEGIC PRIORITIES

1. That City Council's 2018-2022 Strategic Priorities be updated as follows:
 - a) By adding the following priority and subsets:
 6. A Vibrant and Safe downtown
 - Engage the BIA
 - Attract people to the downtown
 - Safety in the downtown
 - Improving and expanding public spaces
 - b) By adding the following subsets under "Growing our Economy" priority
 - Servicing industrial lands

- Supporting locally owned businesses
- c) By adding the following subset under “Fostering and Promoting a Safe City”
 - Promoting gender and racial equity.

2. That staff in Access Barrie report back to General Committee with final wording for the new priority and subsets.

This matter was recommended (Section "C") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 12/14/2020.

ENQUIRIES

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Members of General Committee did not provide any announcements.

The meeting adjourned at 12:30 p.m.

CHAIRMAN