TOWN OF AURORA
GENERAL COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT

Council Chambers
Aurora Town Hall
Tuesday, February 16, 2016

ATTENDANCE

COUNCIL MEMBERS Councillor Thompson in the Chair; Councillors Gaertner, Humfries, Kim, Mrakas, Pirri, Thom, and Mayor Dawe

MEMBERS ABSENT Councillor Abel

OTHER ATTENDEES Chief Administrative Officer, Director of Building and By-law Services, Director of Corporate and Financial Services/Treasurer, Director of Infrastructure and Environmental Services, Acting Director of Legal and Legislative Services/Town Clerk, Director of Parks and Recreation Services, Director of Planning and Development Services, Associate Solicitor, and Council/Committee Secretary

The Chair called the meeting to order at 7 p.m.

1. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST AND GENERAL NATURE THEREOF

There were no declarations of pecuniary interest under the Municipal Conflict of Interest Act.

2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

General Committee approved the agenda as circulated by Legal and Legislative Service, with the following addition:

➤ Item 16 – LLS16-010 – Canada 150 Ad Hoc Committee Terms of Reference CARRIED
3. **DETERMINATION OF ITEMS REQUIRING SEPARATE DISCUSSION**

Items 1, 2, 3, 7, 9, 12, 14, and 16 were identified for discussion.

4. **ADOPTION OF ITEMS NOT REQUIRING SEPARATE DISCUSSION**

Items 4, 5, 6, 8, 10, 11, 13, and 15 were identified as items not requiring separate discussion.

**General Committee recommends:**

THAT the following recommendations respecting the matters listed as “Items Not Requiring Separate Discussion” be adopted as submitted to the General Committee and staff be authorized to take all necessary action required to give effect to same:

4. **IES16-015 – Award of Tender IES 2016-03 – Replacement of Dump Truck and Plow**

THAT Report No. IES16-015 be received; and

THAT additional funding in the amount of $5,979.54 be provided for Project No. 34236 – Replacement of Dump Truck and Plow from the Fleet Repair & Replacement Reserve; and

THAT Tender IES 2016-03 for the supply and delivery of a 2017 dump, sander and plow truck be awarded to Currie Truck Centre in the amount of $202,417.00 excluding taxes; and

THAT the Mayor and Town Clerk be authorized to execute the necessary Agreement, including any and all documents and ancillary agreements required to give effect to same.

5. **IES16-016 – Award of Tender IES 2016-02 – Replacement of Two Ice Resurfacers**

THAT Report No. IES16-016 be received; and

THAT additional funding in the amount of $5,027.20 be provided for Project No. 34186 and Project No. 34192, replacement of two (2) ice resurfacers from the Fleet Repair & Replacement Reserve; and

THAT Tender IES 2016-02 for the supply and delivery of two (2) new ice resurfacers be awarded to Zamboni Company Limited in the amount of $172,000.00 excluding taxes; and
THAT the Mayor and Town Clerk be authorized to execute the necessary Agreement, including any and all documents and ancillary agreements required to give effect to same.

6. **IES16-017 – Facility Projects Status Report**

THAT Report No. IES16-017 be received for information.

8. **IES16-019 – Traffic Operations and Sightline Safety Concerns on John West Way and Hollandview Trail/Civic Square Gate Intersection**

THAT Report No. IES16-019 be received; and

THAT parking prohibitions on the east side of John West Way in front of #111 John West Way be moved 25 metres to the north to increase the sightline distance for westbound motorists on Civic Square Gate (north leg) to see oncoming southbound traffic on John West Way; and

THAT the necessary by-law be introduced to implement the above recommendation; and

THAT a letter be sent to #111 John West Way with Council’s adopted resolution.

10. **LLS16-004 – Pending List**

THAT Report No. LLS16-004 be received for information.

11. **PRS16-009 – Tree Permit Application for 3 Bluegrass Drive**

THAT Report No. PRS16-009 be received; and

THAT the application for the removal of trees at 3 Bluegrass Drive be approved in accordance with By-law No. 4474-03.D being a By-law to authorize the injury or destruction of trees (Tree Permit By-law); and

THAT the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to execute a Tree Protection and Compensation Agreement for the purposes of ensuring compliance with the specific terms and conditions associated with the issuance of the Tree Permit for 3 Bluegrass Drive, including any and all documents and ancillary agreements required to give effect to same.
13. **PDS16-007 – Application for Zoning By-law Amendment**  
Mattamy (Aurora) Limited  
1280 St. John’s Sideroad  
Part of Lot 26, Concession 2  
File Number: ZBA-2015-14

THAT Report No. PDS16-007 be received; and

THAT Application to Amend the Zoning By-law File: ZBA-2015-14 (Mattamy (Aurora) Ltd), to rezone the subject lands from “Detached Dwelling Second Density (R2-95) Exception Zone” to “Major Open Space (O-17) Exception Zone”, be approved; and

THAT the implementing Zoning By-law Amendment be presented at a future Council meeting for enactment.

15. **Accessibility Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes of February 3, 2016**

THAT the Accessibility Advisory Committee meeting minutes of February 3, 2016, be received for information.

CARRIED

5. **DELEGATIONS**

(a) **Nahla Khouri, Resident**  
Re: Mavrinac Boulevard Lands

General Committee consented on a two-thirds vote to waive the requirements of section 3.8(c) of the Procedural By-law to permit the delegation to speak for more than five minutes.

Ms. Khouri spoke in opposition to the aspects of the draft Parks and Recreation Master Plan pertaining to the Town-owned Mavrinac Boulevard land. She explained that, from the perspective of many area residents, there are flaws in the Plan and urged Council to consider using the land as greenspace or for other recreational uses.

General Committee received the comments of the delegation for information.

6. **PRESENTATIONS BY THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE CHAIR**

None
7. CONSIDERATION OF ITEMS REQUIRING SEPARATE DISCUSSION

1. **BBS16-002 – Proposed Sign By-law**

   General Committee recommends:

   THAT Report No. BBS16-002 be received; and

   THAT the sign permit fees in the proposed Sign By-law be set at a minimum of $150 for permanent signs, and $100 for mobile signs, banner/feather banner and special event signs; and

   THAT the sign permit fees be reviewed in the fall of 2017; and

   THAT the proposed Sign By-law be enacted at a future Council meeting.  

   **CARRIED**

2. **CFS16-004 – Results of Consultation – Differentiated Non-Residential Development Charge Rates**

   General Committee recommends:

   THAT Report No. CFS16-004 be received; and

   THAT no changes be made for the current Development Charges By-law at this time; and

   THAT differentiated non-residential rates which target specifically scoped employment sectors with lower rates be considered in the preparation of the Town’s next planned Development Charges By-law renewal in 2019.

   **CARRIED**

3. **IES16-012 – Award of Contract for Consulting Services – Building Condition Assessment Audit, RFP IES 2015-76**

   General Committee recommends:

   THAT Report No. IES16-012 be received; and

   THAT the budget for Project 72202 be increased by $24,830 to a revised limit of $174,830 with funding from the Facilities Repair and Replacement Reserve Fund; and
THAT the contract for consulting services for fourteen (14) building condition reports and energy audits (see Table 3) of Town-owned property, RFP IES 2015-76, be awarded to Stantec Consulting Ltd. for $156,187, excluding taxes; and

THAT the Mayor and Town Clerk be authorized to execute the necessary Agreement, including any and all documents and ancillary agreements required to give effect to same; and

THAT any rebates received from the Save on Energy program be returned to the Facilities Repair and Replacement Reserve Fund.

CARRIED


General Committee recommends:

THAT Report No. IES16-018 be received; and

THAT, pending satisfactory performance by Soil Engineers Ltd., staff be authorized to extend Purchase Order No. 542 for options year one (1) and two (2) of Contract IES 2015-27 for the Supply of Materials Testing, Inspection Services and Geotechnical Investigations for various projects, in the amount of $100,000 per year, excluding taxes.

CARRIED


General Committee recommends:

THAT Report No. IES16-020 be received; and

THAT the fee for Onespace Unlimited Inc. be increased from $1,049,284 to $1,145,944 to be funded within the existing budget.

CARRIED
12. **PDS16-006 – Terms of Reference for the Town of Aurora Design Review Panel for Heritage Properties**

   **General Committee recommends:**

   THAT Report No. PDS16-006 be received; and

   THAT the Terms of Reference for the Town of Aurora Design Review Panel for Heritage Properties be approved; and

   THAT staff be directed to issue a Request for Expression of Interest for Panel Members.

   **CARRIED**

14. **Community Recognition Review Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes of February 2, 2016**

   **General Committee recommends:**

   THAT the Community Recognition Review Advisory Committee meeting minutes of February 2, 2016 be, received for information.

   **CARRIED**

16. **LLS16-010 – Canada 150 Ad Hoc Committee Terms of Reference**

   **General Committee recommends:**

   THAT Report No. LLS16-010 be received; and

   THAT the Terms of Reference for the Canada 150 Ad Hoc Committee, Attachment 1 to this report, be approved with the following change:

   “2. **MEMBERSHIP**

   The Committee shall be comprised of five (5) citizen members selected by Council.”

   **CARRIED**
8. NOTICES OF MOTION

(a) Councillor Kim
Re: Publication of Purchase and Sale of Lands by the Town

WHEREAS there have been, and continue to be, many land transactions occurring in the Town of Aurora in which the Town of Aurora is a participant; and

WHEREAS the number of these transactions is significant and impacts the Town’s finances and budget; and
WHEREAS the residents of the Town would like to have easy access to the information; and

WHEREAS this information is not currently available on the Town of Aurora’s public website;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT, subject to the requirements of the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act, the Town of Aurora make available on its public website no later than June 30, 2016, a list of all completed land transactions (acquisitions and dispositions), including those completed within the previous five (5) years, that includes the following information:

(a) the property address;
(b) the names of the parties to the transaction;
(c) the closing date of the transaction;
(d) the purchase/sale price, with any taxes paid as part of the transaction separated out where possible; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the following types of land transactions be excluded from the list published on the Town’s website:

(a) transfers of land for a nominal amount;
(b) transfers of land pertaining to the registration of subdivision agreements; and
(c) transfers of land pertaining to property tax sales.

9. NEW BUSINESS/GENERAL INFORMATION

Mayor Dawe and Councillor Humfryes commended staff on a successful Arctic Adventure event on Family Day.
Councillor Thom extended appreciation to the Canada 150 Ad Hoc Committee members for their participation in the first Committee meeting held on Thursday, February 11, 2016.

Councillor Kim inquired about the status of a parking situation near McKenzie Marsh. Staff advised that the property owner has been contacted and gave a brief update.

Councillor Kim inquired about the status of the winter maintenance budget. Staff advised that there could be a reduction in the budget based on the amount of material used on winter road maintenance this season.

Councillor Pirri inquired about the process being taken towards hosting the Municipal Summit on golf course redevelopment.

10. CLOSED SESSION

None

11. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 9:11 p.m.

MICHAEL THOMPSON, COUNCILLOR    STEPHEN M. A. HUYCCKE, TOWN CLERK

THE REPORT OF THE GENERAL COMMITTEE MEETING OF FEBRUARY 16, 2016 RECEIVED FINAL APPROVAL BY COUNCIL ON FEBRUARY 23, 2016 WITH THE EXCEPTION OF ITEMS 9 AND 16 WHICH WERE APPROVED AS AMENDED AND ITEMS 10 AND 12 WHICH WERE APPROVED AS PRESENTED.