



TOWN OF AURORA COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Council Chambers
Aurora Town Hall
Tuesday, April 28, 2015

ATTENDANCE

COUNCIL MEMBERS	Mayor Dawe in the Chair; Councillors Abel, Gaertner, Humfryes, Kim, Mrakas, Thom, and Thompson
MEMBERS ABSENT	Councillor Pirri
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, Director of Legal and Legislative Services/Town Solicitor, Director of Parks and Recreation Services, Director of Planning and Development Services, Town Clerk, and Council/Committee Secretary

Mayor Dawe called the meeting to order at 7:05 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

Main motion
Moved by Councillor Thom
Seconded by Councillor Kim

THAT the agenda as circulated by Legal and Legislative Services, ***with the following addition***, be approved:

- Item 4 – Memorandum from Director of Parks and Recreation Services
Re: Follow-up to Report No. PR15-010 – Aurora King Baseball
Association Provision of Maintenance Service at Stewart Burnett
Park Baseball Diamond

Amendment

Moved by Councillor Thompson
Seconded by Councillor Mrakas

THAT the main motion be amended by adding the following additional item:

- Closed Session Item 1 – Litigation or potential litigation including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the Town or a Local Board;
Re: Aurora Family Leisure Complex.

CARRIED

Main motion as amended

Moved by Councillor Thom
Seconded by Councillor Kim

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- Item 4 – Memorandum from Director of Parks and Recreation Services
Re: Follow-up to Report No. PR15-010 – Aurora King Baseball
Association Provision of Maintenance Service at Stewart Burnett
Park Baseball Diamond

- ***Closed Session Item 1 – Litigation or potential litigation including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the Town or a Local Board;
Re: Aurora Family Leisure Complex.***

CARRIED AS AMENDED

3. ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES

Council Meeting Minutes of April 14, 2015
Special Council Meeting Minutes of April 14, 2015

Moved by Councillor Thom
Seconded by Councillor Kim

THAT the Council meeting minutes of April 14, 2015 and the Special Council meeting minutes of April 14, 2015 be adopted as printed and circulated.

CARRIED

4. PRESENTATIONS

None

5. PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENTS

Councillor Thompson thanked everyone who was involved with the Run or Walk for Southlake on April 26, 2015. He noted that the hospital has currently raised \$182,000 and encouraged everyone to continue to donate until the pledging close date of May 15, 2015.

Councillor Abel thanked Councillors Thompson, Humfryes, and all volunteers for organizing Team Aurora for the Run or Walk for Southlake.

Councillor Abel announced that May 6, 2015, is McHappy Day.

Councillor Abel announced that the 2nd Annual Gospel Music Festival, organized by Jim Edwards, would be taking place in June.

Councillor Abel extended congratulations to grade ten Aurora student Olivia Railton for being crowned World Champion at the World Debating Championship in Hong Kong.

Councillor Abel announced that the Doane House Hospice and King-Aurora Hospice are hosting a Hike for Hospice taking place on May 3, 2015, at Fairy Lake in Newmarket and Sheppard's Bush in Aurora.

Councillor Abel noted that the Aurora Community Arboretum annual community tree planting would be taking place on May 2, 2015 and further details are available at www.neighbourhoodnetwork.org.

Councillor Abel announced that the grand opening of Bellerby Wellness Studio located at 520 Industrial Parkway South would be taking place on May 2, 2015.

Councillor Humfryes announced that the Special Olympics Ontario-Aurora team would be playing in an International Invitational Special Olympics Bocce Tournament on April 30 through May 2, 2015, at Seneca College King Campus.

Councillor Humfryes announced that the Heart and Stroke Foundation Big Bike would be taking place on May 9, 2015 and encouraged everyone to join the team Aurora Has Heart.

Councillor Thom extended a reminder that April 21, 2015, was the 89th birthday of Queen Elizabeth II, Queen of Canada.

Councillor Kim noted that the Aurora Food Pantry would be celebrating their 25th anniversary on May 4, 2015, at 6:30 p.m.

Mayor Dawe thanked all volunteers who participated in Aurora's Annual Clean-Up event and noted that 1.25 tonnes of waste was collected.

Mayor Dawe noted that he attended the St. Andrew's College Highland Cadet Corps parade that re-affirmed the freedom of the Town.

Mayor Dawe extended congratulations to York Regional Police Chief Eric Joliffe for participating at the Cops for Cancer fundraiser that raised \$60,000 for childhood cancer research.

Mayor Dawe noted that he participated in the Civic Action Better City Boot Camp that discussed the challenges that big cities are facing such as: homelessness, transportation, affordable housing, and health care.

Mayor Dawe noted that York Region is partnering with the Community Partnership Council and the Municipal Multi-Cultural Reference Group to launch the Let's Talk Inclusion initiative in May 2015, which would be focusing on immigration and cultural diversity and that more information is available at **www.yorkwelcome.ca/LetsTalkInclusion**.

Mayor Dawe extended an invitation to the public to attend the grand opening of the new youth centre "The Loft" at the Aurora Family Leisure Complex on May 2, 2015 from 12 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Mayor Dawe extended a reminder about the 53rd Annual Juried Art Show and Sale on May 2 through May 3, 2015 at Town Hall.

Mayor Dawe extended a reminder that registration is open for Town of Aurora Summer Camps and information may be accessed through the Town website and the PingStreet mobile app, or by contacting Parks and Recreation Services.

Mayor Dawe announced that the Town is looking for present and former Pan Am and Parapan Am athletes, coaches, and officials to participate in an exhibition at the Aurora Cultural Centre, titled *A Legacy of Sport*, which will run from June 25 to mid-September, 2015, and those interested may contact Parks and Recreation Services at extension 4753 by May 1, 2015.

Mayor Dawe announced that the Pine Tree Potters' Guild would be holding their Spring Pottery Show and Sale on April 30 through May 3, 2015, at the Aurora Cultural Centre, and further information may be found at **www.pinetreepotters.ca**.

Mayor Dawe extended congratulations to Town staff Alex Tchervov who competed at the Boston Marathon on April 20, 2015, and completed the race in 3 hours, 28 minutes, and 57 seconds.

6. DETERMINATION OF ITEMS REQUIRING SEPARATE DISCUSSION

Items 1 (sub-items 2, 6, 12, and 13), 2, and 4 were identified for discussion.

7. ADOPTION OF ITEMS NOT REQUIRING SEPARATE DISCUSSION

Items 1 (with the exception of sub-items 2, 6, 12, and 13), and 3 were identified as items not requiring separate discussion.

Moved by Councillor Kim
Seconded by Councillor Thom

THAT the following recommendations with respect to the matters listed as "Items Not Requiring Separate Discussion" be adopted as submitted to Council and staff be authorized to take all necessary action required to give effect to same:

1. General Committee Meeting Report of April 21, 2015

THAT the General Committee meeting report of April 21, 2015 be received and the following recommendations carried by the Committee be approved:

- (1) PL15-032 – Site Plan Application, Chafam Premiere Inc./Sterne Motors Ltd., 300 Earl Stewart Drive, Lot 5, 65M-2873, File: SP-2014-10, Related File: ZBA-2014-06**

THAT Report No. PL15-032 be received; and

THAT Site Plan Application File: SP-2014-10 (Chafam Premiere Inc./Sterne Motors Ltd.) be approved to permit the development of the subject lands for a two (2) storey automotive dealership; and

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

- (3) IES15-029 – Award of Tender IES2015-14 – For New Sidewalk Construction on Golf Links Drive and Yonge Street**

THAT Report No. IES15-029 be received; and

THAT Tender IES2015-14 – For new sidewalk construction on Golf Links Drive, from Yonge Street to 125m west of Yonge Street and new accessible pedestrian signal installation at the Golf Links Drive/Dunning Avenue and Yonge Street intersection be awarded to Aloia Bros. Concrete Contractors Ltd. in the amount of \$106,852.50, 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.

(4) IES15-030 – Award of Tender IES2015-05 – Centre Street Reconstruction from Spruce Street to Walton Drive

THAT Report No. IES15-030 be received; and

THAT Tender IES2015-05 – Centre Street Reconstruction from Spruce Street to Walton Drive be awarded to Wyndale Paving Co. Ltd. in the amount of \$559,961.25, 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) IES15-033 – Award of Tender IES2015-16 – New Sidewalk Construction on Murray Drive, Edward Street, Civic Square Gate, and New Sidewalk and Bicycle Path on Bayview Avenue

THAT Report No. IES15-033 be received; and

THAT Tender IES2015-16 – New Sidewalk Construction on Murray Drive, North of Kennedy Street; Edward Street, from Engelhard Drive to Dunning Drive; Civic Square Gate (North Leg) and New Sidewalk and Bicycle Path on Bayview Avenue, from Hartwell Way to St. John's Sideroad be awarded to Pave-1 Construction Ltd. in the amount of \$309,130.00, 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.

(7) IES15-034 – The Judy Sherin Memorial Arena Rink Floor Investigation

THAT Report No. IES15-034 be received; and

THAT Report No. IES15-034 satisfy Council's conditional budget approval, and staff be authorized to proceed with capital project 72228 – The Judy Sherin Memorial Arena Ice Rink Floor Condition Assessment; and

THAT budget for capital project 72228 be increased from \$30,000 to \$45,000 for expenditures related to the initial investigation of the Arena floor and surrounding area of the ice rink and that this budget be funded from the facilities repair and replacement reserve.

(8) IES15-035 – Replacement of AFLC Pool Dehumidification Unit

THAT Report No. IES15-035 be received; and

THAT the dehumidification unit for the Aurora Family Leisure Complex (AFLC) pool area be replaced; and

THAT the project funding of \$210,000 plus HST to replace the dehumidification unit for the AFLC be provided from the Facilities Repair and Replacement Reserve.

(9) PL15-026 – Removal of Holding (H) Provision, Zoning By-law Amendment Applications within the 2C Secondary Plan Area (West) as follows:

Mattamy (Aurora) Limited, Part of Lot 26, Concession 2 E. Y. S., File: ZBA-2011-08 (H-4)

TACC Developments (Aurora) Inc., Part of Lot 25, Concession E. Y. S., File: ZBA-2011-09 (H-3)

St. John's Road Development Corp. (Metrus Development Inc.), Part of Lots 24 and 25, Concession 2 E. Y. S., File: ZBA-2012-01 (H-3)

Brookfield Homes (Ontario) Limited, Part of Lots 23, 24, and 25, Concession 2 E. Y. S., File: ZBA-2011-12 (H-3)

York Region Christian Senior Homes Inc. (H-2), Part of Lot 23, Concession 2 E. Y. S., File: ZBA-2011-13 (H-2)

Shimvest Investments Limited, Part of Lot 22, Concession 2 E. Y. S., File: ZBA-2012-02 (H-3)

THAT Report No. PL15-026 be received; and

THAT Applications ZBA-2011-08 (H-4), ZBA-2011-09 (H-3), ZBA-2012-01 (H-3), ZBA-2011-12 (H-3), ZBA-2011-13 (H-2), ZBA-2012-02 (H-3) to remove the Holding (H) provisions from the lands shown as 'Area to remove Holding (H) designation' on Figures 2-7 to staff Report No. PL15-026 be approved; and

THAT the necessary removal of the Holding provisions by-laws as referred to in Report No. PL15-026 be enacted at the next available Council meeting.

(10) PL15-033 – Zoning By-law Amendment and Site Plan Application, The CAP Centre Inc., 49 Wellington Street East, Files: ZBA-2014-04 and SP-2015-03

THAT Report No. PL15-033 be received; and

THAT Application to Amend the Zoning By-law File: ZBA-2014-04 (The CAP Centre Inc.) be approved, to add “Business and Professional Offices and Clinic” as permitted uses on the subject lands; and

THAT the implementing zoning by-law amendment be presented at a future Council meeting for enactment; and

THAT Site Plan Application File: SP-2015-03 (The CAP Centre Inc.) be approved to permit the development of the subject lands for the conversion of the existing residential building into a 192 m² commercial property on the subject lands; and

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

(11) PL15-036 – Request for Street Name Approval, Mattamy (Aurora) Limited, 1280 St. John’s Sideroad East, File: ADD-2015-05

THAT Report No. PL15-036 be received; and

THAT the following street names be approved for the proposed roads within the approved Draft Plan of Subdivision, SUB-2011-02, Mattamy (Aurora) Limited:

FOREST GROVE COURT	to replace	PEASE COURT
BRIDGEPOINTE COURT	to replace	GITTINS COURT

(14) Environmental Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes of April 2, 2015

THAT the Environmental Advisory Committee meeting minutes of April 2, 2015 be received for information.

(15) Economic Development Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes of April 9, 2015

THAT the Economic Development Advisory Committee meeting minutes of April 9, 2015 be received for information.

(16) Heritage Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes of April 13, 2015

THAT the Heritage Advisory Committee meeting minutes of April 13, 2015 be received; and

THAT the following recommendations regarding Item 1 – Report No. HAC15-001 be approved:

THAT the property located at 92 Tyler Street be removed from the Aurora Register of Properties of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest subsequent to demolition; and

THAT the property owner provide the Director of Planning and Development Services with architectural renderings for review by the Committee; and

THAT the property owner works with the Director of Planning and Development Services in order to ensure any proposed new structures are complementary to the heritage character of the area.

New Business Motion No. 1

THAT the Corporate Environmental Action Plan (CEAP) be brought to Council for review.

3. Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority Highlights – March 27, 2015 – Meeting of the Board

THAT the Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority Highlights – March 27, 2015 – Meeting of the Board be received for information.

CARRIED

8. DELEGATIONS

- (a) Dave Giroux, representing Aurora King Baseball Association
Re: Item 1(12) – PR15-010 – Aurora King Baseball Association
Provision of Maintenance Service at Stewart Burnett Park Baseball
Diamond**

Mr. Giroux was present to answer any questions regarding the Aurora King Baseball Association provision of maintenance service at Stewart Burnett Park baseball diamond.

**Moved by Councillor Gaertner
Seconded by Councillor Thompson**

THAT the comments of the delegation be received and referred to Item 1(12).

CARRIED

9. CONSIDERATION OF ITEMS REQUIRING SEPARATE DISCUSSION

- 1. General Committee Meeting Report of April 21, 2015**
- (2) IES15-032 – Facility Projects Status Report**

Moved by Councillor Thompson
Seconded by Councillor Mrakas

THAT Report No. IES15-032 be received for information.

CARRIED

- 1. General Committee Meeting Report of April 21, 2015**
- (6) IES15-036 – Award of Tender IES2015-01 – Replacement of the Cross Culvert on Yonge Street, Approximately 220m North of Kennedy Street**

Moved by Councillor Thom
Seconded by Councillor Kim

THAT Report No. IES15-036 be received; and

THAT Tender IES2015-01 – Replacement of the Cross Culvert on Yonge Street, Approximately 220m North of Kennedy Street be awarded to 2220742 Ontario Ltd. O/A Bronte Construction in the amount of \$463,274.50, excluding taxes; and

THAT additional funding in the amount of \$79,100 be provided for Project 42053 from the Storm Sewer Infrastructure Sustainability Reserve; 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.

CARRIED

- 1. General Committee Meeting Report of April 21, 2015**
- (12) PR15-010 – Aurora King Baseball Association Provision of Maintenance Service at Stewart Burnett Park Baseball Diamond**

On a motion of Councillor Mrakas seconded by Councillor Thompson, Council consented to consider Item 1(12) prior to Item 1(2).

Moved by Councillor Kim
Seconded by Councillor Mrakas

THAT Report No. PR15-010 be received; and

THAT the maintenance service level for Stewart Burnett Park baseball diamond be enhanced as set out in attached Schedule "A" entitled S. B. Maintenance Services; and

THAT the requirements of Schedule "A" entitled S. B. Maintenance Services be included in the facility maintenance agreement between the Aurora King Baseball Association (AKBA) and the Town authorized by Council on April 14, 2015; and

THAT \$7,000.00 be added to the 2015 Parks Operations Budget for the enhanced baseball diamond maintenance service level; and
THAT the Town compensate the AKBA in an amount not to exceed \$7,000.00 for the provision of said maintenance services; and

THAT the AKBA provision of enhanced maintenance services at Stewart Burnett Park baseball diamond be identified as a one (1) year pilot project; and

THAT staff report back on the pilot project after the conclusion of the 2015 baseball season.

**On a recorded vote the motion
CARRIED**

YEAS: 6	NAYS: 2
VOTING YEAS:	Councillors Abel, Humfries, Kim, Mrakas, Thom, and Thompson
VOTING NAYS:	Councillor Gaertner and Mayor Dawe
ABSENT:	Councillor Pirri

**1. General Committee Meeting Report of April 21, 2015
(13) Accessibility Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes of April 1, 2015**

**Main motion
Moved by Councillor Abel
Seconded by Councillor Thom**

THAT the Accessibility Advisory Committee meeting minutes of April 1, 2015 be received for information.

**Amendment
Moved by Councillor Abel
Seconded by Councillor Gaertner**

THAT the main motion be amended by adding the following clause:

“THAT staff be directed to bring a report to Council regarding the possibility of creating an Inclusion Coordinator position for aquatics and recreation services.”

CARRIED

**Main motion as amended
Moved by Councillor Abel
Seconded by Councillor Thom**

THAT the Accessibility Advisory Committee meeting minutes of April 1, 2015 be received for information; ***and***

THAT staff be directed to bring a report to Council regarding the possibility of creating an Inclusion Coordinator position for aquatics and recreation services.

CARRIED AS AMENDED

2. LLS15-033 – General Committee Closed Session Report of April 21, 2015

**Main motion
Moved by Councillor Thompson
Seconded by Councillor Mrakas**

THAT Report No. LLS15-033 be received; and

THAT Council adopt the following recommendations from the General Committee Closed Session meeting of April 21, 2015:

1. Personal matters about an identifiable individual, including a Town or Local Board employee; Re: LLS15-031 – 2015 Community Recognition Awards Recognitions

THAT Closed Session Report No. LLS15-031 be received; and

THAT the recipients for the 2015 Community Recognition Awards Nominations as selected by the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee and recommended by General Committee in Closed Session on April 21, 2015, be approved; and

THAT these recommendations remain confidential until the Community Recognition Awards ceremony is held on May 25, 2015.

2. Litigation or potential litigation including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the Town or a Local Board; Re: LLS15-030 – Town of Aurora v. Minto Communities Inc. – Update

THAT Closed Session Report No. LLS15-030 be received; and

THAT the confidential recommendations of General Committee in respect to the Town of Aurora v. Minto Communities Inc. be approved.

Amendment

Moved by Councillor Thompson

Seconded by Councillor Mrakas

THAT the main motion be amended by adding the following clause to the second item:

“THAT staff be directed to provide residents with information regarding Council’s confidential closed session recommendations in the matter of Aurora v. Minto, to the extent that the Town Solicitor deems any such information non-prejudicial to the Town’s position in this litigation.”

CARRIED

Main motion as amended

Moved by Councillor Thompson

Seconded by Councillor Mrakas

THAT Report No. LLS15-033 be received; and

THAT Council adopt the following recommendations from the General Committee Closed Session meeting of April 21, 2015:

1. Personal matters about an identifiable individual, including a Town or Local Board employee; Re: LLS15-031 – 2015 Community Recognition Awards Recognitions

THAT Closed Session Report No. LLS15-031 be received; and

THAT the recipients for the 2015 Community Recognition Awards Nominations as selected by the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee and recommended by General Committee in Closed Session on April 21, 2015, be approved; and

THAT these recommendations remain confidential until the Community Recognition Awards ceremony is held on May 25, 2015.

2. Litigation or potential litigation including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the Town or a Local Board; Re: LLS15-030 – Town of Aurora v. Minto Communities Inc. – Update

THAT Closed Session Report No. LLS15-030 be received; and

THAT the confidential recommendations of General Committee in respect to the Town of Aurora v. Minto Communities Inc. be approved; **and**

THAT staff be directed to provide residents with information regarding Council's confidential closed session recommendations in the matter of Aurora v. Minto, to the extent that the Town Solicitor deems any such information non-prejudicial to the Town's position in this litigation

CARRIED AS AMENDED

**4. Memorandum from Director of Parks and Recreation Services
Re: Follow-up to Report No. PR15-010 – Aurora King Baseball Association
Provision of Maintenance Service at Stewart Burnett Park Baseball
Diamond**

On a motion of Councillor Humfryes seconded by Councillor Thom, Council consented to consider Item 4 following Item 1(12).

**Moved by Councillor Humfryes
Seconded by Councillor Thompson**

THAT the memorandum regarding Follow-up to Report No. PR15-010 – Aurora King Baseball Association Provision of Maintenance Service at Stewart Burnett Park Baseball Diamond be received for information.

CARRIED

10. NOTICES OF MOTION/MOTIONS FOR WHICH NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN

(i) Notices of Motion

**(a) Mayor Dawe
Re: Lake Simcoe Conservation Foundation – Street Naming Donation**

WHEREAS Lake Simcoe Conservation Foundation's (LSCF) mission is to raise funds from private individuals and organizations to invest in conservation, restoration, research and education projects of the Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority to ensure a healthy Lake Simcoe watershed today and tomorrow; and

WHEREAS several programs and opportunities are established by the LSCF in an effort to raise funds from private individuals and organizations to fulfill its mission statement; and

WHEREAS the 27th Annual Conservation Dinner is one such opportunity being held on May 27, 2015; and

WHEREAS Treasure Hill Homes has offered to donate a future street naming opportunity within their 2C Area Plan of Subdivision as part of the live Auction during the 27th Annual Conservation Dinner.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT Council approve the street naming donation; and

BE IT FURTHER HEREBY RESOLVED THAT the proposed street name, submitted by the successful bidder, require Council approval in accordance with the Town of Aurora Street Naming Policy.

(b) Mayor Dawe
Re: Town of Richmond Hill – OMB Decision

WHEREAS the Ontario Municipal Board (the “Board”) has imposed a cap on parkland dedication in the Town of Richmond Hill at 25% of the developable area of a site; and

WHEREAS the *Planning Act* (the “Act”) states that in the case of land proposed for development or redevelopment for residential purposes, a parkland dedication by-law and specific official plan policies may require the conveyance of land for park or recreational purposes at a rate of one (1) hectare of land for each 300 dwelling units; and

WHEREAS the Act in making such a requirement does not apply a 25% cap, as the Board has done in Richmond Hill; and

WHEREAS Richmond Hill is seeking leave to appeal the Board’s decision to the Ontario Divisional Court, and is also asking the Board to review its own decision; and

WHEREAS Richmond Hill is asking for support from other municipalities.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED:

- (a) THAT the correspondence from D. Barrow, Mayor, Town of Richmond Hill, dated February 27, 2015 regarding an appeal to the Ontario Divisional Court on a Board decision to limit the amount of parkland that must be dedicated on new developments, be received; and

- (b) THAT the Town of Aurora appreciates and endorses the efforts of the Town of Richmond Hill to appeal and review the decision of the Board that capped parkland dedication at 25% of the developable area of a site, based on the Board having erroneously engaged in policy-making without consultation when it attempted to address a perceived conflict between the Act, the Growth Plan, and the Provincial Policy Statement; and
- (c) THAT the Town of Richmond Hill be notified of this resolution, with a copy to the other York Region municipalities.

(ii) Motions for Which Notice Has Been Given

**(a) Councillor Thompson
Re: Communications to Residents**

**Moved by Councillor Thompson
Seconded by Councillor Mrakas**

WHEREAS the Corporate Communications Policy (#53) for the Town of Aurora states that “Effective external communication is vital to any organization and is a service provided by an organization to the public. It is a central part of municipal/public communications and a major part of customer service.” and “As municipal governments are the most accountable and accessible level of government, it is the Corporation’s responsibility to provide notice and to keep the public informed of existing and proposed municipal programs and policies so that they can judge the performance of their government.”; and

WHEREAS the objective of the Town’s Corporate Communications Policy (#53) is to ensure residents are kept informed about, and interested in, their municipality; and

WHEREAS the Accountability and Transparency Policy (#67) for the Town of Aurora defines accountability as the principle that the Town will be responsible to its constituents for decisions made and policies implemented, as well as its actions or inactions; and

WHEREAS the Town advertised and invested both staff resources and taxpayers’ money to inform the residents about the potential move towards Clear Garbage Bags; and

WHEREAS the Town advertised and invested both staff resources and taxpayers’ money to notify the residents that there would be two (2) questions on the Election ballot; and

WHEREAS both issues generated significant discussion and engagement from the public; and

WHEREAS the final outcome of both the Clear Garbage Bag program and the Questions on the Ballot were ratified at the March 10, 2015 meeting of Council; and

WHEREAS there has not been any official communication from the Town regarding the final status of these issues because it is the practice of the Town to only communicate “approved items”.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT the Town of Aurora communicate, commensurate with the efforts to promote and create awareness of these initiatives, with the residents of Aurora to inform them on the final outcomes of the Clear Garbage Bag program and the Questions on the Ballot.

CARRIED

**(b) Councillor Thompson
Re: Corporate Communications Policy**

**Moved by Councillor Thompson
Seconded by Councillor Mrakas**

WHEREAS the Corporate Communications Policy (#53) for the Town of Aurora states that “Effective external communication is vital to any organization and is a service provided by an organization to the public. It is a central part of municipal/public communications and a major part of customer service.” and “As municipal governments are the most accountable and accessible level of government, it is the Corporation’s responsibility to provide notice and to keep the public informed of existing and proposed municipal programs and policies so that they can judge the performance of their government.”; and

WHEREAS the objective of the Town’s Corporate Communications Policy (#53) is to ensure residents are kept informed about, and interested in, their municipality; and

WHEREAS the Accountability and Transparency By-Law for the Town of Aurora defines accountability as taking ownership and being responsible to stakeholders for our actions or inactions. This value is essential to preserve the public trust and to protect the public interest; and

WHEREAS the practice of the Town is to only communicate “approved” items.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT the Town of Aurora’s Corporate Communications Plan (2011) and the Corporate Communications Policy be placed on the next Agenda for review and direction from Council; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT staff bring forward, for Council's approval, a revised Corporate Communications Plan and Corporate Communications Policy prior to the end of 2015.

**On a recorded vote the motion
CARRIED**

YEAS: 8	NAYS: 0
VOTING YEAS:	Councillors Abel, Gaertner, Humfryes, Kim, Mrakas, Thom, Thompson, and Mayor Dawe
VOTING NAYS:	None
ABSENT:	Councillor Pirri

**(c) Councillor Abel
Re: Town Resources for Events**

**Moved by Councillor Abel
Seconded by Councillor Humfryes**

WHEREAS the Town of Aurora wishes to promote tourism and business development; and

WHEREAS events held within the Town bring awareness and help to promote tourism and business development; and

WHEREAS the Town has many resources and will partner with event organizers.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT staff be directed to report back to Council on resources that the Town has available to organizers, for events such as the Run or Walk for Southlake, the Aurora Chamber of Commerce Home Show, or the Winter Blues Festival; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT staff prepare an event package that contains information on available resources, potential locations, required permits, and any other information that may streamline the process in the organization and promotion of various types of events.

CARRIED

11. REGIONAL REPORT

York Regional Council Highlights – April 23, 2015

Moved by Councillor Gaertner
Seconded by Councillor Abel

THAT the Regional Report of April 23, 2015 be received for information.

CARRIED

12. NEW BUSINESS/GENERAL INFORMATION

Councillor Abel requested that staff report back through the Environmental Advisory Committee and Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee on the opportunity to develop community gardens.

Moved by Councillor Abel
Seconded by Councillor Humfryes

THAT staff report back through the Environmental Advisory Committee and Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee on the opportunity to develop community gardens.

CARRIED

Councillor Abel inquired about overnight parking exemptions during the summer months and when the Parking By-law would be coming to Council for consideration. Staff indicated that the Parking By-law would be brought to Council in the fall of 2015.

Councillor Abel inquired about when street sweeping would occur. Staff indicated that the service is expected to occur shortly.

13. READING OF BY-LAWS

Moved by Councillor Abel
Seconded by Councillor Thompson

THAT the following by-laws be given first, second, and third readings and enacted:

5709-15 BEING A BY-LAW to assume highways for public use (Plan 65M-3819).

5716-15 BEING A BY-LAW to amend Municipal Waterworks Distribution By-law Number 3305-91, as amended.

5717-15 BEING A BY-LAW to amend Zoning By-law Number 2213-78, as amended, to remove a Holding "(H)" Symbol (Mattamy (Aurora) Limited).

- 5718-15** BEING A BY-LAW to amend Zoning By-law Number 2213-78, as amended, to remove a Holding “(H)” Symbol (TACC Developments Aurora Inc.).
- 5719-15** BEING A BY-LAW to amend Zoning By-law Number 2213-78, as amended, to remove a Holding “(H)” Symbol (St. John’s Road Development Corp.).
- 5720-15** BEING A BY-LAW to amend Zoning By-law Number 2213-78, as amended, to remove a Holding “(H)” Symbol (Brookfield Homes (Ontario) Limited).
- 5721-15** BEING A BY-LAW to amend Zoning By-law Number 2213-78, as amended, to remove a Holding “(H)” Symbol (Shimvest Investments Limited).
- 5722-15** BEING A BY-LAW to amend Zoning By-law Number 2213-78, as amended, to remove a Holding “(H)” Symbol (York Region Christian Senior Homes).

CARRIED

Moved by Councillor Abel
Seconded by Councillor Thompson

THAT the following by-laws be given first, second, and third readings and enacted:

- 5713-15** BEING A BY-LAW to declare as surplus and sell municipal lands (55 Eric T. Smith Way).
- 5714-15** BEING A BY-LAW to declare as surplus and sell municipal lands (30 Eric T. Smith Way).

On a recorded vote the by-laws
CARRIED

YEAS: 7	NAYS: 1
VOTING YEAS:	Councillors Abel, Humfryes, Kim, Mrakas, Thom, Thompson, and Mayor Dawe
VOTING NAYS:	Councillor Gaertner
ABSENT:	Councillor Pirri

14. CLOSED SESSION

On a motion of Councillor Thompson seconded by Councillor Abel, Council resolved into a Closed Session meeting at 8:39 p.m. to consider the following item:

1. Litigation or potential litigation including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the Town or a Local Board; Re: Aurora Family Leisure Complex
(Added Item)

On a motion of Councillor Gaertner seconded by Councillor Abel, Council reconvened into open session to rise and report from Closed Session at 9:29 p.m.

1. **Litigation or potential litigation including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the Town or a Local Board; Re: Aurora Family Leisure Complex**
(Added Item)

**Moved by Councillor Thompson
Seconded by Councillor Humfryes**

THAT the confidential recommendations in respect to the Aurora Family Leisure Complex be approved and staff be authorized to proceed as directed by Council on April 28, 2015 in closed session.

**On a recorded vote the motion
CARRIED**

YEAS: 8	NAYS: 0
VOTING YEAS:	Councillors Abel, Gaertner, Humfryes, Kim, Mrakas, Thom, Thompson, and Mayor Dawe
VOTING NAYS:	None
ABSENT:	Councillor Pirri

13. READING OF BY-LAWS

**Moved by Councillor Kim
Seconded by Councillor Thompson**

THAT the following confirming by-law be given first, second, and third readings and enacted:

5724-15 BEING A BY-LAW to Confirm Actions by Council Resulting from Council Meeting on April 28, 2015.

CARRIED

15. ADJOURNMENT

**Moved by Councillor Humfryes
Seconded by Councillor Abel**

THAT the meeting be adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

CARRIED

GEOFFREY DAWE, MAYOR

STEPHEN M. A. HUYCKE, TOWN CLERK

THE MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING OF APRIL 28, 2015 RECEIVED FINAL APPROVAL BY COUNCIL ON MAY 11, 2015 AS AMENDED.