



TOWN OF AURORA GENERAL COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT

Council Chambers
Aurora Town Hall
Tuesday, April 7, 2015

ATTENDANCE

COUNCIL MEMBERS	Mayor Dawe in the Chair; Councillors Abel, Gaertner, Humfryes, Kim, Mrakas, Pirri, and Thompson
MEMBERS ABSENT	Councillor Thom
OTHER ATTENDEES	Director of Parks and Recreation Services (Acting 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 Planning and Development Services, Manager of Long Range and Strategic Planning, Fire Chief, Central York Fire Services, Town Clerk, and Council/Committee Secretary

In the absence of the Chair, the Town Clerk called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

General Committee consented to appoint Mayor Dawe as the Chair in the absence of Councillor Thom.

Mayor Dawe assumed the Chair at 7:02 p.m.

1. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST AND GENERAL NATURE THEREOF

Councillor Humfryes declared a pecuniary interest respecting Item 11, Report No. CFS15-016 – 2015 Central York Fire Services Budget for Aurora Comment, as a family member is employed by the Central York Fire Services.

2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

General Committee approved the agenda as circulated by Legal and Legislative Services.

3. DETERMINATION OF ITEMS REQUIRING SEPARATE DISCUSSION

Items 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 9, 10, and 11 were identified for discussion.

4. ADOPTION OF ITEMS NOT REQUIRING SEPARATE DISCUSSION

Item 7 was identified as an item not requiring separate discussion.

General Committee recommends:

THAT the following recommendation 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:

7. CFS15-006 – Creation of Three Additional Reserve Fund Accounts

THAT Report No. CFS15-006 be received; and

THAT By-law Number 5689-15, a by-law to amend the Reserve Fund By-law Number 5553-13 to add the Ontario Community Infrastructure Funding reserve fund, the Recreation Sponsorship reserve fund, and the John West Memorial Scholarship reserve fund, be presented to Council at a future meeting for adoption.

CARRIED

5. DELEGATIONS

None

6. PRESENTATIONS BY THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE CHAIR

Councillor Pirri commended staff and extended his appreciation for their efforts in providing an orientation session at the initial meeting of each Advisory Committee during the month of April 2015.

7. CONSIDERATION OF ITEMS REQUIRING SEPARATE DISCUSSION

1. PR15-006 – Aurora King Baseball Association Request for Waiving of User Fees

General Committee recommends:

THAT Report No. PR15-006 be received; and

THAT the user fees payable by the Aurora King Baseball Association (AKBA) for the use of the Stewart Burnett Park Baseball Diamond during the 2015 playing season be partially reduced in consideration of the Town and the AKBA entering into a Facility Maintenance Agreement on terms acceptable to the Town Solicitor and the Director of Parks and Recreation Services; 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

2. BBS15-005 – Request for Sign Variance to Sign By-law No. 4898-07.P for the LCBO Store at 94 First Commerce Drive

General Committee recommends:

THAT Report No. BBS15-005 be received; and

THAT a request for variance to Sign By-law No. 4898-07.P to allow five (5) signs on the west elevation and three (3) signs on the east elevation at 94 First Commerce Drive, whereas Sign By-law No. 4898-07.P permits only one (1) sign on each of these elevations, be approved; and

THAT a request for variance to Sign By-law No. 4898-07.P to allow internal illumination of all signs for the LCBO store at 94 First Commerce Drive be approved.

CARRIED

3. IES15-025 – Award of Tender IES2015-02 – For the Reconstruction of Elderberry Trail, Springmaple Chase and Houdini Way

General Committee recommends:

THAT Report No. IES15-025 be received; and

THAT Tender IES2015-02 – For the reconstruction of Elderberry Trail, from Yonge Street to 516m west of Springmaple Chase, Springmaple Chase and Houdini Way be awarded to C. Valley Paving Ltd. in the amount of \$1,103,362.50, 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.

CARRIED

4. IES15-026 – Award of Tender IES2015-03 – For the Reconstruction of Steeplechase Avenue, Bluegrass Drive, Skyview Lane and Woodsend Crescent

General Committee recommends:

THAT Report No. IES15-026 be received; and

THAT Tender IES2015-03 – For the reconstruction of Steeplechase Avenue, Bluegrass Drive, Skyview Lane and Woodsend Crescent be awarded to C. Valley Paving Ltd. in the amount of \$1,381,353.70, 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.

CARRIED

5. IES15-027 – Speed Cushions on Roads Prone to Speeders

General Committee recommends:

THAT Report No. IES15-027 be received for information.

CARRIED

6. IES15-028 – Assumption of Municipal Services and Amendment to Subdivision Agreement – Whitwell Developments Limited and State Farm Mutual Automobile Insurance Company

General Committee recommends:

THAT Report No. IES15-028 be received; and

THAT the Town assume ownership, operation and maintenance of the works within the roads, rights-of-way, and other lands dedicated to the Town contained within Plan 65M-3819, being the Whitwell Developments Limited and State Farm Mutual Automobile Insurance Company subdivision as detailed in Report No. IES15-028; and

THAT the necessary by-law be brought forward for enactment to assume for public use the highways within Plan 65M-3819 and to establish as public highway any applicable reserves.

CARRIED

8. CFS15-015 – Confirmation of One-Third Tax-Free Council Compensation

General Committee recommends:

THAT Report No. CFS15-015 be received; and

THAT By-law Number 5253-10 (Attachment #1) be deemed to have been reviewed and confirmed to continue the one-third tax-free “deemed expenses” portion of the remuneration of members of Council.

CARRIED

9. PL15-027 – Application for Exemption from Part Lot Control, Mattamy Aurora (Aurora) Limited, Blocks 100, 102, 104, 106, 109, 111, and 112, Plan 65M-4423, File No.: PLC-2015-01

General Committee recommends:

THAT Report No. PL15-027 be received; and

THAT Council approve the Application for Exemption from Part Lot Control submitted by Mattamy (Aurora) Limited to divide Blocks 100, 102, 104, 106, 109, 111 and 112 on Plan 65M-4423 into 36 separate lots for townhouse units; and

THAT the necessary Part Lot Control Exemption By-law, as referred to in Report No. PL15-027, be enacted at the next available Council meeting.

CARRIED

10. CAO15-005 – Town of Aurora Strategic Plan (2015) Update

General Committee recommends:

THAT Report No. CAO15-005 be referred back to staff and staff be directed to come forward with a report card on the implementation of the Strategic Plan in its current form prior to consideration of any update.

CARRIED

11. CFS15-016 – 2015 Central York Fire Services Budget for Aurora Comment

General Committee consented to consider Item 11 prior to Item 2.

General Committee recommends:

THAT Report No. CFS15-016 be received; and

THAT Council provide its comments by way of resolution(s) to be conveyed to Newmarket Council for consideration during their final budget reviews and approvals in respect of the 2015 budget for Central York Fire Services.

CARRIED

8. NOTICES OF MOTION

None

9. NEW BUSINESS/GENERAL INFORMATION

None

10. CLOSED SESSION

None

11. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 9:04 p.m.

GEOFFREY DAWE, MAYOR

STEPHEN M. A. HUYCKE, TOWN CLERK

THE REPORT OF THE GENERAL COMMITTEE MEETING OF APRIL 7, 2015 RECEIVED FINAL APPROVAL AND COUNCIL ENDORSEMENT OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS ON APRIL 14, 2015 WITH THE EXCEPTION OF ITEMS 1, 5, AND 10 WHICH WERE PULLED AND APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED.