



TOWN OF AURORA GENERAL COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT

Council Chambers
Aurora Town Hall
Tuesday, April 5, 2016

ATTENDANCE

COUNCIL MEMBERS Councillor Gaertner in the Chair; Councillors Abel, Humfryes (arrived 7:02 p.m.), Kim (arrived 7:02 p.m.), Mrakas, Pirri, Thom, Thompson, and Mayor Dawe

MEMBERS ABSENT None

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 additions:

- Item 10 – Memorandum from Acting Director of Legal & Legislative Services/
Town Clerk; Re: Brookfield Homes (Ontario) Ltd. – Vegetation Management
Agreement
- Notice of Motion (a) Councillor Abel; Re: Disclosure of Information Regarding
Property Acquisition in the Aurora Promenade Area

CARRIED

3. DETERMINATION OF ITEMS REQUIRING SEPARATE DISCUSSION

Items 1, 3, 6, 7, and 9 were identified for discussion.

4. ADOPTION OF ITEMS NOT REQUIRING SEPARATE DISCUSSION

Items 2, 4, 5, 8, and 10 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:

2. IES16-032 – Backyard Composting Program Update

THAT Report No. IES16-032 be received for information.

4. IES16-034 – Award of Tender IES 2016-18 for the Supply and Installation of Two New Ice Plant Condensers for the Aurora Community Centre

THAT Report No. IES16-034 be received; and

THAT Tender IES 2016-018 for capital project #72175 for the supply and installation of two new Ice Plant Condensers for the Aurora Community Centre be awarded to CIMCO Refrigeration in the amount of \$133,660.00 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. PRS16-016 – Culture and Recreation Grant Semi-Annual Allocation for March 2016

THAT Report No. PRS16-016 be received for information.

8. Heritage Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes of March 7, 2016

THAT the Heritage Advisory Committee meeting minutes of March 7, 2016, be received for information.

10. Memorandum from Acting Director of Legal & Legislative Services/Town Clerk

Re: Brookfield Homes (Ontario) Ltd. – Vegetation Management Agreement
(Added Item)

THAT the memorandum regarding Brookfield Homes (Ontario) Ltd. – Vegetation Management Agreement be received for information.

CARRIED

5. DELEGATIONS

None

6. PRESENTATIONS BY THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE CHAIR

None

7. CONSIDERATION OF ITEMS REQUIRING SEPARATE DISCUSSION

1. BBS16-004 – Mandatory Sewage System Maintenance Inspection Program for Private Properties

General Committee recommends:

THAT Report No. BBS16-004 be received; and

THAT a public meeting be held to inform property owners of the Sewage System Maintenance Inspection Program; and

THAT the public meeting be used to introduce a new fee related to the Sewage System Maintenance Inspection Program in accordance with the *Building Code Act* and regulations; and

THAT staff bring forward the necessary amendments to Building By-law No. 5402-12, as amended, to implement the Sewage System Maintenance Inspection Program to a future Council meeting.

CARRIED

3. IES16-033 – Solar Panel Option for the New Operations Centre

General Committee recommends:

THAT Report No. IES16-033 be received; and

THAT the 2016 Capital Budget be increased by \$130,000 for the installation of a 40 kW solar panel system at the new Operations Centre, to be funded from the Green Initiatives Reserve fund; and

THAT staff be authorized to negotiate an agreement for the installation of a 40kW solar panel system at the new Operations Centre with our current vendor Solera; and

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

THAT all net energy savings generated from the solar panel system be returned to the Green Initiatives Reserve fund for a minimum period of 25 years.

CARRIED

6. PRS16-018 – Music Strategy

General Committee recommends:

THAT Report No. PRS16-018 be received; and

THAT the Music Strategy attached to Report No. PRS16-018 be endorsed; and

THAT staff be directed to apply for funding from the Ontario Music Fund Grant to support the initiatives identified in the Music Strategy.

CARRIED

7. Accessibility Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes of March 2, 2016

General Committee recommends:

THAT the Accessibility Advisory Committee meeting minutes of March 2, 2016, be received for information.

CARRIED

9. Economic Development Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes of March 10, 2016

General Committee recommends:

THAT the Economic Development Advisory Committee meeting minutes of March 10, 2016, be received for information.

CARRIED

8. NOTICES OF MOTION

(a) Councillor Abel

Re: Disclosure of Information Regarding Property Acquisition in the Aurora Promenade Area

(Added Item)

WHEREAS the Town of Aurora believes in accountability and transparency, while respecting the need to protect taxpayers by discussing confidential property acquisitions and dispositions in Closed Session; and

WHEREAS Council has made a final decision on a potential acquisition or disposition of property in the Aurora Promenade Area and does not need to keep all information confidential;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT staff be directed to make public those portions of the confidential Closed Session staff reports pertaining to the acquisition and disposition of land regarding the Aurora Promenade Area (15157, 15165 and 15171 Yonge Street) where disclosure

would not be harmful to the Town as determined by the Town's legal counsel, and where the Town is not required to maintain confidentiality under the *Municipal Freedom of Information & Protection of Privacy Act*, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the disclosure of the confidential Closed Session staff reports occur on or prior to Council consideration of the Cultural Precinct Plan.

9. NEW BUSINESS/GENERAL INFORMATION

Councillor Thompson extended a reminder about the Run or Walk for Southlake to be held on Sunday, May 1, 2016, and encouraged everyone to sign up and join Team Aurora.

Councillor Abel extended a reminder about Aurora's Annual Clean-up Day to be held on Saturday, April 23, 2016, which will include an appreciation barbecue at Town Park.

Councillor Humfryes extended a reminder about the Bowl for Kids Sake fundraising event to be held at 1 p.m. on Saturday, April 9, 2016, at Stellar Lanes in Newmarket, in support of Big Brothers Big Sisters of York.

Councillor Pirri noted that the Aurora Community Arboretum held its Annual General Meeting on April 4, 2016, and that he and Councillor Abel, on behalf of the Town, presented the 2016 Community Recognition Awards (Volunteer Service Awards) to Arboretum volunteers. He extended congratulations and appreciation to all of the volunteers who serve the community.

Councillor Gaertner noted that a charitable fundraiser would be held at the Aurora Family Leisure Complex on Saturday, April 9, 2016, in support of YouthSpeak, which addresses issues related to mental illness, bullying and addiction.

Councillor Gaertner inquired about how to address residents' concerns regarding the difficulty of entering onto Henderson Avenue from the side streets during rush hour. Staff confirmed that, as directed by Council to investigate areas that could benefit from speed cushions, surveys are being completed for the sites identified by Council and a report would be forthcoming. Staff suggested that a further Council motion would facilitate the inclusion of Henderson Avenue in the survey process.

10. CLOSED SESSION

None

11. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:33 p.m.

WENDY GAERTNER, COUNCILLOR

STEPHEN M. A. HUYCKE, TOWN CLERK

THE REPORT OF THE GENERAL COMMITTEE MEETING OF APRIL 5, 2016, IS SUBJECT TO FINAL APPROVAL AND COUNCIL ENDORSEMENT OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS ON APRIL 12, 2016.