



Town of Aurora General Committee Meeting Report

Council Chambers
Aurora Town Hall
Tuesday, September 6, 2016

Attendance

Council Members Councillor Pirri in the Chair; Councillors Abel, Gaertner, Kim, Mrakas, Thom, Thompson, and Mayor Dawe

Members Absent Councillor Humfryes

Other Attendees Doug Nadorozny, Chief Administrative Officer, Techa van Leeuwen, Director of Corporate Services, Ilmar Simanovskis, Director of Infrastructure and Environmental Services, Dan Elliott, Director of Financial Services, Al Downey, Director of Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services, Marco Ramunno, Director of Planning and Building Services, Stephanie Mackenzie-Smith, Manager of Corporate Communications, Slawomir Szlapczynski, Associate Solicitor, Lisa Lyons, Town Clerk, and Linda Bottos, Council/Committee Secretary

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

General Committee consented to resolve into a Closed Session meeting at 9:07 p.m., and reconvened into open session at 9:45 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 Legislative Services, with the following addition:

- Delegation (b) Jim Thomson, President & General Manager, Aurora Tigers Jr. A Hockey Club; Re: Aurora Tigers Jr. A Ice Cost

3. Determination of Items Requiring Separate Discussion

Items 1, 3, 4, 7, and 9 were identified for discussion.

4. Adoption of Items Not Requiring Separate Discussion

Items 2, 5, 6, and 8 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:

2. IES16-068 – Purchase Order Increase for Water Meters

1. That Report No. IES16-068 be received; and
2. That Purchase Order No. 396 for the supply of water meters be increased by \$200,000 to an upset limit of \$620,000, to be funded from the sale of water meters; and
3. That the Director of Infrastructure and Environmental Services be authorized to increase Purchase Order No. 396 for the supply of water meters to an upset limit of \$500,000 annually for the remaining three (3) one-year terms being the years 2017, 2018, and 2019.

5. PBS16-063 – Application for Exemption from Part Lot Control

Opus Homes (Aurora Trails) Inc., Lots 75, 76, 77, 78, and 79, and Blocks 216, 227, 228 and 229 being 65R-36483 and 65R-36482, File Number: PLC-2016-08

1. That Report No. PBS16-063 be received; and
2. That the Application for Exemption from Part Lot Control submitted by Opus Homes (Aurora Trails) Inc. to divide Lots 75, 76, 77, 78, 79 and Blocks 216,

227, 228 and 229 on Plan 65M-4462 into 14 separate lots for semi-detached units and 17 separate lots for townhouse units be approved; and

3. That the implementing Part Lot Control Exemption By-law be presented at a future Council meeting.

**6. PBS16-064 – Application for Temporary Use Zoning By-law Amendment
455 Magna Drive Inc., 455 Magna Drive, Related File Number:
SP(EX)-2016-06, File Number: ZBA-2016-04**

1. That Report No. PBS16-064 be received; and
2. That Application for a Temporary Use Amendment, Zoning By-law File No. ZBA-2016-04 (455 Magna Drive Inc.), to allow a proposed butcher shop for a temporary period of three (3) years on the subject lands be approved; and
3. That the implementing Temporary Use Zoning By-law Amendment be presented at a future Council Meeting.

**8. PBS16-068 – Application for Exemption from Part Lot Control
TACC Developments (Aurora) Inc., Lots 50, 64, 65, 67 to 69,
90 and 91 being 65R-36304 and 65R-36407, File Number:
PLC-2016-06**

1. That Report No. PBS16-068 be received; and
2. That the Application for Exemption from Part Lot Control submitted by TACC Developments (Aurora) Inc. to divide Lots 50, 64, 65, 67, 68, 69, 90 and 91 on Plan 65M-4462 into 16 separate lots for semi-detached units be approved; and
3. That the implementing Part Lot Control Exemption By-law be presented at a future Council meeting.

Carried

5. Delegations

- (a) **Paul Devlin, representing Adult Hockey and Men's Monday Hockey
Re: Town of Aurora Ice Allocation Policy**

Mr. Devlin provided background and requested that the Town review its Ice Allocation Policy. He further requested that his Adult Hockey group be allowed to retain a 4 p.m. start time on Wednesday afternoons on Aurora Community Centre Rink 2 (ACC2), and that the Men's Monday Night Hockey be restored to start times of 9:15 p.m. and 10:15 p.m. on ACC2.

General Committee received the comments of the delegation for information.

(b) Jim Thomson, President & General Manager, Aurora Tigers Jr. A Hockey Club

Re: Aurora Tigers Jr. A Ice Cost

Mr. Thomson provided background, including the Club's involvement in the community, and requested that the Town consider reducing the team's ice costs, to help sustain the business and long tradition of Aurora Tigers Jr. A hockey.

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

General Committee consented to discuss the items in the following order: 7, 4, 1, 3, and 9.

1. IES16-067 – Capital Budget Approval for Replacement of Parks Wood Chipper No. 300

General Committee recommends:

1. That Report No. IES16-067 be received; and
2. That Capital Project No. 34229, Equipment No. 300, be approved for \$60,000 for the 2016 Capital Program; and

3. That funding in the amount of \$60,000 be provided from the Fleet Repair and Replacement reserve.

Carried

3. IES16-069 – Award of Tender IES 2016-82 for the Speed Cushion Installation Pilot Project

General Committee recommends:

1. That Report No. IES16-069 be received; and
2. That Tender IES 2016-82, Capital Project No. 31154 for the Speed Cushion Installation Pilot Project be cancelled; and
3. That Capital Project No. 31154 be reissued in early 2017 to take advantage of higher competition and potentially lower costing.

Carried

4. PRCS16-032 – Lease of Town-owned Lands and Construction of a Parking Lot to Facilitate Improved Access to Hillary House

General Committee recommends:

1. That Report No. PRCS16-032 be received; and
2. That, subject to the Aurora Historical Society Trillium Grant being approved, **Council agrees in principle to enter into** a lease agreement between the Town of Aurora and the Aurora Historical Society for the purposes of constructing and operating a new access and parking lot on Town-owned lands, including any and all documents and ancillary agreements required to give effect to same; and
3. That the request for project funding assistance from the Aurora Historical Society to assist in the construction of the parking lot be referred to the 2017 Capital Budget for Council's consideration.

Carried as amended

7. PBS16-066 – Application for Site Plan Approval, FGKW Retirement Living Inc., 145 Murray Drive, Part of Lot 77, Concession 1, WYS, File Number: SP-2016-04

General Committee recommends:

1. That Item 7, Report No. PBS16-066 – Application for Site Plan Approval, FGKW Retirement Living Inc., 145 Murray Drive, Part of Lot 77, Concession 1, WYS, File Number: SP-2016-04, be referred to the Committee of Adjustment.

**Motion to Refer
Carried**

9. CS16-020 – Ontario Municipal Board (OMB) Reform Update

General Committee recommends:

1. That Report No. CS16-020, and the attached Municipal Summit OMB Reform: Process & Powers Recommendations, be received for information.

Carried

8. Notices of Motion

(a) Councillor Kim

Re: Proposed Amendment to Sign By-law re Official Languages

Whereas Canada's two official languages are English and French; and

Whereas the *Official Languages Act* which came into force on September 11, 1972, gives English and French equal status in the government of Canada, thereby making them official languages, having preferred status in law over all other languages and is the keystone of Canada's official bilingualism; and

Whereas incorporating text on a sign that incorporates neither English nor French may be seen as being exclusionary and not in the good theme of inclusiveness and community which is the foundation of the Town of Aurora;

Now Therefore Be It Hereby Resolved That staff report back by the end of the 2016 calendar year regarding a potential amendment to the Sign By-law to include a requirement that a sign contain at least 50% of its text in one of the two official languages.

9. New Business/General Information

Further to Delegation (a) Paul Devlin, representing Adult Hockey and Men's Monday Hockey, Re: Town of Aurora Ice Allocation Policy, General Committee made the following recommendation.

New Business Motion No. 1

General Committee recommends:

That staff be directed to review the Ice Allocation Policy and report back to Council.

Carried

Further to Delegation (b) Jim Thomson, President & General Manager, Aurora Tigers Jr. A Hockey Club, Re: Aurora Tigers Jr. A Ice Cost, General Committee made the following recommendation.

New Business Motion No. 2

General Committee recommends:

That staff be directed to investigate the possibility of reduced ice costs for the Aurora Tigers Jr. A Hockey Club and report back to Council.

Carried

Councillor Mrakas referred to the Regional staff recommendation to implement a temporary northbound and southbound left-turn restriction on Yonge Street at Wellington Street, as part of a pilot project, and inquired about GO Transit signage directing traffic to the GO Transit station. Staff indicated that a review of the GO Transit signage strategy is necessary.

Councillor Gaertner extended a reminder that Aurora's Multicultural Festival will be held on Saturday, September 10, 2016.

Councillor Kim inquired about the schedule and progress of the LED (Light Emitting Diode) street light conversion project, and staff provided an update.

Councillor Thompson inquired about the EAB (Emerald Ash Borer) treatment program and contract renewal, and staff provided an update.

Councillor Mrakas inquired about the disposal of trees that have received EAB treatment and not survived, and staff provided a response.

10. Closed Session

General Committee consented to resolve into Closed Session to consider the following matter:

- 1. Personal matters about an identifiable individual, including a Town or Local Board employee (section 239(2)(b) of the *Municipal Act, 2001*); Re: Closed Session Report No. CS16-021 – Vacancies on the Canada 150 Ad Hoc, Environmental Advisory, and Heritage Advisory Committees**

11. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 9:46 p.m.

Paul Pirri, Councillor

Lisa Lyons, Town Clerk

The report of the General Committee meeting of September 6, 2016, received final approval by Council on September 13, 2016.