



Council Meeting Agenda

**Tuesday, April 11, 2017
7 p.m.**

**Council Chambers
Aurora Town Hall**



Town of Aurora Council Meeting Agenda

Tuesday, April 11, 2017
7 p.m., Council Chambers

1. Approval of the Agenda

Recommended:

That the agenda as circulated by Legislative Services be approved.

2. Declarations of Pecuniary Interest and General Nature Thereof

3. Presentations

4. Delegations

(a) John Gallo, Resident

**Re: Item C1(R2) FS17-003 – Joint Operations Centre (JOC) Project:
Financial Summary Report**

5. Consent Agenda

Items listed under the Consent Agenda are considered routine or no longer require further discussion, and are enacted in one motion. The exception to this rule is that a Member may request for one or more items to be removed from the Consent Agenda for separate discussion and action.

Recommended:

That the following Consent Agenda items, C1 to C7 inclusive, be approved:

C1. General Committee Meeting Report of April 4, 2017

Recommended:

1. That the General Committee meeting report of April 4, 2017, be received and the recommendations carried by the Committee approved.

C2. Council Meeting Minutes of March 28, 2017

Recommended:

1. That the Council meeting minutes of March 28, 2017, be adopted as printed and circulated.

C3. Council Public Planning Meeting Minutes of March 22, 2017

Recommended:

1. That the Council Public Planning meeting minutes of March 22, 2017, be adopted as printed and circulated.

C4. Council Closed Session Minutes of March 21, 2017, and April 4, 2017
(confidential attachment)

Recommended:

1. That the Council Closed Session minutes of March 21, 2017, and April 4, 2017, be adopted as printed and circulated.

C5. Council Closed Session Public Minutes of March 21, 2017, and April 4, 2017

Recommended:

1. That the Council Closed Session Public minutes of March 21, 2017, and April 4, 2017, be adopted as printed and circulated.

C6. Memorandum from Mayor Dawe

**Re: Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority Board Meeting
Highlights of February 24, 2017** (deferred from Council meeting of
March 28, 2017)

Recommended:

1. That the memorandum regarding Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority Board Meeting Highlights of February 24, 2017, be received for information.

C7. Memorandum from Mayor Dawe

**Re: Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority Board Meeting
Highlights of March 24, 2017**

Recommended:

1. That the memorandum regarding Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority Board Meeting Highlights of March 24, 2017, be received for information.

6. Consideration of Items Requiring Discussion (Regular Agenda)

7. Notices of Motion

(a) Mayor Dawe

Re: Beacon Hall Flyover Request – Soldier On to St. Andrew’s

8. Motions

(a) Mayor Dawe

**Re: By-law Number 5642-14 – Relating to the Keeping, Licensing and
Controlling of Animals in the Town of Aurora** (deferred from Council
meeting of March 28, 2017)

(b) Councillor Gaertner

Re: Appreciating Diversity in Aurora

9. Regional Report

York Regional Council Highlights – March 23, 2017 (deferred from Council meeting of March 28, 2017)

Recommended:

That the Regional Report of March 23, 2017, be received for information.

10. New Business

11. Public Service Announcements

12. By-laws

13. Closed Session

14. Confirming By-law

Recommended:

That the following confirming by-law be enacted:

Being a By-law to Confirm Actions by Council Resulting from a Council Meeting on April 11, 2017.

15. Adjournment



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Delegation Request

This Delegation Request form and any written submissions or background information for consideration by either Council or Committees of Council must be submitted to the Clerk's office by the following deadline:

4:30 p.m. Two (2) Days Prior to the Requested Meeting Date

Council/Committee/Advisory Committee Meeting Date: Tuesday April 11, 2017	
Subject: JOC	
Name of Spokesperson: John Gallo	
Name of Group or Person(s) being Represented (if applicable): 	
Brief Summary of Issue or Purpose of Delegation: Would like to discuss report R2 from General Committee.	
Please complete the following:	
Have you been in contact with a Town staff or Council member regarding your matter of interest? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
If yes, with whom?	Date:
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> I acknowledge that the Procedure By-law permits five (5) minutes for Delegations.	



Town of Aurora General Committee Meeting Report

Council Chambers
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Attendance

Council Members Mayor Dawe in the Chair; Councillors Abel, Humfries, Kim (arrived 7:18 p.m.), Pirri, Thom, and Thompson

Members Absent Councillors Gaertner and Mrakas

Other Attendees Doug Nadorozny, Chief Administrative Officer, Techa van Leeuwen, Director of Corporate 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, Anca Mihail, Manager of Engineering and Capital Delivery, Patricia De Sario, Town Solicitor, Samantha Yew, Deputy Clerk, and Linda Bottos, Council/Committee Secretary

General Committee nominated Mayor Dawe as Chair in the absence of Councillor Gaertner.

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

General Committee consented to recess the meeting at 9:41 p.m. and reconvene the meeting at 9:52 p.m.

General Committee consented to extend the hour past 10:30 p.m.

General Committee consented on a two-thirds vote to extend the hour past 11 p.m.

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1. Approval of the Agenda

General Committee approved the agenda as circulated by Legislative Services, with the following additions:

- Presentation (c) Laurie Mueller and Erin Hamilton, Sport Aurora; Re: Sport Plan Progress and Report
- Delegation (a) Jamie Cole, Aurora King Baseball Association; Re: Baseball Diamond Shortage
- Delegation (b) Jamie MacDonald, Music Aurora; Re: Canada 150 Celebrations – New Summer Music Festival
- Delegation (c) Javed Khan, Aurora Chamber of Commerce, and Ron Weese, Sport Aurora; Re: Music Aurora
- Item R9 – Report No. PRCS17-012 – Music Aurora
- Item R10 – Excerpt from Minutes – Central York Fire Services – Joint Council Committee (JCC) Meeting of February 7, 2017, regarding the Consolidation Study

2. Declarations of Pecuniary Interest and General Nature Thereof

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

3. Presentations

- (a) Anca Mihail, Manager, Engineering and Capital Delivery**
Re: Item R1 – IES17-015 – Ten-Year Capital Road Reconstruction Program

General Committee consented on a two-thirds vote to waive the requirements of the Procedure By-law to extend the time allowed for the presentation past ten minutes.

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Ms. Mihail delivered a presentation on pavement management, including pavement management systems, pavement condition data collection and processing, roads reconstruction and rehabilitation analysis, and next steps.

General Committee received and referred the comments of the presentation to Item R1.

(b) Dan Elliott, Director of Financial Services - Treasurer
Re: Item R2 – FS17-003 – Joint Operations Centre (JOC) Project:
Financial Summary Report

General Committee consented on a two-thirds vote to waive the requirements of the Procedure By-law to extend the time allowed for the presentation past ten minutes.

Mr. Elliott presented an overview of the JOC Project Financial Summary Report, and highlighted key elements including land acquisition, budget development, construction costs, funding sources, interim financing and costs of debt, sale of Scanlon Court properties, and lessons learned.

General Committee received and referred the comments of the presentation to Item R2.

(c) Laurie Mueller and Erin Hamilton, Sport Aurora
Re: Sport Plan Progress and Report

General Committee consented on a two-thirds vote to waive the requirements of the Procedure By-law to extend the time allowed for the presentation past ten minutes.

Ms. Mueller and Ms. Hamilton presented an update on two of the deliverables for Year One of the Aurora Sport Plan, and highlighted elements of Task 15 – Access and Needs to Support Persons with a Disability, and Task 16 – Barriers to Participation and Mechanisms to Increase Participation for Residents of Low-income Backgrounds.

General Committee received the presentation for information.

4. Delegations

**(a) Jamie Cole, President, Aurora King Baseball Association
Re: Baseball Diamond Shortage**

Mr. Cole presented background on the Aurora King Baseball Association, including the challenges of growth and capacity, and expressed concern regarding the shortage of baseball diamonds in Town.

General Committee received and referred the comments of the delegation to staff.

**(b) Jamie MacDonald, President, Music Aurora
Re: Canada 150 Celebrations – New Summer Music Festival**

Mr. MacDonald presented background on Music Aurora. He provided a brief overview of the new Aurora Summer Music Festival (ASMF) and asked that the Town support the ASMF as a Canada 150 Town-sponsored event, approve funding of \$16,000, and approve the support of Town staff from Communications and Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services.

General Committee received and referred the comments of the delegation to staff.

**(c) Javed Khan, Aurora Chamber of Commerce, and Ron Weese, Sport Aurora
Re: Music Aurora**

Mr. Khan and Mr. Weese spoke in support of Music Aurora and the new Aurora Summer Music Festival.

General Committee received and referred the comments of the delegation to staff.

5. Consent Agenda

General Committee recommends:

That the following Consent Agenda items, C1 to C5 inclusive, be approved:

C1. IES17-014 – Submission of Annual Drinking Water Quality Report

1. That Report No. IES17-014 be received for information.

C2. IES17-016 – Award of Tender IES 2016-103 – Closed Circuit Television (CCTV) Sewer Inspection Services

1. That Report No. IES17-016 be received; and
2. That Tender No. IES 2016-103 for Capital Project No. 41011 – Closed Circuit Television (CCTV) Sewer Inspection Services for sewer inspection services at various locations in the Town of Aurora for one (1) Year (with an option to renew for an additional two (2) one (1) year periods), be awarded to Infrastructure Intelligence Services Inc. in the amount of \$134,460 excluding taxes; and
3. That the Director of Infrastructure and Environmental Services be authorized to renew Tender IES 2016-103 for an additional two (2), one (1) year periods, pending an annual analysis and satisfactory performance review by the Director; and
4. 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.

C3. IES17-017 – Award of Tender 2017-26-IES – For the Reconstruction of Brookland Avenue from Yonge Street to Banbury Court

1. That Report No. IES17-017 be received; and
2. That Tender No. 2017-26-IES for the reconstruction of Brookland Avenue, from Yonge Street to Banbury Court, be awarded to MGI Construction Corp. in the amount of \$1,567,450.35, excluding taxes; and
3. 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.

C4. PRCS17-011 – Purchase Order Increase for Summer Camp Bussing

1. That Report No. PRCS17-011 be received; and
2. That the option to renew the Student Transportation of Canada contract be exercised for the third and final year of the Contract ending December 31, 2017; and
3. That Purchase Order No. 957 be increased by \$40,000, excluding taxes, to a total of \$103,547, excluding taxes, to accommodate bussing for 2017.

C5. PBS17-020 – Planning Applications Status List

1. That Report No. PBS17-020 be received for information.

Carried

6. Consideration of Items Requiring Discussion (Regular Agenda)

General Committee consented to consider Items R9 and R2 prior to consideration of Item R1.

R1. IES17-015 – Ten-Year Capital Road Reconstruction Program

General Committee recommends:

1. That Report No. IES17-015 be received; and
2. That a service standard be approved whereby the road network be maintained at a Pavement Quality Index (PQI) score of 65 (“Fair”), on average; and
3. That the Town’s 2018 operating and ten-year capital plans for the Reconstruction and Rehabilitation (R&R) of its road network, as well as the Asset Management Plan (AMP), be updated to align with a service standard of maintaining a Pavement Quality Index (PQI) of 65 (“Fair”), on average.

Carried

R2. FS17-003 – Joint Operations Centre (JOC) Project: Financial Summary Report

General Committee recommends:

1. That Report No. FS17-003 and Report No. IES17-001 (Attachment #3) be received; and
2. That the overspending of \$103,027 on Capital Project No. 34217 be funded as set out in Report No. FS17-003, and that the capital project be closed; and
3. That the JOC Financial Monitoring Task Force Committee previously established by Council be disbanded; and
4. That the outstanding items be referred to future capital budgets.

Carried

R3. FS17-014 – Proposed Changes to Regional Property Tax Ratios

General Committee recommends:

1. That Report No. FS17-014 be received; and
2. That the Town of Aurora supports revenue neutral tax ratios when the matter is considered by York Region at its Committee of the Whole meeting of April 13, 2017.

Carried

R4. FS17-015 – Results of Tax Sale Held April 23, 2015

General Committee recommends:

1. That Report No. FS17-015 be received; and
2. That the Treasurer be authorized to write off the outstanding property tax balances as uncollectible, and vest the parcel of land, Property Roll number 1946-000-096-70000-0000, that was not sold in the Tax Sale of

April 23, 2015, and that this parcel of land be offered for sale to the abutting landowners.

Carried

R5. CS17-001 – Council Chambers and Holland Room Use Policy

General Committee recommends:

1. That Report No. CS17-001 be received; and
2. That Policy No. CORP-13 – Council Chambers and Holland Room Use, be approved; and
3. That the 2017 Fees and Charges By-law be amended to include the associated staff resourcing fee for Council Chambers and Holland Room bookings; and
4. That the attached list of Town Council Events be approved.

Carried

R6. CS17-006 – Vacant Buildings Registry

General Committee recommends:

1. That Report No. CS17-006 be received; and
2. That a Vacant Buildings Registry By-law be enacted at a future Council meeting.

Carried

R7. FS17-006 – 2018 Town of Aurora Budget Workplan

General Committee recommends:

1. That Report No. FS17-006 be received; and
2. That the proposed 2018 budget workplan be approved; and

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3. That the handling of requests for funding, assistance or services in kind received during the budget year outside of the planned special Budget Committee consultation meeting **be referred back to staff for a more-detailed report back to Council.**

Carried as amended

R8. PRCS17-009 – Property Use Agreement – St. Andrew’s College Soccer Fields

General Committee recommends:

1. That Report No. PRCS17-009 be received; and
2. That a License Agreement for the 2017 playing season for the use of soccer fields owned by St. Andrew’s College be approved; and
3. That the Director of Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services be authorized to execute the 2017 License Agreement, including any and all documents and ancillary agreements required to give effect to same; and
4. That, going forward, the Director of Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services be authorized to renew the License Agreement on an annual basis, provided that there is no financial impact to the Town, with the Director of Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services being authorized to execute the necessary renewal Agreements, including any and all documents and ancillary agreements required to give effect to same.

Carried

R9. PRCS17-012 – Music Aurora

General Committee consented to vote on each clause of the main motion as amended separately.

General Committee recommends:

1. That Report No. PRCS17-012 be received.

Carried

2. That a one-time event grant in the amount of \$16,000 be provided to Music Aurora for its planned music event at Town Park on August 5, 2017, to be funded from the Tax Rate Stabilization Reserve Fund.

Defeated

3. That the Permit fee be waived in the amount of \$599.

Carried

4. **That, if Town funding is approved, a detailed financial accounting of the event be provided to Council upon completion of the event.**

Carried

R10. Excerpt from Minutes – Central York Fire Services – Joint Council Committee (JCC) Meeting of February 7, 2017, regarding the Consolidation Study

General Committee recommends:

1. That the Excerpt from Minutes – Central York Fire Services – Joint Council Committee (JCC) Meeting of February 7, 2017, and Joint Chief Administrative Officers (Newmarket & Aurora) & CYFS Fire Chief, Corporate Services Report – Financial Services 2017-05 dated January 24, 2017, regarding the Consolidation Study, be received for information purposes; and
2. That the consolidation of Central York Fire Services (CYFS) with Richmond Hill Fire and Emergency Services (RHFES) not be pursued, as there is not a sufficient business case for CYFS at this time; and
3. That staff continue to identify, report on, and implement efficiencies through partnerships with neighbouring municipalities relative to Fire Services; and
4. That JCC provide any further direction relative to Fire Services; and
5. That Richmond Hill be so advised of the recommendations of Newmarket and Aurora Councils.

Carried

7. Notices of Motion

(a) Councillor Gaertner

Re: Appreciating Diversity in Aurora

Whereas Aurora is a community that values inclusion, acceptance and diversity; and

Whereas the Town Council affirms that diversity is welcome and serves to make our community stronger; and

Whereas we want to send a strong message that we reject intolerance based on race, religion, ethnicity, gender and sexual orientation; and

Whereas respect and acceptance for our differences are fostered by knowledge and understanding; and

Whereas the Town of Aurora has the capability to use its communication tools to provide information and foster positive conversations about our diversity;

1. Now Therefore Be It Hereby Resolved That the Town utilize communications opportunities to provide information, share knowledge and promote events that celebrate the values of inclusion, acceptance and diversity; and
2. Be It Further Resolved That the Town's social media platforms be used to celebrate and recognize key community and global events that further LGBTQ rights, human rights, and serve to assist in the elimination of discrimination of any kind. These events include—but are not limited to—Pride Week, the Town of Aurora Multicultural Festival, International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination, Black History Month, Asian Heritage Month, and International Women's Day.

8. New Business

None

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9. Closed Session

None

10. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 11:04 p.m.

Geoffrey Dawe, Mayor

Samantha Yew, Deputy Clerk

The report of the General Committee meeting of April 4, 2017, is subject to final approval and Council endorsement of the recommendations on April 11, 2017.



**Town of Aurora
Council Meeting Minutes**

Council Chambers
Aurora Town Hall
Tuesday, March 28, 2017

Attendance

Council Members Mayor Dawe (departed 9:07 p.m.) in the Chair; Councillors Abel, Humfryes, Kim, Mrakas, Pirri, and Thompson

Members Absent Councillors Gaertner and Thom

Other Attendees Doug Nadorozny, Chief Administrative Officer, Techa van Leeuwen, Director of Corporate Services, Dan Elliott, Director of Financial Services, Marco Ramunno, Director of Planning and Building Services, Al Downey, Director of Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services, Stephanie Mackenzie-Smith, Manager of Corporate Communications, Patricia De Sario, Town Solicitor, Samantha Yew, Deputy Clerk, and Linda Bottos, Council/Committee Secretary

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

On a motion of Councillor Mrakas seconded by Councillor Thompson, Council consented to recess the meeting at 9:07 p.m. On a motion of Councillor Mrakas seconded by Councillor Kim, Council consented to reconvene the meeting at 9:17 p.m.

Deputy Mayor Abel assumed the Chair at 9:17 p.m.

1. Approval of the Agenda

On a motion of Councillor Mrakas seconded by Councillor Pirri, Council consented on a two-thirds vote to waive the requirements of the Procedure By-law to allow the addition of Delegations (d) and (e).

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**Moved by Councillor Kim
Seconded by Councillor Pirri**

That the agenda as circulated by Legislative Services, with the following additions, be approved:

- Delegation (c) Kent Taylor, Taylor Design Group Inc.; Re: Item R2 – Summary of Committee Recommendations Report No. 2017-02; Re: Heritage Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes of February 13, 2017
- Delegation (d) Bob Lepp, Resident; Re: Item R2 – Summary of Committee Recommendations Report No. 2017-02; Re: Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes of February 16, 2017
- Delegation (e) Helen Clarke, Resident; Re: Item R2 – Summary of Committee Recommendations Report No. 2017-02; Re: Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes of February 16, 2017

Carried

2. Declarations of Pecuniary Interest and General Nature Thereof

Councillor Mrakas declared a pecuniary interest under the *Municipal Conflict of Interest Act* respecting Motion (c) Councillor Thompson, Re: York University GO Train Station, as a family member works at York University and is a regular user of the GO Train Station.

3. Presentations

**(a) Nick Spensieri, Director, Corridor Infrastructure, and Erin Moroz, Director, Communications and Community Relations, Metrolinx
Re: Update on Metrolinx Projects and GO Expansion Plans**

On a motion of Councillor Thompson seconded by Councillor Kim, Council consented on a two-thirds vote to waive the requirements of the Procedure By-law to extend the time allowed for the presentation past ten minutes.

Mr. Spensieri and Ms. Moroz presented an update on the GO Expansion Program including an overview of the Barrie Corridor Program, planned

service improvements, electrification, new track and stations, infrastructure in Aurora, level crossings and grade separations, and community engagement.

**Moved by Councillor Pirri
Seconded by Councillor Humfryes**

That the presentation be received for information.

Carried

4. Delegations

**(a) Klaus Wehrenberg, Resident
Re: Metrolinx – Trail Crossings**

Mr. Wehrenberg stated that Aurora is strongly pro-trails and referenced survey statistics that show high support for a trails infrastructure in Aurora. He expressed concern regarding the lack of commitment from Metrolinx to invest in grade-separated trail crossings, as demonstrated at public meetings and in a level crossing strategy report prepared by Metrolinx in February.

**Moved by Councillor Kim
Seconded by Councillor Pirri**

That the comments of the delegation be received for information.

Carried

**(b) Reg Chappell, representing Ducks Swimming, Sport Aurora
Re: Item R2 – Summary of Committee Recommendations Report No.
2017-02; Re: Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services Advisory
Committee Meeting Minutes of February 16, 2017**

Mr. Chappell noted that most of the current sports facilities in Aurora are at capacity and the population growth is ahead of past planning expectations. He expressed support for the recommendation of the Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services Committee to move forward the discussions for a new, multi-purpose sports facility, and made suggestions to facilitate community input.

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

That the comments of the delegation be received and referred to Item R2.

Carried

(c) Kent Taylor, Taylor Design Group Inc.

Re: Item R2 – Summary of Committee Recommendations Report No. 2017-02; Re: Heritage Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes of February 13, 2017

Mr. Taylor expressed support for the recommendation in the Heritage Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes of February 13, 2017, respecting Item 1, HAC17-001 – Request to Demolish a Property on the Aurora Register of Properties of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest, 14574 Leslie Street.

**Moved by Councillor Thompson
Seconded by Councillor Pirri**

That the comments of the delegation be received and referred to Item R2.

Carried

(d) Bob Lepp, Resident

Re: Item R2 – Summary of Committee Recommendations Report No. 2017-02; Re: Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes of February 16, 2017

Mr. Lepp expressed concerns regarding the off-leash dog park with respect to the gate, fencing, ground cover, safety issues, maintenance, and parking lot.

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

That the comments of the delegation be received and referred to Item R2.

Carried

(e) Helen Clarke, Resident

Re: Item R2 – Summary of Committee Recommendations Report No. 2017-02; Re: Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes of February 16, 2017

Ms. Clarke spoke in support of the leash-free dog park and the recommendation of the Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services Advisory Committee. She acknowledged some of the issues and improvements to be made respecting fencing, wood chips, maintenance, parking lot, lighting, water, and accessibility. Ms. Clarke further noted that volunteers play a vital role in maintaining the park.

**Moved by Councillor Abel
Seconded by Councillor Thompson**

That the comments of the delegation be received and referred to Item R2.

Carried

5. Consent Agenda

Council consented to consider Item C7, Canada 150 Ad Hoc Committee Meeting Minutes of March 1, 2017, under the Regular Agenda section as Item R3.

**Moved by Councillor Pirri
Seconded by Councillor Kim**

That the following Consent Agenda item be approved:

C1. General Committee Meeting Report of March 21, 2017

1. That the General Committee meeting report of March 21, 2017, be received and the following recommendations carried by the Committee approved.

(C1) FS17-008 – Statement of Remuneration and Expenses for Members of Council, Committees and Local Boards

1. That Report No. FS17-008 be received for information.

**(C2) PRCS17-005 – Aurora Town Park Building Roof and Painting
Maintenance for the Bandshell and Washroom**

1. That Report No. PRCS17-005 be received; and
2. That this report satisfy Council's conditional budget approval for Capital Project No. 73190 Town Park Bandshell and Washroom Building Roof and Painting Maintenance; and
3. That staff be authorized to proceed with Capital Project No. 73190 Town Park Bandshell and Washroom Building Roof and Painting Maintenance.

**(C3) PBS17-011 – Request for Street Name Approval, BG Properties
Aurora Inc., 14222, 14314, 14358 and 14378 Yonge
Street, File Number: CDM-2016-03, Related File
Numbers: SUB-2012-03, ZBA-2012-16**

1. That Report No. PBS17-011 be received; and
2. That the following street names be approved for the proposed private roads within the approved Plan of Condominium, CDM-2016-03:

Street "A"	Butternut Ridge Trail
Street "B"	Cannon Valley Court
Street "C"	Cottonwood Hollow Court

**(C4) PBS17-014 – Request for Street Name Approval, Leslie-Wellington
Developments Inc., 1289 Wellington Street East, File
Number: SUB-2016-01, Related File Numbers: OPA-
2016-01, ZBA-2016-03**

1. That Report No. PBS17-014 be received; and
2. That the following street names be approved for the proposed roads within the approved Plan of Subdivision, SUB-2016-01:

Street "A"	Kaleia Avenue
Street "B"	Touch Gold Crescent
Street "C"	Botelho Circle

(C5) Finance Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes of January 25, 2017

1. That the Finance Advisory Committee meeting minutes of January 25, 2017, be received for information.

(C6) Accessibility Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes of February 1, 2017

1. That the Accessibility Advisory Committee meeting minutes of February 1, 2017, be received for information.

(C7) Governance Review Ad Hoc Committee Meeting Minutes of February 10, 2017

1. That the Governance Review Ad Hoc Committee meeting minutes of February 10, 2017, be received for information.

(C8) Community Recognition Review Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes of February 22, 2017

1. That the Community Recognition Review Advisory Committee meeting minutes of February 22, 2017, be received for information.

(C9) Finance Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes of February 22, 2017

1. That the Finance Advisory Committee meeting minutes of February 22, 2017, be received for information.

(R1) FS17-005 – 2017 Water, Wastewater and Stormwater Operations and Rates Budget

1. That Report No. FS17-005 be received; and
2. That the 2017 combined Water, Wastewater and Stormwater budget of \$22,620,969 be approved; and

3. That the 2017 retail water rate of \$2.29 per cubic meter and the retail wastewater rate of \$2.04 per cubic meter of water be approved; and
4. That the 2017 flat rate stormwater charge of \$5.01 per unit per month for residential and condominium properties and \$63.63 per unit per month for metered non-residential commercial/industrial and multi-residential properties be approved; and
5. That the new approved retail water, retail wastewater and stormwater charge rates become effective for all billings issued by the Town on or after May 1, 2017, and be retroactive for all consumption newly billed on such billings; and
6. That the 2017 bulk water purchase rate of \$4.33 per cubic meter dispensed effective May 1, 2017 be approved; and
7. That the necessary by-law be enacted to implement the 2017 retail water rate, retail wastewater rate, stormwater charge and bulk water purchase rate.

**(R2) IES17-009 – Water Meter Replacement Program Contract Renewal
Additional Information**

1. That Report No. IES17-009 be received; and
2. That WAMCO be awarded the contract for the replacement of up to 1,500 meters in 2017 at a cost of up to \$502,500 excluding taxes under the single source provisions of the Purchasing By-law, and the Director of Infrastructure and Environmental Services be authorized to renew the contract with WAMCO for 2018 and 2019 pending an annual analysis and performance review by the Director; and
3. That the Director of Infrastructure and Environmental Services be authorized to execute the necessary agreements, including any and all documents and ancillary agreements required to give effect to same.

(R3) FS17-007 – Development Charges Forecast for JOC and Firehall Projects

1. That Report No. FS17-007 be received; and
2. That the construction phase of the Fire Station 4-5 Capital Project No. 21006 be funded as set out in Report No. FS17-001, with the final budget and funding to be approved at time of construction tender award.

(R4) PRCS17-007 – Amendments to the 2017 Fees and Charges By-law

1. That Report No. PRCS17-007 be received; and
2. That a by-law be enacted to amend Schedule “D” of the 2017 Fees and Charges By-law.

(R5) PRCS17-006 – Tax Exempt Status for Sports Dome and Tennis Dome

1. That Report No. PRCS17-006, Tax Exempt Status for Sports Dome and Tennis Dome, be referred back to staff for consideration of Council’s comments and to bring back a separate report on each facility providing further information.

(R6) IES17-010 – Award of Tender 2017-06-IES – For the Reconstruction of Algonquin Crescent and Haida Drive from Algonquin Crescent to Aurora Heights Drive

1. That Report No. IES17-010 be received; and
2. That Tender 2017-06-IES – For the reconstruction of Algonquin Crescent and Haida Drive from Algonquin Crescent to Aurora Heights Drive be awarded to Mar-King Construction Company Limited in the amount of \$1,456,100.51, excluding taxes; and
3. 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.

(R7) IES17-011 – Replacement of Shell and Tube Brine Chillers in the McAlpine Ford and McAlpine Lincoln Arenas at the Aurora Community Centre

1. That Report No. IES17-011 be received; and
2. That a single source contract for the replacement of the shell and tube brine chillers in both McAlpine Ford and McAlpine Lincoln arenas at the Aurora Community Centre (ACC) be awarded to CIMCO Refrigeration in the amount of \$367,480, excluding taxes.

(R8) IES17-013 – LED Lighting for the SARC and ACC Facilities

1. That Report No. IES17-013 be received; and
2. That a single source contract for LED lighting for the pool and the two (2) arenas in the Stronach Aurora Recreation Complex (SARC) building be awarded to Conrad Lighting Solutions in the amount of \$281,306 excluding taxes; and
3. That a single source Contract for LED lighting for the two (2) arenas in the Aurora Community Centre (ACC) building be awarded to Conrad Lighting Solutions in the amount of \$157,892 excluding taxes.

(R9) PBS17-018 – Applications for Zoning By-law Amendment and Site Plan, Marie Debono, 24 Larmont Street, Part of Lot 12, South Side of Wellington Street, Registered Plan 68, File Numbers: ZBA-2016-10, SP-2016-07

1. That Report No. PBS17-018 be received; and
2. That the Application to Amend the Zoning By-law File Number ZBA-2016-10 (Marie Debono), to rezone the subject lands from “Special Mixed Density Residential (R5) Zone” to “Special Mixed Density Residential (R5) Exception Zone” to allow a business and professional office be approved; and

3. That Site Plan Application File Number SP-2016-07 (Marie Debono) to permit development of the subject lands for a business and professional office be approved; and
4. That the implementing Zoning By-law Amendment be presented at a future Council meeting; and
5. 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.

(R10) PRCS17-008 – Engagement of a Design Architect and Scheduling for the new Central York Fire Services Fire Hall, Headquarters, and Training Centre

1. That Report No. PRCS17-008 be received; and
2. That RFP PRCS 2017-47 for Design and Project Management Services for the Construction of a Fire Hall (4-5) be awarded to Thomas Brown Architects Inc. in the amount of \$600,000, excluding disbursements and taxes; and
3. That staff be authorized to proceed with the Design Phase; and
4. 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

**Moved by Councillor Thompson
Seconded by Councillor Pirri**

That the following Consent Agenda items be approved:

C2. Council Meeting Minutes of February 28, 2017

1. That the Council meeting minutes of February 28, 2017, be adopted as printed and circulated.

C3. Council Closed Session Minutes of February 28, 2017

1. That the Council Closed Session minutes of February 28, 2017, be adopted as printed and circulated.

C4. Council Closed Session Public Minutes of February 28, 2017

1. That the Council Closed Session Public minutes of February 28, 2017, be adopted as printed and circulated.

C5. FS17-017 – Additional Information to Report No. IES17-013 – LED Lighting for the SARC and ACC Facilities

1. That Report No. FS17-017 be received for information.

C8. Heritage Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes of February 13, 2017

1. That the Heritage Advisory Committee meeting minutes of February 13, 2017, be received for information.

C9. Heritage Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes of March 6, 2017

1. That the Heritage Advisory Committee meeting minutes of March 6, 2017, be received for information.

C10. Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes of February 16, 2017

1. That the Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services Advisory Committee meeting minutes of February 16, 2017, be received for information.

Carried

C6. Memorandum from Mayor Dawe, Re: Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority Board Meeting Highlights of February 24, 2017

**Motion to defer
Moved by Councillor Mrakas
Seconded by Councillor Pirri**

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That Item C6, Memorandum from Mayor Dawe, Re: Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority Board Meeting Highlights of February 24, 2017, be deferred to the Council meeting of April 11, 2017.

**Motion to defer
Carried**

6. Consideration of Items Requiring Discussion (Regular Agenda)

Items were discussed in the following order: R2 (tabled), R3 (formerly C7), R1, and R2 (removed from table).

R1. CS17-008 – Magna Golf Club – Fireworks Display

Moved by Councillor Pirri

Seconded by Councillor Mrakas

1. That Report No. CS17-008 be received; and
2. That the setting off of a Fireworks Display to honour a local business man at a birthday celebration at the Magna Golf Club on April 1, 2017, between 8:30 p.m. and 10:00 p.m., be approved.

Carried

R2. Summary of Committee Recommendations Report No. 2017-02

On a motion of Councillor Abel seconded by Councillor Pirri, Council consented to consider Item R2 following consideration of Delegation (e). Council requested to consider each Committee in the Summary separately.

Moved by Councillor Abel

Seconded by Councillor Pirri

1. That Summary of Committee Recommendations Report No. 2017-02 be received; and
2. That the Committee recommendations contained within this report respecting the Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes of February 16, 2017, be approved.

Carried

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On a motion of Councillor Pirri seconded by Councillor Mrakas, Council consented to table Item R2 prior to consideration of the Consent Agenda. On a motion of Councillor Pirri seconded by Councillor Mrakas, Council consented to remove Item R2 from the table following consideration of Item R1.

**Moved by Councillor Abel
Seconded by Councillor Pirri**

1. That the Committee recommendations contained within this report respecting the Canada 150 Ad Hoc Committee Meeting Minutes of March 1, 2017, be approved, including the amended recommendation under Delegation (e) Jamie MacDonald, Music Aurora, Re: Canada 150 Music Festival, which now reads "That staff be directed to work with Music Aurora and report back to the Canada 150 Ad Hoc Committee."; and
2. That the Committee recommendations contained within this report respecting the Heritage Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes of February 13, 2017, and March 6, 2017, be approved.

Carried

R3. Canada 150 Ad Hoc Committee Meeting Minutes of March 1, 2017

Council considered Item R3 (formerly Item C7) prior to consideration of Item R1.

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

1. That the Canada 150 Ad Hoc Committee meeting minutes of March 1, 2017, be received for information.

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

That the recommendation under Delegation (e) Jamie MacDonald, Music Aurora, Re: Canada 150 Music Festival, be amended by deleting the words "and investigate the feasibility of creating a summer music festival," so that the recommendation will read "That staff be directed to

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work with Music Aurora and report back to the Canada 150 Ad Hoc Committee.”

Carried

Main motion as amended

Moved by Councillor Thompson

Seconded by Councillor Kim

1. That the Canada 150 Ad Hoc Committee meeting minutes of March 1, 2017, be received; **and**
2. **That the recommendation under Delegation (e) Jamie MacDonald, Music Aurora, Re: Canada 150 Music Festival, be amended to read “That staff be directed to work with Music Aurora and report back to the Canada 150 Ad Hoc Committee.”**

On a recorded vote the main motion as amended

Carried

Yeas: 5	Nays: 1
Voting Yeas:	Councillors Abel, Humfryes, Kim, Mrakas, and Thompson
Voting Nays:	Councillor Pirri
Absent:	Councillors Gaertner, Thom, and Mayor Dawe

7. Notices of Motion

None

8. Motions

(a) Councillor Mrakas

Re: By-law Right-of-Entry Powers

Main motion

Moved by Councillor Mrakas

Seconded by Councillor Humfryes

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Whereas the provinces of Alberta, Manitoba and Saskatchewan all require that bylaw officers give reasonable notice before showing up on private property; and

Whereas they must then seek a warrant if the property owner does not give permission for them to take a look about;

1. Now Therefore Be It Hereby Resolved That staff report back to Council with a notification process to private property owners where rights of entry to properties will be exercised; and
2. Be It Further Resolved That the staff report shall identify protocols where immediate access to property is required, to ensure public health and safety, and protection of property and/or the environment.

Amendment

Moved by Councillor Mrakas

Seconded by Councillor Humfryes

That the main motion be amended by inserting the following clause after the first clause:

Be It Further Resolved That staff provide the options available for when a property owner refuses permission or is absent, including the option of requiring a warrant, to ensure public health and safety, and protection of property and/or the environment.

Carried

Main motion as amended

Moved by Councillor Mrakas

Seconded by Councillor Humfryes

1. Now Therefore Be It Hereby Resolved That staff report back to Council with a notification process to private property owners where rights of entry to properties will be exercised; and
2. **Be It Further Resolved That staff provide the options available for when a property owner refuses permission or is absent, including the**

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option of requiring a warrant, to ensure public health and safety, and protection of property and/or the environment; and

3. Be It Further Resolved That the staff report shall identify protocols where immediate access to property is required, to ensure public health and safety, and protection of property and/or the environment.

**On a recorded vote the main motion as amended
Carried**

Yeas: 6 Nays: 0
Voting Yeas: Councillors Abel, Humfryes, Kim,
Mrakas, Pirri, and Thompson
Voting Nays: None
Absent: Councillors Gaertner, Thom, and Mayor
Dawe

(b) Mayor Dawe

Re: By-law Number 5642-14 – Relating to the Keeping, Licensing and Controlling of Animals in the Town of Aurora

Motion to defer

Moved by Councillor Mrakas

Seconded by Councillor Thompson

That Motion (b) Mayor Dawe, Re: By-law Number 5642-14 – Relating to the Keeping, Licensing and Controlling of Animals in the Town of Aurora, be deferred to the Council meeting of April 11, 2017.

**Motion to defer
Carried**

(c) Councillor Thompson

Re: York University GO Train Station

On a motion of Councillor Thompson seconded by Councillor Abel, Council consented to consider Motion (c) following Presentation (a).

Councillor Mrakas did not participate in the discussion or voting on this item.

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

Whereas Metrolinx is discussing the potential closure of the York University GO Train Station; and

Whereas the York University GO Train Station has been operating for 14 years and provides an essential transit access point to York's Keele Campus and the businesses surrounding the area; and

Whereas York University has more than 53,000 students and 14,000 staff and faculty members who commute daily to the Keele Campus; and

Whereas York University's Secondary Plan predicts significant future growth with up to 24,500 new residents and over 20,000 new jobs on the land surrounding the University; and

Whereas the University has implemented many initiatives to reduce the use of single-occupant vehicles including a dedicated shuttle bus service between the Keele campus and the York University GO Train Station;

1. Now Therefore Be It Hereby Resolved That a letter be sent to Metrolinx requesting that it not close the York University GO Train Station on Canarctic Drive; and
2. Be It Further Resolved That a copy of the letter be sent to our local MPP's office, Regional Council, York University and all municipalities within York Region and along the Barrie rail corridor.

**On a recorded vote the motion
Carried**

Yeas: 6	Nays: 0
Voting Yeas:	Councillors Abel, Humfryes, Kim, Pirri, Thompson, and Mayor Dawe
Voting Nays:	None
Absent:	Councillors Gaertner, Mrakas, and Thom

9. Regional Report

York Regional Council Highlights – March 23, 2017

Motion to defer

Moved by Councillor Pirri

Seconded by Councillor Humfries

That the Regional Report of March 23, 2017, be deferred to the Council meeting of April 11, 2017.

**Motion to defer
Carried**

10. New Business

Councillor Pirri noted that the federal budget was recently announced and many of the issues for which FCM (Federation of Canadian Municipalities) advocated were addressed, including investments, affordable housing, and transit. He advised that the FCM report would be brought forward to Council when available.

Councillor Mrakas noted that the federal government has decided to cut the non-refundable public transit tax credit.

11. Public Service Announcements

Deputy Mayor Abel extended a reminder that Aurora's Easter Egg Hunt will be held on Saturday, April 15, 2017, at the Aurora Seniors' Centre from 9:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

12. By-laws

Moved by Councillor Pirri

Seconded by Councillor Thompson

That the following by-laws be enacted:

- (a) 5964-17** Being a By-law to exempt Block 13 on Plan 65M-4467 from Part-Lot Control (Country Wide Homes at Aurora Inc.).

- (b) 5965-17** Being a By-law to adopt Official Plan Amendment No. 13.
- (c) 5966-17** Being a By-law to amend Zoning By-law Number 2213-78, as amended (Cwenar & Worthman – 19-21 Machell Avenue).
- (d) 5967-17** Being a By-law to amend By-law Number 5870-16, to appoint Municipal By-law Enforcement Officers and Property Standards Officers for The Corporation of the Town of Aurora.
- (e) 5968-17** Being a By-law to amend By-law Number 5920-16 to govern the proceedings of Council and Committee meetings of the Town of Aurora.
- (f) 5969-17** Being a By-law to appoint a Clerk and to delegate certain authority to the Clerk on behalf of The Corporation of the Town of Aurora.

Carried

13. Closed Session

None

14. Confirming By-law

**Moved by Councillor Humfryes
Seconded by Councillor Pirri**

That the following confirming by-law be enacted:

- 5970-17** Being a By-law to Confirm Actions by Council Resulting from a Council Meeting on March 28, 2017.

Carried

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15. Adjournment

**Moved by Councillor Humfryes
Seconded by Councillor Kim**

That the meeting be adjourned at 10:21 p.m.

Carried

Geoffrey Dawe, Mayor

Samantha Yew, Deputy Clerk

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Meeting Minutes**

Council Chambers
Aurora Town Hall
Wednesday, March 22, 2017

Attendance

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

Members Absent Councillor Gaertner

Other Attendees Marco Ramunno, Director of Planning and Building Services, Glen Letman, Manager of Development Planning, Marty Rokos, Planner, Samantha Yew, Deputy Clerk, and Linda Bottos, Council/Committee Secretary

The Chair called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

Council consented to recess the meeting at 8:48 p.m. and reconvened at 8:56 p.m.

On a motion of Councillor Thompson seconded by Councillor Kim, Council consented to extend the hour past 10:30 p.m.

On a motion of Councillor Pirri seconded by Councillor Mrakas, Council consented on a two-thirds vote to waive the requirements of the Procedure By-law to allow for a two-thirds vote to extend the hour past 11 p.m.

On a motion of Councillor Pirri seconded by Councillor Mrakas, Council consented on a two-thirds vote to extend the hour past 11 p.m.

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1. Approval of the Agenda

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

That the agenda as circulated by Legislative Services be approved.

Carried

2. Declarations of Pecuniary Interest and General Nature Thereof

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

3. Planning Applications

Mayor Dawe outlined the procedures that would be followed in the conduct of the public meeting. The Deputy Clerk confirmed that the appropriate notice had been given in accordance with the relevant provisions of the *Planning Act*.

- 1. PBS17-017 – Applications for Official Plan Amendment and Zoning By-law Amendment, Aurora United Church, 15186 Yonge Street, 55, 57, and 57A Temperance Street, 12 and 16 Tyler Street, File Numbers: OPA-2016-05 and ZBA-2016-13**

Planning Staff

Mr. Glen Letman, Manager of Development Planning, presented an overview of the application and staff report respecting the proposed Official Plan and Zoning By-law amendments to allow the redevelopment of the subject lands for a two-storey church and a nine-storey, tiered, 159-unit retirement residence with three vehicular access points and 133 parking spaces. He noted that the proposed Official Plan amendment to Schedule B3 would allow an increase in building height from five storeys to nine storeys and apply specific build-to policies to ensure approved development form, while the Zoning By-law amendment proposes to rezone the subject lands from 'Institutional (I) Zone' and 'Central Commercial (C2) Zone' to 'Institutional (I-X) Exception Zone' to allow an increase in building height and site specific performance standards to

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accommodate the place of worship and 159-unit retirement residence. Mr. Letman further noted that the subject lands are comprised of five properties, which are within the 'Downtown Area' policy designation of the Aurora Promenade Secondary Plan.

Consultant

Ms. Sarah Millar, Associate and Manager of Planning and Development, Fotenn, and Mr. Robert Murphy, A. Robert Murphy Architect Incorporated, presented an overview of the Applications and proposed redevelopment, including site statistics, policy and regulatory review, site context, project objectives, considerations, anticipated timeline, and development outcomes.

Public Comments

Aurora residents, including David Cabianca, Emily Crawley, Angela Daust, Michael Evans, Steve Falk, Brigitta Gamm, David Hanna, Troy Hourie, Richard Klopfer, Emma Kerswill, Eric McCartney, Tanya Pietrangelo, Dave Pressley, Judy Sherman, and Jessica Weaver, provided the following comments:

- Support for church development proposal
- Support for retirement residence development proposal in partnership with church
- Preference for four-to-six-storey retirement residence
- Preference for retail on Yonge Street rather than parking garage entrance
- Suggestions regarding north façade and incorporation of church architectural elements of previous church design
- Concern regarding proposed modern architecture and compatibility with the charm and character of the heritage area
- Concern regarding growth replicating that of North York
- Concern regarding residence size, and number and type of units
- Concern regarding residence height and setbacks which will have a negative impact on the character of the historic downtown core
- Concern regarding privacy and shadowing
- Concern regarding increased traffic
- Concern regarding impact on creek, animals and birds
- Concern regarding proposed glass exterior and risk to birds

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- Concern regarding lack of parking for churchgoers, staff, residents, and visitors
- Concern regarding subject lands being filled from lot line to lot line, lack of green space, and streetscape; not a transitional setback to street
- Concern regarding safety risks in the event of evacuation of nine storeys
- Opposition to development proposal

Consultant

Ms. Millar and Mr. Murphy, with assistance from Mr. Carl Bray, Carl Bray & Associates Inc., and Mr. Richard Pernicky, Cole Engineering Group Ltd., responded to the concerns regarding the proposed architecture, glass exterior and bird-friendly glass, parking, green space, number of residence units and size, setbacks, height, intensification, traffic, and heritage.

Moved by Councillor Pirri

Seconded by Councillor Humfryes

1. That Report No. PBS17-017 be received; and
2. That staff be directed to report back to another Public Planning meeting addressing the issues that were raised at this Public Planning meeting.

Carried

2. **PBS17-022 – Application for Zoning By-law Amendment, Nunzio Grossi, 7, 15, and 19 Cousins Drive, Lots 25, 26, and 27, Registered Plan 340, File Number: ZBA-2015-12**

Planning Staff

Mr. Marty Rokos, Planner, presented an overview of the application and staff report respecting the proposal to rezone the subject lands from “Detached Dwelling Second Density (R2) Zone” to “Detached Dwelling Second Density (R2-X) Exception Zone” to allow for site specific frontage, interior side yard and accessory building setback provisions, to allow for the creation of two additional lots. He noted that this application was first considered at a Public Planning meeting in December 2015 and minor revisions have been made to

the proposal. Mr. Rokos further noted that the subject lands are located within the “Stable Neighbourhoods” designation and a future consent application would be required for Committee of Adjustment approval.

Consultant

Mr. Michael Monette, Planning Consultant, clarified that the lot frontage of 10.5 metres applies only to the retained house and the other four lots would be 11.3 metres. He highlighted elements of the proposed Zoning By-law Amendment and acknowledged the concerns regarding number of lots and lot size, compatibility, parking, and traffic. Mr. Monette suggested that the application represents modest intensification, is in full compliance with the Official Plan, and is reasonable within the context of the neighbourhood.

Public Comments

Aurora residents, including Jean-Marc Langlais, Adrian Mason, Terry Miller, Brian Peck, Dave Pressley, and Susan Tucker, provided the following comments:

- Concern regarding apparent disregard for feedback provided at previous public meeting
- Concern regarding insignificant changes to application
- Concern regarding compatibility and density
- Concern regarding lot width, lot coverage, setbacks, and grading
- Concern regarding unreasonable variances
- Concern regarding construction timeline
- Concern regarding existing shed setback
- Preference for maximum of four lots rather than five lots
- Opposition to proposal

Consultant

Mr. Monette addressed the concerns regarding the home concepts and compatibility, R2 exceptions, lot size, lot coverage, setbacks, existing shed, grading, and revisions to the plan.

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

1. That Report No. PBS17-022 be received; and
2. That the Application for Zoning By-law Amendment be denied as the application is not compatible with the surrounding neighbourhood and does not conform with the 'Stable Neighbourhoods' policies of the Official Plan.

**On a recorded vote the motion
Carried**

Yeas: 6	Nays: 2
Voting Yeas:	Councillors Humfryes, Kim, Mrakas, Thom, Thompson, and Mayor Dawe
Voting Nays:	Councillors Abel and Pirri
Absent:	Councillor Gaertner

4. Confirming By-law

**Moved by Councillor Thom
Seconded by Councillor Kim**

That the following confirming by-law be enacted:

5963-17 Being a By-law to Confirm Actions by Council Resulting from a Council Public Planning Meeting on March 22, 2017.

Carried

5. Adjournment

**Moved by Councillor Pirri
Seconded by Councillor Humfryes**

That the meeting be adjourned at 11:30 p.m.

Carried

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Geoffrey Dawe, Mayor

Samantha Yew, Deputy Clerk

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**Town of Aurora
Council Closed Session
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Leksand Room
Aurora Town Hall
Tuesday, March 21, 2017

Attendance

Council Members	Mayor Dawe in the Chair; Councillors Abel, Humfryes, Mrakas, Pirri, Thom, and Thompson
Members Absent	Councillors Gaertner and Kim
Other Attendees	Doug Nadorozny, Chief Administrative Officer, Marco Ramunno, Director of Planning and Building Services, Patricia De Sario, Town Solicitor, and Samantha Yew, Deputy Clerk

The Chair called the meeting to order at 5:50 p.m.

Council consented to recess at 5:51 p.m. to resolve into a Closed Session.

Council reconvened into open session at 6:11 p.m.

1. Approval of the Agenda

**Moved by Councillor Mrakas
Seconded by Councillor Abel**

That the agenda as circulated by Legislative Services be approved.

Carried

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2. Declaration of Pecuniary Interest and General Nature Thereof

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

3. Consideration of Items Requiring Discussion

Moved by Councillor Mrakas

Seconded by Councillor Humfryes

That Council resolve into Closed Session to consider the following matters:

1. Litigation or potential litigation including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the Town or a Local Board (section 239(2)(e) of the *Municipal Act, 2001*); Re: Appeal to the Ontario Municipal Board Re: Ashlen Holdings Inc. – Prehearing Conference Update

Carried

Moved by Councillor Pirri

Seconded by Councillor Thompson

That the Council Closed Session be reconvened into open session to rise and report from Closed Session.

Carried

1. **Litigation or potential litigation including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the Town or a Local Board (section 239(2)(e) of the *Municipal Act, 2001*); Re: Appeal to the Ontario Municipal Board Re: Ashlen Holdings Inc. – Prehearing Conference Update**

Moved by Councillor Pirri

Seconded by Councillor Thom

That the confidential direction to legal counsel in respect to Appeal to the Ontario Municipal Board Re: Ashlen Holdings Inc. – Prehearing Conference Update, be confirmed.

**On a recorded vote the motion
Carried**

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Yeas: 6 Nays: 1
Voting Yeas: Councillors Abel, Humfryes, Mrakas,
 Thom, Thompson, and Mayor Dawe
Voting Nays: Councillor Pirri
Absent: Councillors Gaertner and Kim

4. By-laws

**Moved by Councillor Pirri
Seconded by Councillor Thom**

That the following confirming by-law be enacted:

5962-17 Being a By-law to Confirm Actions by Council Resulting from a Council
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Carried

5. Adjournment

**Moved by Councillor Thom
Seconded by Councillor Humfryes**

That the meeting be adjourned at 6:12 p.m.

Carried

Geoffrey Dawe, Mayor

Samantha Yew, Deputy Clerk

The public minutes of the Council Closed Session of March 21, 2017, are subject to final approval by Council on April 11, 2017.



**Town of Aurora
Council Closed Session
Public Minutes**

Holland Room
Aurora Town Hall
Tuesday, April 4, 2017

Attendance

Council Members	Mayor Dawe in the Chair; Councillors Abel, Humfryes, Pirri, Thom, and Thompson
Members Absent	Councillors Gaertner, Kim, and Mrakas
Other Attendees	Doug Nadorozny, CAO, Patricia De Sario, Town Solicitor (Departed 6 p.m.), and Samantha Yew, Deputy Clerk

The Chair called the meeting to order at 5:50 p.m.

Council consented to recess at 5:51 p.m. to resolve into a Closed Session.

Council reconvened into open session at 6:19 p.m.

1. Approval of the Agenda

Moved by Councillor Thompson

Seconded by Councillor Thom

That the agenda as circulated by Legislative Services, with the following addition, be approved:

- Personal matters about an identifiable individual, including a Town or Local Board employee (section 239(2)(b) of the *Municipal Act, 2001*); Re: Verbal Update from CAO, Re: Personnel Matter

Carried

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2. Declarations of Pecuniary Interest and General Nature Thereof

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

3. Consideration of Items Requiring Discussion

Moved by Councillor Thom

Seconded by Councillor Mrakas

That Council resolve into Closed Session to consider the following matters:

1. Litigation or potential litigation including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the municipality or local board (section 239(2)(e) of the *Municipal Act, 2001*); Re: Closed Session Report No. CS17-009 – Morris v. Town of Aurora
2. Personal matters about an identifiable individual, including a Town or Local Board employee (section 239(2)(b) of the *Municipal Act, 2001*); Re: Verbal Update from CAO, Re: Personnel Matter

Carried

Moved by Councillor Thompson

Seconded by Councillor Thom

That the Council Closed Session be reconvened into open session to rise and report from Closed Session.

Carried

1. **Litigation or potential litigation including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the municipality or local board (section 239(2)(e) of the *Municipal Act, 2001*); Re: Closed Session Report No. CS17-009 – Morris v. Town of Aurora**

Moved by Councillor Pirri

Seconded by Councillor Humfryes

That Closed Session Report No. CS17-009 – Morris v. Town of Aurora be received for information.

Carried

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- 2. Personal matters about an identifiable individual, including a Town or Local Board employee (section 239(2)(b) of the *Municipal Act, 2001*);
Re: Verbal Update from CAO, Re: Personnel Matter**

**Moved by Councillor Pirri
Seconded by Councillor Humfryes**

That the Verbal Update from CAO, Re: Personnel Matter, be received for information.

Carried

4. By-laws

**Moved by Councillor Abel
Seconded by Councillor Thom**

That the following confirming by-law be enacted:

- 5971-16** Being a By-law to Confirm Actions by Council Resulting from a Council Closed Session Meeting on April 4, 2017.

Carried

5. Adjournment

**Moved by Councillor Pirri
Seconded by Councillor Humfryes**

That the meeting be adjourned at 6:38 p.m.

Carried

Geoffrey Dawe, Mayor

Samantha Yew, Deputy Clerk

The public minutes of the Council Closed Session of April 4, 2017, are subject to final approval by Council on April 11, 2017.



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**Town of Aurora
Office of the Mayor**

Memorandum

Date: March 28, 2017
To: Members of Council
From: Mayor Geoffrey Dawe
Re: **Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority
Board Meeting Highlights of February 24, 2017**

Recommendation

That Council:

- Receive the correspondence for information
- Endorse the recommendations
- Provide direction



Board Meeting Highlights

February 24, 2017

Presentations:

Georgina Island Subwatershed Plan

Manager, Integrated Watershed Management, Bill Thompson, updated the Board regarding the Georgina Island subwatershed plan, noting it is the final plan and one that has been most interesting to work on. He noted it has been a partnership between LSRCA and the Chippewas of Georgina Island, and that cultural views and traditional knowledge were insightful and incorporated into the plan. Ecological evaluations, wetland evaluations, and littoral studies were conducted, and lots of new information was found on natural heritage features, swamp habitat, and a surprising number of interesting species. Seasonal watercourses and high levels of phosphorus in the tributaries were found, and elders raised concerns over the creeks drying up. He advised that Chippewas of Georgina Island will be responsible for the implementation of the plan, and noted that their Environmental/By-Law Coordinator, Kerry Ann Charles, had already used the plan to generate funding and with LSRCA's assistance, had restored the creek. Mr. Thompson noted that he was impressed with their ability to generate funds and get things done.

Correspondence and Staff Reports:

Correspondence

The Board received a copy of LSRCA's letter to the Honourable Bill Mauro, Minister of Municipal Affairs dated January 20, 2017.

Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act: Annual Statistical Report 2016

The Board received Staff Report No. 04-17-BOD, prepared by Shelley Fogelman, Senior Administrative Assistant, Corporate & Financial Services, which provided the Board with a summary of Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act – Annual Statistical Report for 2016.

Year-end Monitoring Report - Planning and Development Applications for 2016

The Board received Staff Report No. 05-17-BOD, prepared by Beverley Booth, Manager Regulations, which provided the Board with a summary of planning and development applications for the period January 1 through December 31, 2016.

Reserve Administration – Amalgamation of Deer Park and New Forest Endowment Fund Reserves

The Board approved Staff Report No. 06-17-BOD, prepared by Katherine Toffan, Manager Finance, which provided the Board with a recommendation regarding the amalgamation of the conservation easement reserves for Deer Park and New Forest into one reserve, to be referred to as the Arnold C. Matthews Nature Reserve, within the Endowment Funds category.



Delegation of Signing Authority for Minor Applications pursuant to Ontario Regulation 179/06

The Board approved Staff Report No. 07-17-BOD, prepared by Beverley Booth, Manager Regulations, which requested signing authorization for the Senior Regulations Analyst for minor development applications made pursuant to Ontario Regulation 179/06.

CAO/Secretary-Treasurer Signing Authority - Summary of 2016 Purchase Orders

The Board received Staff Report No. 08-17-BOD, prepared by Michael Walters, Chief Administrative Officer, which provided the Board with a summary of purchase orders over \$25,000 signed by the Chief Administrative Officer during 2016.

For more information or to see the full agenda package, please click the link below for LSRCA's Board of Directors' webpage: [LSRCA Board Meetings](#)



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Presentations:

Scanlon Creek Operations Centre Design Schematic

General Manager, Conservation Lands, Brian Kemp, provided an overview of the Scanlon Creek Operations Centre located in Bradford West Gwillimbury, noting that it currently houses LSRCA's Education and Conservation Lands staff teams. He presented the schematic design to Board members and reviewed the steps taken to date to arrive at the design, noting that architects at Brook McIlroy have been retained and are working with an internal team to ensure the interests of all concerned are considered. He explained that the renovations will allow for more staff to relocate to this building in the future to create much needed space in LSRCA's Administrative Offices located in Newmarket.

Urban Restoration Department and Demonstration Projects

General Manager, Integrated Watershed Management, Ben Longstaff, provided the Board with a presentation on LSRCA's new Urban Restoration Department, noting a priority action in LSRCA's Strategic Plan is to develop a new Urban Restoration Program and update the Rural Stewardship Program in 1 year. He noted the department essentially consists of three main areas: construction services; knowledge transfer and translation; and RainScaping Assistance Program. He explained the desired outcomes of this new department include cost effective urban restoration services provided to municipal partners and other stakeholders; a strategic approach to urban restoration that moves from opportunistic and ad hoc demonstration projects to one based on identified priorities and economic rationalization; low impact development (LID) and better site design becoming normal practice for all urban restoration activities; a sustainable incentive program that motivates ICI sector to undertake LID solutions; along with business and environmental outcomes tracked, reported and communicated to stakeholders.

GM Longstaff overviewed some of the demonstration projects the team has been working on, noting the primary purposes of pilot projects include using smaller scale projects as a learning experience in order to adapt on the broader projects, measuring environmental outcomes, as well as an opportunity to educate and promote members of the public and municipal staff.

Correspondence and Staff Reports:

Correspondence

The Board received three pieces of correspondence: (a) the Township of Ramara's letter advising that they will no longer have a Township representative on the LSRCA Board, (b) a thank you letter from the Building Industry and Land Development Association (BILD); and (c) a thank you letter from Conservation Ontario.



2016 Reserves and Preliminary Unaudited Financial Statements

The Board approved Staff Report No. 12-17-BOD, prepared by Katherine Toffan, Manager, Finance, which provided the Board of Directors with the 2016 Preliminary Unaudited Financial Statements, which contained recommendations of appropriations to and (from) reserves.

2017 Conservation Awards Program – Timeline and Proposed Changes

The Board received Staff Report No. 13-17-BOD, prepared by Kristen Yemm, Manager, Communications, which provided the Board with information regarding the 2017 Conservation Awards Program. The Board approved an amended recommendation regarding the proposed changes to the Conservation Awards Program; namely, the Board requested that the names of the Ernie Crossland Young Conservationist Award and the George R. Richardson Award of Honour remain unchanged.

Nature Backpack Public Library Pilot Project

The Board received Staff Report No. 14-17-BOD, prepared by Nicole Hamley, Manager, Education, which provided the Board with additional information regarding the Nature Backpack Public Library Pilot Project, as had been requested at a previous meeting.

For more information or to see the full agenda package, please click the link below for LSRCA's Board of Directors' webpage: [LSRCA Board Meetings](#)



Notice of Motion	Mayor Geoffrey Dawe
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Date: April 11, 2017

To: Members of Council

From: Mayor Dawe

Re: **Beacon Hall Flyover Request – Soldier On to St. Andrew’s**

Whereas the “Soldier On” program was created to support ill and injured serving members and veterans to regain their confidence and rebuild their lives through sport and physical activities that promote connection and active lifestyles; and

Whereas Beacon Hall hosts an annual charity golf tournament entitled “Soldier On to St. Andrew’s” which supports Canadian soldiers who have sustained an illness or injury while serving Canada; and

Whereas the 2017 event will be held at Beacon Hall on Monday, June 5, and is supported by various donors and sponsors with TD Insurance being the title sponsor; and

Whereas the program this year includes guest speaker Rick Hillier, former Chief of Defence Staff at the Canadian Armed Forces; and

Whereas the program also includes a flyover by an aircraft during opening announcements; and

Whereas, under Federal General Operating and Flight Rules, the municipality must be advised and not object to the flyover;

1. Now Therefore Be It Hereby Resolved That Council support the request for a flyover at Beacon Hall on Monday, June 5, 2017.



**Motion for Which Notice
Has Been Given** (March 21, 2017)

Mayor Geoffrey Dawe

Date: March 28, 2017
To: Members of Council
From: Mayor Dawe
Re: **By-law Number 5642-14 – Relating to the Keeping, Licensing and Controlling of Animals in the Town of Aurora**

Whereas the City of Toronto has enacted amendments to Municipal Code Chapter 349 with respect to Animals; and

Whereas the amendments include a clear definition of “dangerous dog” and “dangerous act and attack” and requirements for dangerous dogs which are intended to address dog behaviour and responsible dog ownership among other things; and

Whereas Aurora residents have requested that Aurora By-law Number 5642-14 be amended to include provisions with respect to the protection of persons and animals from dangerous dogs, similar to what has been introduced in the City of Toronto;

1. Now Therefore Be It Hereby Resolved That staff investigate and report back to Council on the implications of introducing amendments to By-law Number 5642-14 similar to those enacted by the City of Toronto.



**Motion for Which Notice
Has Been Given** (April 4, 2017)

Councillor Wendy Gaertner

Date: April 11, 2017

To: Mayor and Members of Council

From: Councillor Gaertner

Re: **Appreciating Diversity in Aurora**

Whereas Aurora is a community that values inclusion, acceptance and diversity; and

Whereas the Town Council affirms that diversity is welcome and serves to make our community stronger; and

Whereas we want to send a strong message that we reject intolerance based on race, religion, ethnicity, gender and sexual orientation; and

Whereas respect and acceptance for our differences are fostered by knowledge and understanding; and

Whereas the Town of Aurora has the capability to use its communication tools to provide information and foster positive conversations about our diversity;

1. Now Therefore Be It Hereby Resolved That the Town utilize communications opportunities to provide information, share knowledge and promote events that celebrate the values of inclusion, acceptance and diversity; and
2. Be It Further Resolved That the Town's social media platforms be used to celebrate and recognize key community and global events that further LGBTQ rights, human rights, and serve to assist in the elimination of discrimination of any kind. These events include—but are not limited to—Pride Week, the Town of Aurora Multicultural Festival, International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination, Black History Month, Asian Heritage Month, and International Women's Day.



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Memorandum

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From: Mayor Geoffrey Dawe
Re: York Regional Council Highlights of March 23, 2017

Recommendation

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Thursday, March 23, 2017

York Regional Council Highlights - March 23, 2017

King Township Councillor Avia Eek appointed to York Region Agricultural Advisory Liaison Group

York Region Chairman and CEO Wayne Emmerson announced the appointment of Township of King Councillor Avia Eek as Regional representative on the York Region Agricultural Advisory Liaison Group.

Councillor Eek's involvement in the agricultural community is long-standing. In addition to this appointment, Councillor Eek is actively involved in eight boards and committees including Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority board of directors, is interim Chair of the Greater Toronto Area Agricultural Action Committee and is a member on the Golden Horseshoe Food and Farming Alliance.

York Region bids farewell to Commissioner, welcomes new staff member

York Region Chairman and CEO Wayne Emmerson and members of Council recognized outgoing Community and Health Services Commissioner Adelina Urbanski at her final meeting of York Regional Council, extending appreciation for her years of service and dedication to York Region. The Chairman also extended a welcome to Katherine Chislett who officially assumed the position of Commissioner

of Community and Health Services March 20

Update to Regional Council May meeting date

York Regional Council approved a change in date for the May Regional Council meeting from Thursday, May 18 to Thursday, May 25, 2017. Agendas and live streaming will be available on york.ca

York Region Matters coming to a mailbox near you

The spring edition of York Region Matters provides information on programs and services provided by York Region and will soon be delivered to over 365,000 homes and businesses across the Region.

Articles in this edition include:

- Information about York Region's 2017 \$3 billion budget
- Features of York Region's new mobile app
- Details on how to explore York Region by bicycle

Residents can also provide feedback by completing the survey at york.ca/yorkregionmatters

York Region to participate in Earth Hour

The Regional Municipality of York will join cities and towns from around the world in turning off lights to support [Earth Hour](#) on Saturday, March 25 from 8:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.

All non-essential lights will be turned off at the following locations:

- York Region Administrative Centre, 17250 Yonge Street, Town of Newmarket
- York Region South Services Centre, 50 High Tech Road, Town of Richmond Hill
- York Region Transportation Operations Centre, 90 Bales Drive, Town of East Gwillimbury

- York Region Community and Health Services, 9060 Jane Street, City of Vaughan

Residents can also celebrate their commitment to the planet by turning off lights and unnecessary devices that use electricity. Small actions at home or work can make a big difference.

Earth Hour is a global movement organized by the [World Wildlife Foundation](#) to encourage individuals, communities and corporations to turn off lights for one hour to raise awareness about climate change.

York Region celebrates Canada Water Week

York Regional Council acknowledged Canada Water Week and York Region's role in delivering high quality drinking water to residents across York Region.

York Region staff are examples of behind-the-scenes water heroes who understand the complex responsibility of providing clean, safe drinking water for residents and the significance of safeguarding it for future generations.

Canada Water Week is a celebration of water from coast-to-coast, held annually in the third week of March to coincide with World Water Day on March 22.

Revised Draft 2017 Development Charge Background Study and Bylaw presented to Council

York Regional Council received a revised Draft 2017 Development Charge Background Study and Bylaw which addresses issues raised by Council at its February meeting.

Further consultation with local cities and towns has resulted in additional roads infrastructure projects being included in the revised study. In addition, staff made changes to the background study to reflect more up-to-date information. As a result, both proposed residential and non-residential development charges have increased slightly.

Funds raised through Development Charges are used to recover the cost of growth-

related infrastructure, such as water and wastewater treatment, roads, transit and social housing in our communities. The next public meeting regarding the bylaw will take place [Thursday, April 20 at 9 a.m.](#), followed by Regional Council. The Draft 2017 Development Charge Bylaw will be tabled for approval at Regional Council in May.

York Region economy bustling with business and employment growth

The Regional Municipality of York Economic Development [2016 Year in Review](#) report shows an active economy of business and job growth, maintaining York Region's position as a community of choice to live, work and locate business.

The report provides local business community highlights and an annual update on activities under York Region's [Economic Development Action Plan 2016 to 2019](#). Highlights include:

- A 3.1 per cent annual employment growth rate to an estimated 595,200 jobs in York Region as of mid-year 2016
- Facilitating the establishment of General Motor's new automotive software development centre in York Region in partnership with the City of Markham
- Official opening of KPMG's new office tower in the City of Vaughan, with direct access to the Toronto-York Spadina Subway Extension and Viva Rapid Transit, which is collaboratively funded by York Region
- Facilitating the creation of over 2,300 new and expansion jobs across the Region since 2010
- Launching the [York Link](#) marketing and business attraction campaign, *Where Talent and Opportunity Intersect*, to bring new business to York Region
- Delivering the first FinTech Summit showcasing the capabilities of York Region's financial technology companies, attracting over 200 participants including MaRs, PayPal and OMERS

York Region creates York Telecom Network as a separate entity

York Regional Council approved the transition of [York Telecom Network](#) to a separate corporation to open funding avenues to help expand broadband service throughout York Region.

Created originally in 2002, York Telecom Network efficiently connected two Regional

facilities. Since then, it has expanded to improving connection between Regional buildings, traffic cameras, traffic control systems and water and wastewater monitoring systems. The network is also used by municipalities, universities, schools and hospitals.

Speeding along the information highway

York Regional Council approved the submission of a [funding application](#) to the federal government [Connect to Innovate](#) program to support expanding high-speed Internet access in the Region's rural communities.

A successful funding application could support up to 75 per cent, or up to \$8 million of the cost of placing 175 kilometres of new fibre required to improve Internet service.

York Regional Council has identified [broadband connectivity](#) as a key priority for this term of Council under the Broadband Strategy. Improving connectivity allows all parts of the Region to remain competitive, positively impacting the economic and social well-being of the Region's residents and businesses.

York Region Paramedic Services exceeding response time targets

Despite a growing population and higher than expected call volumes, York Region Paramedic Services has [exceeded 2016 response time targets](#).

This success is due to ongoing operational efficiencies and working closely with community partners, particularly for sudden cardiac arrest response. York Region Paramedic Services strategies such as Community CPR, Get2UFaster and community AEDs will help broaden the number of people who can assist those in sudden cardiac arrest.

Paramedic Services call volume from 2011 to 2016 increased 34 per cent, 10 per cent higher than the 24 per cent predicted.

York Region launches new program to improve commuter experience

York Region's new [Travel Smart Program](#) is a five-year plan to support a growing Region and improve consistency of travel time and safety for commuters and road users.

Initiatives in the Travel Smart Program include:

- Providing access to real-time traffic information
 - Upgrading traffic signal controls
 - Reviewing parking and stopping restrictions on Regional roads
 - Developing Smart Work Zone programs where technology is used to provide travel time information to better inform users in areas impacted by construction
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York Region set to begin two-year electric bus trial

York Regional Council has approved the [purchase of six, forty-foot electric buses](#) for a two-year electric bus trial, demonstrating the Region's commitment to reducing greenhouse gas emissions.

The two-year trial will measure benefits associated with electric bus technology, including reduction of operating and maintenance costs, greenhouse gas emissions and noise pollution.

Off-board fare collection system to expand, upgrade on YRT/Viva

York Regional Council approved the expansion and upgrade of the York Region Transit (YRT/Viva) [off-board fare collection system](#), including ticket vending machines and ticket validators.

The expansion will service new Viva stations, as well as the Toronto-York Spadina Subway extension. New machines will now accept debit cards and existing machines will be upgraded to ensure ongoing reliability.

Off-board fare collection systems at Viva stations and terminals allow non-PRESTO customers to purchase single ride tickets using cash or credit card.

York Region receives top marks for its drinking water

The Regional Municipality of York released its [2016 Drinking Water Systems Report](#) which summarizes how York Region's drinking water systems are managed to keep drinking water safe.

In 2015 and 2016 York Region ranked first in the Greater Toronto Area in the Ontario Chief Water Inspector's Annual Report.

In 2016, over 18,000 laboratory drinking water tests were performed and over 31 million online analyzer readings were recorded to confirm the quality of Regional tap water.

York Region uses a combined system of standards which includes operator training, water treatment, extensive monitoring and testing, as well as emergency preparedness to support the delivery of safe drinking water.

Under the *Safe Drinking Water Act 2002*, York Region reports annually on the quality and quantity of drinking water produced.

Water and Wastewater research programs bring innovative solutions to York Region

York Regional Council received an update on water and wastewater research over the past year.

The research program supports protection of public health and the environment by understanding emerging challenges, leveraging the latest technology and optimizing facility operations to improve treatment quality and align with changing regulations.

Some of the research projects include:

- Early detection and removal of blue-green algae toxins
- Mussel control at drinking water intakes
- Investigation of alternative sources of disinfection by-products
- Data analytics to drive energy optimization

York Region has engaged in research and innovation programs since 2008. Ongoing efforts demonstrate York Region's commitment to continuous improvement,

leadership and operational excellence in water and wastewater service delivery.

State of the Forest report reveals many benefits of forests in York Region

York Regional Council received an update on the [state of forests](#) in York Region, which shows the Region's commitment to green infrastructure, specifically forests, trees and woodland cover, contribute to a healthier and more prosperous community.

Highlights of the report include an estimated 29 million trees provide significant economic, social, environmental and public health benefits. York Region trees provide \$8 million in annual energy savings from reduced heating and cooling requirements, remove 3,200 tonnes of air pollution and 77,000 tonnes of carbon.

Next regular meeting of York Regional Council

York Regional Council will meet on Thursday, April 20 at 9 a.m. in the York Region Administrative Centre Council Chambers, located at 17250 Yonge Street in the Town of Newmarket.

The Regional Municipality of York consists of nine local cities and towns, and provides a variety of programs and services to almost 1.2 million residents, 50,000 businesses and 595,000 employees. More information about the Region's key service areas is available at york.ca/regionalservices

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The Corporation of The Town of Aurora

By-law Number 59XX-17

**Being a By-law to Confirm Actions by Council
Resulting from a Council Meeting
on April 11, 2017.**

The Council of the Corporation of The Town of Aurora hereby enacts as follows:

1. That the actions by Council at its Council meeting held on April 11, 2017, in respect of each motion, resolution and other action passed and taken by the Council at the said meeting is, except where prior approval of the Ontario Municipal Board is required, hereby adopted, ratified and confirmed.
2. That the Mayor and the proper officers of the Town are hereby authorized and directed to do all things necessary to give effect to the said action or to obtain approvals where required and to execute all documents as may be necessary in that behalf and the Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to affix the corporate seal to all such documents.

Enacted by Town of Aurora Council this 11th day of April, 2017.

Geoffrey Dawe, Mayor

Michael de Rond, Town Clerk