



# **Council Meeting Agenda**

**Tuesday, October 24, 2017  
7 p.m.**

**Council Chambers  
Aurora Town Hall**



## **Town of Aurora Council Meeting Agenda**

Tuesday, October 24, 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) Peter Smith, Resident**

**Re: Motion (a) Councillor Gaertner; Re: Review of Stable  
Neighbourhoods Policies**

### **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 C5 inclusive, be approved:

**C1. General Committee Meeting Report of October 17, 2017**

**Recommended:**

1. That the General Committee meeting report of October 17, 2017, be received and the recommendations carried by the Committee approved.

**C2. Council Meeting Minutes of October 10, 2017**

**Recommended:**

1. That the Council meeting minutes of October 10, 2017, be adopted as printed and circulated.

**C3. Council Public Planning Meeting Minutes of September 27, 2017**

**Recommended:**

1. That the Council Public Planning meeting minutes of September 27, 2017, be adopted as printed and circulated.

**C4. Budget Committee Meeting Report of October 14, 2017**

**Recommended:**

1. That the Budget Committee meeting report of October 14, 2017, be received for information.

**C5. Memorandum from Councillor Mrakas**

**Re: Bill 139, Building Better Communities and Conserving Watersheds Act, 2017 – Written Submission to the Standing Committee on Social Policy**

**Recommended:**

1. That the memorandum regarding Bill 139, Building Better Communities and Conserving Watersheds Act, 2017 – Written Submission to the Standing Committee on Social Policy, be received for information.

**6. Consideration of Items Requiring Discussion (Regular Agenda)**

**R1. CS17-034 – Supplementary Information to Report No. CS17-031 –  
Winter Parking Restrictions to Facilitate Snow Clearing**

**Recommended:**

1. That Report No. CS17-034 be received for information.

**7. Notices of Motion**

**8. Motions**

- (a) **Councillor Gaertner**  
**Re: Review of Stable Neighbourhoods Policies**
- (b) **Councillor Kim**  
**Re: Tree Lighting Ceremony**
- (c) **Councillor Humfryes**  
**Re: Reduction of Council Size**

**9. Regional Report**

**York Regional Council Highlights – October 19, 2017**

**Recommended:**

That the Regional Report of October 19, 2017, be received for information.

**10. New Business**

**11. Public Service Announcements**

## **12. By-laws**

### **Recommended:**

That the following by-laws be enacted:

- (a) By-law Number XXXX-17 Being a By-law to exempt Block 14 on Plan 65M-4467 from Part-Lot Control (Countrywide Homes at Aurora).**
- (b) By-law Number XXXX-17 Being a By-law to amend Zoning By-law Number 2213-78, as amended (210 Edward Street – The Gathering Place of Aurora).**  
(General Committee Report No. PBS17-015 – Jun. 20/17)

## **13. Closed Session**

## **14. Confirming By-law**

### **Recommended:**

That the following confirming by-law be enacted:

**By-law Number XXXX-17 Being a By-law to Confirm Actions by Council Resulting from a Council Meeting on October 24, 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**

<b>Council/Committee/Advisory Committee Meeting Date:</b> 24 October	
<b>Subject:</b> Building Bylaw Review in older residential areas	
<b>Name of Spokesperson:</b> Peter Smith	
<b>Name of Group or Person(s) being Represented (if applicable):</b> —	
<b>Brief Summary of Issue or Purpose of Delegation:</b> Request to review bylaws to govern height and size of new homes in stable neighbourhoods of Aurora	
<b>Please complete the following:</b>	
Have you been in contact with a Town staff or Council member regarding your matter of interest? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	
If yes, with whom? Wendy Guertner	Date: 12 Oct 2017
<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, Aurora Town Hall  
Tuesday, October 17, 2017

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### **Attendance**

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

**Members Absent** Councillor Humfries

**Other Attendees** Doug Nadorozny, Chief Administrative Officer, Dan Elliott, Director of Financial Services, Al Downey, Director of Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services, Marco Ramunno, Director of Planning and Building Services, Mandie Eddie, Manager of By-law Services, Stephanie Mackenzie-Smith, Manager of Corporate Communications, Patricia De Sario, Town Solicitor, Michael de Rond, Town Clerk, and Linda Bottos, Council/Committee Secretary

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In the absence of the scheduled Chair, the Town Clerk requested a motion to appoint a Chair for the meeting. General Committee consented to appoint Councillor Pirri as Chair.

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

### **1. Approval of the Agenda**

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

- Delegation (a) Austin Clark, Resident; Re: Item R1 – CS17-031 – Winter Parking Restrictions to Facilitate Snow Clearing
- Item C7 – Memorandum from Mayor Dawe; Re: Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority Board Meeting Highlights of September 22, 2017

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- Item R6 – CS17-032 – N6 Initiative – Animal Shelter Services – Memorandum of Understanding
- Item R7 – CS17-033 – Animal Control Service

## **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**

None

## **4. Delegations**

### **(a) Austin Clark, Resident**

#### **Re: Item R1 – CS17-031 – Winter Parking Restrictions to Facilitate Snow Clearing**

Mr. Clark expressed concern regarding the reinstatement of the winter parking restrictions between the hours of 2 a.m. and 6 a.m., during which time he would have no place to park, and he proposed that the Town consider the concept of alternating which side of the street vehicles may park on to facilitate snow clearing.

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

## **5. Consent Agenda**

### **General Committee recommends:**

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

- C1. Accessibility Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes of September 6, 2017**



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

**C2. Heritage Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes of September 11, 2017**

1. That the Heritage Advisory Committee meeting minutes of September 11, 2017, be received for information.

**C3. Governance Review Ad Hoc Committee Meeting Minutes of September 12, 2017**

1. That the Governance Review Ad Hoc Committee meeting minutes of September 12, 2017, be received for information.

**C4. Governance Review Ad Hoc Committee Meeting Minutes of September 26, 2017**

1. That the Governance Review Ad Hoc Committee meeting minutes of September 26, 2017, be received for information.

**C5. Central York Fire Services – Joint Council Committee Meeting Minutes of May 16, 2017**

1. That the Central York Fire Services – Joint Council Committee meeting minutes of May 16, 2017, be received for information.

**C6. PBS17-077 – Town of Aurora Strategic Plan Workplan Update**

1. That Report No. PBS17-077 be received for information.

**C7. Memorandum from Mayor Dawe**

**Re: Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority Board Meeting  
Highlights of September 22, 2017**

1. That the memorandum regarding Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority Board Meeting Highlights of September 22, 2017, be received for information.

**Carried**

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## **6. Consideration of Items Requiring Discussion (Regular Agenda)**

General Committee consented to consider items in the following order: R1, R4, R2, R3, R5, R6, and R7.

### **R1. CS17-031 – Winter Parking Restrictions to Facilitate Snow Clearing**

**General Committee recommends:**

1. That Report No. CS17-031 be received for information.

**Carried**

### **R2. PRCS17-036 – Space Accommodation for 52 and 56 Victoria Street**

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

**General Committee recommends:**

1. That Report No. PRCS17-036 be received.

**Carried**

**General Committee recommends:**

2. That Council recommend that the 140 Aurora Air Cadet Squadron, the Aurora Bridge Club, and the Faith Fellowship Baptist Church be provided subsidization as outlined in this report.

**Defeated**

**General Committee recommends:**

3. That an increase to the Aurora Senior Centre Operating Budget in the amount of \$10,000 to deploy staff to open and close the facility be approved.

**Defeated**

### **R3. PRCS17-030 – Sports Field and Parks Use Policy Revisions**

**General Committee recommends:**

1. That Report No. PRCS17-030 be received; and

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2. That the revised Sports Field and Parks Use Policy be approved.

**Carried**

**R4. PBS17-075 – Application for Draft Plan of Condominium, BG Properties (Aurora) Inc. (Phase 2), 14222, 14314, 14358 and 14378 Yonge Street, Part Lot 17, Plan 132, Part Lots 74 and 75, Con. 1, Part 1 65R-35902, File Number: CDM-2017-04, Related File Numbers: SUB-2012-03, ZBA-2012-16, and CDM-2016-03**

**General Committee recommends:**

1. That Report No. PBS17-075 be received; and
2. That the Application for Draft Plan of Condominium CDM-2017-04 (BG Properties (Aurora) Inc.) (Phase 2) to permit the development of the subject lands for 153 single detached dwelling units, subject to the conditions outlined in Appendix 'A' of this report be approved; and
3. That the Mayor and Town Clerk be authorized to execute any Agreement(s) referenced in the Conditions of Approval, including any and all documents and ancillary agreements required to give effect to same.

**Carried**

**R5. Summary of Committee Recommendations Report No. 2017-09**

**General Committee recommends:**

1. That Summary of Committee Recommendations Report No. 2017-09 be received; and
2. That the Committee recommendations contained within this report be approved.

**Carried**

**R6. CS17-032 – N6 Initiative – Animal Shelter Services – Memorandum of Understanding**

**General Committee recommends:**

1. That Report No. CS17-032 be received; and
2. That the Mayor and Town Clerk be authorized to execute a Memorandum of Understanding with the Towns of Newmarket, East Gwillimbury, and Georgina for the provision of Animal Shelter Services for a five-year term with an optional one-year extension; and
3. That the Director of Corporate Services be authorized to renew the agreement for an additional one (1) year period, pending an annual analysis and satisfactory performance review by the Director.

**Carried**

**R7. CS17-033 – Animal Control Service**

**General Committee recommends:**

1. That Report No. CS17-033 be received; and
2. That a new full-time Animal Control Officer position, and the attached Capital Project No. 24016 for Animal Control Start-up, be approved in advance of the 2018 Budget.

**Carried**

**7. Notices of Motion**

**(a) Councillor Gaertner**

**Re: Review of Stable Neighbourhoods Policies**

Whereas the purpose of Aurora's Official Plan (OP) is to shape development decisions and manage growth of the Town [OP 1.1 a)]; and

Whereas this Plan provides specific policies through which to evaluate the appropriateness of change and the degree to which the proposed changes are considered compatible development and are in the public interest [OP 1.1 c)]; and

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Whereas one of the Fundamental Principals of the Plan is to Protect Stable Neighbourhoods by ensuring 'that the stability and vibrancy of these existing neighbourhoods is protected from the negative impacts of potential incompatible development and growth pressures' [OP 2.1 vi.]; and

Whereas the purpose of Section 3.0 of the Plan is to Promote Responsible Growth Management; and

Whereas the importance of protecting the stability of our older residential areas of Aurora is demonstrated in Section 8, six pages of policies intended to provide protection from incompatible forms of development while permitting these neighbourhoods to evolve and be enhanced over time; and

Whereas Section 8.1.3 d) states that "All development within the Stable Neighbourhoods' designation may be subject to Site Plan Control...including, without limitation, the control of building materials, colour and architectural detail"; and

Whereas the review of Aurora's By-laws did not include a specific review of by-laws pertaining to our older neighbourhoods; and

Whereas these by-laws have been in place for many years preceding the 2010 Official Plan protections intended to shape appropriate development in these areas;

1. Now Therefore Be It Hereby Resolved That Council and Staff do a study of the By-laws governing development of stable neighbourhoods to ensure that the intent of our planning policy is being realized and reflected through these By-laws.

**(b) Councillor Kim**  
**Re: Tree Lighting Ceremony**

Whereas the Tree Lighting Ceremony, held annually at Town Hall, is well known to be a Christmas Tree; and

Whereas, when the ceremony began in 2005, the word "Christmas" was not included for reasons unknown;

1. Now Therefore Be It Hereby Resolved That the annual "Tree Lighting Ceremony" be called the "Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony" beginning with the 2017 Christmas season.

**(c) Councillor Humfryes**

**Re: Reduction of Council Size**

Whereas Council deemed it appropriate to undertake a review of the Town's governance model to ensure that it best serves the future needs of our residents; and

Whereas in the 2014 municipal election a question was put on the ballot asking voters if they were in favour of reducing the number of Aurora Councillors from eight (8) to six (6); and

Whereas nearly two-thirds of those who voted said they were in favour of reducing the size of Council; and

Whereas any substantive changes to the governance structure of Aurora Town Council would need to be passed by a by-law on or before December 31, 2017;

1. Now Therefore Be It Hereby Resolved That the composition of the Council of The Corporation of the Town of Aurora be changed from nine (9) members to seven (7) members, comprised of one (1) Mayor, who shall be the Head of Council, and six (6) Councillors; and
2. Be It Further Resolved That the change in the composition of Council come into force for the 2018 municipal election in accordance with the provisions of the *Municipal Act*; and
3. Be It Further Resolved That staff be directed to bring forward the necessary by-law prior to December 31, 2017, to change the composition of Council for The Corporation of the Town of Aurora from nine (9) members to seven (7) members, comprised of one (1) Mayor, who shall be the Head of Council, and six (6) Councillors.

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## **8. New Business**

Councillor Thompson inquired about the plans for the Town's electronic sign board at Orchard Heights Boulevard and Yonge Street, which is currently out of commission, and staff provided an update.

Councillor Mrakas inquired about whether the matter of low water levels in the McKenzie Marsh had been discussed by the Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority, and the Mayor provided a response.

## **9. Closed Session**

None

## **10. Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:33 p.m.

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**Paul Pirri, Councillor**

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**Michael de Rond, Town Clerk**

The report of the General Committee meeting of October 17, 2017, is subject to final approval and endorsement of the recommendations by Council on October 24, 2017.



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Council Meeting Minutes**

Council Chambers, Aurora Town Hall  
Tuesday, October 10, 2017

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**Attendance**

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

**Members Absent** Councillor Humfryes

**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, Michael de Rond, Town Clerk, and Linda Bottos, Council/Committee Secretary

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

Mayor Dawe relinquished the Chair to Deputy Mayor Abel at 7:28 p.m., during the consideration of Motion (a), and resumed the Chair at 7:39 p.m.

**1. Approval of the Agenda**

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

That the agenda as circulated by Legislative Services be approved.

**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. Presentations**

None

## **4. Delegations**

None

## **5. Consent Agenda**

Council consented to consider Items C1(C3), C1(R1), C1(R3), C1(R5), and C4 under Section 6, Consideration of Items Requiring Discussion (Regular Agenda) as Items R1, R2, R3, R4, and R5, respectively.

**Moved by Councillor Gaertner  
Seconded by Councillor Mrakas**

That the following Consent Agenda items—C1 (with the exception of sub-items C3, R1, R3, and R5), C2, C3, and C5—be approved:

### **C1. General Committee Meeting Report of October 3, 2017**

1. That the General Committee meeting report of October 3, 2017, be received and the following recommendations carried by the Committee be approved:

### **(C4) Community Recognition Review Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes of August 21, 2017**

1. That the Community Recognition Review Advisory Committee meeting minutes of August 21, 2017, be received for information.

**(C5) Memorandum from Mayor Dawe**

**Re: Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority Board Meeting  
Highlights of July 28, 2017**

1. That the memorandum regarding Lake Simcoe Conservation Authority Board Meeting Highlights of July 28, 2017, be received for information.

**(R2) FS17-043 – Capital Projects Status and Closures as of July 31, 2017**

1. That Report No. FS17-043 be received; and
2. That the Capital Project closures and Capital funding adjustments outlined in Attachments #1 and #2 be approved.

**(R4) PRCS17-032 – Canada 150 Art Installation at Church Street School  
at 22 Church Street**

1. That Report No. PRCS17-032 be received; and
2. That the installation of the Canada 150 Milestones Mural: A Community Art Project art installation on the southwest lawn of Church Street School at 22 Church Street be approved in the amount of \$2,700, funded from the Property Improvement Operating Account 1-4-07302-5037; and
3. That the Mayor and Town Clerk be authorized to execute the funding Agreement between the Town of Aurora and the Ontario Heritage Trust, including any and all documents and ancillary agreements required to give effect to same.

**(R6) CS17-030 – Implications of the Provincial Government's Proposed  
Changes to Employment Standards Legislation on the  
Town**

1. That Report No. CS17-030 be received for information.

**(R7) Correspondence from Toronto and Region Conservation Authority (TRCA) dated September 29, 2017, Re: Appointments to the TRCA Regional Watershed Alliance 2017-2021**

1. That the correspondence from Toronto and Region Conservation Authority (TRCA) dated September 29, 2017, regarding Appointments to the TRCA Watershed Alliance 2017-2021, be received for information.

**(R8) FS17-020 – 2016 Year End Development Charges Statement**

1. That Report No. FS17-020 be received for information.

**(R9) FS17-039 – Interim Operating Budget Forecast – as at July 31, 2017**

1. That Report No. FS17-039 be received for information.

**C2. Council Meeting Minutes of September 26, 2017**

1. That the Council meeting minutes of September 26, 2017, be adopted as printed and circulated.

**C3. Council Closed Session Minutes of September 19 and September 26 (Continued on October 3), 2017**

1. That the Council Closed Session minutes of September 19 and September 26 (Continued on October 3), 2017, be adopted as printed and circulated.

**C5. Budget Committee Meeting Report of May 31, 2017**

1. That the Budget Committee Meeting Report of May 31, 2017, be received for information.

**Carried**

**6. Consideration of Items Requiring Discussion (Regular Agenda)**

**R1. PBS17-067 – Planning Applications Status List  
(Formerly Consent Agenda Item C1(C3))**

**Moved by Councillor Gaertner  
Seconded by Councillor Pirri**

1. That Report No. PBS17-067 be received for information.

**Carried**

**R2. CAO17-006 – Engagement of Review of Joint Operations Centre (JOC)  
Project and Costs**  
(Formerly Consent Agenda Item C1(R1))

**Main motion**

**Moved by Councillor Mrakas  
Seconded by Councillor Thom**

1. That Report No. CAO17-006 be received; and
2. That Internal Audit Services of the Region of York be engaged to review and report on the JOC Project and Costs using Brook Laker & Associates as outlined in Report No. CAO17-006, for a total fee of \$29,000 excluding HST, to be funded from within expected 2017 operating surplus.

**Amendment**

**Moved by Councillor Kim  
Seconded by Councillor Mrakas**

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

That staff be directed to provide a cost for a qualitative audit report on the effectiveness of the project management processes of the JOC Project.

**Carried**

**Main motion as amended**

**Moved by Councillor Mrakas  
Seconded by Councillor Thom**

1. That Report No. CAO17-006 be received; and

2. That Internal Audit Services of the Region of York be engaged to review and report on the JOC Project and Costs using Brook Laker & Associates as outlined in Report No. CAO17-006, for a total fee of \$29,000 excluding HST, to be funded from within expected 2017 operating surplus; **and**
3. **That staff be directed to provide a cost for a qualitative audit report on the effectiveness of the project management processes of the JOC Project.**

**Carried as amended**

**R3. FS17-044 – 2018 Fees and Charges Update**  
(Formerly Consent Agenda Item C1(R3))

**Moved by Councillor Gaertner**  
**Seconded by Councillor Pirri**

1. That Report No. FS17-044 be received; and
2. That the 2018 Fees and Charges for applications, permits, use of Town property, the sale of Town publications and for the prescribed service charges for administrative matters as itemized on the attached schedules be approved:
  - Schedule A – General Fees and Charges
  - Schedule B – Planning and Building Services
  - Schedule C – Corporate Services
  - Schedule D – Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services
  - Schedule E – Infrastructure and Environmental Services
  - Schedule F – Financial Services; and
3. That the necessary by-law be enacted at a future Council meeting.

**Carried**

**R4. PBS17-076 – Proposal for Zoning By-law Amendment Applications**  
(Formerly Consent Agenda Item C1(R5))

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

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1. That Report No. PBS17-076 be received; and
2. That Council accept the Zoning By-law Amendment Application related to the following Zoning By-law Proposal:
  - (a) Shimvest Investments Limited (271 Holladay Drive)

**Carried**

**R5. Council Closed Session Public Minutes of September 19 and  
September 26 (Continued October 3), 2017**

(Formerly Consent Agenda Item C4)

**Moved by Councillor Gaertner  
Seconded by Councillor Thom**

1. That the Council Closed Session Public minutes of September 19 and September 26 (Continued October 3), 2017, be adopted as printed and circulated.

**Carried**

**7. Notices of Motion**

None

**8. Motions**

**(a) Mayor Dawe**

**Re: Federal Legalization of Recreational Cannabis**

**Moved by Mayor Dawe  
Seconded by Councillor Gaertner**

Whereas the federal government is legalizing the use of recreational cannabis;  
and

Whereas the provincial government is working towards a regulatory approach  
that will align with the federal government's legislative framework; and

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Whereas the provincial government has indicated that cannabis and cannabis-related products will be sold by new standalone stores and an online order service operated by a new Crown Corporation subsidiary to the LCBO; and

Whereas the provincial government has indicated that there will be approximately 40 stores by July 2018, 80 stores by July 2019, and 150 stores by 2020; and

Whereas the provincial Ministry of the Attorney General has indicated that there may be an “opt out” provision for municipalities;

1. Now Therefore Be It Hereby Resolved That staff be directed to investigate this “opt out” provision with the Province.

**Carried**

## **9. Regional Report**

### **York Regional Council Highlights – September 21, 2017**

**Moved by Councillor Abel**

**Seconded by Councillor Gaertner**

That the Regional Report of September 21, 2017, be received for information.

**Carried**

## **10. New Business**

Councillor Pirri inquired, on behalf of the Environmental Advisory Committee, about the status of the planned nature reserve/wildlife park in the 2C lands. Staff provided an update and agreed to arrange for the proposed design to be presented to the Environmental Advisory Committee.

Councillor Pirri inquired about the Town’s grant application submissions in relation to invasive plant species, and staff agreed to forward the information to Council.

Councillor Kim inquired about the coordination of upcoming meetings with The Planning Partnership and various stakeholders regarding the design of Library Square, and staff provided clarification. Councillor Abel requested further

clarification about the Library Square envisioning and outreach, and staff provided a response.

Councillor Thompson inquired about the possibility of utilizing the Town website to share information with residents respecting a minor variance application for property on Henderson Drive, and staff confirmed that the information would soon be available on the website.

## **11. Public Service Announcements**

Councillor Gaertner extended a reminder about the Textile Collection Project which takes place one day per month, and noted that residents may also drop off items any time at local bins at the Stronach Aurora Recreation Complex, Aurora Community Centre, Aurora Family Leisure Complex, and Aurora Public Library.

Councillor Mrakas noted his attendance at the Dancing with Easter Seals Stars – Newmarket/Aurora fundraising event held on October 5, 2017, where more than \$97,000 was raised to help send kids with disabilities to camp. He congratulated Melanie Bell, of snapd Aurora, who won best dancer; and he expressed appreciation to Artistica Ballroom Dance Studio for their efforts.

Councillor Mrakas noted his attendance at the PJ's and Pancakes in the Park fundraising event held on October 7, 2017, an initiative organized by three local children—Kate, Meghan and Jack Beswick—in support of the Pediatric Oncology Group of Ontario.

Councillor Mrakas announced that two students—Amanda and Maya Bishop—have organized an event, Why Code Aurora: A Night of Women Empowering Girls to Code, to be held on Tuesday, October 24, 2017, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at the Aurora High School, where an expert panel will speak about the opportunities in technology as a career path for women.

Councillor Mrakas extended congratulations to Aurora resident Andrew Nembhard who will be attending the University of Florida next year as a starting point guard and is ranked in the top 30 basketball players in North America from the class of 2018.



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Councillor Gaertner encouraged everyone to visit the Making Peace international photo exhibition in Town Park. Councillor Abel noted that this exhibition will be on display in Aurora until November 19, 2017. He noted that more than 600 students have signed up, and expressed appreciation to Barb and Robin, granddaughters of Lester P. Pearson, and Council members for attending the opening ceremony on October 4, 2017.

Councillor Abel announced that the Aurora Chamber of Commerce will be holding its 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Aurora Chamber Tech Expo on Thursday, October 19, 2017.

Councillor Abel announced that Sport Aurora will be hosting the Mayor's Breakfast of Champions 2017 on Saturday, October 28, 2017.

Councillor Thom extended a reminder that the 6<sup>th</sup> annual Hillary House Ball will be held on Saturday, October 21, 2017, at the King Valley Golf Club, presented by the Aurora Historical Society in support of the Hillary House National Historic Site. He noted that more information and tickets are available by calling 905-727-8991 or by email to [community@aurorahs.com](mailto:community@aurorahs.com).

Councillor Kim extended a reminder that the 2018 Capital Budget will be reviewed by the Budget Committee from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday, October 14, 2017.

Councillor Kim announced that Ontario Public Library Week will take place from Sunday, October 15 to Saturday, October 21, 2017, and the Aurora Public Library will be holding a kick-off event from 7 to 8 p.m. on Monday, October 16, 2017.

Mayor Dawe noted that the official opening of Aurora's first fully-accessible park, the Queen's Diamond Jubilee Park, took place earlier today.

Mayor Dawe encouraged residents to participate in the Town's online 2018 Citizen Budget Survey at [aurora.citizenbudget.com](http://aurora.citizenbudget.com) by October 31, 2017, which includes an opportunity to win a \$250 credit toward their municipal tax account.

Mayor Dawe extended a reminder that a new local artist is on display each month in the Skylight Gallery at Town Hall.

Mayor Dawe extended a reminder about the Access Aurora extended hours at Town Hall each Tuesday until 8:30 p.m.

Mayor Dawe announced that the Aurora Museum and Archives will be presenting The Plow in the Crest, a history of the Joseph Fleury family in Aurora, starting on Saturday, October 21, 2017.

Mayor Dawe extended a reminder that Aurora's Haunted Forest, one of the Top 100 Festivals and Events in Ontario, will take place on Saturday, October 28, 2017, and wristbands for the event are available for purchase in advance.

Mayor Dawe advised that the registration deadline is November 1, 2017, for Aurora's Youth Innovation Fair to be held on Wednesday, November 15, 2017, and more information is available at [aurora.ca](http://aurora.ca).

Mayor Dawe noted that a Prayer Breakfast will be held at St. Maximilian Kolbe Catholic High School from 7 to 9 a.m. on Tuesday, October 17, 2017.

## **12. By-laws**

None

## **13. Closed Session**

None

## **14. Confirming By-law**

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

That the following confirming by-law be enacted:

**By-law Number 6012-17** Being a By-law to Confirm Actions by Council Resulting from a Council Meeting on October 10, 2017.

**Carried**

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## **15. Adjournment**

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

That the meeting be adjourned at 8:01 p.m.

**Carried**

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**Geoffrey Dawe, Mayor**

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**Michael de Rond, Town Clerk**

The minutes of the Council meeting of October 10, 2017, are subject to final approval by Council on October 24, 2017.



**Town of Aurora  
Council Public Planning  
Meeting Minutes**

Council Chambers  
Aurora Town Hall  
Wednesday, September 27, 2017

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**Attendance**

**Council Members** Mayor Dawe in the Chair; Councillors Abel, Gaertner (arrived 7:05 p.m.), Kim, Mrakas, Thom, and Thompson

**Members Absent** Councillors Humfryes and Pirri

**Other Attendees** Marco Ramunno, Director of Planning and Building Services, Caitlin Graup, Planner, Samantha Yew, Deputy Town Clerk, and Linda Bottos, Council/Committee Secretary

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The Chair called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

Council consented to recess the meeting at 8:42 p.m. and reconvened the meeting at 8:54 p.m.

**1. Approval of the Agenda**

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

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 Town Clerk confirmed that the appropriate notice had been given in accordance with the relevant provisions of the *Planning Act*.

- 1. PBS17-062 – Application for Zoning By-law Amendment  
Bara Group (Aurora) Ltd., 15086, 15094 and 15106 Yonge Street, Part of Lots 1 and 2, Registered Plan 9 and Lots 51 and 52, Registered Plan 246, File Number: ZBA-2017-04**

### **Planning Staff**

Ms. Caitlin Graup, Planner, presented an overview of the application and staff report respecting the proposal to rezone the subject lands from 'PDS1', 'R7', and 'EP' to 'Promenade Downtown Shoulder – Central Commercial (PDS1) – Exception Zone' to permit the development of two, multi-storey, stacked townhouse buildings with a total of 55 units and associated underground parking.

### **Consultant**

Mr. David Charezenko, Senior Associate of Urban Places Group, Stantec, presented a brief overview of the proposal, including constraints and opportunities, site plan and elevations, and sun/shadow study data.

### **Public Comments**

Aurora residents, including Barry Bridgeford, Sarah Cross, Mark Denotter, and Neil Potgieter, provided the following comments:

- Concern regarding pile driving for shoring and potential impact of vibrations on surrounding heritage homes
- Concern regarding access to laneway that runs north off of Reuben Street, which serves the subject property and four other properties
- Concern regarding environmental protection, municipal easement, and maintenance of tunneled creek
- Request for clarification regarding the number of levels above underground parking
- Request for clarification regarding the elevation of the parkette in relation to existing grades at the back of the adjacent homes

**Consultant**

Mr. Charezenko addressed the concerns and questions regarding the laneway and easement rights, number of building levels, shoring and piling, vibrations, and grades.

**Main motion**

**Moved by Councillor Thompson**

**Seconded by Councillor Kim**

1. That Report No. PBS17-062 be received; and
2. That comments presented at the Public Planning meeting be addressed by Planning and Building Services in a comprehensive report outlining recommendations and options at a future General Committee meeting.

**Amendment**

**Moved by Councillor Thompson**

**Seconded by Councillor Mrakas**

That the second clause of the main motion be amended by replacing the words "General Committee" with "Public Planning".

**Carried**

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**Main motion as amended**

**Moved by Councillor Thompson**

**Seconded by Councillor Kim**

1. That Report No. PBS17-062 be received; and
2. That comments presented at the Public Planning meeting be addressed by Planning and Building Services in a comprehensive report outlining recommendations and options at a future **Public Planning** meeting.

**Carried as amended**

**2. PBS17-063 – Application for Zoning By-law Amendment**

**Joe Stewart, 304 Kennedy Street West, Part 6 on 65R15894,  
File Number: ZBA-2017-05**

**Planning Staff**

Ms. Caitlin Graup, Planner, presented an overview of the application and staff report respecting the proposal to rezone portions of the subject lands from 'R2(207)' and 'R3(208)' exception zones to 'R3 – Detached Third Density Residential Zone' to normalize the property to be more consistent with the surrounding neighbourhood zoning. She noted the intent of the applicant to apply in future to the Committee of Adjustment to sever the property and construct two single detached residential homes.

**Applicant**

Mr. Joe Stewart, owner and applicant, provided a brief overview of the proposal.

**Public Comments**

Aurora residents, including Curt Kuhn, Diane Pinder, Judith Ryan, and Vadim Stetsiouk, provided the following comments:

- Concern regarding future severance proposal and compatibility with the neighbourhood
- Concern regarding future homes' front yard setback

- Concern regarding future home's side yard setback and proximity to property line
- Concern regarding impact of shading from future homes
- Concern regarding possible excavation damage to the roots of mature trees on the subject lands and potential loss of shade and privacy
- Concern regarding impact of construction vibrations on neighbouring homes
- Concern regarding drainage
- Concern regarding the impact of the two proposed driveways on the trees
- Concern regarding the west side tree line
- Concern regarding compliance with the Town's Tree By-law

**Applicant**

Mr. Stewart addressed the concerns regarding tree cutting and Tree By-law compliance, construction vibrations, front yard setbacks, and the west side tree line.

**Moved by Councillor Thompson**

**Seconded by Councillor Mrakas**

1. That Report No. PBS17-063 be received; and
2. That comments presented at the Public Planning meeting be addressed by Planning and Building Services in a comprehensive report outlining recommendations and options at a future General Committee meeting.

**Carried**

**4. Confirming By-law**

**Moved by Councillor Kim**

**Seconded by Councillor Thom**

That the following confirming by-law be enacted:

**6011-17** Being a By-law to Confirm Actions by Council Resulting from a Council Public Planning Meeting on September 27, 2017.

**Carried**



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**5. Adjournment**

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

That the meeting be adjourned at 9:31 p.m.

**Carried**

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**Geoffrey Dawe, Mayor**

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**Samantha Yew, Deputy Clerk**

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**Town of Aurora  
Budget Committee  
2018 Capital Budget Review  
Meeting Report**

Council Chambers, Aurora Town Hall  
Saturday, October 14, 2017

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**Attendance**

**Council Members** Mayor Dawe in the Chair; Councillors Abel (arrived 9:12 a.m.), Gaertner, Humfryes (arrived 9:10 a.m./departed 3:10 p.m.), Kim, Mrakas, Pirri, Thom (departed 3:04 p.m.), and Thompson

**Members Absent** None

**Other Attendees** Doug Nadorozny, Chief Administrative Officer, 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, Jason Gaertner, Manager of Financial Planning, Michael de Rond, Town Clerk, and Linda Bottos, Council/Committee Secretary

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The Chair called the meeting to order at 9:09 a.m.

Budget Committee consented to recess the meeting at 10:31 a.m. and reconvened the meeting at 10:44 a.m.

Budget Committee consented to recess the meeting at 12:05 p.m. and reconvened the meeting at 12:40 p.m.

Budget Committee consented to recess the meeting at 2:31 p.m. and reconvened the meeting at 2:43 p.m.

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## **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**

Budget Committee approved the agenda, as circulated by Legislative Services, with the following addition:

- Replacement Capital Project pages 6-33 to 6-35 – 2018 Draft 1 Growth & New Capital Projects (Budget Binder Tab 6)
  - Capital Project 72285, JOC – Additional Work

## **3. Delegations**

None

## **4. Consideration of Items**

### **1. Review of 2017 Asset Management Plan (AMP) (Binder Tab 3)**

**Budget Committee recommends:**

1. That the 2017 Asset Management Plan (AMP) be received for information.

**Carried**

### **2. Review of 2017 Ten Year Capital Investment Plan (Binder Tab 4)**

**Budget Committee recommends:**

1. That the 2017 Ten Year Capital Investment Plan be received for information.

**Carried**

**3. Review of 2018 Draft Repair & Replacement Capital Projects (Binder Tab 5)**

**Budget Committee recommends:**

1. That the 2018 Draft Repair & Replacement Capital Projects be received;  
and
2. That the **following** 2018 Draft Repair & Replacement Capital Projects be approved as presented:

Corporate Services

13018 Human Resources Information/Payroll System

Financial Services

14012 Financial System

Fleet

34410 Frt/FL80 (#33)  
24017 Replacement of By-law Vehicle (#404)  
71108 GMC Sierra Crew Cab (#224)  
71109 GMC One-Tonne Dump Truck (#228)  
71111 GMC Sierra (#200)

Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services

73134 Parks/Trails Signage Strategy Study and Implementation  
73154 Playground Surface Restoration – Various Parks  
73198 Field Renovation – Norm Weller Park  
73291 Traffic Circle Improvements in 2B

Facilities

72204 Cameras – HDIP  
72282 SARC – Compressor Repair and Cimco Computer Upgrade  
72283 SARC – Replacement of Pylon Sign Message Board  
72296 ACC – North End – Replacement of Radiant Tube Heaters  
72307 SARC – Pool Pumps

Roads

31114 Reconstruction – Ransom Ct and Ransom St  
31119 Reconstruction – Adair Dr, Bailey Cr, Davidson Rd

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- 31126 Full Depth Asphalt – Harriman Rd, M & O – Harmon Ave,  
Orchard Heights Blvd, Whispering Pine Tr
- 31134 M & O – Victoria (Wellington St – Harrison Ave), Yonge St (Golf  
Links Dr – Orchard Heights Blvd)
- 31140 M & O – Archerhill Ct, Jarvis Ave, Gilbert Dr, Westview Dr,  
McClellan Way

Water and Sewer

- 41011 Sanitary Sewer CCTV Inspection

Storm Sewer

- 42054 Maintenance of Culverts on Yonge St and Batson Dr
- 42067 Storm Outfall Erosion at Mill St
- 42068 Bridge Assessment - 2018
- 42072 Vandorf Sdrd Culvert and Ditch Repair; **and**

**3. That the following 2018 Draft Repair & Replacement Capital Projects,  
which were pulled for discussion, be approved as presented:**

Corporate Services

- 12002 Accessibility Committee
- 14047 Computer and Related Infrastructure Renewal

Fleet

- 34191 GMC/Savana (#501)
- 71107 Skid Steer Loader (#253)
- 71113 Cold Planer Attachment

Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services

- 73160 Emerald Ash Borer Management Program
- 73211 Playground Replacement – Hamilton Park
- 73216 Playground Replacement – Copland Park

Facilities

- 72171 AFLC – Dasher Board System
- 72180 SARC – Signs
- 72201 Work Station Refresh, Carpet, Paint
- 72281 AFLC – Skate Park

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- 72304 48" Ride On Auto Scrubber
- 74007 AFLC – Fitness Equipment Replacement

Roads

- 31109 Reconstruction – Kennedy St W and Temperance St (Sections)
- 31113 Full Depth Asphalt – Murray Dr and Pinehurst Ct, M & O –  
Murray Dr, Kennedy St W
- 31118 Reconstruction – Browning Ct, Johnson Rd, Holman Cr,  
Baldwin Rd
- 34613 Sidewalk Repair – St John's Sdrd – Gateway Dr to Industrial  
Pkw

Water and Sewer

- 43038 Water Meter Replacement Program; **and**

4. **That the following 2018 Draft Repair & Replacement Capital Projects be given conditional budget approval pending additional information to Council:**

CAO

- 12037 Town of Aurora Website

Corporate Services

- 14070 Boardroom Audio/Video Equipment

Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services

- 73302 22 Church St – Landscaping

Facilities

- 72164 SARC – Rubber Flooring

**Carried**

**4. Review of 2018 Draft Growth & New Capital Projects (Binder Tab 6)**

**Budget Committee recommends:**

1. That the 2018 Draft Growth & New Capital Projects be received; and

2. That the **following** 2018 Draft Growth & New Capital Projects be approved as presented:

Corporate Services

- 14037 Joint Ops LAN Room and DR Site
- 14068 Wireless Upgrades and Enhancements
- 14069 Portable Emergency Cooling Unit

Fleet

- 34168 New Six-Tonne Dump Truck with Plow
- 34187 Three-Tonne Truck
- 34412 Additional Plow Truck
- 71090 Mini Excavator
- 71091 Skid Steer
- 71106 New Half-Tonne Pick-up Truck
- 71114 Hydro Seed Mulcher

Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services

- 73085 Arboretum Development
- 73169 Wildlife Park – Phases 1/2/3
- 73174 Trail – Atkinson Park
- 73247 Trail Construction (Coutts/Pandolfo development area)
- 73251 GPS Tracking System
- 73286 Stewart Burnett Park Playground and Parking Facility
- 73290 Tree Inventory for 2C

Roads

- 34619 Sidewalk on Kitimat Cr
- 34629 Sidewalk – Mary St – Industrial Pkwy S to Wellington St
- 34630 Sidewalk – Yonge St – Batson Dr to N Town Limit
- 34637 Sidewalk – Leslie St – 600 m N of Wellington to N Town Limit

Planning and Building Services

- 24014 Digital Plan Review and E-Permit Applications; **and**

3. **That the following 2018 Draft Growth & New Capital Projects, which were pulled for discussion, be approved as presented:**

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Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services

- 73292 Picnic Tables/Garbage Receptacles
- 73299 Non-Programmed Park in 2C
- 74013 Museum Collection Infrastructure
- 74016 Cultural Precinct Plan

Facilities

- 72113 New Recreation Facility; **and**

4. **That the following 2018 Draft Growth & New Capital Projects be given conditional budget approval pending additional information to Council:**

Corporate Services

- 12016 Customer Care Centre Implementation

Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services

- 73287 Hallmark Lands – Baseball Diamonds
- 74015 Cultural Services Master Plan
- 74017 Aurora Sports Hall of Fame

Facilities

- 72114 New Library

Roads

- 34518 Pedestrian Crossings as per 2014 DC Study
- 34519 Traffic Calming as per 2014 DC Study

Planning and Building Services

- 81016 Aurora Promenade Streetscape Design and Implementation Plan Capital Works; **and**

5. **That the following 2018 Draft Growth & New Capital Project not be approved:**

Planning and Building Services

- 81015 Community Improvement Plan; **and**

6. **That the following 2018 Draft Growth & New Capital Project be referred to the General Committee meeting of October 17, 2017:**



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Corporate Services

24016 Animal Control Start-up; **and**

7. **That the following 2018 Draft Growth & New Capital Projects be deferred to a future Budget Committee meeting:**

Facilities

72285 JOC – Additional Work

72310 22 Church St – Exterior Sign

Roads

34525 Yonge St Parking Plan

**Carried**

**5. Review of 2018 Draft Studies & Other Capital Projects (Binder Tab 7)**

Budget Committee consented to consider Item 5 prior to consideration of Item 4.

**Budget Committee recommends:**

1. That the 2018 Draft Studies & Other Capital Projects be received; and
2. That the **following** 2018 Draft Studies & Other Capital Projects be approved as presented:

Corporate Services

13014 Employment Engagement Survey - 2018

Financial Services

14061 DC Background Study – 2019

Infrastructure and Environmental Services

31052 Salt Management Plan - 2018

42809 Municipal Energy Plan; **and**

3. **That the following 2018 Draft Studies & Other Capital Projects, which were pulled for discussion, be approved as presented:**

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Corporate Services

13011 Emergency Response Plan Update and Continuation of  
Operations Plan

Infrastructure and Environmental Services

34529 Master Transportation Study Update – 2018

**Carried**

## **5. Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 3:53 p.m.

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**Geoffrey Dawe, Mayor**

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**Michael de Rond, Town Clerk**

The report of the Budget Committee – 2018 Capital Budget Review meeting of October 14, 2017, is subject to receipt by Council on October 24, 2017.



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**Town of Aurora**

## **Memorandum**

**Date:** October 24, 2017  
**To:** Mayor and Members of Council  
**From:** Councillor Tom Mrakas  
**Re:** **Bill 139, Building Better Communities and Conserving Watersheds Act, 2017 – Written Submission to the Standing Committee on Social Policy**

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### **Recommendation**

- 1. That the memorandum regarding Bill 139, Building Better Communities and Conserving Watersheds Act, 2017 – Written Submission to the Standing Committee on Social Policy, be received for information.**

### **Background**

The attached correspondence regarding Bill 139, Building Better Communities and Conserving Watersheds Act, 2017, was submitted to the Standing Committee on Social Policy.

### **Attachments**

Attachment No. 1 – Written Submission to the Standing Committee on Social Policy

Written Submission to the Standing Committee on Social Policy  
Legislative Assembly of Ontario  
Re: Bill 139, Building Better Communities and Conserving Watersheds Act, 2017

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Dear Committee Members:

I want to thank the Committee for providing me the opportunity to speak to Bill 139 and the important legislative change this Bill presents for Municipal decision-making in land-use planning. While I appreciate the invitation to speak to the Committee, as I was unable to attend the hearing in person, I am providing my comments in writing. My comments will be brief.

The current planning decision-making framework – which the OMB is at the centre – is broken. It doesn't work for any party involved – builders, residents and municipal councils alike. It's been known for quite some time that change is desperately needed. The status quo is simply untenable.

The Town of Aurora and the OMB Reform Working Group has led the way towards advocating for changes to how planning decisions are made in this Province. With the input of over a hundred municipal representatives, the key recommendation to emerge from our May 2016 Summit on OMB Reform, was a recommendation that the Province, as part of the Provincial review of planning legislation, consider limiting the scope of powers of the OMB to matters of law or process.

In short, we asked for bold, meaningful change, and the Province listened. Bill 139 addresses, in a comprehensive fashion, literally decades of concerns raised with respect to how the OMB makes decisions - or whether it should exist at all. For far too long, municipalities and the residents they serve have been unable to grow or to develop their communities with a shared vision because that vision - as defined in their Official Plan - could not be realized. So, it is not too strong a word to say that the changes to the planning decision-making framework proposed in Bill 139 are game-changers that will have a profound and positive impact on how our communities develop.

There is no question that this Bill gives more authority to local municipal councils for how they plan their communities. And this is a welcome change. Councils will now have a greater say in how their communities grow, develop and evolve.

But while the Bill does give greater decision-making authority to municipal leaders, these same provisions will also have the effect of holding all officials accountable for their decisions. No longer will Councils be able to use the threat of OMB appeals as an

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excuse in our decision-making processes. We will have to stand by our decisions. So I take issue with the critics of this Bill that say that the proposed changes will spell the end of development in Ontario; that we're going to see a rise in aggressive NIMBYism; that Councils will be "pressured" by residents to make decisions that aren't "good planning".

I don't agree at all. In fact, I think we will see less NIMBYism; much less. This Act levels the playing field. It clarifies the rules and ensures that all parties have to play by them. The current situation of everyone having their own version of the rules and expecting an unelected unaccountable third party – the OMB – to decide whose rules win, well, that will stop. As will the necessity to spend hundreds of thousands of taxpayers' dollars defending an Official Plan against duelling interpretations of provincial policies.

I think we will see a rise in smarter growth, smarter development. Communities planned with communities – of today and the future – in mind. The provisions outlined in Bill 139, ensure that municipalities are accountable for the plans they develop and the decisions they make in support of them.

Is this new legislation perfect? No. Nothing is ever perfect. There are a number of issues that need to be clarified before the final draft is enacted- in particular what constitutes a Major Transit Station Area and what are the implications for smaller communities like Aurora when considering MTSA's in Official Plans; what sun-setting provisions will be built into the Act so that we avoid a run on appeals before this Act comes into effect or confusion about what provisions apply to appeals that are currently under way. I think transition will be the key issue going forward as we move from the previous legislation to the new legislation and all that entails.

As I have stated in reviewing previous versions of the Bill, I believe that the proposed Bill as currently written will afford municipalities a greater say in land use planning decisions. It will allow municipalities to have a say – finally - in how we grow while at the same time keeping our communities unique. And that, to me, is good planning.

Thank you,

Tom Mrakas  
Councillor, Town of Aurora  
Chair, Working Group On OMB Reform



**Town of Aurora  
Council Report**

**No. CS17-034**

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**Subject:**           **Supplementary Information to Report No. CS17-031 – Winter  
Parking Restrictions to Facilitate Snow Clearing**

**Prepared by:**   Mandie Eddie, Manager Bylaw Services

**Department:**   Corporate Services

**Date:**             October 24, 2017

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## **Recommendation**

1. **That Report No. CS17-034 be received for information.**

## **Executive Summary**

This report will serve to supply Council with additional information relating to questions posed concerning the “Winter Parking Restrictions to Facilitate Snow Removal” report No. CS17-031

- A month by month breakdown of tickets issued during snow events revealed that compliance did not increase over the duration of the program
- There was a significant drop in the numbers of tickets issued between the 2015/2016 winter season and the numbers of tickets issued over the 2016/2017 season resulting in a loss of revenue for snow related parking offences
- Daytime parking restrictions as a result of snow events impacts businesses and professional offices on 8 -10 km of roads in the downtown core, including 2 major thoroughfares and 14 secondary streets where cars may park to attend the businesses.
- Snow events with parking restrictions in the 2016/2017 winter season prohibited parking for at minimum 24 continuous hours for snow clearing activities compared to 4 hours of prohibited overnight parking under the current bylaw restrictions

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- Winter Maintenance Operators routinely return to check their routes to clean up around parked cars or remove additional snow and so were not impacted financially by last year's pilot project

## **Background**

On October 17 2017, Council received report CS17-013, Winter Parking Restrictions to Facilitate Snow Removal that reported back to Council information and impact of the overnight pilot project implemented during the 2016/2017 winter season.

Council members requested additional information be forwarded to supplement the report. Information contained in this report has been obtained from the divisions involved and will serve to address the questions Council have posed.

## **Analysis**

### **A month by month breakdown of tickets issued during snow events revealed that compliance did not increase over the duration of the program**

After the educational period during November and early December of 2016, enforcement efforts began. Cars were ticketed only when they were parked on the street during a "snow event" or "snow emergency".

Although there were a total of twenty-one (21) snow events over the winter season of 2016/2017, there were only twelve (12) ticket-able events where officers issued tickets for interfering with snow clearing.

Seven (7) of these events were in December and resulted in 230 tickets being issued. In February where there were only two (2) ticket-able snow events with a total of 320 tickets issued. Compliance did not increase as the season progressed despite educational efforts of officers and communications staff.

### **There was a significant drop in the numbers of tickets issued between the 2015/2016 winter season and the numbers of tickets issued over the 2016/2017 season resulting in a loss of revenue for snow related parking offences**

During the 2015/2016 winter season, officers issued 2596 tickets between November 15 2015 and April 15 2016 for the offence of "parking between the hours of 2 a.m. and 6 a.m." These tickets were issued regardless of weather conditions or winter

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maintenance efforts taking place.

During the 2016/2017 winter season, officers issued only 665 tickets for the offence of “interfere with snow clearing”. These tickets were issued during both daytime and night time hours when snow clearing or winter maintenance efforts were taking place.

The result was that 1,931 fewer tickets were issued resulting in a decrease of \$63,940.00 worth of tickets issued. Final numbers are difficult to predict as some of the ticket revenue will not be fully collected for up to 12 months after the tickets were issued due to court cases or MTO collection practices.

**Daytime parking restrictions as a result of snow events affects businesses and professional offices on 8 - 10 km of roads in the downtown core, including 2 major thoroughfares and 14 secondary streets where cars may park to attend the businesses.**

The pilot project of the 2016/2017 winter season required cars to be removed from all roads and permitted issuance of tickets related to parking during a snow event during daytime hours and lasting for up to 24 hours at a time. This affected patrons of retail establishments, restaurants and professional offices parking on the road as a result of parking lots already being filled.

Restricting parking for snow clearing during the day on 8 – 10 km of roadway in the downtown core, including Yonge and Wellington and 14 other feeder streets would negatively impact the majority of businesses in the downtown core.

**Snow events with parking restrictions in the 2016/2017 winter season prohibited parking for at minimum 24 continuous hours for snow clearing activities compared to 4 hours of prohibited overnight parking under the current bylaw restrictions**

In the pilot project, “Snow Events” and “Snow Emergencies” required cars to be removed from the roads for up to 24 hours after the last snowfall. This required drivers to find alternative parking at all times of the day and night.

Under the current bylaw, winter parking restrictions only take place for four (4) hours during the early morning hours each day.



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**Winter Maintenance Operators routinely return to check their routes to clean up around parked cars or remove additional snow and so were not impacted financially by last year's pilot project**

Plow operators and winter maintenance crews routinely return to check their routes before heading in to the yard at the completion of their shifts to ensure that windrows left around parked cars are cleared and any excess snow remaining on the roads from the first pass are cleared.

As a result of this normal practice, snow removal operations were not financially impacted by the pilot project last year.

**Advisory Committee Review**

None

**Financial Implications**

Although we are unable to predict any financial implications as we are not able to predict the weather and snow conditions for the upcoming seasons, we do not anticipate any further reductions to revenue collected as a result of tickets issued for overnight parking.

**Communications Considerations**

Communications will continue to work with Bylaw Services to create educational materials that can be distributed to those parked on roadways overnight when snow clearing or winter road maintenance is not taking place. The goal of the materials will be to ensure residents are aware of the fact that enforcement will take place whenever snow clearing or winter road maintenance is happening between the hours of 2:00 a.m. and 6:00 a.m.

**Conclusions**

The suspension of overnight winter parking restrictions initiated for the 2016/2017 season was launched to give residents better overnight parking options when there was no winter road maintenance or snow clearing taking place. The pilot project restricted parking both day and night when road maintenance efforts were taking place as a result of winter weather. This posed problems for residents during the day time as they were

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required to remove their vehicles from the road and subsequently had very few parking options.

Reinstating the overnight parking restrictions with revised education and enforcement efforts will better serve the residents and drivers by providing more daytime parking options.

### **Attachments**

None

### **Previous Reports**

IES16-080, October 18, 2016  
IES17-037, September 5, 2017  
CS-17-031, October 17, 2017

### **CAO Review**

October 19, 2017

### **Departmental Approval**



For / Techa van Leeuwen  
Director  
Corporate Services

### **Approved for Agenda**



Doug Nadorozny  
Chief Administrative Officer



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**Motion for Which Notice  
Has Been Given** (October 17, 2017)

Councillor Wendy Gaertner

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**Date:** October 24, 2017

**To:** Mayor and Members of Council

**From:** Councillor Gaertner

**Re:** **Review of Stable Neighbourhoods Policies**

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Whereas the purpose of Aurora's Official Plan (OP) is to shape development decisions and manage growth of the Town [OP 1.1 a)]; and

Whereas this Plan provides specific policies through which to evaluate the appropriateness of change and the degree to which the proposed changes are considered compatible development and are in the public interest [OP 1.1 c)]; and

Whereas one of the Fundamental Principles of the Plan is to Protect Stable Neighbourhoods by ensuring 'that the stability and vibrancy of these existing neighbourhoods is protected from the negative impacts of potential incompatible development and growth pressures' [OP 2.1 vi.]; and

Whereas the purpose of Section 3.0 of the Plan is to Promote Responsible Growth Management; and

Whereas the importance of protecting the stability of our older residential areas of Aurora is demonstrated in Section 8, six pages of policies intended to provide protection from incompatible forms of development while permitting these neighbourhoods to evolve and be enhanced over time; and

Whereas Section 8.1.3 d) states that "All development within the Stable Neighbourhoods' designation may be subject to Site Plan Control...including, without limitation, the control of building materials, colour and architectural detail"; and

Whereas the review of Aurora's By-laws did not include a specific review of by-laws pertaining to our older neighbourhoods; and

Motion from Councillor Gaertner  
Re: Review of Stable Neighbourhoods Policies  
October 24, 2017

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Whereas these by-laws have been in place for many years preceding the 2010 Official Plan protections intended to shape appropriate development in these areas;

1. Now Therefore Be It Hereby Resolved That Council and Staff do a study of the By-laws governing development of stable neighbourhoods to ensure that the intent of our planning policy is being realized and reflected through these By-laws.



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**Motion for Which Notice  
Has Been Given** (October 17, 2017)

Councillor Harold Kim

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**Date:** October 24, 2017  
**To:** Mayor and Members of Council  
**From:** Councillor Kim  
**Re:** **Tree Lighting Ceremony**

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Whereas the Tree Lighting Ceremony, held annually at Town Hall, is well known to be a Christmas Tree; and

Whereas, when the ceremony began in 2005, the word "Christmas" was not included for reasons unknown;

1. Now Therefore Be It Hereby Resolved That the annual "Tree Lighting Ceremony" be called the "Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony" beginning with the 2017 Christmas season.



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**Motion for Which Notice  
Has Been Given** (October 17, 2017)

**Councillor Sandra Humfryes**

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**Date:** October 24, 2017  
**To:** Mayor and Members of Council  
**From:** Councillor Humfryes  
**Re:** **Reduction of Council Size**

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Whereas Council deemed it appropriate to undertake a review of the Town's governance model to ensure that it best serves the future needs of our residents; and

Whereas in the 2014 municipal election a question was put on the ballot asking voters if they were in favour of reducing the number of Aurora Councillors from eight (8) to six (6); and

Whereas nearly two-thirds of those who voted said they were in favour of reducing the size of Council; and

Whereas any substantive changes to the governance structure of Aurora Town Council would need to be passed by a by-law on or before December 31, 2017;

1. Now Therefore Be It Hereby Resolved That the composition of the Council of The Corporation of the Town of Aurora be changed from nine (9) members to seven (7) members, comprised of one (1) Mayor, who shall be the Head of Council, and six (6) Councillors; and
2. Be It Further Resolved That the change in the composition of Council come into force for the 2018 municipal election in accordance with the provisions of the *Municipal Act*; and
3. Be It Further Resolved That staff be directed to bring forward the necessary by-law prior to December 31, 2017, to change the composition of Council for The Corporation of the Town of Aurora from nine (9) members to seven (7) members, comprised of one (1) Mayor, who shall be the Head of Council, and six (6) Councillors.



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## **Memorandum**

**Date:** October 24, 2017  
**To:** Members of Council  
**From:** Mayor Geoffrey Dawe  
**Re:** York Regional Council Highlights of October 19, 2017

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### **Recommendation**

That Council:

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

**Council Highlights**  
For Immediate Release

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Friday, October 20, 2017

## **York Regional Council Highlights - October 19, 2017**

### **York Telecom Network Implementation and Board Appointment**

York Regional Council [approved the incorporation of a York Region-owned entity](#) to operate the YTN Telecom Network. In addition, the following were appointed to the Board of Directors:

- York Region Chairman and CEO, Wayne Emmerson
- Mayor Virginia Hackson, Town of East Gwillimbury
- Mayor Steve Pellegrini, Township of King
- Mayor Margaret Quirk, Town of Georgina
- Mayor A.J. (Tony) Van Bynen, Town of Newmarket
- Mayor Frank Scarpitti, City of Markham
- Mayor Geoffrey Dawe, Town of Aurora
- Regional Councillor Jim Jones, City of Markham
- Regional Councillor Gino Rosati, City of Vaughan

The corporation will support York Regional Council's commitment to expanding access to broadband across the Region. Additionally, York Regional Council also endorsed the appointment of Laura Bradley as General Manager for YTN.

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### **Fall edition of York Region Matters is here**

York Regional Council received the fall edition of [York Region Matters](#), the Region's



newsletter which keeps residents up-to-date on everything from transportation to community health and environmental initiatives. The eight-page publication will be delivered throughout York Region neighbourhoods early next week.

Stories include:

- Update on the Toronto–York Spadina Subway Extension
- Discovering York Region trails
- Sustainable features of the Bill Fisch Forest Stewardship and Education Centre
- Be alert and visible during shorter daylight hours

York Region Matters is delivered to more than 380,000 homes and businesses across York Region three times a year.

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### **Toronto Global Amazon bid update**

York Regional Council received an update on the pending release of the final bid proposal to secure Amazon's second worldwide headquarters (HQ2) in the Greater Toronto Area. The proposal has been prepared and submitted by Toronto Global, an economic development agency funded by all levels of government. A total of five York Region locations – in Markham, Vaughan, Richmond Hill and Aurora - were initially submitted and vetted through the process. Of the 10 Greater Toronto Area sites proposed, two are within York Region; one in the City of Vaughan and one in the City of Markham.

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### **York Region roads continue to be safe for residents as total collisions continue downward trend**

York Regional Council received the [2017 Annual Collision Statistics Report](#), capturing road safety trends from trips made on York Region roads.

The information in the report is collected using a variety of statistics including collision rates, traffic volumes, weather and population.

- Each day 2.75 million trips are made on York Region roads, with driving remaining the preferred mode of transportation
- 99 per cent of travellers get to their destination without any incident
- The number of total collisions is at a 10-year low with less than 8,000 collisions
- Fridays have the highest number of vehicle collisions; Wednesdays see the highest number of collisions for cyclists and pedestrians with vehicles

- The hour with the highest number of collisions is between 5:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m.
- October to February are the months with the highest number of vehicle collisions
- August sees the highest number of cyclist collisions
- Pedestrian collisions occur most in November
- 73 per cent of all collisions occurred on dry road surface conditions

Collection of this information allows for further analysis to determine and identify new measures to improve safety across the entire Region. Staff will report back to Council in 2018 with an action plan and implementation strategy.

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### **York Region provides feedback to Minister of Health and Long-Term Care's expert panel on public health**

York Regional Council and the Board of Health do not support the recommendations put forward by the Minister of Health and Long-Term Care's expert panel on public health as they:

- Overlook the integration of services at the municipal level that better address the social aspects of health
- Fail to address community health outcomes and related financial effectiveness and efficiencies
- Propose to introduce sweeping changes throughout the province to fix a problem that has not been well explained and may best be resolved by proposing a solution in locations where the problem exists

York Region Public Health continues to work with local school boards and municipalities, social agencies and emergency service providers and is well-positioned to influence the social determinants of health and reduce the downstream costs to the health care system.

The public health model in York Region is unique within the Province of Ontario. It is fully integrated within the Region and pioneers a comprehensive integration model that promotes and protects the well-being of residents.

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### **Durham York Energy Centre air emissions comply with stringent regulatory standards**

York Regional Council received an [update on the Durham York Energy Centre](#), an award-winning energy-from-waste facility that produces energy from the combustion

of residual waste. The state-of-the-art facility, whose air emissions standards are among the most stringent in the world, completed its first year of commercial operation in 2016. The facility is a key component of the Region's waste management strategy and significant achievement of 91 per cent diversion from landfill.

The Durham York Energy Centre is designed to safely process up to 140,000 tonnes per year of residential garbage that remains after maximizing waste diversion programs – reducing, reusing, recycling and composting – in Durham and York Region.

Energy-from-waste captures energy content from waste remaining after all recycling efforts have taken place, lowers greenhouse gas emissions, recovers metals and reduces the volume of waste going to landfill.

The facility completed two successful stack tests since August 2016. Air emission samples are collected and sent to an accredited, independent laboratory for analysis.

Additional details on the Durham York Energy Centre's performance are available in the annual report submitted to the Ministry of the Environment and Climate Change available at [durhamyorkwaste.ca](http://durhamyorkwaste.ca)

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### **Harm reduction enhancement agreement**

With opioid use a rising public health concern, York Regional Council [agreed to expand](#) its Harm Reduction Program to support local opioid response initiatives, including the distribution of naloxone kits to eligible community organizations and service providers.

York Region Public Health will develop a response plan with a focus on harm reduction, education and prevention. Activities to be implemented include:

- Build a real-time opioid use and overdose warning and surveillance system
- Lead the development, implementation and evaluation of a local overdose response plan and strategy
- Work with partners and agencies to strengthen the development of York Region's opioid response strategy
- Act as the lead for naloxone distribution and training for eligible community agencies

Opioid misuse is currently the third leading cause of accidental death in Ontario. In 2016, there were 139 emergency department visits and 62 hospitalizations in York Region as a result of opioid overdoses. Opioid use in York Region will be a topic of focus at [York Region Inter-Municipal Emergency Training and Education Conference](#) on October 20, 2017.

Public Health units are mandated by the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care to use harm reduction policies, programs and practices that focus on reducing harm from drug use. Harm reduction is a public health approach that helps mitigate the negative consequences of drug use on individual and communities.

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### **That's a wrap on Regional traffic signal cabinets**

York Regional Council approved the wrapping and/or painting of select Regional traffic signal cabinets. This initiative will help combat vandalism and graffiti by beautifying public spaces across the Region. Interested municipalities will work with the Region to outline maintenance requirements and responsibilities before wrapping and/or painting can begin.

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### **York Region reinforces position on proposed re-route of rail network**

York Regional Council reinforced York Region's position to not support a proposed re-routing of the Greater Toronto Freight Rail Network. The proposed re-routing of the rail network would include the construction of a new freight rail corridor in Peel Region, and could see the re-routing of existing freight rail traffic in Toronto and Mississauga through York Region. In 2016, York Regional Council passed resolutions advising the re-routing of freight rail traffic through York Region is not supported by Council.

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### **Annual update on invasive species**

York Regional Council received an [update on emerald ash borer](#) and other invasive species found in York Region. The report also seeks funding from the federal and provincial governments to help mitigate the ongoing impacts of invasive species.

Invasive species in York Region and Ontario are a growing environmental and economic concern. Ontario has more invasive species than any other province or territory in Canada.

To assess, prevent and mitigate the impacts of emerald ash borer and other invasive species, York Region is:

- Removing more than 12,000 ash street trees and ongoing sweeps for the invasive insect
- Replacing ash trees on Regional roads with trees of a different species in local cities and towns
- Participating in a working group to identify and share information on the threat to southern Ontario forests and how best to prevent the insect's spread

York Region is also continuing to work with local cities and towns, other levels of government and non-profit organizations to combat the threats posed by invasive species.

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### **Accessibility update and review of accessibility policies**

York Regional Council [received an update](#) on ongoing accessibility initiatives and approved amendments to the corporation's Accessibility Policy, which is a requirement of the *Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act, 2005* (AODA).

The updated Accessibility Policy affirms York Region's commitment to meet the accessibility needs of people with disabilities so that all people may access Regional programs, goods, services and facilities in a way that respects their dignity and independence.

York Region continues to comply with Ontario's accessibility laws and to implement the *Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act, 2005* (AODA) which sets out mandatory accessibility standards in the areas of information and communications, employment, transportation, design of public spaces and customer service with the goal of making Ontario accessible by 2025.

Since the AODA became law, York Region and York Regional Police have implemented more than 750 accessibility initiatives across all departments, including many actions that go beyond the legislated requirements.

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### **Transfer of Sutton Youth Emergency and Transitional Housing to Housing York Inc.**

York Regional Council approved the [transfer of ownership](#) of the Sutton Youth Services emergency and transitional housing property from The Regional Municipality of York to Housing York Inc. This transfer will support consolidation of

property management responsibilities, enabling more efficient operations and providing one point of contact for community agencies. Funding currently directed to the Region for facility management costs will be reallocated to Housing York Inc.

Launched in 2013, Ontario's Community Homelessness Prevention Initiative combined funding from separate housing and homelessness programs into a single flexible program. Under this program, York Region became responsible for administering emergency housing and services that help people who are homeless or at-risk of homelessness to find and keep housing.

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### **Reserve withdrawal for Housing York Inc. Capital Repair Reserve**

[Housing York Inc.](#) will receive [a subsidy of \\$3.4 million for capital repairs](#) funded from the Non-Profit Housing Capital Report Reserve. This money will help complete the 2017 \$6.5 million in repairs, including replacement of roofs, kitchens, windows and doors. Roadway and parking lot constructions will also take place.

York Region financially supports over 3,800 social housing units owned and operated by 36 non-profit housing providers. Housing York Inc. also owns and operates 1,865 social housing units. Thousands of York Region residents live in social housing communities with even more on wait lists. Well-maintained buildings in a healthy environment are an important community asset.

The Non-Profit Housing Capital Repair Reserve was established in 2002 to ensure social housing is well maintained. Through the annual budget process, \$9.3 million is contributed annually to this reserve.

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### **Update on Housing York Inc.'s parking pricing policy**

The Board of Directors of Housing York Inc. approved a [new parking pricing strategy](#) for Housing York Inc. based on the property's access to local amenities and transit services.

Surface parking rates for walkable locations with good transit will be \$30 per month. Surface parking at all other locations will be \$20 per month. Additional charges apply for underground and deck parking. Charges are similar to other non-profit funding providers across the Region and in other Greater Toronto Area municipalities.

Housing York surveyed residents in collaboration with York Region Transit to better understand their transportation needs and priorities. The survey included questions

on parking pressures and costs.

In 2016, parking revenues were approximately \$245,000 and parking service costs for the same period were approximately \$394,000.

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### **Implications of new provincial plans and Municipal Comprehensive Review**

York Regional Council endorsed the work plan and schedule to complete the Municipal Comprehensive Review (MCR) in order to confirm with the new provincial plans. The approved work plan will take three years to complete and will allow for collaboration to permit the development of strategies.

In 2016, York Regional Council submitted 39 recommendations on the provincial plan to the Province of Ontario. More work is required, as outlined in the [Implications of the New Provincial Plans and Regional Municipal Comprehensive Review Work Plan](#).

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### **York Region agriculture and agri-business update and strategy**

York Regional Council received an [update on York Region's Agriculture and Agri-food strategy](#) and approved five strategic goals to further support agri-food community.

The strategic goals include:

1. Strengthen communication and collaboration with York Region, local municipalities and the agri-food sector
2. Support the agri-food sector through integrated land use planning and economic development
3. Support increased capacity for value-added processing and support services
4. Leverage the Region's location within the Greater Toronto Area through direct farm marketing to meet demand for local food production
5. Provide support for business retention and expansion of primary agricultural production within York Region

This action will further protect and promote agriculture and farming in York Region, an industry valued at over \$6 billion.

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### **York Regional Council approves \$143 million to support Mackenzie Health Vaughan**

York Regional Council [approved the Mackenzie Vaughan Hospital project and funding of eligible costs](#) through a draw of the hospital's full share under the Region's 2009 Hospital Capital Funding Memorandum of Understanding (MOU). In 2009, York Region agreed through a Memorandum of Understanding with four local hospitals to set aside annual contributions for hospital capital projects until 2031.

The Regional Municipality of York will fund eligible capital costs of \$143 million to be paid to the hospital between 2017 and 2031. Annual payments from 2018 onwards will be adjusted for the rate of change in assessment growth and will incorporate paramedic off-load targets.

The new Mackenzie Vaughan Hospital will be the first new hospital within the City of Vaughan and provide York Region residents with improved access to health care. This hospital is a 1.2-million square foot facility with 350 beds, with the capacity to expand to 550 beds. Construction of the hospital began in October 2016 and is expected to be complete by 2020.

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### **2017 Open Data program update**

York Regional Council received an [update on the 2017 Open Data program](#).

Highlights of the program include:

- Increasing the number of downloads from York Region's [Open Data website](#) by 70 per cent over 2016
- Downloading 28,250 data sets since the Open Data website was launched in 2015
- Partnering with Waze to incorporate the Region's traffic disruption data into their app, releasing 175 data sets to the public, and providing data back into York Region's traffic management centre
- Partnering with Yelp to incorporate food premise inspection results into their local business search tools that published crowd-sourced reviews

Open data increases transparency and empowers citizens to use data in new and creative ways.

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### **York Regional Council extends best wishes to those celebrating Diwali**

Councillor Singh and York Regional Council send their best wishes to communities across York Region celebrating Diwali this month.

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**Next regular meeting of York Regional Council**

York Regional Council will meet on Thursday, November 16, 2017 at 9 a.m. in the York Region Administrative Centre Council Chambers, located at 17250 Yonge Street in the Town of Newmarket.

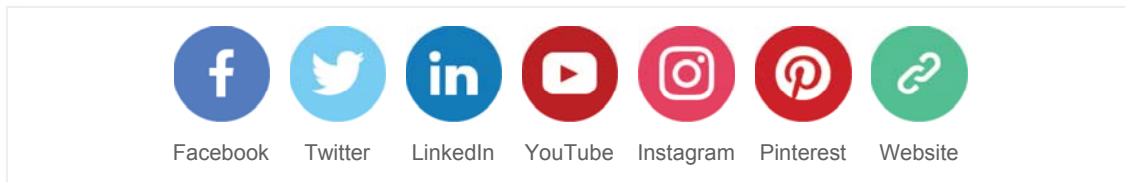
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**The Corporation of the Town of Aurora**

**By-law Number XXXX-17**

**Being a By-law to exempt Block 14 on Plan 65M-4467 from  
Part-Lot Control (Countrywide Homes at Aurora).**

**Whereas** subsection 50(7) of the *Planning Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c. P.13, as amended (the "Act"), provides that the council of a local municipality may by by-law provide that the part-lot control provisions in subsection 50(5) of the Act, does not apply to the land that is within a registered plan of subdivision as is designated in the by-law;

**And whereas** the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Aurora deems it necessary and expedient to enact a by-law to exempt Block 14 on Plan 65M-4467 from those provisions of the Act dealing with part-lot control;

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

1. Subsection 50(5) of the Act shall not apply to the following lands, all situated in the Town of Aurora, Regional Municipality of York:  
  
Block 14 on Plan 65M-4467.
2. A copy of this By-law shall be registered in the appropriate Land Registry Office on title to the lands set out herein.
3. This By-law shall come into full force and effect upon final passage hereof, shall remain in force and effect for a period of two (2) years from the date of its passing, and shall expire on the 24<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2019.

**Enacted by Town of Aurora Council this 24th day of October, 2017.**

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**Geoffrey Dawe, Mayor**

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**Michael de Rond, Town Clerk**

**The Corporation of the Town of Aurora  
By-law Number XXXX-17**

**Being a By-law to amend Zoning By-law Number 2213-78, as amended  
(210 Edward Street - The Gathering Place of Aurora).**

**Whereas** Section 34 of the *Planning Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c. P.13, as amended, provides that the councils of local municipalities may pass zoning by-laws;

**And whereas** the Council of The Corporation of the Town of Aurora (the "Town") enacted By-law Number 2213-78, including amendments thereto (the "Zoning By-law");

**And whereas** the Council of the Town deems it necessary and expedient to further amend the Zoning By-law;

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

1. Section 26 of the Zoning By-law be and is hereby amended to delete the wording contained in Section 26.4.10 and replace same with the following:

**"Section 26.4.10 General Industrial (M2-9) Exception Zone**

**26.4.10.1 Uses Permitted**

In addition to the M2 permitted uses in Section 26.1, the following uses are permitted:

- Place of worship

**26.1.10.2 Zone Requirements**

**26.1.10.2.1 Lot Specifications**

Lot Frontage (minimum)	12.0 metres
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**26.1.10.3 Parking**

Parking Requirement (minimum)	3.0 parking spaces per 100 square metres of gross floor area
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Parking Space Dimensions (minimum)	18 of the required parking spaces may have minimum dimensions of 2.6 by 4.2 metres
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Manoeuvring Space (minimum)	Abutting the south side of the building: 4.9 m
	Abutting the east side of the building: 3.9 m

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Separation between any Parking Area and any Street Line (minimum) Nil

**26.1.10.3.1 Curbing**

Notwithstanding the provisions of Section 6.27.2, no curbing shall be required.

**26.1.10.3.2 Parking Space Location**

Notwithstanding the provisions of Section 24.3, where a parking space or spaces are required in an Industrial (M) Zone by this by-law, no minimum distance separation shall be required for such spaces from any side or rear lot line.”

2. This By-law shall come into full force subject to compliance with the provisions of the *Planning Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c. P. 13, as amended, and subject to compliance with such provisions, this By-law will take effect from the date of final passage hereof.

**Enacted by Town of Aurora Council this 24<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2017.**

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**Geoffrey Dawe, Mayor**

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**Michael de Rond, Town Clerk**

**By-law Number XXXX-17**

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**Explanatory Note**

Re: Zoning By-law Number XXXX-17

By-law Number XXXX-17 has the following purpose and effect:

To amend By-law Number 2213-78, as amended, being the Zoning By-law in effect in the Town of Aurora, to amend the “General Industrial (M2-9) Exception Zone”.

The rezoning will permit the conversion of the entire existing building to a place of worship.

**The Corporation of The Town of Aurora**

**By-law Number XXXX-17**

**Being a By-law to Confirm Actions by Council  
Resulting from a Council Meeting  
on October 24, 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 October 24, 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 24<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2017.**

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**Geoffrey Dawe, Mayor**

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**Michael de Rond, Town Clerk**