



Town of Aurora Council Meeting Minutes

Council Chambers, Aurora Town Hall
Tuesday, April 10, 2018

Attendance

Council Members Mayor Dawe in the Chair; Councillors Gaertner, Humfryes (arrived 7:23 p.m.), Kim, Mrakas, Pirri, Thom, and Thompson

Members Absent Councillor Abel

Other Attendees Doug Nadorozny, Chief Administrative Officer, Robin McDougall, Director of Community Services, Techa van Leeuwen, Director of Corporate Services, Dan Elliott, Director of Financial Services, Al Downey, Director of Operations, Marco Ramunno, Director of Planning and Development Services, Stephanie Mackenzie-Smith, Manager of Corporate Communications, Patricia De Sario, Town Solicitor, Michael de Rond, Town Clerk, and Linda Bottos, Council/Committee Secretary

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

A moment of silence was observed in honour of the victims of the recent bus accident involving the Humboldt Broncos hockey team of the Saskatchewan Junior Hockey League.

Mayor Dawe relinquished the Chair to Councillor Humfryes at 7:26 p.m. during the consideration of Item R3, Report No. PDS18-031, and resumed the Chair at 7:27 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

Mayor Dawe declared a potential pecuniary interest under the *Municipal Conflict of Interest Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. M.50* respecting Item R3, Report No. PDS18-031 – Award of Tender 2018-23-PDS-ENG – For Roadway Rehabilitation on Orchard Heights Boulevard, Whispering Pine Trail and Harmon Avenue, as he is a resident on one of the streets. Mayor Dawe did not participate in the discussion or voting of this item.

3. Presentations

None

4. Delegations

None

5. Consent Agenda

Council consented to consider Item C1 (sub-items R1, R2, and R10) under Section 6, Consideration of Items Requiring Discussion (Regular Agenda) as Items R1, R2 and R3, respectively.

Moved by Councillor Thom

Seconded by Councillor Thompson

That the following Consent Agenda items, C1 (with the exception of sub-items R1, R2, and R10), to C2 inclusive be approved:

C1. General Committee Meeting Report of April 3, 2018

1. That the General Committee meeting report of April 3, 2018, be received and the following recommendations carried by the Committee approved:

**(C2) Community Recognition Review Advisory Committee Meeting
Minutes of February 26, 2018**

1. That the Community Recognition Review Advisory Committee meeting minutes of February 26, 2018, be received for information.

(C3) Finance Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes of February 28, 2018

1. That the Finance Advisory Committee meeting minutes of February 28, 2018, be received for information.

(C4) Heritage Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes of March 5, 2018

1. That the Heritage Advisory Committee meeting minutes of March 5, 2018, be received for information.

(R3) FS18-011 – Funding Strategy for Pending Major Projects

1. That Report No. FS18-011 be received; and
2. That the funding strategies for the various pending projects outlined in Report No. FS18-011 be endorsed.

(R4) PDS18-025 – Parking Restrictions on Lensmith Drive

1. That Report No. PDS18-025 be received; and
2. That Parking By-law No. 4574-04.T be amended to prohibit parking at any time on the south and west sides of Lensmith Drive from the westerly property limit of house no. 38 Lensmith Drive to a point nine metres south of the corner radius.

(R5) PDS18-035 – Community Improvement Plan (CIP) Incentive Program, CIP Agreement Authorization, PMK Capital Inc., 95 Wellington Street East, File No. CIP-2014-02

1. That Report No. PDS18-035 be received; and
2. That the Director of Planning and Development Services be authorized to enter into a Community Improvement Plan (CIP) Agreement to allow for the Tax-Based Redevelopment Grant to be awarded to PMK Capital Inc., including any and all documents and ancillary agreements required to give effect to same.

(R6) PDS18-033 – Proposal for Zoning By-law Amendment Application

1. That Report No. PDS18-033 be received; and
2. That the Zoning By-law Proposal from the following applicant be accepted as a Zoning By-law Amendment Application:
 - (a) Weston Consulting (254 Kennedy Street West).

(R7) PDS18-037 – Small Cell Technology Pilot with Rogers Communications

1. That Report No. PDS18-037 be received; and
2. That the Director of Planning and Development Services be authorized to execute facility licensing agreements with Rogers Communications, including any and all documents and ancillary agreements required to give effect to same; and
3. That revenue from the licensing agreement with Rogers Communications be directed to the Economic Development Reserve Fund.

(R8) Summary of Committee Recommendations Report No. 2018-04

1. That Summary of Committee Recommendations Report No. 2018-04 be received; and
2. That the Committee recommendations contained within this report be approved.

(R9) CMS18-008 – Facility Sponsorship Program – Treasure Hill

1. That Report No. CMS18-008 be received; and
2. That the Director of Community Services be authorized to execute the Agreement between the Town of Aurora and Treasure Hill for the Facility Sponsorship of the Spin Cycle Room at the Aurora Family Leisure Complex, including any and all documents and ancillary agreements required to give effect to same; and

3. That the Director of Community Services be given delegated authority to execute all future recreation facility sponsorship agreements.

C2. Council Meeting Minutes of March 27, 2018

1. That the Council meeting minutes of March 27, 2018, be adopted as printed and circulated.

Carried

6. Consideration of Items Requiring Discussion (Regular Agenda)

R1. CAO18-003 – Joint Operations Centre (JOC) Project Independent Review Report

(Formerly Item C1(R1))

**Moved by Councillor Mrakas
Seconded by Councillor Pirri**

1. That Report No. CAO18-003 be received; and
2. That the Chief Administrative Officer implement and oversee a comprehensive project management discipline for the oversight of the current major construction projects underway with the Town, pending completion of the Town's internal project management initiative; and
3. That staff bring forward for approval a report of the items required to complete the JOC as were conditionally approved in the 2018 capital budget.

Carried

R2. CS18-006 – Entry onto Private Property Protocol

(Formerly Item C1(R2))

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

1. That Report No. CS18-006 be received; and

2. That the standard operating guideline regarding entry onto private property and immediate access protocols (“SOG”) for Municipal Law Enforcement Officers as outlined on Attachment #1 be endorsed; and
3. That staff report back to Council after one year of implementation of the standard operating guideline with recommendations on the continuance of practice.

**On a recorded vote the motion
Carried**

Yeas: 7 Nays: 1
Voting Yeas: Councillors Gaertner, Humfries, Kim,
Mrakas, Thom, Thompson, and Mayor
Dawe
Voting Nays: Councillor Pirri
Absent: Councillor Abel

**R3. PDS18-031 – Award of Tender 2018-23-PDS-ENG – For Roadway
Rehabilitation on Orchard Heights Boulevard, Whispering
Pine Trail and Harmon Avenue**

(Formerly Item C1(R10))

**Moved by Councillor Thom
Seconded by Councillor Thompson**

1. That Report No. PDS18-031 be received; and
2. That Tender 2018-23-PDS-ENG, Capital Project No. 31126, for Roadway Rehabilitation on Orchard Heights Boulevard (from Bathurst Street to Hill Drive), Whispering Pine Trail (from Aurora Heights Drive to Orchard Heights Boulevard) and Harmon Avenue be awarded to RA Crete-Scape Ltd. in the amount of \$688,652.28 excluding taxes; and
3. That the Mayor and Town Clerk be authorized to execute the necessary Agreement, including any and all documents and ancillary agreements required to give effect to same.

Carried

7. Notices of Motion

None

8. Motions

(a) Councillor Gaertner

Re: Sewer Use By-law and Environmental Concerns

Moved by Councillor Gaertner

Seconded by Councillor Humfryes

Whereas many of Aurora's streams and creeks are in the Oak Ridges Moraine, or are the Headwaters of the Holland River Watershed which flows to Lake Simcoe; and

Whereas the Headwaters and the Oak Ridges Moraine are where water is filtered and recharged; and

Whereas the moving water picks up sediments and nutrients that will be delivered to the aquatic life downstream; and

Whereas these creeks and streams are extremely sensitive, and greatly influence water quality and quantity across the Watershed; and

Whereas the quality of this water influences the viability of healthy habitats for native plants, animals, and aquatic life; and

Whereas Environmental Stewardship and protection of these Headwaters, the Holland River Watershed, Lake Simcoe and the Oak Ridges Moraine is an important responsibility for all of us who live in Aurora; and

Whereas preventing toxins, used for maintenance and cleaning of swimming pools and hot tubs, from entering the streams and creeks provides necessary protection; and

1. Now Therefore Be It Hereby Resolved That staff be directed to come back with recommendations as to how the Sewer Use By-law could be amended to address environmental concerns relating to discharge of

water from swimming pools and hot tubs, and that mechanisms are in place for the enforcement of the By-law.

Carried

**(b) Councillor Kim and Councillor Humfryes
Re: Residential Zoning Amendment Applications**

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

Whereas the Planning Act stipulates that once the municipality passes a new comprehensive zoning by-law review, a two-year moratorium takes effect; and

Whereas Council, at its June 27, 2017 meeting, approved a resolution regarding exempting classes of applications from the two-year freeze on accepting an application for an amendment to the new Zoning By-law, but said resolution did not include residential zoning amendment applications;

1. Now Therefore Be It Hereby Resolved That Council pass a resolution to allow the receipt of all classes of residential zoning amendment applications, thereby removing the two-year freeze on residential Planning Act applications.

Carried

9. Regional Report

None

10. New Business

Councillor Gaertner expressed the concerns of a resident regarding the safety of wildlife crossing St. John's Sideroad in the area of the McKenzie Marsh, and inquired about the possibility of installing signage to raise awareness and encourage drivers to slow down. Staff agreed to investigate the matter.

Councillor Gaertner inquired about the process for residents to contact By-law Services during weekends, and staff provided a response.

Councillor Thompson inquired about feedback from the Region respecting the Innisfil public transit initiative involving a partnership with Uber. Mayor Dawe advised that a report from the Region is forthcoming within the next few weeks.

Councillor Kim noted that the 2018 Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony has been referred to as “Tree Lighting Ceremony” in a Town publication. Staff agreed to investigate and resolve the matter.

11. Public Service Announcements

Councillor Humfryes extended a reminder that Saturday, May 5, 2018, will be the opening day of the Aurora Farmers’ Market and Artisan Fair. She noted that the official grand opening of the Market will take place on Saturday, May 26, 2018, and that pop-up Markets will be held on Wednesday nights during the Concert in the Park series at Town Park.

Councillor Thompson extended a reminder that the 2018 Run or Walk for Southlake will be held on Sunday, April 29, 2018, and he encouraged everyone to register or support Team Aurora and the Mayors’ Challenge.

Councillor Gaertner advised that the Alzheimer Society of York Region will be working together with the McMichael Gallery on an “art of inclusion” project, which will engage seniors in the community to help other seniors. Mayor Dawe noted that federal funding in the amount of \$25,000 has been granted for the project through the New Horizons for Seniors Program.

Councillor Mrakas extended a reminder that the Aurora Optimist Club will be holding a Microbrewery Beer Tasting Evening on Friday, April 13, 2018, at the Stronach Aurora Recreation Complex.

Councillor Mrakas noted that the Aurora Tigers Jr. A hockey team played their final playoff game against the Wellington Dukes on Sunday, April 8, 2018, where a ceremony was held in honour of Saskatchewan’s Humboldt Broncos team and community. Councillor Mrakas stated that he will be making a donation on behalf of the Wellington Dukes toward the Humboldt Broncos team as part of a wager with Councillor Dunlop of Prince Edward County. Mayor Dawe extended congratulations to the Aurora Tigers team owners, Jim and Rita Thomson. Councillor Thom noted that Vivienne Bridgeford, who was named Ontario Junior

Hockey League Volunteer of the Year, was also honoured at the game for her 44 years of volunteerism with the Aurora Tigers.

Mayor Dawe announced that a Portraits of Giving event would be held on Wednesday, April 11, 2018, at H.J. Pfaff Audi and tickets may be purchased at **Merckphotography.com**.

Mayor Dawe announced that the Town's Canada 150 Mural will be unveiled at the Aurora Family Leisure Complex on Thursday, April 12, 2018, at 6:30 p.m.

Mayor Dawe announced that Aurora's annual Clean-Up Day will be held on Saturday, April 28, 2018, starting at 8 a.m., including a barbecue at noon, and residents may register on the Town's website.

Mayor Dawe advised that the Aurora Chamber Home & Living Show will be held from Friday, April 20 to Sunday, April 22, 2018, at the Stronach Aurora Recreation Complex, and more information is available at the Aurora Chamber of Commerce website.

Mayor Dawe announced that the Movie in the SARC—Paddington 2—will be presented at the Stronach Aurora Recreation Complex on Saturday, April 28, 2018.

Mayor Dawe advised that nominations for the John West Memorial "Leaders of Tomorrow" Scholarship Award are being accepted until May 1, 2018.

Mayor Dawe announced that the spring and summer programs are now open for registration and information is available on the Town's website.

Mayor Dawe extended a reminder that the annual Aurora Art Show and Sale, in association with the Society of York Region Artists, will be held on Saturday, May 5 and Sunday, May 6, 2018, at Town Hall.

Councillor Gaertner extended a reminder that the artwork of local artists is regularly on display each month in the Skylight Gallery at Town Hall.

12. By-laws

Moved by Councillor Thom
Seconded by Councillor Humfryes

That the following by-law be enacted:

(a) By-law Number 6063-18 Being a By-law to designate a property to be of cultural heritage value or interest (Town Park - 49 Wells Street).

Carried

13. Closed Session

None

14. Confirming By-law

Moved by Councillor Thompson
Seconded by Councillor Pirri

That the following confirming by-law be enacted:

By-law Number 6064-18 Being a By-law to Confirm Actions by Council Resulting from a Council Meeting on April 10, 2018.

Carried

15. Adjournment

Moved by Councillor Kim
Seconded by Councillor Thom

That the meeting be adjourned at 8:02 p.m.

Carried