



Minutes - Final
General Committee

Monday, April 18, 2016

7:00 PM

Council Chamber

GENERAL COMMITTEE REPORT

For consideration by the Council of the City of Barrie on April 25, 2016

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Lehman at 7:01 p.m. The following were in attendance:

- Present:** 10 - Mayor, J. Lehman; Councillor, B. Ainsworth; Councillor, R. Romita; Councillor, D. Shipley; Councillor, B. Ward; Councillor, P. Silveira; Councillor, M. Prowse; Councillor, A. Prince; Councillor, A. Khan; and Councillor, S. Morales
- Absent:** 1 - Councillor, M. McCann

STAFF:

Chief Administrative Officer, C. Ladd
Committee and Print Services Supervisor, L. Pearson
Deputy City Clerk, W. Cooke
Director of Engineering, J. Weston
Director of Environmental Services, J. Thompson
Director of Finance/Treasurer, C. Millar
Director of Planning Services, S. Naylor
Director of Roads, Parks and Fleet, D. Friary
Executive Director of Access Barrie, R. James-Reid
Executive Director of Innovate Barrie, R. Bunn
Executive Director of Invest Barrie, Z. Lifshiz
Facility Capital Project Supervisor, J. De Vroom
General Manager of Community and Corporate Services, P. Elliott-Spencer
General Manager of Infrastructure and Growth Management, R. Forward
Manager of By-law Services, T. Banting
Manager of Facility Planning and Development (Interim), L. Worton
Manager of Planning Policy, M. Kalyaniwalla
Senior Policy Planner, K. Brislin
Supervisor of By-law Services, J. Forgrave.

The General Committee recommends adoption of the following recommendation(s) which were dealt with on the consent portion of the agenda:

SECTION "A"

16-G-077 FERNDALE DRIVE NORTH RECONSTRUCTION, TIFFIN STREET TO DUNLOP STREET - PROVISION OF SANITARY SERVICING AWARD OF CONTRACT 2016-030T (WARD 5)

1. That a by-law be prepared to authorize the recovery of capital costs for the installation of sanitary servicing of unserved properties on Ferndale Drive North between Tiffin Street and Dunlop Street through the collection of a per metre frontage charge plus lateral costs for benefiting properties abutting the proposed new sections of sanitary sewer, as provided under Section 326 of the Municipal Act, with the option of payment of the sanitary charges over a 10 year period with interest.
2. That additional funding in the amount of \$328,968 for the watermain component of this project as described in Appendix "A" of Staff Report ENG005-16, be approved.
3. That Contract 2016-030T for Ferndale Drive North Reconstruction from Tiffin Street to Dunlop Street West be awarded to Arnott Construction Limited, in accordance with their tender dated March 15, 2016, in the amount of \$5,324,287 excluding HST. (ENG005-16) (File: T05-FER)

This matter was recommended (Section "A") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 4/25/2016.

16-G-078 2016 TAX RATIOS AND CAPPING POLICIES

1. That the tax ratios for the 2016 taxation year be established as follows:

a)	Residential/farm property class	1.000000
b)	New Multi-residential	1.000000
c)	Multi-residential	1.000000
d)	Commercial	1.433126
e)	Industrial	1.516328

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| f) | Pipelines | 1.103939 |
| g) | Farmlands | 0.250000 |
| h) | Managed forest | 0.250000 |
2. That the capping program be funded by clawing back decreases from within the affected property tax classes.
 3. That the recommended capping parameters for commercial, industrial and multi-residential properties be maintained as follows:
 - a) The property tax cap be set at an amount representing 10% of the previous year's annualized taxes;
 - b) Any property within +/- \$250 of the Current Value Assessment (CVA) taxes be moved directly to CVA taxation;
 - c) Any property that reaches the CVA level of taxation be removed from the capping program;
 - d) Exclude any property whose classification changes from capped to clawed back, or vice versa; and
 - e) A minimum cap of 5% of the previous year's CVA taxes.
 4. New construction thresholds be maintained as follows:
 - a) Up to 70% of CVA-level taxes in 2005;
 - b) Up to 80% of CVA-level taxes in 2006;
 - c) Up to 90% of CVA-level taxes in 2007; and
 - d) Up to 100% of CVA-level taxes in 2008 and beyond.
 5. That the discounts for the commercial and industrial sub-classes for vacant land and excess land be maintained at 30% and 35% respectively.
 6. That two sub-classes for Farmland Awaiting Development be maintained in each of the multi-residential, commercial and industrial property classes at the following discounts:
 - a) Phase I - 25% discount off the residential tax rate; and
 - b) Phase II - 0% discount off the applicable property class tax rate.

7. That the City of Barrie continue its existing Rebates for Charitable Organizations Program providing a tax rebate for Registered Charitable Organizations, as defined in Section 248(1) of the Income Tax Act, R.S.C. 1985, Chapter 1, at a rate of 40% of the current year's taxes applicable to the space occupied.
8. That the Registered Charities eligible for the tax rebate program are required to submit an annual application and provide evidence of taxes paid satisfactory to the Treasurer or his/her designate.
9. That the City Clerk be authorized to prepare all necessary by-laws to establish the 2016 taxation and capping policies as described in Staff Report FIN003-16. (FIN003-16) (File: F00)

This matter was recommended (Section "A") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 4/25/2016.

16-G-079

APPLICATION FOR ZONING BY-LAW AMENDMENT - FANDOR HOMES - 875 BIG BAY POINT ROAD (WARD 10)

1. That the Zoning By-law Amendment application submitted by Celeste Phillips Planning Inc. on behalf of Fandor Developments to rezone the lands known municipally as 875 Big Bay Point Road (Ward 10) from Agricultural A to Residential Single Detached Dwelling R3, be approved.
2. That pursuant to Section 34(17) of the Planning Act, no further public notification is required prior to the passing of this by-law. (PLN006-16) (File: D14-1592)

This matter was recommended (Section "A") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 4/25/2016.

16-G-080 MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS MODERNIZATION ACT

WHEREAS the Province of Ontario is introducing potential reforms to the Municipal Elections Act;

WHEREAS these legislative reforms, if passed, will allow municipalities to prohibit corporate and union donations in municipal elections;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:

1. That staff in the Legislative and Court Services Department review the legislative reforms and, if the legislation is passed, prepare a report to General Committee related to any recommended changes for the 2018 and/or subsequent municipal elections in Barrie;
2. That if the proposed legislative reforms allowing municipalities to ban corporate and union donations are passed, the necessary actions be undertaken to ban donations from corporations or unions in Barrie for the 2018 and subsequent municipal elections. (Item for Discussion 8.1, April 18, 2016) (File: C07)

This matter was recommended (Section "A") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 4/25/2016.

The General Committee met and recommends adoption of the following recommendation(s):

SECTION "B"**16-G-081 MEMORANDUM FROM G. ALLISON, DIRECTOR OF BUILDING AND BY-LAW SERVICES DATED APRIL 4, 2016 REGARDING KEEPING OF BACKYARD HENS - COMMUNITY SUGGESTION**

That the memorandum from G. Allison, Director of Building and By-law Services dated April 4, 2016 concerning the Keeping of the Backyard Hens - Community Suggestion be referred to the Community Services Committee for consideration. (16-G-074)

This matter was referred (Section "B") to Community Services Committee for consideration at its meeting to be held on 5/4/2016.

SECTION "C"**16-G-082 SAM CANCELLA PARK GAZEBO REHABILITATION (WARD 2)**

That staff be authorized to proceed with deconstruction and regrading of the Sam Cancilla Park Gazebo as outlined in Option #3 contained within Staff Report FCT001-16. (FCT001-16) (File: R00)

This matter was recommended (Section "C") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 4/25/2016.

SECTION "D"**16-G-083 OFFICIAL PLAN AMENDMENTS, ZONING BY-LAW AMENDMENTS AND DESIGN GUIDELINES TO PROTECT THE CHARACTER OF THE HISTORIC NEIGHBOURHOOD AREAS**

1. That Section 4.8 Defined Policy Areas of the Official Plan be amended to include area specific policies intended to protect the heritage character of lands surrounding the Urban Growth Centre identified in the City Historic Neighbourhood Strategy in accordance with Draft Official Plan Amendment OPA 54 attached as Appendix "A" to Staff Report PLN005-16.
2. That Schedule C - Defined Policy Areas, of the Official Plan also be amended by the inclusion of the "*Historic Neighbourhood Defined Policy Area*" identifying the lands subject to these policies attached as Appendix "A" to Staff Report PLN005-16.
3. That the Director of Planning Services be authorized to present a comprehensive Zoning By-law amendment to create new "Special Heritage Character" zones within 3 residential areas in the Allandale Historic Neighbourhood, which include new standards intended to protect the heritage character of these neighbourhoods, generally in accordance with Appendix "B" to Staff Report PLN005-16 as amended to:
 - a) Permit new single detached units in the proposed RM1(SP-HC1) zone in the Cumberland Burton Area and the RM1(SP-HC2) zone for the Blair Park area;
4. That staff in Planning Services provide a memo at the time the By-law is presented to identify the significant changes in the proposed zoning by-law amendment since the publication of Staff Report PLN005-16.

5. That the Site Plan Control By-law 99-312 be amended to include the areas identified on the Map in Appendix "C" to Staff Report PLN005-16 as being subject to scoped site plan control, to be reviewed in accordance with the proposed Allandale Heritage Urban Design Guidelines outlined in Appendix "C".
6. That pursuant to Section 34(17) of the Planning Act, no further public notification is required prior to the passing of this by-law.
7. That the Fees By-law be amended in accordance with the financial recommendations outlined in Staff Report PLN005-16. (PLN005-16) (File: D14-ALL and D09OPA-54) (P32/14)

This matter was recommended (Section "D") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 4/25/2016.

The General Committee met and reports as follows:

SECTION "E"

16-G-084 CANADIAN FORCES BASE (CFB) BORDEN CENTENNIAL BALL

The General Committee met and discussed the following Item for Discussion concerning the Canadian Forces Base (CFB) Borden Centennial Ball:

1. That, in accordance with the correspondence from Colonel and Base Commander Carl Doyon and Honorary Colonel Jamie Massie from CFB Borden and to recognize the 100 year history of close ties between the City of Barrie and Canadian Forces Base (CFB) Borden, the City of Barrie sponsor a table at the CFB Borden Centennial Ball at a cost of \$3,000 to be funded from the Council Priorities Account.
2. That the spaces at the table be offered to City of Barrie veterans through best efforts in liaison with the Veteran's Services Office and the Barrie Legion Branch 142. (Item for Discussion 8.2, April 18, 2016) (File: M02)

The vote was taken and the motion was LOST. The Committee provided no further direction with respect to the Item for Discussion concerning the Canadian Forces Base (CFB) Borden Centennial Ball. (Item for Discussion 8.2, April 25, 2016) (File: C00)

This matter was recommended (Section "E") to City Council for consideration of receipt at its meeting to be held on 4/25/2016.

The General Committee met and recommends adoption of the following recommendation(s):

SECTION "F"

16-G-085 CANADA'S 150TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION WORKING GROUP

1. That the composition of the Canada's 150th Anniversary Celebration Working Group be amended to increase the membership to provide for up to 5 citizen members.
2. That Councillor, R. Romita and Councillor, A. Prince be appointed to the Canada's 150th Anniversary Celebration Working Group.
3. That the Canada's 150th Anniversary Celebration Working Group provide regular updates to Council concerning the Canada 150th anniversary plans throughout the balance of 2016 and into 2017. (Item for Discussion 8.3, April 18, 2016) (File: C05) (12-G-349)

This matter was recommended (Section "F") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 4/25/2016.

ENQUIRIES

Members of General Committee addressed several enquiries to City staff and received responses.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Members of General Committee provided announcements concerning a number of matters.

The meeting adjourned at 8:19 p.m.

CHAIRMAN