



City of Barrie

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Final - Final General Committee

Wednesday, May 7, 2025

7:00 PM

Council Chamber

GENERAL COMMITTEE REPORT

For Consideration by Barrie City Council on May 14, 2025.

The meeting was called to order by Chair, Mayor. A. Nuttall at 8:14 p.m. The following were in attendance for the meeting:

Present: 11 - Mayor, A. Nuttall
Deputy Mayor, R. Thomson
Councillor, C. Riepma
Councillor, C. Nixon
Councillor, AM. Kungl
Councillor, A. Courser
Councillor, N. Nigussie
Councillor, G. Harvey
Councillor, J. Harris
Councillor, S. Morales
Councillor, B. Hamilton

STAFF:

Chief Administrative Officer, M. Prowse
City Clerk/Director of Legislative and Court Services, W. Cooke
Deputy City Clerk, T. Macdonald
Director of Corporate Facilities, R. Pews
Director of Economic and Creative Development, S. Schlichter
Director of Information Services, R. Nolan
Executive Director of Development Services, M. Banfield
Fire Chief, K. White
General Manager of Access Barrie, R. James-Reid
General Manager of Community and Corporate Services, J. Schmidt
General Manager of Infrastructure and Growth Management, B. Araniyasundaran
Interim Chief Financial Officer, C. Smith
Legislative Coordinator, D. Glenn
Service Desk Specialist, K. Kovacs.

The General Committee reports that the following matter(s) were dealt with on the consent portion of the agenda:

SECTION "A"

25-G-092 REPORT OF THE AFFORDABILITY COMMITTEE DATED APRIL 16, 2025

That the Report of the Affordability Committee dated April 16, 2025, be received.

This matter was recommended (Section "A") to City Council for consideration of receipt at its meeting to be held on 5/14/2025.

25-G-093 REPORT OF THE INFRASTRUCTURE AND COMMUNITY INVESTMENT COMMITTEE DATED APRIL 30, 2025

That the Report of the Infrastructure and Community Investment Committee dated April 30, 2025, be received.

This matter was recommended (Section "A") to City Council for consideration of receipt at its meeting to be held on 5/14/2025.

25-G-094 REPORT OF THE FINANCE AND RESPONSIBLE GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE DATED APRIL 30, 2025

That the Report of the Finance and Responsible Governance Committee dated April 30, 2025, be received.

This matter was recommended (Section "A") to City Council for consideration of receipt at its meeting to be held on 5/14/2025.

25-G-095 REPORT OF THE AFFORDABILITY COMMITTEE DATED APRIL 30, 2025

That the Report of the Affordability Committee dated April 30, 2025, be received.

This matter was recommended (Section "A") to City Council for consideration of receipt at its meeting to be held on 5/14/2025.

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

SECTION "B"

25-G-096 MOTION 25-G-026 REFERRED BY GENERAL COMMITTEE ON FEBRUARY 26, 2025, REGARDING A FUNDING REQUEST FOR BAYVIEW PARK RESERVOIR DECOMMISSIONING AND REMOVAL (WARD 2)

1. That a new capital project be approved to decommission the Bayview Park Reservoir and complete the removal of its associated Booster Pumping Station at Sam Cancilla Park with a budget of \$2,565,000 to be funded 100% from the Water Capital Reserve, subject to the return of \$2,565,000 from other Water Capital Reserve funded projects in the 2025 Capital Status Report.
2. That Capital Project 001251 - Sam Cancilla Master Plan and implementation be approved and moved up to commence in 2025 simultaneously with the Bayview Park Reservoir Project and as part of this project staff review the design concept presented by Mr. M. Hassey at the Infrastructure and Community Investment Committee Meeting of April 30, 2025 and staff engage with the property owner at Dunlop Street and Mulcaster Street.

This matter was recommended (Section "B") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 5/14/2025.

25-G-097 COMMITTEE NAME CHANGE

That the following be referred to the Finance and Responsible Governance Committee.

"That the name of the Active Transportation and Sustainability Advisory Committee be changed to the Sustainability Advisory Committee".

This matter was recommended (Section "B") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 5/14/2025.

25-G-098 ADULT ENTERTAINMENT BY-LAW

That staff in the Legislative and Court Services Department investigate how other municipalities have separated burlesque dancing and other similar forms of adult entertainment from the Adult Entertainment By-law and report back to the Finance and Responsible Governance Committee.

This matter was recommended (Section "B") to City Council for consideration of adoption at

its meeting to be held on 5/14/2025.

25-G-099**COMMUNITY PROJECT SUBMISSION FROM COUNCILLOR, AM. KUNGL -PURCHASE AND INSTALLATION OF A BIKE RACK AT EACH OF LITTLE LAKE PARK AND CARTWRIGHT PARK (WARD 3)**

That the Community Project Submission from Councillor, AM. Kungl concerning \$2000 for the purchase and installation of a bike rack at each of Little Lake Park and Cartwright Park attached to the Finance and Responsible Governance Committee Agenda dated April 30, 2025, be approved.

This matter was recommended (Section "B") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 5/14/2025.

25-G-100**COMMUNITY PROJECT SUBMISSION FROM COUNCILLOR, AM KUNGL - HORTICULTURE/PARKS TO ADD PLANTERS TO KEY AREAS AS PART OF BEAUTIFICATION (WARD 3)**

That the Community Project Submission from Councillor, AM. Kungl concerning \$1850.00 to horticulture/parks to add planters to key areas as part of beautification (Ward 3) attached to the Finance and Responsible Governance Committee Agenda dated April 30, 2025, be approved.

This matter was recommended (Section "B") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 5/14/2025.

25-G-101**COMMUNITY PROJECT SUBMISSION FROM COUNCILLOR, AM. KUNGL - SCHOOL BURSARIES (WARD 3)**

That Community Project Submission from Councillor, AM. Kungl concerning school bursaries attached to the Finance and Responsible Governance Committee Agenda dated April 30, 2025, for the following schools:

\$500 bursary to three students who are Ward 3 residents from each of:

- St. Joe's Catholic Highschool (3 students)
- Eastview Secondary School (3 students)
- Barrie North Collegiate Institute (3 students) Total: \$4500

\$100 bursary to three students who are Ward 3 residents from the grade 8 graduating class of each of:

- Cundles Heights Public School (3 students)
- Terry Fox Elementary School (3 students)
- Monsignor Clair Catholic School (3 students)
- St. John Paul II Catholic School (3 students)
- Sister Catherine Donnelly Catholic School (3 students) Total: \$1500

Combined Total: \$6000, be approved.

This matter was recommended (Section "B") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 5/14/2025.

25-G-102 COMMUNITY PROJECT SUBMISSION FROM COUNCILLOR, AM. KUNGL - BARRIE SPORTS HALL OF FAME AT EAST BAYFIELD COMMUNITY CENTRE (WARD 3)

That Community Project Submission from Councillor, AM. Kungl concerning \$6900.00 to the Barrie Sports Hall of Fame at East Bayfield Community Centre for hardware to install banners, reframing of six paintings, and purchasing a display case. (Ward 3) attached to the Finance and Responsible Governance Committee Agenda dated April 30, 2025, be approved.

This matter was recommended (Section "B") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 5/14/2025.

25-G-103 COMMUNITY PROJECT SUBMISSION FROM COUNCILLOR, AM. KUNGL - BARRIE LEGION 147 BANNER RECOGNIZING WWII VETERANS (WARD 3)

That Community Project Submission from Councillor, AM. Kungl concerning \$8250.00 to the Barrie Legion at 147 Ferris Lane for the supply and installation of a banner recognizing WWII Veterans. (Ward 3) attached to the Finance and Responsible Governance Committee Agenda dated April 30, 2025, be approved.

This matter was recommended (Section "B") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 5/14/2025.

25-G-104 COMMUNITY PROJECT SUBMISSION FROM COUNCILLOR, J. HARRIS - INTERPRETIVE TIMELINE IN MILITARY HERITAGE PARK (WARD 8)

That the Community Project Submission from Councillor, J. Harris concerning \$13000.00 to create an Interpretive Timeline in Military Heritage Park. (Ward 8) attached to the Finance and Responsible Governance Committee Agenda dated April 30, 2025, be approved

This matter was recommended (Section "B") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 5/14/2025.

25-G-105 COMMUNITY PROJECT SUBMISSION FROM COUNCILLOR, G. HARVEY - INSTALLATION OF TWO BIKE RACKS IN WARD 7 PARKS

That the Community Project Submission from Councillor, G. Harvey concerning \$2358 for the purchase and installation of two (2) bike racks in Ward 7 parks attached to the Finance and Responsible Governance Committee Agenda dated April 30, 2025, be approved.

This matter was recommended for consideration of adoption (Section "B") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 5/14/2025.

25-G-106**COMMUNITY PROJECT SUBMISSION FROM COUNCILLOR, G. HARVEY
- HIGH SCHOOL BURSARIES (WARD 7)**

That the Community Project Submission from Councillor, G. Harvey concerning a \$1,000.00 bursary to be given to each of twelve (12) high school students who reside in Ward 7, attend high school in Barrie, and that will be attending post secondary school in the 2025/2026 school year (Ward 7) attached to the Finance and Responsible Governance Committee Agenda dated April 30, 2025, be approved..

This matter was recommended (Section "B") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 5/14/2025.

25-G-107**COMMUNITY PROJECT SUBMISSION FROM COUNCILLOR, S. MORALES - J GIBBINS PARK/CEMETARY RESTORATION OF NATURALIZATION (WARD 9)**

That Community Project Submission from Councillor, S. Morales concerning J. Gibbins Park/Cemetery Restoration of naturalization.

Restoring a naturalized feature that possibly utilizes zero-scaping plants and features would bring back a landscaped area for residents to enjoy while ensuring the resiliency of the plants themselves attached to the Finance and Responsible Governance Committee Agenda dated April 30, 2025, be approved.

This matter was recommended (Section "B") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 5/14/2025.

25-G-108**COMMUNITY PROJECT SUBMISSION FROM COUNCILLOR, S. MORALES - PLANTING OF MATURE SPRUCE TREES INTERSECTION OF STUNDEN LANE AND MAPLEVIEW DRIVE EAST (WARD 9)**

That the Community Project Submission from Councillor, S. Morales concerning the planting of mature spruce trees at the intersection of Stunden Lane and Maplevue Drive East. (Ward 9) attached to the Finance and Responsible Governance Committee Agenda dated April 30, 2025, be approved.

This matter was recommended (Section "B") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 5/14/2025.

25-G-109**COMMUNITY PROJECT SUBMISSION FROM COUNCILLOR, S. MORALES - WRAP TWO ALECTRA GROUND-ORIENTED BOXES IN WARD 9**

That the Community Project Submission from Councillor, S. Morales attached to the Finance and Responsible Governance Committee Agenda dated April 30, 2025 to wrap two Alectra ground-oriented boxes in Ward 9:

1. Alectra box # SC13520 on the south west corner of the Painswick Library (48 Dean Avenue); and

2. Alectra box # T5139 at the south-west corner of Esther Drive and Lakewoods Crescent, be approved.

This matter was recommended (Section "B") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 5/14/2025.

25-G-110 COMMUNITY PROJECT SUBMISSION FROM COUNCILLOR, A. COURSER - SIX (6) BENCHES FOR SUNNIDALE PARK (WARD 4)

That the Community Project Submission from Councillor, A. Courser concerning \$11,820 for the purchase and installation of six (6) benches for Sunnidale Park attached to the Finance and Responsible Governance Committee Agenda dated April 30, 2025, be approved.

This matter was recommended (Section "B") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 5/14/2025.

25-G-111 COMMUNITY PROJECT SUBMISSION FROM COUNCILLOR, A. COURSER - TWO (2) PICNIC TABLES IN WARD 4 PARKS

That Community Project Submission from Councillor, A. Courser concerning \$1200 for the purchase and installation of two (2) picnic tables to be placed in Ward 4 parks attached to the Finance and Responsible Governance Committee Agenda dated April 30, 2025, be approved.

This matter was recommended (Section "B") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 5/14/2025.

25-G-112 COMMUNITY PROJECT SUBMISSION FROM COUNCILLOR, A. COURSER - INSTALLATION OF FOUR (4) BIKE RACKS TO BE PLACED IN WARD 4 PARKS

That the Community Project Submission from Councillor, A. Courser concerning \$4716 for the purchase and installation of four (4) bike racks to be placed in Ward 4 parks attached to the Finance and Responsible Governance Committee Agenda dated April 30, 2025, be approved.

This matter was recommended (Section "B") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 5/14/2025.

25-G-113 MOTION 25-G-085 DEFERRED AT GENERAL COMMITTEE ON APRIL 16, 2025 - CONSERVATION OF BUILT HERITAGE COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT PLAN

1. That the proposed Conservation of Built Heritage Community Improvement Plan (CIP) Project Area, as described in Appendix "A" attached to Staff Report DEV003-25.
2. That the proposed Conservation of Built Heritage Community Improvement Plan (CIP) attached as Appendix B to Staff Report DEV003-25, be approved as amended to provide that the calculation for the grant payment be based on the lowest quote received.

3. That funds allocated from the CIP Reserve Fund (\$79,437.51) to the implementation of the proposed Conservation of Built Heritage Community Improvement Plan (CIP) if approved.
4. That the written and oral submissions received relating to the application, have been, on balance, taken into consideration as part of the deliberations and final decision related to the approval of the application as amended, including matters raised in the submissions and identified within Staff Report DEV003-25.
5. That pursuant to Sections 17(22) and 28(5) of the *Planning Act*, no further public notification is required prior to the passing of the by-law. (DEV003-25).

This matter was recommended (Section "B") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 5/14/2025.

25-G-114**ST. VINCENT STREET ROAD DIET - BLAKE STREET TO CODRINGTON STREET (WARDS 1 AND 2)**

1. That cycling lanes be implemented on St. Vincent Street from Codrington Street to Blake Street.
2. That Traffic By-law 2020-107 Schedule "1" "NO PARKING ANYTIME" be amended by adding the following:

St. Vincent Street Both sides from Blake Street to Codrington Street
(DEV013-25)

This matter was recommended (Section "B") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 5/14/2025.

25-G-115**MADELAINE DRIVE ROAD DIET - MAPLEVIEW DRIVE TO YONGE STREET (WARD 9)**

1. That the reconfiguration of Madelaine Street from 2 lanes per direction to 1 lane per direction with a centre two-way left turn lane / left turn lane, be approved.
2. That staff be directed to seek approval from the Ontario Minister of Transportation to implement the reduction of 1 lane per direction as required by Bill 212 - Reducing Gridlock, Saving You Time Act, 2024. (DEV014-25)

This matter was recommended (Section "B") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 5/14/2025.

25-G-116**FUNDING REQUEST FOR FC1206 - ALLANDALE AND DOWNTOWN TRANSIT MOBILITY HUBS AND FC1064 ALLANDALE HISTORIC TRAIN STATION DEVELOPMENT.**

1. That the approved budget for project FC1206 - Allandale and

Downtown Transit Mobility Hubs, be increased by \$1,763,084, to be funded from the Tax Capital Reserve.

2. That the approved budget for project FC1064 - Allandale Historic Train Station Development, be increased by \$600,000, to be funded from the Tax Capital Reserve.
3. That the approved budgets for projects FC1320, FC1319, FC1300, FC1278, FC1273, FC1258, FC1257, FC1240, FC1230 and FC1079, funded through the Tax Capital Reserve, be reduced as indicated in Table 1 found in the Financial Implications section of Staff Report FAC002-25. (FAC002-25).

This matter was recommended (Section "B") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 5/14/2025.

25-G-117

DOWNTOWN BARRIE BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT AREA LEVY (WARD 2)

1. That the City of Barrie (City) establish a special charge of 0.4410345% for 2025 to levy an amount of \$755,237 upon commercial and industrial properties in the Downtown Barrie Business Improvement Area.
2. That the Downtown Barrie Business Improvement Area (BIA) 2025 Operating and Capital budgets be approved, as presented in Staff Report FIN009-25.
3. That the City Clerk be authorized to prepare the appropriate by-law authorizing this 2025 special charge rate and levy requirement. (FIN009-25)

This matter was recommended (Section "B") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 5/14/2025.

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

SECTION "C"

25-G-118 WATSON AND ASSOCIATES ECONOMISTS LTD - 2025 WARD BOUNDARY REVIEW PRELIMINARY OPTIONS REPORT

That Option 1 (page 25) and Option 2-B (page 32) of the 2025 Ward Boundary Review - Preliminary Options Report dated April 29, 2025, be the only options to move forward for further public consultation prior to final options being presented to Council; and

That when the final options are presented to Council, the numbering of the wards be done in such a manner to minimize the number of residents to experience a change in their ward number.

This matter was recommended (Section "C") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 5/7/2025.

SECTION "D"

25-G-119 REDWOOD PARK COMMUNITIES LOAN FORGIVENESS REQUEST

1. That Redwood Community's request for loan forgiveness be approved in the amount of \$500,000 against Redwood Park Communities Inc.'s \$3 million promissory note agreement with the City of Barrie dated March 8, 2024, on the condition that they replay \$1.8 million of the promissory note by June 30, 2025 , and \$700,000 by September 1, 2025 with the loan forgiveness being funded from the Reinvestment Reserve or through federal government funding allocated for housing; and
2. That staff in the Finance Department provide a memo on the status of the payment after June 30, 2025.

This matter was recommended (Section "D") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 5/14/2025.

ENQUIRIES

Members of General Committee addressed enquires to City staff and received responses

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Members of General Committee did not provide any announcements

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:47 p.m.

CHAIRMAN