



City of Barrie

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Final General Committee

Wednesday, April 16, 2025

7:00 PM

Council Chamber

GENERAL COMMITTEE REPORT

For Consideration by Barrie City Council on April 16, 2025.

The meeting was called to order by Chair, Mayor A. Nuttall at 8:26 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

ALSO PRESENT:

Student Mayor, K. Rivera
Student Mayor, O. Goglidze

STAFF:

Chief Administrative Officer, M. Prowse
City Clerk/Director of Legislative and Court Services, W. Cooke
Coordinator of Elections and Special Projects, T. McArthur
Director of Information Technology, R. Nolan
Director of Legal Services, I. Peters
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 Director of Finance, C. Smith
Legislative Coordinator, D. Glenn
Manager of Taxation and Revenue, K. Jylha

Senior Policy Advisor and Special Projects Coordinator, E. Chappell
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-073 REPORT OF THE FINANCE AND RESPONSIBLE GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE DATED APRIL 9, 2025

That the Report of the Finance and Responsible Governance Committee dated April 9, 2025, be received.

This matter was recommended (Section "A") to City Council for consideration of receipt at its meeting to be held on 4/16/2025.

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-074 DEVELOPMENT CHARGES (DC) DEFERRAL REQUEST - HARVIE AND BEACON ROADS (WARD 6)

That the Report to the Finance and Responsible Governance dated April 9, 2025, concerning the request for deferral of development charges - Harvie and Beacon Roads be referred to staff for further consideration and a report back to the Finance and Responsible Governance Committee. (File: C11)

This matter was recommended (Section "B") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 4/16/2025.

25-G-075 DEVELOPMENT CHARGES (DC) DEFERRAL REQUEST - SERENITY LANE (WARD 7)

That the Report to the Finance and Responsible Governance dated April 9, 2025, concerning the request for deferral of development charges - Serenity Lane be referred to staff for further consideration and a report back to the Finance and Responsible Governance Committee. (File: C11)

This matter was recommended (Section "B") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 4/16/2025.

25-G-076**APPROVAL OF 2024 INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT REPORT**

That the Report of the Investment Board dated March 20, 2025, concerning the 2024 Investment Management Annual Report and approved by the Investment Board on March 20, 2025, be received for information.

This matter was recommended (Section "B") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 4/16/2025.

25-G-077**REDWOOD PARK COMMUNITIES CORRESPONDENCE**

That the correspondence from Redwood Park Communities dated February 4, 2025, regarding a letter to Barrie City Council in relation to the CIP Grant - 151 Lillian Crescent be referred to staff for further consideration.

This matter was recommended (Section "B") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 4/16/2025.

25-G-078**REDWOOD PARK COMMUNITIES MEMORANDUM**

That the Memorandum from M. Banfield, RPP, Executive Director of Development Services dated February 19, 2025, regarding the Redwood Park Communities CIP Funding Request be referred to staff for further consideration.

This matter was recommended (Section "B") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 4/16/2025.

25-G-079**NEXT GENERATION 9-1-1 AND COMPUTER AIDED DISPATCH REPLACEMENT PROJECT UPDATE**

1. That the budget for project IT1050 BFES Next Generation 9-1-1 Phone System be increased by \$1,541,893 with funding to be allocated from the Tax Capital Reserve.
2. That the budgets for project IT1070 and project IT1067 be decreased by \$320,000 and \$363,000 respectively, with an equivalent decrease in Tax Capital Reserve funding. (BFES002-25)

This matter was recommended (Section "B") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 4/16/2025.

25-G-080**2025 TAX RATES**

1. That the tax rates for the 2025 taxation year be established as identified in Appendix A to Staff Report FIN004-25.
2. That the City Clerk be authorized to prepare all necessary by-laws to establish the 2025 tax rates as described within Staff Report FIN004-25. (FIN004-25) (File: F22)

This matter was recommended (Section "B") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 4/16/2025.

25-G-081**2024 PROCUREMENT ACTIVITY REPORT**

That the 2024 Annual Procurement Activity Report be received for information purposes. (FIN005-25)

This matter was recommended (Section "B") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 4/16/2025.

25-G-082**BARRIE HYDRO HOLDINGS INC. ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING MATTERS**

That, acting as sole shareholder in Barrie Hydro Holdings Inc. (BHHI), the following actions be authorized:

- a) The minutes of the BHHI Shareholder's Meeting held on May 1, 2024, attached as Appendix A to Staff Report LCS002-25, be approved;
- b) The non-consolidated financial statements of BHHI attached as Appendix B to Staff Report LCS002-25 for the financial year ended December 31, 2024, be received (subject to approval from the Board of Directors); and
- c) The City of Barrie's auditor be appointed as Accountants for BHHI, to compile the annual Non-consolidated financial statements through a Compilation (formerly Notice to Reader) engagement, with remuneration to be fixed by the Directors through the City's agreement with its auditor. (LCS002-25) (File: A01)

This matter was recommended (Section "B") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 4/16/2025.

25-G-083**2024 MUNICIPAL STORMWATER MANAGEMENT SYSTEM ANNUAL REPORT**

That Staff Report OPR001-25, regarding the City of Barrie's Municipal Stormwater Management System, and the City of Barrie Municipal Stormwater Management System Annual Operating Report 2024 attached as Appendix A to Staff Report OPR001-25 be received for information purposes. (OPR001-25)

This matter was recommended (Section "B") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 4/16/2025.

25-G-084 FOLLOW-UP TO THE RECREATION AND SPORT COMMUNITY GRANT ADJUDICATION PROCESS

That staff be directed to implement permanent changes to the Recreation and Sport Community Grant Adjudication Panel based on the direction of Council motion 24-G-145 and on the success of the interim solution piloted in 2024. (REC002-25)

This matter was recommended (Section "B") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 4/16/2025.

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

SECTION "C"

25-G-085 CONSERVATION OF BUILT HERITAGE COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT PLAN

That Staff Report DEV003-25 concerning the Conservation of Built Heritage Community Improvement Plan be deferred to the Finance and Responsible Governance Committee meeting on April 30, 2025.

This matter was recommended (Section "C") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 4/16/2025.

25-G-086 SURFACE WATER TREATMENT PLANT (SWTP) LOW LIFT PUMPING STATION EMERGENCY STANDBY GENERATOR (WARD 10)

1. That a new capital project be approved to design, supply, and install a standby power generator at the Surface Water Treatment Plant (SWTP) Low Lift Pumping Station (LLPS) with a budget of \$3,914,000 to be funded 100% from the Water Capital Reserve.
2. That \$3,914,000 in Water Capital Reserve funded projects be returned as part of the 2026 Capital Budget. (INF002-25) (File: C11 - SWT)

This matter was recommended (Section "C") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 4/16/2025.

ENQUIRIES

Members of General Committee did not address any enquires to City staff.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Members of General Committee did not provide any announcements.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:38 p.m.

CHAIRMAN