



# City of Barrie

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## Minutes - Final General Committee

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Monday, December 14, 2020

5:30 PM

Virtual Meeting

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### GENERAL COMMITTEE REPORT

For consideration by Barrie City Council on December 14, 2020.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Lehman at 5:21 p.m. The following were in attendance for the meeting:

**Present:** 11 - Mayor, J. Lehman  
Deputy Mayor, B. Ward  
Councillor, C. Riepma  
Councillor, K. Aylwin  
Councillor, A. Kungl  
Councillor, R. Thomson  
Councillor, N. Harris  
Councillor, G. Harvey  
Councillor, J. Harris  
Councillor, S. Morales  
Councillor, M. McCann

#### **STAFF:**

Chief Administrative Officer, M. Prowse  
City Clerk/Director of Legislative and Court Services, W. Cooke  
Committee Support Clerk, T. McArthur  
Deputy City Clerk, C. Swan  
Director of Economic and Creative Development, S. Schlichter  
Director of Corporate Facilities, R. Pews  
Director of Infrastructure, B. Araniyasundaran  
Director of Finance/Treasurer, C. Millar  
Director of Human Resources, A.M. Langlois  
Director of Information Technology, R. Nolan  
Director of Internal Audit, S. MacGregor  
Director of Development Services, M. Banfield  
Director of Recreation and Culture Services, R. Bell  
Director of Operations, D. Friary

Director of Transit and Parking Strategy, B. Forsyth  
Executive Director of Access Barrie, R. James-Reid  
Fire Chief, C. Mainprize  
General Manager of Community and Corporate Services, D. McAlpine  
General Manager of Infrastructure and Growth Management, A. Miller  
Senior Manager of Corporate Finance and Investment, J. Cowles.

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

### **SECTION "A"**

#### **20-G-228      REPORT OF THE CITY BUILDING COMMITTEE DATED DECEMBER 1, 2020**

The Report of the City Building Committee dated December 1, 2020 was received. (File: C05)

This matter was recommended (Section "A") to City Council for consideration of receipt at its meeting to be held on 12/14/2020.

#### **20-G-229      REPORT OF THE FINANCE AND CORPORATE SERVICES COMMITTEE DATED DECEMBER 14, 2020**

The Report of the Finance and Corporate Services Committee dated December 14, 2020 was received. (File: C05)

This matter was recommended (Section "A") to City Council for consideration of receipt at its meeting to be held on 12/14/2020.

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

### **SECTION "B"**

#### **20-G-230      CORRESPONDENCE CITY OF ST. CATHARINES DATED OCTOBER 7, 2020 - RESOLUTION PROVINCE OF ONTARIO *BILL, 197 COVID-19, ECONOMIC RECOVERY ACT, 2020* - DEVELOPMENT APPROVAL REQUIREMENTS FOR LANDFILLS**

That the correspondence from the City of St. Catharines dated October 7, 2020 regarding a resolution concerning Province of Ontario *Bill 197, COVID-19 Economy Recovery Act, 2020* related to the Development Approval Requirements for Landfills be referred to staff for further information and report back by way of a memorandum at a future City Building Committee meeting.

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

its meeting to be held on 12/14/2020.

**20-G-231 PEDESTRIAN AND CYCLIST SAFETY REVIEW AT THE INTERSECTION OF TIFFIN STREET AND LAKESHORE DRIVE**

That staff in the Operations Department conduct a pedestrian and cyclist safety review at the intersection of Tiffin Street and Lakeshore Drive and report back to the Active Transportation and Sustainability Committee.

This matter was recommended (Section "B") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 12/14/2020.

**20-G-232 IMPLEMENTATION OF THE CLIMATE CHANGE ADAPTATION STRATEGY ACTION ITEM 6.7 - URBAN FOREST**

That consideration of additional resources be included as part of the 2021 Business Plan and Budget to implement the Climate Change Adaptation Strategy, Action Item 6.7 "Increase preventative maintenance and inspection of trees on public property (e.g. tree pruning, removal of diseased/hazardous trees, proactive planting) in order to reduce damage caused by extreme weather events to the urban forest".

This matter was recommended (Section "B") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 12/14/2020.

**20-G-233 2020 AUDIT SERVICE PLAN**

That the 2020 Audit Service Plan presented by Deloitte LLP to the Finance and Corporate Services Committee on December 14, 2020, be approved. (File: F00)

This matter was recommended (Section "B") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 12/14/2020.

**20-G-234 INCLUSIVE COMMUNITY GRANT**

1. That the Seniors Advisory Committee supports the application for funding through the Inclusive Community Grant administered by the Ministry for Seniors and Accessibility (MSAA) in order to support advancements to the City of Barrie's Age Friendly Community planning efforts and the Seniors Without Walls Program.
2. That should the funding through the Inclusive Community Grant be successful, City staff report back to the Seniors Advisory Committee on the progress of City of Barrie's Age Friendly Community planning efforts and the Seniors Without Walls Program.

This matter was recommended (Section "B") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 12/14/2020.

**20-G-235 DRAFT COMMUNITY SAFETY AND WELL-BEING PLAN 2021-2024 - ACTION ITEMS**

That the action items identified in the document circulated on November 26, 2020 as part of "Our Shared Plan for a Safer Barrie: The City of Barrie's First Community Safety and Well-Being Plan, 2021-2024 (Draft)" circulated on November 26, 2020 be endorsed in principle and form the basis of the Community Safety and Well-Being Plan to be presented to General Committee and City Council.

This matter was recommended (Section "B") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 12/14/2020.

**20-G-236 SEWER USE BY-LAW 2012-172**

That By-law 2012-172 regulating the discharge to the sanitary and storm sewer systems of the City of Barrie be repealed and replaced with the Sewer By-law attached as Appendix "B" to Staff Report BPE001-20. (BPE001-20)

This matter was recommended (Section "B") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 12/14/2020.

**20-G-237 WASTE MANAGEMENT BY-LAW 2016-108**

1. That Waste Management By-law 2016-108, as amended, being a By-law to regulate the collection, processing, and/or disposal of garbage, organics, recyclables and other waste materials, and the operation and maintenance of integrated waste management facilities, be repealed and replaced with the draft Waste Management By-law attached as Appendix "A" of Staff Report BPE002-20.
2. That staff in the Legislative and Court Services Department, Enforcement Services Branch apply for set fines from the Ministry of the Attorney General, ranging from \$100.00 to \$1,000.00 as may be appropriate. (BPE002-20)

This matter was recommended (Section "B") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 12/14/2020.

**20-G-238 REPEAL AND REPLACEMENT OF DESIGNATING BY-LAW 90-230 (70 AND 72 HIGH STREET) (WARD 2)**

That Designating By-law 90-230 be repealed to correct the inadvertent designation of 70 High Street as a heritage property and be replaced with the Designating By-law attached as Appendix "B" to Staff Report DEV038-20 to designate 72 High Street as a heritage property under Section 29 of the *Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. O.18*. (DEV038-20)

This matter was recommended (Section "B") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 12/14/2020.

**20-G-239 DELEGATED AUTHORITY - DOWNTOWN CURBSIDE PICK-UP PILOT PROGRAM (WARD 2)**

1. That the Director of Transit and Parking Strategy, in consultation with the Director of Legislative and Court Services and Director of Economic and Creative Development receive delegated authority to convert up to eight spaces in the downtown area as identified in Appendix "A" to Staff Report ECD021-20 to implement a one-year pilot project that provides dedicated curbside pick up spots in the downtown.
2. That staff in the Transit and Parking Strategy, and Economic and Creative Development and Legislative and Court Services Departments work together along side the BIA to identify, implement, and assess the impact of the pilot project as part of economic recovery measures for businesses. (ECD021-20)

This matter was recommended (Section "B") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 12/14/2020.

**20-G-240 HEAVY TRUCK TRAFFIC ON DUNLOP STREET THROUGH DOWNTOWN AREA (WARD 2)**

1. That Traffic By-law 80-138, Schedule 'N', "Permissive Truck Routes be amended by deleting the following:
 

"Dunlop Street East from Bayfield Street to Collier Street	Anytime"
"Dunlop Street West from west limit to Bayfield Street	Anytime"
"Blake Street from Collier Street To Penetanguishene Road	Anytime"
2. That Traffic By-law 80-138, Schedule 'N', "Permissive Truck Routes be amended by adding the following:
 

"Dunlop Street West from west limit to Bradford Street	Anytime"
"Blake Street from Johnson Street To Penetanguishene Road	Anytime"

(OPR008-20) (P37/19)

This matter was recommended (Section "B") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 12/14/2020.

**20-G-241 INVESTIGATION OF CLASSIFYING INDUSTRIAL ROADWAYS AS PRIMARY ROADS FOR SNOWPLOWING**

That staff in the Operations Department investigate the feasibility and cost of classifying all industrial roadways of the city as primary roads for purposes of snow plowing and report back to General Committee. (Item for Discussion 8.1, December 14, 2020)

This matter was recommended (Section "B") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 12/14/2020.

**20-G-242 ADDITIONAL TRAFFIC SAFETY MEASURES - WHITE OAKS (WARD 8)**

That staff in the Operations Department investigate the feasibility of implementing additional traffic safety measures at the intersection of White Oaks at the Blvd to Brennan at Cliff including but not limited to additional speed reduction and safety measures such as permanent speed cushions or designation as a community safety zone and report back to General Committee. (Item for Discussion 8.2, December 14, 2020)

This matter was recommended (Section "B") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 12/14/2020.

**20-G-243 LETTER OF SUPPORT TO BARRIE PICKLEBALL CLUB - GRANT APPLICATION**

That correspondence be prepared and provided to the Barrie Pickleball Club's to complement their grant application to the Gender Equity in Recreational Sport - Canadian Parks and Recreation Association to support their efforts to offer an Introduction to Pickleball program for women and girls in the City of Barrie. (Item for Discussion 8.3, December 14, 2020)

This matter was recommended (Section "B") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 12/14/2020.

**20-G-244 BARRIE MUNICIPAL NON-PROFIT HOUSING CORPORATION - COUNCIL APPOINTMENT**

That By-law 2018-146, as amended being a By-law to appoint members to various committees, boards and commissions, be further amended to appoint Councillor, A.M. Kungl to the Barrie Municipal Non-Profit Housing Corporation Board of Directors to replace Councillor, S. Morales. (Item for Discussion 8.4, December 14, 2020)

This matter was recommended (Section "B") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 12/14/2020.

**20-G-245**      **SUPPORT FOR THE REDWOOD PARK COMMUNITIES APPLICATION TO THE CANADA MORTGAGE AND HOUSING CORPORATION - RAPID HOUSING INITIATIVE**

That correspondence be prepared and provided to the Redwood Park Communities in support of their application to the Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation - Rapid Housing Initiative that addresses urgent housing needs of vulnerable Canadians. (Item for Discussion 8.5, December 14, 2020)

This matter was recommended (Section "B") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 12/14/2020.

**20-G-246**      **400-CUP POND HOCKEY TOURNAMENT**

That staff in the Recreation and Culture Department work with the 400 Cup Organization on the feasibility of Barrie hosting a pond hockey tournament in 2022. (Item for Discussion 8.6, December 14, 2020)

This matter was recommended (Section "B") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 12/14/2020.

The General Committee met and reports as follows:

**SECTION "C"**

**20-G-247**      **2021 BUSINESS PLAN AND BUDGET OVERVIEW**

C. Millar, Director of Finance/Treasurer provided a presentation on the 2020 Business Plan and Budget Overview.

Mr. Millar discussed slides concerning the following topics:

- The 2021 budget and financial overview;
- A financial outlook associated to the City's "AA" credit rating from S&P Global Ratings;
- The Province's Safe Restart Funding;
- The 2021 business plan process;
- The 2021 budget directions related to operating costs;
- A summary of the proposed 2021 tax rate impacts;
- The 2021 sources of operating revenue;
- The allocation of property taxes associated to the 2021 tax levy;
- The user rate budgets for water, wastewater and parking;
- The 2021 capital spending authority by funding source totalling \$243.2 million;
- The reserves associated to the consolidated 5 year average draws and contributions;
- The forecasted debt levels between 2021 - 2025; and
- The next steps in the 2021 budget process.

Members of General Committee asked a number of questions of City staff and received responses related to the following for further clarification:

- The Province's Safe Restart Funding from 2020 carry over to the 2021;
- Possible ask from County of Simcoe for City to apply its Safe Restart Funding to long-term care and specific COVID related costs;
- Information on new small business sub-class;
- City's ask for service providers to be at or under a 1.95%;
- The process of MPAC reassessing properties and the phased in period for tax payers;
- The 7% decrease saved in 2020 is the difference from layoffs and more efficiencies during COVID;
- The reduction of \$7.5 million in fees and revenue charges in the 2021 budget;
- The loss of \$2 to \$3 million in property assessment appeals associated to MPAC;
- Removing the south-end Water Treatment Plant, the bridge, and the Downtown Renovation from \$318 million budget ask;
- A comparison of other municipalities recouping from COVID compared to the City;
- A 0% tax increase;
- The forecasts for revenue streams; and
- The budget for labour, salaries and benefits for City staff being lower due to lower revenues from COVID.

Mayor Lehman noted that the details will be becoming in the 2021 Business Plan and Budget binders to be distributed later in the week.

This matter was recommended (Section "C") to City Council for consideration of receipt at its meeting to be held on 12/14/2020.

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

## **SECTION "D"**

### **20-G-248 FIRE DISPATCH SERVICE AGREEMENTS - AUTHORITY TO ADD COMPLEMENT**

That further to motion 08-G-151, authority be granted to amend the number of approved complement positions to provide the resources required to execute future Fire Dispatch Service Agreements, where it can be demonstrated to the satisfaction of the Fire Chief, the Director of Finance, and the General Manager of Community and Corporate Services that any additional staff complement costs will be recovered, and the new service contract will create a sustainable revenue source. (BFES001-20)

This matter was recommended (Section "D") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 12/14/2020.



20-G-249

**JOHNSON STREET AND LITTLE AVENUE BICYCLE LANE IMPLEMENTATION (WARDS 1 AND 8)**

- 1. That bicycle lanes be implemented on Johnson Street from Georgian Drive to Shanty Bay Road.
- 2. That Traffic By-law 80-138 Schedule "A" "No Parking Anytime" be amended by deleting the following:

Johnson Street Both sides from Shanty Bay Road to the Southernmost limits."

Johnson Street West side from Blake Street to Shanty Bay Road."

- 3. That Traffic By-law 80-138 Schedule "A" "No Parking Anytime" be amended by adding the following:

Johnson Street Both sides from Georgian Drive to the Southernmost limits."

- 4. That Traffic By-law 80-138 Schedule "B" "No Parking in Specified Places Where Signs on Display at Stated Times" be amended by deleting the following:

Johnson Street in front of Johnson Street School grounds Both Sides 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. except Saturdays Sundays and Statutory Holidays."

- 5. That bicycle lanes be implemented on Little Avenue from Fairview Road to Hurst Drive.

- 6. That Traffic By-law 80-138 Schedule "A" "No Parking Anytime" be amended by deleting the following:

Little Avenue Both sides from Fairview Road to Bayview Drive."

- 7. That Traffic By-law 80-138 Schedule "A" "No Parking Anytime" be amended by adding the following:

Little Avenue Both sides from Fairview Road to Hurst Drive."

(DEV039-20) (File: T00)

This matter was recommended (Section "D") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 12/14/2020.

**20-G-250 MEMORANDUM FROM A.M. LANGLOIS, DIRECTOR OF HUMAN RESOURCES DATED DECEMBER 14, 2020 REGARDING THE CITY OF BARRIE BECOMING A LIVING WAGE EMPLOYER**

That the Memorandum from A.M. Langlois, Director of Human Resources dated December 14, 2020 regarding the City of Barrie Becoming a Living Wage Employer be referred to the Finance and Corporate Services Committee for further consideration.

This matter was recommended (Section "D") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 12/14/2020.

**20-G-251 MEMORANDUM FROM C. HARRIS, MANAGER OF MARKETING AND COMMUNICATIONS DATED DECEMBER 14, 2020 REGARDING A MID-TERM COUNCIL PRIORITIES UPDATE**

That the Memorandum from C. Harris, Manager of Marketing and Communications dated December 14, 2020 regarding a Mid-Term Council Priorities Update be referred back to staff for further consideration.

This matter was recommended (Section "D") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 12/14/2020.

**20-G-252 MEMORANDUM FROM N. CALDER, FACILITIES PROJECT MANAGER AND M. MCCONNELL, TRANSIT OPERATIONS PLANNER DATED DECEMBER 14, 2020 REGARDING THE ALLANDALE TRANSIT MOBILITY HUB.**

That the Memorandum from N. Calder, Facilities Project Manager and M. McConnell, Transit Operations Planner dated December 14, 2020 regarding the Allandale Transit Mobility Hub be referred to the Finance and Corporate Services for further consideration.

This matter was recommended (Section "D") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 12/14/2020.

**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 6:44 p.m.

CHAIRMAN