



City of Barrie

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Minutes - Final Finance and Corporate Services Committee

Wednesday, December 14, 2016

6:30 PM

Council Chamber

For consideration at General Committee on January 9, 2017.

The meeting was called to order by Councillor, M. Prowse at 6:53 p.m. The following were in attendance for the meeting:

Present: 4 - Councillor, M. Prowse
Mayor, J. Lehman
Councillor, A. Khan
Councillor, M. McCann

Absent: 1 - Councillor, A. Prince

ALSO PRESENT:

Councillor B. Ainsworth.

STAFF:

Chief Administrative Officer, C. Ladd
City Clerk/Director of Legislative and Court Services, D. McAlpine
Committee Support Clerk, T. McArthur
Deputy City Clerk, W. Cooke
Director of Finance/Treasurer, C. Millar
Director of Internal Audit, S. MacGregor
General Manager of Community and Corporate Services, P. Elliott-Spencer
Manager of Enforcement Services, T. Banting.

The Finance and Corporate Services Committee met and reports as follows:

SECTION "A"

**PRESENTATION CONCERNING THE TRANSPORTATION INDUSTRY
BY-LAW REVIEW**

D. McAlpine, City Clerk/Director of Legislative and Court Services provided the Finance and Corporate Services Committee with an overview concerning the review of the Transportation Industry By-law. Ms. McAlpine advised that a staff report with recommendations will be presented to General Committee at a future meeting.

T. Banting, Manager of Enforcement Services provided a presentation concerning the Transportation Industry By-law review.

Ms. Banting discussed slides concerning the following topics:

- A chart highlighting the current Transportation Industry By-law provisions associated with the Taxi Industry;
- The regulations in the current by-law being inadequate to deal with Ride Sharing / Driver for Hire;
- The composition of the Taxi Industry Working Group;
- Information about Uber (Riding Sharing) and Driver for Hire;
- The review of other jurisdictions' approaches and regulating transportation industry;
- An overview of the proposed recommendations associated with Ride Sharing / Driver for Hire and Taxi operations;
- Considerations associated with the proposed changes to the Transportation Industry By-law;
- The need for the City to address the core values associated with why it regulates the Transportation Industry; and
- Public safety as the main focus.

In closing, Ms. McAlpine noted that the Transportation Industry is rapidly changing and any changes to the Transportation Industry By-law would be reviewed no later than two years after passage of a revised by-law. She requested feedback from the Committee with respect to the proposed changes to the approach to regulating the Transportation Industry.

Two individuals (A. Bacque and F. Abbas) addressed the Committee concerning the proposed changes to the City of Barrie Transportation Industry By-law and provided comments and concerns related to the following:

- That a review of the by-law is long overdue;
- The new technologies being utilized by Uber (Ride Sharing) and Driver for Hire operations;
- The need for a regulatory environment for cars for hire, the companies and owner / operators;
- The impacts associated with the Ride Sharing / Driver for Hire operations on legacy taxi companies;
- Legacy taxi companies having unfair disadvantage resulting in higher operating costs;
- Other jurisdictions have lowered fees and reduced regulations;
- Concerns associated with the deregulation causing price surges, too many taxi cabs on the streets and not enough enforcement;
- Business is being taken away from the current taxi services;
- A recommendation that the City discuss the issues with the community and the taxi services; and
- A suggestion for fewer inspections and reduced licensing fees.

Members of the Committee asked a number of questions and received responses from City staff and Mr. Bacque and Mr. Abbas.

The Finance and Corporate Services Committee met and recommends adoption of the following recommendation(s):

SECTION "B"

**COUNCIL COMPENSATION REVIEW COMMITTEE TERMS OF
REFERENCE**

1. That a Council Compensation Review Committee comprised of five citizen members of the community be struck to review the base compensation only for the 2018 to 2022 Council members.
2. That the proposed Terms of Reference for the Council Compensation Review Committee attached as Appendix "A" to the Report of the Finance and Corporate Services Committee dated December 14, 2016 be approved.

3. That the one-third tax free allowance on remuneration paid to the elected Members of Council and its local boards continue to be deemed as expenses incidental to the discharge of their duties as Members of City Council or local board. (LCS017-16) (File: C05) (16-G-261)

Attachments: [Appendix A to FCS Report 161214.pdf](#)

This matter was recommended to General Committee for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 1/9/2017.

The Finance and Corporate Services Committee met and reports as follows:

SECTION "C"

**REPORT OF THE ACCESSIBILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE DATED
NOVEMBER 24, 2016**

The Report of the Accessibility Advisory Committee dated November 24, 2016 was received. (File: C05)

The Finance and Corporate Services Committee met and recommends adoption of the following recommendation(s):

SECTION "D"

2016 MULTI-YEAR ACCESSIBILITY PLAN

That the 2016 updates to the 2013 - 2018 Multi-Year Accessibility Plan and 2013 - 2018 Transit Multi Year Accessibility Plan as presented to the Accessibility Advisory Committee by the Accessibility Co-ordinator on November 24, 2016, be approved. (File: C05)

This matter was recommended to General Committee for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 1/9/2017.

The Finance and Corporate Services Committee met and reports as follows:

SECTION "E"

REPORT OF THE TOWN AND GOWN COMMITTEE DATED NOVEMBER 22, 2016

The Report of the Town and Gown Committee dated November 22, 2016 was received.

The Finance and Corporate Services Committee met and recommends adoption of the following recommendation(s):

SECTION "F"

INTERNAL AUDIT FRAMEWORK, CHARTER AND WORK PLAN

1. That the framework identified in paragraph 6 contained within the Report to the Finance and Corporate Services Committee dated December 14, 2016 providing clarification of the Finance and Corporate Services Committee's oversight of Internal Audit, be approved.
2. That the Internal Audit Charter attached as Appendix "A" to the Report to the Finance and Corporate Services Committee dated December 14, 2016 be approved and the previous Internal Audit Mandate approved in 2008, be repealed.
3. That the Internal Audit work plan for 2017 attached as Appendix "B" to the Report to the Finance and Corporate Services Committee dated December 14, 2016, be approved. (File: F03)

This matter was recommended to General Committee for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 1/9/2017.

The meeting adjourned at 9:13 p.m.

CHAIRMAN