

**Minutes - Final
General Committee**

Monday, November 26, 2012

7:00 PM

Council Chamber

**GENERAL COMMITTEE REPORT
For consideration by the Council
of the City of Barrie on December 17, 2012**

The meeting was called to order by Acting Mayor B. Ward at 7:04 p.m. The following were in attendance for the meeting:

- Present:** 7 - Councillor B. Ainsworth; Councillor L. Strachan; Councillor D. Shipley; Councillor B. Ward; Councillor P. Silveira; Councillor B. Jackson; and Councillor A. Nuttall
- Absent:** 3 - Mayor J. Lehman; Councillor M. Prowse; and Councillor J. Brassard

STAFF:

Chief Administrative Officer, C. Ladd
City Clerk, D. McAlpine
Culture Officer, Development, O. Groves
Director of Corporate Asset Management, B. Parkin
Director of Culture, R. Q. Williams
Director of Engineering, B. Kahle
Director of Environmental Services, J. Thompson
Director of Finance, C. Millar
Director of Legal Services, I. Peters
Director of Planning Services, S. Naylor
Director of Roads, Parks and Fleet, D. Friary
General Manager of Community Operations, R. Forward
General Manager of Corporate Services, E. Archer
General Manager of Infrastructure, Development and Culture, W. McArthur
Recording Secretary, W. Sutherland.

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

SECTION A"

12-G-323 REPORT OF THE COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE DATED NOVEMBER 20, 2012.

The Community Services Committee Report dated November 20, 2012 was received. (File: C05)

Attachments: CMSC Report 12 11 20.pdf

This matter was recommended (Section "A") to City Council for consideration of receipt at its meeting to be held on 12/17/2012.

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

SECTION "B"

12-G-324 DISTRICT ENERGY PRESENTATION

That the presentation by Barry Thompson, Energy and Environmental Officer regarding District Energy be referred to the Environmental Advisory Committee for consideration at a future meeting. (File: E00)

Attachments: District Energy Presentation.pdf

This matter was recommended (Section "B") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held 12/17/2012.

12-G-325 SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY WORK PROGRAM

That the Report to Community Services Committee dated November 20, 2012 concerning the Sustainable Development Strategy Work Program be referred to the Environmental Advisory Committee for consideration at a future meeting. (12-G-018) (File: D00)

Attachments: Sustainable Development Report.pdf

This matter was recommended (Section "B") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 12/17/2012.

12-G-326 VOLUNTEER WORK GROUPS ON THE NORTH SHORE TRAIL

That the use of volunteer work groups to assist with the maintenance of vegetation (trees and shrubs) on the North Shore Trail not be implemented. (12-G-288) (11-G-275) (File: R00)

Attachments: [CS Report North Shore Trail.pdf](#)

This matter was recommended (Section "B") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 12/17/2012.

12-G-327 PROPOSED COUNCIL COMMUNITY MATCHING FUND

That the Item for Discussion regarding the Proposed Council Community Matching Fund be referred to staff in the Chief Administrative Officer's Department for further consideration of the concerns identified at the November 20th, 2012 Community Services Committee meeting and a report back to General Committee. (12-G-319) (Item for Discussion 6.4, November 12, 2012) (File: F00)

Attachments: [Council Community Matching Fund.pdf](#)

This matter was recommended (Section "B") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 12/17/2012.

12-G-328 NORTH SHORE TRAIL WORKING GROUP

That the Terms of Reference for the North Shore Trail Working Group attached as Appendix "A" in Staff Report ENG038-12 be endorsed. (ENG038-12) (File: R04-NO)

Attachments: [ENG038-121126.pdf](#)

This matter was recommended (Section "B") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 12/17/2012.

12-G-329 CAPITAL PROJECT STATUS REPORT

1. That staff be authorized to close the capital projects identified in Appendix "C" - Projects with Excess Funding of Staff Report FIN021-12 and the excess funds in the amount of \$4,807,947 be returned to the following funding sources:

- a) \$ 1,195,732 - Tax Capital Reserve (13-04-0440)
- b) 769,076 - Tax Rate Holding Account (13-04-0443)
- c) 113,803 - Development Charges - Water (11-05-0540)

- d) 350,414 - Development Charges - Roads (11-05-0520)
 - e) 4,973 - Development Charges - Transit (11-05-0550)
 - f) 155,391 - Development Charges - Library (11-05-0560)
 - g) 114,985 - Water Reserve Fund (12-05-0580)
 - h) 178,540 - Water Rate Holding Account (12-05-0581)
 - i) 435,264 - Wastewater Reserve Fund (12-05-0575)
 - j) 137,001 - Wastewater Rate Holding Account (12-05-0576)
 - k) 1,352,767 - Other Funding (as outlined in Appendix "C")
2. That the \$2,743,759 required to fund over-expenditures on projects identified in Appendix "D" - Projects Requiring Additional Funding - Council Approval Required of Staff Report FIN021-12 be funded from reserves and reserve funds as follows:
- a) \$712,175 - Tax Capital Reserve (13-04-0440)
 - b) 167,893 - Development Charges - Storm (11-05-0530)
 - c) 981,745 - Development Charges - Roads (11-05-0520)
 - d) 842,257 - Wastewater Reserve Fund (12-05-0575)
 - e) 82,190 - Water Reserve Fund (12-05-0580)
 - f) 7,500 - Water Rate Holding Account (12-05-0581)
 - g) (50,000) - Other Funding (as outlined in Appendix "D")
3. That staff be authorized to allocate an amount equivalent to the funding received and earned from the Court Security Prisoner Transportation Program to the Tax Capital Reserve (13-04-0441). (FIN021-12) (File: F00)

Attachments: [FIN021-121126.pdf](#)

This matter was recommended (Section "B") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 12/17/2012.

12-G-330 ADOPTION OF UPDATED SUBDIVISION AGREEMENT

1. That the revised Precedent Residential Subdivision Agreement attached as Appendix "A" to Staff Report LGL023-12 be adopted effective January 1, 2013.
2. That minor amendments to the Precedent Residential Subdivision Agreement may be made subject to the approval of the Directors of Planning Services and of Legal Services. (LGL023-12) (File:D12-GEN)

Attachments: LGL023-121126.pdf

This matter was recommended (Section "B") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 12/17/2012.

12-G-331 DEDICATION OF ENVIRONMENTALLY PROTECTED LAND TO THE CITY OF BARRIE BY AUDREY GREEN (WARD 6)

1. That the City of Barrie accept a dedication of environmentally protected land legally described as Lot P,Q and Part of Lot O on Plan 845, Except Part 27 on 51R-26176, City of Barrie, for nominal consideration from Audrey Green.
2. That the City Clerk be authorized to execute any required documents requisite to the transfer of ownership.
3. That as a condition of final conveyance, a Phase 1 Environmental Assessment is to be performed with results satisfactory to the General Manager of Infrastructure, Development and Culture Division at a cost to the City not to exceed \$6,000. (LGL024-12) (File:L07-1011)

Attachments: LGL024-121126.pdf

This matter was recommended (Section "B") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 12/17/2012.

12-G-332 TOWNSHIP OF KING RESOLUTION - EXTENSION OF WEEKEND GO RAIL SERVICE

1. That the Township of King's resolution regarding the extension of weekend GO rail service on the Barrie line received on October 30, 2012, be endorsed.
2. That a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Metrolinx and the Ministry of Transportation of Ontario. (Item for Discussion November 26, 2012) (File:T00)

Attachments: ITM 6.1 - 121126.pdf

This matter was recommended (Section "B") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 12/17/2012.

The General Committee met and recommends adoption of the following recommendations:

SECTION "C"

12-G-333 CITY OF BARRIE CULTURAL GRANTS PROGRAM

1. That staff in the Department of Culture implement the following recommendations regarding the City of Barrie Cultural Grants Program.
 - a) That City staff no longer be required to meet with applicants in person, to relay jury feedback and disseminate funds as information and cheques can be mailed and person to person meetings scheduled upon request from applicants;
 - b) That full time and part time City employees and individuals who are directly contracted for their non-artistic services to the City of Barrie Cultural Department be ineligible for the individual Cultural Grants Program in the year of their employment or contract and that this concept be formalized in the application guidelines;
 - c) That notwithstanding b) organizations applying for grants with memberships which may include full time and part time City employees and individuals who have contracted their services to the City of Barrie Cultural Department remain eligible for the Cultural Grants Program;
 - d) That the City of Barrie Cultural Grants Program accept applications from "Barrie artists" who may reside outside the City limits but within the County of Simcoe, and contribute significantly to the Barrie culture sector and that these artists' applications clearly indicate for the benefit of the jury that they are non-residents;
 - e) That individual artists submitting grant applications be required to provide documentation concerning proof of residency (i.e. a driver's licence);
 - f) That the jury panel adjudicating the City of Barrie Cultural Grants Program be comprised of four external expert jurors and one juror chosen from the arts experts residing in Barrie who is not an applicant in the same year;

- g) That the jury panel be comprised of expert jurors from the Province of Ontario only;
 - h) That the expenditures associated with the Cultural Grants jury panel (including honorarium, accommodations, meals, travel allowance) not exceed \$7,000 annually; and
 - i) That the Cultural Grants Program be reviewed again by staff in the Department of Culture no later than September 2016 and that any recommended changes to the Program be submitted to Council.
2. That staff in the City of Barrie's Cultural Department be directed to work collaboratively with the County of Simcoe and neighbouring municipalities on the Cultural Grant Program, including any partnerships for funding. (DOC006-12) (File: F11-CUL)

Attachments: [DOC006-121126.pdf](#)

This matter was recommended (Section "C") to City Council for adoption at its meeting to be held on 12/17/2012.

SECTION "D"

12-G-334 IMPACT OF CASINOS ON PUBLIC HEALTH

That the correspondence from the Simcoe Muskoka District Health Unit dated November 14, 2012 regarding the impact of casinos on public health be referred to the Transportation and Economic Development Committee for consideration. (Circ. November 26, 2012) (File: C00)

This matter was recommended (Section "D") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 12/17/2012.

A member of General Committee addressed an enquiry to City staff.

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

The meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

CHAIRMAN