



City of Barrie

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Final City Council

Wednesday, December 11, 2024

7:00 PM

Council Chamber

CALLING TO ORDER BY THE CITY CLERK, WENDY COOKE

The meeting was called to order by the City Clerk at 7:01 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:

Acting Chief Financial Officer, C. Smith
Associate Director of Corporate Asset Management, K. Oakley
Chief Administrative Officer, M. Prowse
City Clerk/Director of Legislative and Court Services, W. Cooke
Deputy City Clerk, T. Macdonald
Director of Economic and Creative Development, S. Schlichter
Director of Information Technology, R. Nolan
Executive Director of Development Services, M. Banfield
Fire Chief, K. White
General Manager of Access Barrie, R. James-Reid
General Manager of Infrastructure and Growth Management, B. Araniyasundaran
Legal Counsel, C. Packham
Legislative Coordinator, T. Maynard
Senior Manager of Corporate Finance and Investment, C. Gillespie
Senior Policy Advisor and Special Projects Coordinator, E. Chappell
Service Desk Specialist, K. Kovacs.

PLAYING OF THE NATIONAL ANTHEM

The National Anthem was played.

READING OF LAND ACKNOWLEDGMENT

Mayor, A. Nuttall read the Land Acknowledgement.

STUDENT MAYOR(S)

Mayor Nuttall welcomed back Student Mayor, Nyla Francis of Codrington Public School. Mayor Nuttall noted that Nyla will be making her remarks at the General Committee meeting scheduled for January 8, 2025.

CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES**24-A-125 ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON DECEMBER 4, 2024**

The Minutes of the City Council meeting dated December 4, 2024, were adopted as printed and circulated.

COMMITTEE REPORTS**24-A-126 General Committee Report dated December 4, 2024, Sections A, B, C and D (APPENDIX "A").****SECTION "A" - TO BE RECEIVED**

Moved by: Deputy Mayor, R. Thomson

Seconded by: Councillor, G. Harvey

That Section "A" of the General Committee Report dated December 4, 2024, now circulated be received.

24-G-253 REPORT OF THE FINANCE AND RESPONSIBLE GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE DATED NOVEMBER 27, 2024.**CARRIED**

SECTION "B" - TO BE ADOPTED

Moved by: Deputy Mayor, R. Thomson
Seconded by: Councillor, G. Harvey

That Section "B" of the General Committee Report dated December 4, 2024, now circulated be adopted.

24-G-254 RESERVE FUND - INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE

24-G-255 COMMUNITY PROJECT FUND SUBMISSION FROM COUNCILLOR, G. HARVEY REGARDING GRAFFITI REMOVAL

CARRIED

SECTION "C" - TO BE ADOPTED

Moved by: Deputy Mayor, R. Thomson
Seconded by: Councillor, G. Harvey

That Section "C" of the General Committee Report dated December 4, 2024, now circulated be adopted.

24-G-256 2025 BUSINESS PLAN AND BUDGET - CITY OPERATIONS AND INFRASTRUCTURE INVESTMENT FUNDING PORTIONS

AMENDMENT #1

Moved by: Deputy Mayor, R. Thomson
Seconded by: Councillor, G. Harvey

That motion 24-G-256 of Section "C" of the General Committee Report dated December 4, 2024, be amended by adding the following to paragraph 8:

- f) That Capital Project RP1188 - Fleet Replacement Program (Active) (page 36 of the Capital Plan) be increased by \$1.6 million in 2025, \$2.4 million in 2026 and \$2.5 million in 2027, with the entire \$6.5 million to be funded from the Fleet Management Reserve.
- g) That Capital Project EN1564 - Waterfront Multipurpose Youth Artificial Sports Field (page 79 of the Capital Plan) be deleted with the identified funds being transferred to a new Capital Project entitled "Downtown Barrie Sports Field and Cadet Parading Grounds" to align with motion 24-G-223 adopted by City Council on October 23, 2024

CARRIED

Upon question of the original motion moved by Deputy Mayor, R. Thomson and seconded by Councillor, G. Harvey the matter was **CARRIED AS AMENDED BY AMENDMENT #1.**

SECTION "D" - TO BE RECEIVED

Moved by: Deputy Mayor, R. Thomson
Seconded by: Councillor, G. Harvey

That Section "D" of the General Committee Report dated December 4, 2024, now circulated be received.

24-G-257 REPORT OF THE AFFORDABILITY COMMITTEE DATED NOVEMBER 27, 2024

CARRIED

24-A-127 General Committee Report dated December 11, 2024, Sections A, B and C (APPENDIX "B").

SECTION "A" - TO BE RECEIVED

Moved by: Deputy Mayor, R. Thomson
Seconded by: Councillor, G. Harvey

That Section "A" of the General Committee Report dated December 11, 2024, be received.

24-G-258 REPORT OF THE AFFORDABILITY COMMITTEE DATED DECEMBER 4, 2024

CARRIED

SECTION "B" - TO BE ADOPTED

Moved by: Deputy Mayor, R. Thomson
Seconded by: Councillor, G. Harvey

That Section "B" of the General Committee Report dated December 11, 2024, be adopted.

24-G-259 DOORS OPEN BARRIE

24-G-260 PROPOSED OR PENDING DISPOSITION OF LAND MATTER - SURPLUS PROPERTY

24-G-261 WATERFRONT PROPERTY ACQUISITION (WARDS 1 AND 2)

CARRIED

SECTION "C" - TO BE ADOPTED

Moved by: Deputy Mayor, R. Thomson
Seconded by: Councillor, G. Harvey

That Section "C" of the General Committee Report dated December 11, 2024, be adopted.

24-G-262 PROPOSED OR PENDING DISPOSITION OF LAND MATTER - SURPLUS PROPERTY

CARRIED

Pursuant to Procedural By-law 2019-100, as amended, Section 4, Subsection 10, the order of business was altered such that the Presentation concerning the Hemson Consulting Joint Land Needs Analysis - Stage 2 was discussed prior to Direct Motions.

PRESENTATIONS

24-A-128 PRESENTATION CONCERNING HEMSON CONSULTING - JOINT LAND NEEDS ANALYSIS - STAGE 2

Stefan Krzeczunowicz from Hemson Consulting provided a presentation regarding the Joint Land Needs Analysis and Study - Stage 2.

Mr. Krzeczunowicz discussed slides concerning the following topics:

- The key questions being addressed in the Joint Land Needs Study;
- The employment area land needs assessment;
- Barrie's Employment Area Land Needs;
- Oro-Medonte's Employment Area Land Needs;
- Barrie's proposal to Oro-Medonte;
- A map illustrating Springwater's employment area land needs;
- A map illustrating Barrie's proposal to Springwater;
- The employment area land needs assessment summary;
- An overview of the Community Area Land Needs Assessment;
- Graph charts illustrating the following:
 - Population Growth in Simcoe Census Division between 2001 to 2023;
 - Barrie's Housing Growth Potential is high but like elsewhere in GGH, current growth is slow; and
 - Barrie's 2051 Municipal Comprehensive Review Housing Forecast;
- The key questions related to Barrie Community Area Land Needs;
- Barrie's Updated Housing Needs to 2051;
- Housing demand in the Barrie's Built Up Area (BUA);

- Housing supply in BUA being theoretically sufficient;
- Barrie's designated Greenfield Areas;
- A chart illustrating the designated Greenfield estimated land need;
- Barrie's Community Area Land Needs;
- Barrie's density targets in comparison to other municipalities;
- Oro-Medonte's Community Area Land Needs;
- A map illustrating the Springwater Community Area Land Needs;
- Springwater's development pipeline;
- The consultants' findings
- Options for addressing Barrie's Land Needs; and
- The next step in the process.

A point of order was raised by Councillor, S. Morales.

Members of Council asked a number of questions of Mr. Krzeczunowicz, City staff and received responses.

DIRECT MOTIONS

24-A-129

MOTION WITHOUT NOTICE - JOINT LAND NEEDS ASSESSMENT

Moved by: Councillor, R. Thomson

Seconded by: Councillor, G. Harvey

That pursuant to Section 7.1 of Procedural By-law 2019-100 as amended, permission be granted to introduce a motion without notice concerning Joint Land Needs Assessment.

CARRIED BY TWO-THIRDS VOTE

24-A-130

JOINT LAND NEEDS ASSESSMENT

Moved by: Deputy Mayor, R. Thomson

Seconded by: Councillor, G. Harvey

WHEREAS The City of Barrie, is forecast to experience significant population and employment growth to 2051;

AND WHEREAS to address this growth, Hemson Consulting was jointly retained to evaluate the need for additional employment and residential lands at the boundaries of City of Barrie/Town of Springwater and City of Barrie/Township of Oro-Medonte;

AND WHEREAS the findings of Joint Needs Analysis and Study Stage 1 and 2 completed by Hemson Consulting determined that there is a need for an additional 930 hectares (2298 acres) of land for comprehensive community/employment area uses and residential development in the City of Barrie which could be addressed through a boundary adjustment;

AND WHEREAS the study findings, of the vacant lands within the City of Barrie were identified, the natural heritage areas that exist within these vacant lands, with several of the parcels of land being vacant within Barrie's existing boundary as a result of them being undevelopable was not addressed as part of this Study;

AND WHEREAS upon review of the 2009 Barrie Innisfil annexation, Bill 196 adjusted the City of Barrie's Boundary to include 2,293 hectares of land, with 61% of it being deemed developable and the remaining being natural heritage/environmentally protected;

AND WHEREAS upon review of the previous data and in consideration of lands within the City of Barrie, it would be reasonable to consider that approximately 60% of lands within a new expanded area would be developable;

AND WHEREAS the City of Barrie owns most vacant parcels of land surrounding Little Lake;

AND WHEREAS the City of Barrie will be working with the Province of Ontario to establish a Protection Plan for the lands surrounding Little Lake;

AND WHEREAS for the City to achieve the 2300 acres of developable land as identified within the Hemson Study, the City of Barrie would require approximately 4000 acres of gross land, a much larger number than initially proposed by the City of Barrie to the Townships of Springwater and Oro-Medonte;

AND WHEREAS it is understood by all parties that there will be no servicing provided to the subject neighbouring municipalities without a boundary adjustment; and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that given the information contained within the Joint Needs Analysis and Study Stage 1 and 2 completed by Hemson Consulting, the City of Barrie's experience with developable lands within the City's boundary and historical experience with the 2009 annexation, the initial land request proposals to the Townships of Springwater and Oro-Medonte be reassessed to better respect and identify the City's demonstrated need for vacant land required for comprehensive community employment lands and residential housing, in order to meet Provincial targets; and

THAT an updated request to include the Little Lake Area Lands in addition to the 4000 acres of gross land, be forwarded to the Province of Ontario and Provincial Land Facilitator with a request for this matter to be dealt with in an expeditious manner; and

THAT the Mayor and CAO continue with the meeting identified by the Provincial Land Facilitator to negotiate an update to the City of Barrie's border with neighbouring municipalities and staff report back on January 8, 2025 with the scope of work to proceed with Stage 3 to identify Barrie's border with neighbouring municipalities.

CARRIED

AMENDMENT #1

Moved by: Councillor, B. Hamilton

Moved by Councillor, S. Morales

That the Direct Motion concerning the Joint Land Needs Assessment be amended to include the following in the last paragraph:

That as part of the report back, staff verify the developable industrial land needs identified by Hemson.

CARRIED

Upon question of the original motion moved by Deputy Mayor, R. Thomson and seconded by Councillor, G. Harvey the matter was **CARRIED AS AMENDED BY AMENDMENT #1.**

CARRIED

ENQUIRIES

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

A member of Council provided an announcement concerning a matter.

BY-LAWS

Moved by: Deputy Mayor, R. Thomson

Seconded by: Councillor, G. Harvey

That leave be granted to introduce the following Bills and these Bills be read a first, second and third time this day and finally passed:

BY-LAW
2024-138

Bill #138

A By-law of The Corporation of the City of Barrie to amend By-law 2018-129 as amended, being a by-law to establish a Municipal Accommodation Tax. (24-G-240) (Tourism Barrie and City of Barrie Municipal Accommodation Tax (MAT) Collection Agreement Renewal and Update of Associated By-laws) (ECD010-24)

BY-LAW
2024-139

Bill #139

A By-law of The Corporation of the City of Barrie to amend By-law 2019-022 as amended, being a by-law to establish a Municipal Accommodation Tax (Internet-Based Accommodation Sharing Platforms. (24-G-240) (Tourism Barrie and City of Barrie Municipal Accommodation Tax (MAT) Collection Agreement Renewal and Update of Associated By-laws) (ECD010-24)

BY-LAW
2024-140

Bill #140

A By-law of The Corporation of the City of Barrie to provide for an interim tax levy on all property classes in the City of Barrie. (13-G-316) (2025 Interim Tax By-law)

CARRIED

CONFIRMATION BY-LAW

Moved by: Deputy Mayor, R. Thomson
Seconded by: Councillor, G. Harvey

That leave be granted to introduce the following Bill and this Bill be read a first, second and third time this day and finally passed:

BY-LAW
2024-141

Bill #141

A By-law of The Corporation of the City of Barrie to confirm the proceedings of Council at its meeting held on the 11th day of December, 2024.

CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by: Councillor, AM. Kungl
Seconded by: Councillor, C. Nixon

That the meeting be adjourned at 9:27 p.m.

CARRIED

Mayor, A. Nuttall

Wendy Cooke, City Clerk

