



# City of Barrie

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## Minutes - Final Town and Gown Committee

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Tuesday, November 24, 2015

10:00 AM

Sir Robert Barrie Room

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**For consideration by the Finance and Corporate Services Committee of the City of Barrie on December 14, 2015.**

**The Town and Gown Committee met at 10:04 a.m. in the Sir Robert Barrie Room and the following were in attendance:**

**PRESENT:**

Councillor, B. Ainsworth, Chair  
Barrie Police Service, M. Holden  
Community Member, S. Elliott  
East End Homeowners Association, J. Hanson  
East End Homeowners Association, C. Riepma  
Georgian College, M. Beaudoin  
Georgian College, T. Zubyck.

**STAFF:**

Committee Support Clerk, J. Werth  
Supervisor of By-law Services, R. Osborne  
Supervisor of Traffic and Parking Services, T. Hanrahan.

**ALSO PRESENT:**

Council Constituent Administrator, M. Limani  
Deputy Fire Chief, Fire Prevention and Community Emergency Management  
Coordinator, J. Weber.

The Town and Gown Committee met and reports as follows:

**UPDATE REGARDING OFF-CAMPUS STUDENT HOUSING PRESENTATION AT GEORGIAN COLLEGE HELD ON NOVEMBER 7, 2015**

R. Osborne, Supervisor of By-law Services provided an update on the off-campus student housing presentation held at Georgian College on November 7, 2015. Mr. Osborne noted that the student housing information session was led by staff from the Barrie Fire and Emergency Service and the By-Law Services Department. Mr. Osborne noted that the student housing pamphlet was available and designed from a student's perspective. He commented that this pamphlet included information on two-unit housing registrations and safety standards.

**STUDENT HOUSING OVERVIEW BY DEPUTY FIRE CHIEF JEFF WEBER**

J. Weber, Deputy Fire Chief, Fire Prevention and Community Emergency Management Coordinator with Barrie Fire and Emergency Service provided a slide presentation regarding fire safety and student housing. He noted that the fire safety and student housing presentation was included as a component of Georgian College orientation sessions and open houses for students.

Deputy Fire Chief Weber presented a video simulating a residential fire using time-lapse photography. He discussed slides concerning the following topics:

- Common causes of fire;
- What actions to take during an alarm;
- Developing and practicing a home escape plan;
- Preventative measures while cooking:
  - Stay in the kitchen;
  - Keep combustibles a safe distance away from the stove;
  - Set a timer as a reminder;
  - Keep a lid near the stove if required to smother flames;
- Preventative measures for smoking:
  - Encourage smoking outside;
  - Use large, deep ashtrays;
  - Extinguish with sand or water;
- Landlord and tenant responsibilities associated with smoke and CO alarms; and
- Escape planning and contacting Emergency Services in the event of a fire.

Members of the Committee asked several questions related to the information provided and received responses from the presenter.

#### GENERAL UPDATES

R. Osborne, Supervisor of By-law Services provided a departmental overview. He noted that current By-law Services initiatives include the following:

- Issuing warnings regarding overnight parking restrictions on City streets. Effective December 1, 2015 to March 31, 2016, overnight parking restrictions will be enforced;
- Responding to complaints regarding heat;
- Processing two-unit housing registration requests; and
- Processing business licence renewals.

T. Hanrahan, Supervisor of Traffic and Parking Services provided a departmental update including the following:

- A survey regarding parking changes for College Crescent residents;
- Completing summer projects; and
- Studying intersections to develop the crossing guard program.

Sergeant Mark Holden, Barrie Police Service advised there were no issues to report regarding the Remembrance Day Ceremony and the Santa Claus Parade. Sergeant Holden noted that the Barrie Police Service is preparing for the New Year's Downtown Countdown and expanding the RIDE program during the holiday season. He advised that the Barrie Police Service has partnered with the Canadian Mental Health Association (CMHA) in a 90-day Community Outreach and Support Team (COAST) pilot project. Sergeant Holden noted that the COAST pilot project involves a Barrie Police uniformed officer working with a CMHA representative to respond to mental health crisis calls in an effort to assist the Royal Victoria Regional Health Centre in decreasing the volume of mental health cases.

T. Zubyck, Security Operations Manager, Georgian College advised that the Nelson Street parking lot will be closed in the winter and will not be available for student parking. Mr. Zubyck noted that in January 2016, Georgian College will be implementing new lock down procedures. He also noted that Georgian College will be launching a new safety mobile app in the near future.

M. Beaudoin, Associate Vice-President Student Services, Georgian College advised that the universal bus pass referendum was defeated by students at both the Barrie and Orillia campuses.

Ms. Beaudoin noted that she will arrange to have a presentation regarding the construction and design of the Georgian College Barrie Campus Sports Field at a future meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 11:06 a.m.

CHAIRMAN