



# City of Barrie

70 Collier Street  
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## Meeting Agenda

### City Building Committee

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Tuesday, March 2, 2021

6:00 PM

Virtual Meeting

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#### Notice

This meeting will be held ELECTRONICALLY in accordance with Section 238 of the *Municipal Act, 2001* which provides for Electronic Participation where an emergency has been declared to exist in all or part of the municipality under Section 4 or 7.01 of the *Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act*.

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#### 1. OPEN DELEGATIONS

Nil.

#### 2. PRESENTATION(S)

**CB PRES 2.1** PRESENTATION CONCERNING THE CIRCULAR ECONOMY: A NEW APPROACH TO WASTE MANAGEMENT

*Attachments:* [PRES- Circular Economy New Approach to Waste Management](#)

#### 3. STANDING ITEM(S) / COMMITTEE UPDATE(S)

Nil.

#### 4. REFERRED ITEM(S)

Nil.

#### 5. ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPORT(S) TO BE RECEIVED

**ATS 210202** Report of the Active Transportation and Sustainability Committee dated February 2, 2021.

*Attachments:* [ATS Committee Report 210202](#)

**ATS 1**

Recommendation(s):

**CLEAN AIR ALLIANCE - PHASE-OUT OF GAS FIRED POWER PLANTS IN ONTARIO**

WHEREAS the Government of Ontario is planning to increase electricity generation and greenhouse gas pollution from Ontario's gas-fired power plants by more than 300% by 2030 and by more than 400% by 2040, reversing more than a third of the greenhouse gas pollution reductions achieved by phasing out our coal-fired power plants; and

WHEREAS Greenhouse gas pollution is causing temperatures in Canada to rise at more than double the rate of the rest of the world, causing impacts to the operations and citizens of the City of Barrie; and

WHEREAS one of the City of Barrie's strategic priorities is fostering a safe and healthy City by building a greener Barrie and adapting and mitigating climate change; and

WHEREAS the City of Barrie is taking measures to mitigate and adapt to the climate impacts caused by increasing greenhouse gas pollution; and

WHEREAS the planned increase in electricity-related greenhouse gas pollution will reduce the effectiveness of the City of Barrie's greenhouse gas reduction efforts; and

WHEREAS there are feasible, cost-effective alternatives to increasing gas-fired electricity generation without increasing greenhouse gas pollution at costs well below the current price for Ontario's nuclear energy (9.6 cents/kWh), including:

- Energy efficiency investments;
- Low-cost, distributed, renewable energy, providing employment in Ontario communities and restoring our leadership in this industry;
- The purchase of low-cost power offered by the Province of Quebec from its existing hydroelectric generating stations; and
- Using Quebec's system of reservoirs like a giant battery to back-up made in Ontario renewable power and eliminating the need to use gas-fired power plants for this purpose.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

1. That the City of Barrie requests the Government of Ontario to place an interim cap of 2.5 megatonnes per year on the greenhouse gas pollution from Ontario's gas-fired power plants and develop and implement a plan to phase-out all gas-fired electricity generation by 2030 to help the City of Barrie, the Province of Ontario and the Government of Canada to meet their climate targets.

2. That this resolution be sent to the Premier of Ontario, the Minister of Energy, Northern Development and Mines, the Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks, the Minister of Health, all local MPPs and MPs, the Ontario Big City Mayors Caucus (OBCM), the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, the President of Hydro Quebec and the Premier of Quebec.

**HB 210210** Report of the Heritage Barrie Committee dated February 10, 2021.

*Attachments:* [HB Report 210210](#)

**6. REPORT(S) TO COMMITTEE**

Nil.

**7. ADJOURNMENT**

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