

# Council Meeting Agenda

Tuesday, July 14, 2020 7 p.m.

**Video Conference** 



## Town of Aurora Council Meeting Agenda

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Note: This meeting will be held electronically as per Section 20.1 of the Town's Procedure By-law No. 6228-19, as amended, due to the COVID-19 State of Emergency.

- 1. Approval of the Agenda
- 2. Declarations of Pecuniary Interest and General Nature Thereof
- 3. Community Presentations
  - (a) Julie Stephenson, Youth Programmer
    Re: John West Memorial "Leaders of Tomorrow" Scholarship Award

#### 4. Delegations

Note: At this time, the Municipal Offices are closed. This meeting will be live streamed at <a href="https://www.youtube.com/user/Townofaurora2012/videos">https://www.youtube.com/user/Townofaurora2012/videos</a>. Residents who would like to provide comment on an agenda item are encouraged to visit <a href="https://www.aurora.ca/participation">www.aurora.ca/participation</a>.

(a) Tristan Coolman, Pflag Canada York Region
Re: Motion (b) Mayor Mrakas; Re: Rainbow Crosswalk at Yonge and
Wellington Intersection

#### 5. Consent Agenda

Items listed under the Consent Agenda are considered routine or no longer require further discussion and are enacted in one motion. The exception to this rule is that a Member may request that one or more items be pulled for discussion and voted on separately.

#### Recommended:

That the following Consent Agenda items, C1 to C11 inclusive, be approved:

#### C1. Council Meeting Minutes of June 23, 2020

#### Recommended:

1. That the Council meeting minutes of June 23, 2020, be adopted as circulated.

#### C2. Council Closed Session Minutes of March 3, 2020

(confidential attachment) (Public minutes included on April 28, 2020 agenda)

#### Recommended:

1. That the Council Closed Session minutes of March 3, 2020, be adopted as circulated.

#### C3. Council Closed Session Minutes of April 28, 2020

(confidential attachment)

#### Recommended:

1. That the Council Closed Session minutes of April 28, 2020, be adopted as circulated.

#### C4. Council Closed Session Public Minutes of April 28, 2020

#### Recommended:

1. That the Council Closed Session Public minutes of April 28, 2020, be adopted as circulated.

#### C5. Council Closed Session Minutes of May 19, 2020

(confidential attachment)

#### Recommended:

 That the Council Closed Session minutes of May 19, 2020, be adopted as circulated.

#### C6. Council Closed Session Public Minutes of May 19, 2020

#### Recommended:

1. That the Council Closed Session Public minutes of May 19, 2020, be adopted as circulated.

#### C7. Council Closed Session Minutes of May 26, 2020

(confidential attachment)

#### Recommended:

 That the Council Closed Session minutes of May 26, 2020, be adopted as circulated.

#### C8. Council Closed Session Public Minutes of May 26, 2020

#### Recommended:

1. That the Council Closed Session Public minutes of May 26, 2020, be adopted as circulated.

#### C9. Council Closed Session Minutes of June 16, 2020

(confidential attachment)

#### Recommended:

1. That the Council Closed Session minutes of June 16, 2020, be adopted as circulated.

#### C10. Council Closed Session Public Minutes of June 16, 2020

#### Recommended:

1. That the Council Closed Session Public minutes of June 16, 2020, be adopted as circulated.

#### C11. Memorandum from Councillor Gaertner

Re: Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority Board Meeting Highlights of May 22, 2020

#### Recommended:

 That the memorandum regarding Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority Board Meeting Highlights of May 22, 2020, be received for information.

#### 6. Standing Committee Reports

S1. General Committee Meeting Report of July 7, 2020

#### Recommended:

1. That the General Committee Meeting Report of July 7, 2020, be received and the recommendations carried by the Committee approved.

#### S2. Audit Committee Meeting Report of June 23, 2020

#### Recommended:

1. That the Audit Committee Meeting Report of June 23, 2020, be received and the recommendations carried by the Committee approved.

#### 7. Consideration of Items Requiring Discussion (Regular Agenda)

#### 8. Motions

(a) Councillor Humfryes

Re: Adoption of the International Holocaust Remembrance Alliance (IHRA)

(b) Mayor Mrakas

Re: Rainbow Crosswalk at Yonge and Wellington Intersection

(c) Councillor Kim and Mayor Mrakas

Re: Anti-Black Racism and Anti-Racism Task Force

#### 9. Regional Report

#### York Regional Council Highlights – June 25, 2020

#### Recommended:

That the Regional Report of June 25, 2020, be received for information.

#### 10. New Business

#### 11. By-laws

#### Recommended:

That the following by-laws be enacted:

- (a) By-law Number XXXX-20 Being a By-law to amend Parking and Traffic Control By-law Number 4574-04.T, as amended, with respect to No Parking on various highways in the Town of Aurora. (General Committee Report No. PDS20-005, Jun. 2, 2020)
- (b) By-law Number XXXX-20 Being a By-law to establish ward boundaries for the Town of Aurora.
   (General Committee Report Nos. CS20-013 and CS20-014, Jun. 16, 2020)
- (c) By-law Number XXXX-20 Being a By-law to amend By-law Number 5285-10, as amended, to adopt Official Plan Amendment No. 21. (General Committee Report No. PDS20-045, Jun. 16, 2020)

#### 12. Closed Session

#### 13. Confirming By-law

#### Recommended:

That the following confirming by-law be enacted:

**By-law Number XXXX-20** Being a By-law to confirm actions by Council resulting from a Council meeting on July 14, 2020.

#### 14. Adjournment



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### **Delegation Request**

Legislative Services

This Delegation Request form and any written submissions or background information for consideration by either Council or Committees of Council must be submitted to Legislative Services.

Council or Committee Meeting Date: July 14th 2020		
Subject: Rainbow Crosswalk		
Name of Spokesperson: Tristan Coolman		
Name of Group or Person(s) being Represented (if a Pflag Canada York Region	applicable):	
Brief Summary of Issue or Purpose of Delegation: To express support for the Rainbow Crosswalk motion on how visibility is directly linked to the health and wel and their allies.		
Have you been in contact with a Town staff or Council member regarding your matter of interest?	Yes 🗸	No 🗌
<b>If yes, with whom?</b> Mayor Tom Mrakas	<b>Date:</b> July 2nd 2020	
☑ I acknowledge that the Procedure By-law permits fi	ve (5) minutes for	Delegations.



## Town of Aurora Council Meeting Minutes

Video Conference Tuesday, June 23, 2020

**Attendance** 

**Council Members** Mayor Mrakas in the Chair; Councillors Gaertner, Gallo, Gilliland,

Humfryes, Kim, and Thompson

Members Absent None

Other Attendees Doug Nadorozny, Chief Administrative Officer, Robin McDougall,

Director of Community Services, Techa van Leeuwen, Director of Corporate Services, Rachel Wainwright-van Kessel, Director of Finance, Allan Downey, Director of Operations, David Waters, Director of Planning and Development Services, Michelle Outar, Acting Manager of Corporate Communications, Patricia De Sario,

Town Solicitor, Michael de Rond, Town Clerk, Ishita Soneji,

Council/Committee Coordinator

This meeting was held electronically as per Section 20.1 of the Town's Procedure Bylaw No. 6228-19, as amended, due to the COVID-19 State of Emergency.

The Chair called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

Council consented to recess the meeting at 9:01 p.m. and resumed the meeting at 9:08 p.m.

#### 1. Approval of the Agenda

Moved by Councillor Humfryes Seconded by Councillor Thompson

That the agenda as circulated by Legislative Services, including Delegation (c) and the additional item, be approved:

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- Delegation (c) Suzanne Lytle, Crossing Guard at Aurora Heights Public School (written delegation); Re: Item R1 – PDS20-049 – Capital Project No. 34626 – Sidewalk Construction on Kitimat Crescent Proposed Capital Budget Increase
- Item R4 CMS20-018 Pandemic Recovery Planning Update

### On a two-thirds majority vote the motion Carried

Yeas: 6 Nays: 0

Voting Yeas: Councillors Gallo, Gilliland, Humfryes, Kim,

and Thompson, Mayor Mrakas

Voting Nays: None

Absent: Councillor Gaertner

#### 2. Declarations of Pecuniary Interest and General Nature Thereof

There were no declarations of pecuniary interest under the *Municipal Conflict of Interest Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. M.50*.

#### 3. Community Presentations

None

#### 4. Delegations

(a) Rebecca Beaton, Resident

Re: Item S2(R2) – CS20-014 – Electoral System Review – Final Report

Ms. Beaton spoke in opposition to the ward options noting that more people voted against the question on the ballot during the 2014 Municipal Election regarding the ward system and inquired if the question could be put back on the ballot during the 2022 Municipal Election before considering a ward system.

Moved by Councillor Thompson Seconded by Councillor Humfryes

That the comments of the delegation be received.

On a recorded vote the motion Carried

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Yeas: 7 Nays: 0

Voting Yeas: Councillors Gaertner, Gallo, Gilliland,

Humfryes, Kim, and Thompson, Mayor Mrakas

Voting Nays: None Absent: None

#### (b) Klaus Wehrenberg, Resident

Re: Motion (a) Councillor Gallo, Re: Trail Crossings

Mr. Wehrenberg spoke in support of Motion (a) and emphasized the importance of maintaining walkability and access to trails and noted the impacts caused by the Metrolinx rail expansion project. He requested that the Town emphasize the priority crossings as outlined in the Town's Trails Master Plan to Metrolinx.

### Moved by Councillor Humfryes Seconded by Councillor Gaertner

That the comments of the delegation be received and referred to Motion (a).

### On a recorded vote the motion Carried

Yeas: 7 Nays: 0

Voting Yeas: Councillors Gaertner, Gallo, Gilliland,

Humfryes, Kim, and Thompson, Mayor Mrakas

Voting Nays: None Absent: None

#### (c) Suzanne Lytle, Resident (written delegation)

Re: Item R1 – PDS20-049 – Capital Project No. 34626 – Sidewalk Construction on Kitimat Crescent Proposed Budget Increase

Ms. Lytle submitted a written delegation in support of the staff recommendation requesting that the sidewalk construction budget increase be approved.

#### Moved by Councillor Thompson Seconded by Councillor Gilliland

That the comments of the written delegation be received and be referred to Item R1.

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### On a recorded vote the motion Carried

Yeas: 7 Nays: 0

Voting Yeas: Councillors Gaertner, Gallo, Gilliland,

Humfryes, Kim, and Thompson, Mayor Mrakas

Voting Nays: None Absent: None

#### 5. Consent Agenda

#### Moved by Councillor Gaertner Seconded by Councillor Kim

That the following Consent Agenda items, C1 to C3 inclusive, be approved:

#### C1. Council Meeting Minutes of May 26, 2020

1. That the Council meeting minutes of May 26, 2020, be adopted as circulated.

#### C2. Council Public Planning Meeting Minutes of June 9, 2020

1. That the Council Public Planning meeting minutes of June 9, 2020, be adopted as circulated.

#### C3. Memorandum from Councillor Gaertner

Re: Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority Board Meeting Highlights of April 24, 2020

1. That the memorandum regarding Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority Board Meeting Highlights of April 24, 2020, be received for information.

#### On a recorded vote the motion Carried

Yeas: 7 Nays: 0

Voting Yeas: Councillors Gaertner, Gallo, Gilliland,

Humfryes, Kim, and Thompson, Mayor Mrakas

Voting Nays: None Absent: None

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#### 6. Standing Committee Reports

### Moved by Councillor Humfryes Seconded by Councillor Thompson

1. That the Standing Committee meeting reports, S1 to S3, be received and the recommendations carried by the Committee approved, with the exception of sub-items S2(R1 & R2), S2(R4) and S2(R9), which were discussed and voted on separately as recorded below.

### On a recorded vote the motion Carried

Yeas: 7 Nays: 0

Voting Yeas: Councillors Gaertner, Gallo, Gilliland,

Humfryes, Kim, and Thompson, Mayor Mrakas

Voting Nays: None Absent: None

#### S1. General Committee Meeting Report of June 2, 2020

#### (C1) Memorandum from Councillor Gaertner

Re: Resolution from City of Kitchener, Re: Universal Basic Income

1. That the memorandum regarding Resolution from City of Kitchener regarding Universal Basic Income be received for information.

Carried

### (R1) CS20-001 – Fence By-law Exemption Request – 203 St. John's Sideroad West

- 1. That Report No. CS20-001 be received; and
- 2. That an exemption to the Town's Fence By-law No. 4753-05.P to permit a non-compliant fence in the front and side yard at 203 St. John's Sideroad West, be refused; and
- 3. That an exemption to the Town's Fence By-law No. 4753-05.P to permit the non-compliant wrought iron gate with a height exceeding 2.0 metres, be approved, and the amending by-law be brought forward at a future date for enactment.

#### (R2) PDS20-005 – Aurora Heights Public School Student Safety Plan

- 1. That Report No. PDS20-005 be received; and
- 2. That the student safety plan for Aurora Heights Public School comprise of the following elements:
  - (a) A layby lane on the east side of Tecumseh Drive along the frontage of the school, subject to the York Region District School Board transferring property and/or easements at no cost to the Town; and
  - (b) Prohibit parking at all times on the south and east sides of Kitimat Crescent from a point nine metres south of the beginning of the curb return to a point nine metres east of the end of the curb return adjacent to 25 Kitimat Crescent; and
- That prior to the project being included in the 2021 Capital Budget, the York Region District School Board be asked to pay for the design and construction in the amount of \$125,000, subject to recommendation 2(a); and
- 4. That the following be referred to staff for consideration, subject to the approval of layby lane on Tecumseh Drive:
  - (a) Temporarily make Kitimat Crescent a one-way west/south bound street until the completion of the layby lane, and the necessary signage be installed from the project budget; and
  - (b) Upon completion of the Tecumseh layby project, a traffic study be undertaken in the area during peak school drop-off/pick-up times to determine if the temporary one-way street restriction on Kitimat should remain long term or be lifted, and that such traffic study include a period of at least two weeks of two-way traffic on Kitimat for purposes of the study; and
- 5. That staff and the working group ask the York Region District School Board to consider rearranging the school bus and parent pick-up and drop-off points (Option C), should the layby lane be approved.

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### (R3) PDS20-034 – Assessment on Various Options to Support Existing Traffic Calming Measures on Centre Street

- 1. That Report No. PDS20-034 be received; and
- 2. That Option 'C' be implemented by installing signage on Centre Street at Yonge Street advising that Centre Street is not a through street.

Carried

#### (R4) CS20-012 - Transfer of Part III Prosecutions from the Province

- 1. That Report No. CS20-012 be received; and
- 2. That the attached resolution be approved to delegate authority to The Regional Municipality of York to enter into agreements with the Province, on behalf of the Town, that will amend the Memorandum of Understanding and the Local Side Agreement and transfer prosecutions of certain Part III offences under the *Provincial Offences Act* to the Region.

Carried

### (R5) PDS20-035 – Approval for Capital Project No. 42810 – Climate Change Adaptation Plan

- 1. That Report No. PDS20-035 be received; and
- 2. That this report satisfy Council's conditional budget approval for Capital Project No. 42810 Climate Change Adaptation Plan, in the amount of \$100,000.

Carried

#### S2. General Committee Meeting Report of June 16, 2020

(C1) Memorandum from Mayor Mrakas

Re: Letter from Canadian Wireless Telecommunications
Association (CWTA), Re: The Benefits and Safety of 5G

1. That the memorandum regarding Letter from Canadian Wireless Telecommunications Association (CWTA) regarding the Benefits and Safety of 5G, be received for information.

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#### (A1) Heritage Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes of June 1, 2020

1. That the Heritage Advisory Committee meeting minutes of June 1, 2020, be received for information.

Carried

### (R1) CS20-013 – Pros and Cons of Ward and At-large Electoral Systems (R2) CS20-014 – Electoral System Review – Final Report

#### Moved by Councillor Thompson Seconded by Councillor Humfryes

- That Report Nos. CS20-013 and CS20-014 be received; and
- 2. That the six (6) ward option presented by the Consultant be adopted and implemented for the 2022 Municipal Election; and
- 3. That a by-law be brought forward to a future Council meeting to enact the ward system.

#### On a recorded vote the motion Carried

Yeas: 4 Nays: 3

Voting Yeas: Councillors Humfryes, Kim, and Thompson,

Mayor Mrakas

Voting Nays: Councillors Gaertner, Gilliland, and Gallo

Absent: None

#### (R3) CMS20-012 – Library Square – Governance Review

- 1. That Report No. CMS20-012 be received; and
- That the Not-for-Profit/Municipal Hybrid Model be approved as the governance model for the future operation of Library Square; and
- That staff work with stakeholders to develop a fees and charges schedule for Library Square and report back to Council at a later date; and
- 4. That the Director of Community Services form a Space Allocation Working Group comprised of Town staff and key stakeholders that will provide recommendations regarding rental and booking responsibilities for Library Square, including all spaces at 22 Church

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- St. School, the New Addition, Outdoor Square, Bridge and Aurora Public Library; and
- 5. That the Director of Community Services form a Collaborative Programming Working Group comprised of Town staff and key stakeholders that will provide recommendations regarding program delivery strategies and create a programming and performance schedule for Year 1 and Year 2 of Library Square operations; and
- 6. That the Director of Community Services form an Information Technology Working Group comprised of Town staff and key stakeholders that will provide recommendations regarding the delivery of IT Services for Library Square, including all spaces at 22 Church Street School, the New Addition, Outdoor Square, Bridge and Aurora Public Library.

Carried

### (R4) CMS20-014 – Hallmark Lands: Request for Information and User Group Survey Results

#### Moved by Councillor Gilliland Seconded by Councillor Humfryes

- 1. That Report No. CMS20-014 be received; and
- 2. That the Director of Operational Services be authorized to commence the tendering process for 100 Vandorf Sideroad and proceed with Capital Project No. 73287 as previously presented; and
- 3. That staff report back to Council with an updated budget request prior to awarding the contract, if required.

### On a recorded vote the motion Carried

Yeas: 5 Nays: 2

Voting Yeas: Councillors Gilliland, Humfryes, Kim, and

Thompson, Mayor Mrakas

Voting Nays: Councillors Gaertner and Gallo

Absent: None

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### (R5) FIN20-017 – 2020 User Rate Funded Operations Forecast Update – as of April 30, 2020

- 1. That Report No. FIN20-017 be received; and
- 2. That the Town's present 'break-even' water, wastewater and storm water rates be maintained for the remainder of the year; and
- That a by-law to extend the Town's 'break-even' water, wastewater and storm water rates be brought to the June 23, 2020 Council meeting for approval.

Carried

### (R6) OPS20-010 – Award of Tender for Supply and Delivery of One (1) 2021 Combination Dump, Sander and Plow Truck

- 1. That Report No. OPS20-010 be received; and
- 2. That the total approved budget for Capital Project No. 34440 be increased to \$263,900, representing an increase of \$23,900 to be funded from the Fleet Repair and Replacement Reserve.

**Carried** 

#### (R7) PDS20-032 – Revoking Servicing Allocation

- 1. That Report No. PDS20-032 be received; and
- 2. That water and sewage capacity previously allocated to the following Site Plan Application be extended for one year:
  - (i) Site Plan Application File SP-2018-03 at 15086-15106 Yonge Street; and
- 3. That water and sewage capacity previously allocated to the following Site Plan Applications, be revoked:
  - (i) Site Plan Application File SP-2006-13 (formerly D11-13-06) at 15356 Yonge Street; and
  - (ii) Site Plan Application File SP-2013-05 at 15132-15136 Yonge Street.

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- (R8) PDS20-037 Capital Project No. 34527 Yonge Street at Wellington Street Right Turn Lane Intersection Improvement Proposed Capital Budget Increase
  - 1. That Report No. PDS20-037 be received; and
  - 2. That the total approved budget for Capital Project No. 34527 be increased from \$75,000 to \$94,100, representing an increase of \$19,100, to be funded from the Roads Repair and Replacement Reserve.

Carried

(R9) PDS20-045 – Application for Official Plan Amendment, Zoning Bylaw Amendment, and Draft Plan of Subdivision, Shining Hill Estate Collections Inc., 306, 370, 434 and 488 St John's Sideroad, File Numbers: OPA-2018-01, ZBA-2018-02 & SUB2018-02

Main motion

Moved by Councillor Thompson

Seconded by Councillor Gaertner

- 1. That Report No. PDS20-045 be received; and
- 2. That Official Plan Amendment application OPA-2018-01 (Shining Hills Collections Inc.) be approved to:
  - a) Amend Schedule AA of OPA 37 to re-designate the subject lands from 'Suburban Residential (SR)', 'Suburban Residential (SR-1)', 'Core Area Open Space' and 'Supporting Area Open Space' to 'Suburban Residential (SR-2)' and 'Core Area Open Space (COS- 1); and
  - b) Amend Section 2.0 of OPA 37 to add the following new Section 2.5 'Suburban Residential (SR-2)' and the following policy: "Suburban Residential permits fully serviced single-detached lots with frontages generally greater than 15 metres and areas generally greater than 460 square metres. Accessory uses and home occupations which are accessory to the residential use and compatible with the residential character may also be

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- permitted. Neighbourhood oriented community services such as schools and parks shall also be permitted"; and
- c) Amend Section 2.0 of OPA 37 to add the following new Section 2.6, 'Core Area Open Space (COS-1)' and the following policy: "The Core Area Open Space designation permits lands that are open space, approved stormwater management ponds, and approved road and municipal service crossings. Other than the above permitted services this area shall remain in its natural state with only passive recreation uses permitted; and
- 3. That Zoning By-law Amendment application ZBA-2018-02 (Shinning Hills Collections Inc.) be approved to rezone the subject lands from 'Oak Ridges Moraine Rural General (RU-ORM)' to 'Detached Third Density Residential Exception Zone (R3-XX)', Private Open Space (O2-XX), 'Oak Ridges Moraine Environmental Protection (EP-ORM)'; and
- 4. That the Draft Plan of Subdivision application SUB-2018-02 (Shinning Hills Collections Inc.) to create eight blocks be approved, subject to the conditions listed in Schedule 'A' to this report; and
- 5. That Council grant an allocation of 291 persons from the reserve to service the development of 90 single-detached dwellings on the approved Draft Plan of Subdivision; and
- 6. That the implementing Official Plan Amendment be forwarded to the Region of York for approval; and
- 7. That the Zoning By-law Amendment ZBA-2018-02 be brought forward to a future Council Meeting, after the implementing Official Plan Amendment is approved by the Region of York.

Amendment No. 1
Moved by Councillor Gaertner
Seconded by Councillor Humfryes

That the main motion be amended by adding the following clause:

"That the buffer area to the Oak Ridges Moraine for the proposed development be changed from 10 metres to 30 metres."

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### On a recorded vote the motion was Defeated

Yeas: 2 Nays: 5

Voting Yeas: Councillors Gaertner and Humfryes Voting Nays: Councillors Gallo, Gilliland, Kim, and

Thompson, Mayor Mrakas

Absent: None

## Amendment No. 2 Moved by Councillor Gaertner Seconded by Councillor Humfryes

That the main motion be amended by adding the following clause:

"That the maximum roof height for the proposed dwellings be 10 metres."

#### On a recorded vote the motion was Defeated

Yeas: 2 Nays: 5

Voting Yeas: Councillors Gaertner and Humfryes Voting Nays: Councillors Gallo, Gilliland, Kim, and

Thompson, Mayor Mrakas

Absent: None

## Amendment No. 3 Moved by Councillor Gaertner Seconded by Councillor Humfryes

That the main motion be amended by adding the following clause:

"That the existing two homes and the barn on the subject property be evaluated for heritage value by the Heritage Advisory Committee."

#### On a recorded vote the motion Carried

Yeas: 4 Nays: 3

Voting Yeas: Councillors Gaertner, Gallo, Gilliland and

Humfryes

Voting Nays: Councillors Kim and Thompson, Mayor Mrakas

Absent: None

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#### Main motion as amended Moved by Councillor Thompson Seconded by Councillor Gaertner

- 1. That Report No. PDS20-045 be received; and
- 2. That Official Plan Amendment application OPA-2018-01 (Shining Hills Collections Inc.) be approved to:
  - a) Amend Schedule AA of OPA 37 to re-designate the subject lands from 'Suburban Residential (SR)', 'Suburban Residential (SR-1)', 'Core Area Open Space' and 'Supporting Area Open Space' to 'Suburban Residential (SR-2)' and 'Core Area Open Space (COS- 1); and
  - b) Amend Section 2.0 of OPA 37 to add the following new Section 2.5 'Suburban Residential (SR-2)' and the following policy: "Suburban Residential permits fully serviced single-detached lots with frontages generally greater than 15 metres and areas generally greater than 460 square metres. Accessory uses and home occupations which are accessory to the residential use and compatible with the residential character may also be permitted. Neighbourhood oriented community services such as schools and parks shall also be permitted"; and
  - c) Amend Section 2.0 of OPA 37 to add the following new Section 2.6, 'Core Area Open Space (COS-1)' and the following policy: "The Core Area Open Space designation permits lands that are open space, approved stormwater management ponds, and approved road and municipal service crossings. Other than the above permitted services this area shall remain in its natural state with only passive recreation uses permitted; and
- 3. That Zoning By-law Amendment application ZBA-2018-02 (Shinning Hills Collections Inc.) be approved to rezone the subject lands from 'Oak Ridges Moraine Rural General (RU-ORM)' to 'Detached Third Density Residential Exception Zone (R3-XX)', Private Open Space (O2-XX), 'Oak Ridges Moraine Environmental Protection (EP-ORM)'; and

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- 4. That the Draft Plan of Subdivision application SUB-2018-02 (Shinning Hills Collections Inc.) to create eight blocks be approved, subject to the conditions listed in Schedule 'A' to this report; and
- 5. That Council grant an allocation of 291 persons from the reserve to service the development of 90 single-detached dwellings on the approved Draft Plan of Subdivision; and
- 6. That the implementing Official Plan Amendment be forwarded to the Region of York for approval; and
- 7. That the Zoning By-law Amendment ZBA-2018-02 be brought forward to a future Council Meeting, after the implementing Official Plan Amendment is approved by the Region of York; **and**
- That the existing two homes and the barn on the subject property be evaluated for heritage value by the Heritage Advisory Committee.

On a recorded vote the motion Carried

Yeas: 6 Nays: 1

Voting Yeas: Councillors Gallo, Gilliland, Humfryes, Kim,

and Thompson, Mayor Mrakas

Voting Nays: Councillor Gaertner

Absent: None

#### S3. Budget Committee Meeting Report of June 2, 2020

1. That the Budget Committee meeting report of June 2, 2020 be received.

Carried

- 7. Consideration of Items Requiring Discussion (Regular Agenda)
  - R1. PDS20-049 Capital Project No. 34626 Sidewalk Construction on Kitimat Crescent Proposed Capital Budget Increase

Moved by Councillor Thompson Seconded by Councillor Kim

1. That Report No. PDS20-049 be received; and

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2. That the total approved budget for Capital Project No. 34626 be increased from \$100,000 to \$192,700, representing an increase of \$92,700 to be funded from the Roads Repair and Replacement Reserve.

### On a recorded vote the motion Carried

Yeas: 7 Navs: 0

Voting Yeas: Councillors Gaertner, Gallo, Gilliland,

Humfryes, Kim, and Thompson, Mayor Mrakas

Voting Nays: None Absent: None

#### **R2.** FIN20-015 – 2019 Year End Budget Report – as at December 31, 2019

Motion to defer

Moved by Councillor Gallo

Seconded by Councillor Thompson

1. That Report No. FIN20-015 be deferred to a future General Committee meeting.

### On a recorded vote the motion Carried

Yeas: 7 Nays: 0

Voting Yeas: Councillors Gaertner, Gallo, Gilliland,

Humfryes, Kim, and Thompson, Mayor Mrakas

Voting Nays: None Absent: None

### R3. FIN20-018 – 2020 Tax Levy Funded Operations Forecast Update – as of May 31, 2020

### Moved by Councillor Thompson Seconded by Councillor Kim

1. That Report No. FIN20-018 be received for information.

### On a recorded vote the motion Carried

Yeas: 7 Nays: 0

Voting Yeas: Councillors Gaertner, Gallo, Gilliland,

Humfryes, Kim, and Thompson, Mayor Mrakas

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Voting Nays: None Absent: None

#### R4. CMS20-018 - Pandemic Recovery Planning - Update

#### Moved by Councillor Gaertner Seconded by Councillor Thompson

1. That Report No. CMS20-018 be received for information.

#### On a recorded vote the motion Carried

Yeas: 7 Nays: 0

Voting Yeas: Councillors Gaertner, Gallo, Gilliland,

Humfryes, Kim, and Thompson, Mayor Mrakas

Voting Nays: None Absent: None

#### 8. Motions

#### (a) Councillor Gallo

**Re: Trail Crossings** 

### Moved by Councillor Gallo Seconded by Councillor Gaertner

Whereas since the 1970's, Aurora's planners have been urged to include offroad trails in natural environments for non-motorized traffic; and

Whereas in 2011 with the assistance of Town staff and MMM Group the Trails Sub-Committee developed the Town of Aurora Trails Master Plan; and

Whereas during these unpresented times, Aurora's trails have been used and appreciated more than ever; and

Whereas Aurora trails serve "the dual function of the trails network; as community infrastructure for non-motorized and self-propelled traffic, for utilitarian as well as recreational purposes"; and

Whereas key goals to the development of the Trails Master Plan are "Improve connections between existing trails, and to provide new trails and connections

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between residential areas, schools, commercial, industrial and institutional establishments, and parks, greenspace and natural areas" and "Create a connected network of trails which provide Aurora's residents with active, healthy lifestyle opportunities, the ability to travel easily throughout Town with opportunities to experience nature without having to rely on a car"; and

Whereas the Trails Master Plan has identified difficulties in trail development such as "challenging or non-existent road or rail crossings" and "a lack of trail continuity"; and

Whereas the Trails Master Plan has identified that the "implementation of the plan can only be accomplished through short, medium and long term actions under the leadership and guidance of Council"; and

Whereas Section 11.10 (d) Policies for Public Open Space of the Town of Aurora Official Plan states "This Plan aims to encourage retention, enhancement, and full utilization of the existing public parks, including enhancements to improve the visual and physical linkages with the parks and associated trails with, for example, wayfinding signage, improved streetscape links and crosswalks", and Section 12 (d) states "Enhance the Greenlands System through a comprehensive network of trails, in accordance with the Town's Trails Master Plan"; and

Whereas in addition, section 12.2 (a) The Greenlands System of the Town of Aurora Official Plan clearly states "It is a fundamental principle of this Plan that the Town promote an active, healthy lifestyle for its residents. The provision of a highly integrated system of environmentally protected lands, parks, trails and recreation facilities that are well distributed, strategically located, well maintained and diverse plays an important role in encouraging community members to have active and healthy lifestyles"; and

Whereas Council has passed the following resolution "Now Therefore Be It Hereby Resolved That staff work with our local MPPs for their support and to advocate for Aurora to Metrolinx for re-opening the Cousins Drive Crossing and that staff provide an update report to a future General Committee meeting including an estimate of the costs of all possible options should the Town undertake the project"; and

Whereas the Mayor has sent a letter to Mr. Verster (CEO of Metrolinx) on May 13, 2020 regarding Cousins Drive; and

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Whereas it is fundamentally clear the Town of Aurora is bisected by train tracks and in order to properly implement the Trails Master Plan and parts of the Town of Aurora Official Plan frequent and safe east west crossing for non-motorized traffic must be established; and

Whereas should the Town be interested in multiple non-motorized crossings along the train track, designs must be included in the tender documents during the track reconstruction by Metrolinx;

- 1. Now Therefore Be It Hereby Resolved That staff provide a status report on all potential pedestrian crossings for non-motorized traffic along the train corridor to a General Committee meeting by the end of October; and
- Be It Further Resolved That staff include in that report the priority
  crossings as identified in the Trails Master Plan and costing of detailed
  designs so that they may be included in the tender documents during the
  reconstruction by Metrolinx.

#### On a recorded vote the motion Carried

Yeas: 7 Nays: 0

Voting Yeas: Councillors Gaertner, Gallo, Gilliland,

Humfryes, Kim, and Thompson, Mayor Mrakas

Voting Nays: None Absent: None

#### (b) Councillor Gaertner

Re: Aurora Community Tennis Club (ACTC)

#### Moved by Councillor Gaertner Seconded by Councillor Gilliland

Whereas the Aurora Community Tennis Club was allowed to open in mid-May as per an update to the Provincial Orders; and

Whereas the restrictions and measures required to operate the club in an effective and safe way have impacted the club's continued ability to resume operations for the 2020 season; and

Whereas a large part of their programming is tennis lessons taught by their Club Pro; and

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Whereas the Club is asking permission for their Club Pro to permit one court at McMahon Park for tennis lessons in this 2020 season; and

Whereas this will hopefully enable the ACTC to maintain some level of service/connection with their members as they try to manage through a year of significant transition and the difficulties imposed by COVID-19; and

Whereas the recent Council decision anticipated that typical demand would be satisfied with the permitting of two courts at Fleury Park; and

Whereas, as a result of the pandemic, tennis is one of the few allowed sports and increased demand for permits has superseded supply; and

Whereas the permitting of one court at McMahon Park should have no impact on public availability as these courts are mostly reserved for the ACTC;

1. Now Therefore Be It Resolved That staff be authorized to issue Tennis Court rental permits for one court only, at McMahon Park, for the exclusive use of the Aurora Community Tennis Club Pro, for the remainder of the 2020 calendar year.

On a recorded vote the motion Carried

Yeas: 7 Nays: 0

Voting Yeas: Councillors Gaertner, Gallo, Gilliland,

Humfryes, Kim, and Thompson, Mayor Mrakas

Voting Nays: None Absent: None

#### 9. Regional Report

York Regional Council Highlights - May 28, 2020

Moved by Councillor Thompson Seconded by Councillor Kim

That the Regional Report of May 28, 2020, be received for information.

On a recorded vote the motion Carried

Yeas: 7 Navs: 0

Voting Yeas: Councillors Gaertner, Gallo, Gilliland,

Humfryes, Kim, and Thompson, Mayor Mrakas

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Voting Nays: None Absent: None

#### 10. New Business

Councillor Thompson noted that the ground breaking ceremony for the new fire station was held earlier in the day.

Councillor Gilliland inquired about the possibility of organizing a community cleanup within the Town, and staff noted that they are working towards the possibility and more information is forthcoming.

Councillor Gilliland extended a reminder that the Aurora Outdoor Patio Program has been developed for local businesses to ensure adequate expansion of patio areas noting that more information regarding the guidelines is available on the Town's website.

Councillor Humfryes expressed her appreciation to staff for their efforts in conducting a successful Aurora Famers Market and Artisans Fair and ensuring that social distancing and public health guidelines were maintained.

Councillor Humfryes inquired about an adequate way of accessing splash pads during the ongoing pandemic whilst maintaining social distance, and staff provided a response noting that signage with standard guidelines and regulations will be posted at all locations.

Councillor Gaertner referred to a resident's concern regarding an unkempt creek along the Highland Gate development area, and staff agreed to follow up.

Councillor Gaertner referred to residents' inquiries about the York Region Police budget and their functions and discussions regarding this at the Regional Council, and Mayor Mrakas provided a response.

Mayor Mrakas announced that the Magna Golf Course property was recently sold, and noted that the new owner intends to maintain the golf club and the course.

Mayor Mrakas extended his appreciation to staff for their prompt response to a recent incident regarding damage to a heritage tree.

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#### 11. By-laws

### Moved by Councillor Kim Seconded by Councillor Thompson

That the following by-laws be enacted:

- (a) By-law Number 6263-20 Being a By-law to amend Municipal Waterworks Distribution By-law Number 3305-91, as amended.
- **(b) By-law Number 6264-20** Being a By-law to set and levy the rates of Taxation for the taxation year 2020.
- (c) By-law Number 6265-20 Being a By-law to amend By-law Number 5285-10, as amended, to adopt Official Plan Amendment No. 19.
- (d) By-law Number 6266-20 Being a By-law to amend By-law Number 5285-10, as amended, to adopt Official Plan Amendment No. 20
- **(e) By-law Number 6267-20** Being a By-law to amend By-law Number 6000-17, as amended respecting the lands municipally known as 132, 148, 166, 178, 186, 192, and 198 Old Bloomington Road.
- (f) By-law Number 6268-20 Being a By-law to amend By-law Number 6219-19, as amended, to establish a schedule of fees and charges for municipal services, activities and the use of property within the Town of Aurora (Fees and Charges By-law).

### On a recorded vote the motion Carried

Yeas: 7 Nays: 0

Voting Yeas: Councillors Gaertner, Gallo, Gilliland,

Humfryes, Kim, and Thompson, Mayor Mrakas

Voting Nays: None Absent: None

#### 12. Closed Session

None

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**Carried** 

#### 13. Confirming By-law

Moved by Councillor Kim Seconded by Councillor Gaertner

That the following confirming by-law be enacted:

**By-law Number 6269-20** Being a By-law to Confirm Actions by Council Resulting from a Council Meeting on June 23, 2020.

On a recorded vote the motion Carried

Yeas: 7 Nays: 0

Voting Yeas: Councillors Gaertner, Gallo, Gilliland,

Humfryes, Kim, and Thompson, Mayor Mrakas

Voting Nays: None Absent: None

#### 14. Adjournment

Moved by Councillor Thompson Seconded by Councillor Kim

That the meeting be adjourned at 9:55 p.m.

Tom Mrakas, Mayor	Michael de Rond, Town Clerk		
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## Town of Aurora Council Closed Session Public Minutes

Held via Video Conference Tuesday, April 28, 2020

**Attendance** 

**Council Members** Mayor Mrakas in the Chair; Councillors Gaertner, Gallo,

Gilliland, Humfryes, Kim and Thompson

Members Absent None

Other Attendees Doug Nadorozny Chief Administrative Officer, David Waters,

Director of Planning and Development Services, Patricia De Sario, Town Solicitor, and Michael de Rond, Town Clerk

This meeting was held electronically as per Section 20.1 of the Town's Procedure Bylaw No. 6228-19, as amended, due to the COVID-19 State of Emergency.

The Chair called the meeting to order at 5:48 p.m.

Council consented to resolve into a Closed Session at 5:48 p.m.

Council reconvened into open session at 6:19 p.m.

#### 1. Approval of the Agenda

Moved by Councillor Gallo Seconded by Councillor Kim

That the confidential Council Closed Session meeting agenda be approved.

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#### 2. Declaration of Pecuniary Interest and General Nature Thereof

There were no declarations of pecuniary interest under the *Municipal Conflict of Interest Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. M.50*.

#### 3. Consideration of Items Requiring Discussion

### Moved by Councillor Kim Seconded by Councillor Thompson

That Council resolve into Closed Session to consider the following matter:

 Litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the municipality or local board (Section 239(2)(e) of the Municipal Act, 2001); Re: Closed Session Report No. CS20-009 – Settlement of Notice of Intention to Designate 15243A Yonge Street (Machell Property) and 15243B Yonge Street (Whimster's Store)

Carried

### Moved by Councillor Gallo Seconded by Councillor Gilliland

That the Council Closed Session be reconvened into open session to rise and report from Closed Session.

Carried

 Litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the municipality or local board (Section 239(2)(e) of the *Municipal Act*, 2001); Re: Closed Session Report No. CS20-009 – Settlement of Notice of Intention to Designate 15243A Yonge Street (Machell Property) and 15243B Yonge Street (Whimster's Store)

#### Moved by Councillor Humfryes Seconded by Councillor Kim

- 1. That Closed Session Report No. CS20-009 be received; and
- 2. That the Council closed session direction be confirmed.

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On a recorded vote the motion Carried

Yeas: 6 Nays: 0

Voting Yeas: Councillors Gallo, Gilliland, Humfryes,

Kim, and Thompson, Mayor Mrakas

Voting Nays: None

Absent: Councillor Gaertner

#### 4. By-laws

Moved by Councillor Humfryes Seconded by Councillor Thompson

That the following confirming by-law be enacted:

**6249-20** Being a By-law to confirm actions by Council resulting from a Council

Closed Session on April 28, 2020.

Carried

#### 5. Adjournment

Moved by Councillor Humfryes Seconded by Councillor Gilliland

That the meeting be adjourned at 7:02 p.m.

Carried

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Tom Mrakas, Mayor

Michael de Rond, Town Clerk



## Town of Aurora Council Closed Session Public Minutes

Held via Video Conference Tuesday, May 19, 2020

**Attendance** 

**Council Members** Mayor Mrakas in the Chair; Councillors Gaertner, Gallo,

Gilliland, Humfryes, Kim and Thompson

Members Absent None

Other Attendees Doug Nadorozny, Chief Administrative Officer, Robin

McDougall, Director of Community Services, John Firman,

Manager of Business Support, Patricia De Sario, Town

Solicitor, and Michael de Rond, Town Clerk

This meeting was held electronically as per Section 20.1 of the Town's Procedure Bylaw No. 6228-19, as amended, due to the COVID-19 State of Emergency.

The Chair called the meeting to order at 5:47 p.m.

Council consented to resolve into a Closed Session at 5:47 p.m.

Council reconvened into open session at 6:24 p.m.

#### 1. Approval of the Agenda

Moved by Councillor Gallo Seconded by Councillor Humfryes

That the confidential Council Closed Session meeting agenda be approved.

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#### 2. Declaration of Pecuniary Interest and General Nature Thereof

There were no declarations of pecuniary interest under the *Municipal Conflict of Interest Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. M.50*.

#### 3. Consideration of Items Requiring Discussion

#### Moved by Councillor Humfryes Seconded by Councillor Gilliland

That Council resolve into Closed Session to consider the following matter:

 A proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local board (Section 239(2)(c) of the *Municipal Act*, 2001); Re: Closed Session Report No. CMS20-013 – Proposed Facility Purchase

Carried

### Moved by Councillor Gilliland Seconded by Councillor Gaertner

That the Council Closed Session be reconvened into open session to rise and report from Closed Session.

**Carried** 

 A proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local board (Section 239(2)(c) of the *Municipal Act, 2001*);
 Re: Closed Session Report No. CMS20-013 – Proposed Facility Purchase

### Moved by Councillor Gilliland Seconded by Councillor Kim

- 1. That Closed Session Report No. CMS20-013 be received; and
- 2. That the Council Closed Session direction be confirmed.

On a recorded vote the motion Carried

Yeas: 6 Nays: 0

Voting Yeas: Councillors Gaertner, Gallo, Gilliland,

Kim and Thompson, Mayor Mrakas

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Voting Nays: None

Absent: Councillor Humfryes

#### 4. By-laws

Moved by Councillor Gilliland Seconded by Councillor Kim

That the following confirming by-law be enacted:

**6255-20** Being a By-law to confirm actions by Council resulting from a Council

Closed Session on May 19, 2020.

Carried

#### 5. Adjournment

Moved by Councillor Thompson Seconded by Councillor Kim

That the meeting be adjourned at 7:02 p.m.

**Carried** 

**Tom Mrakas, Mayor** 

Michael de Rond, Town Clerk



# Town of Aurora Council Closed Session Public Minutes

Held via Video Conference Tuesday, May 26, 2020

**Attendance** 

**Council Members** Mayor Mrakas in the Chair; Councillors Gaertner, Gallo,

Gilliland, Humfryes, Kim and Thompson

Members Absent None

Other Attendees Doug Nadorozny, Chief Administrative Officer, Rachel

Wainwright-van Kessel, Director of Finance, David Waters, Director of Planning and Development Services, Jason Gaertner Manager of Financial Planning, Patricia De Sario, Town Solicitor, Slav Szlapczynski, Associate Solicitor and

Michael de Rond. Town Clerk

This meeting was held electronically as per Section 20.1 of the Town's Procedure By law No. 6228-19, as amended, due to the COVID-19 State of Emergency.

The Chair called the meeting to order at 5:47 p.m.

Council consented to resolve into a Closed Session at 5:47 p.m.

The meeting was recessed at 7:00 p.m. and resumed at 9:09 p.m.

Council reconvened into open session at 9:16 p.m.

# 1. Approval of the Agenda

Moved by Councillor Thompson Seconded by Councillor Gaertner

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That the confidential Council Closed Session meeting agenda be approved.

Carried

# 2. Declaration of Pecuniary Interest and General Nature Thereof

There were no declarations of pecuniary interest under the *Municipal Conflict of Interest Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. M.50*.

## 3. Consideration of Items Requiring Discussion

# Moved by Councillor Gaertner Seconded by Councillor Thompson

That Council resolve into Closed Session to consider the following matter:

 A proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local board (Section 239(2)(c) of the *Municipal Act, 2001*); Re: Closed Session Report No. PDS20-046 – Potential Property Acquisition – Library Square

Carried

# Moved by Councillor Thompson Seconded by Councillor Kim

That the Council Closed Session be reconvened into open session to rise and report from Closed Session.

Carried

 A proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local board (Section 239(2)(c) of the *Municipal Act, 2001*);
 Re: Closed Session Report No. PDS20-046 – Potential Property Acquisition – Library Square

Moved by Councillor Thompson Seconded by Councillor Kim

- 1. That Closed Session Report No. PDS20-046 be received; and
- 2. That the Council Closed Session direction be confirmed.

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On a recorded vote the motion Carried

Yeas: 4 Nays: 3

Voting Yeas: Councillors Humfryes, Kim, Thompson,

and Mayor Mrakas

Voting Nays: Councillors Gaertner, Gallo, Gilliland

Absent: None

## 4. By-laws

Moved by Councillor Thompson Seconded by Councillor Gaertner

That the following confirming by-law be enacted:

**6256-20** Being a By-law to confirm actions by Council resulting from a Council

Closed Session on May 26, 2020.

Carried

# 5. Adjournment

Moved by Councillor Kim Seconded by Councillor Gilliland

That the meeting be adjourned at 9:21 p.m.

Carried

**Tom Mrakas, Mayor** 

Michael de Rond, Town Clerk



# Town of Aurora Council Closed Session Public Minutes

Held via Video Conference Tuesday, June 16, 2020

**Attendance** 

**Council Members** Mayor Mrakas in the Chair; Councillors Gaertner, Gallo,

Gilliland, Humfryes, Kim and Thompson

Members Absent None

Other Attendees Doug Nadorozny, Chief Administrative Officer and Deputy

Clerk (arrived at 6:21 p.m.) and Michael de Rond, Town Clerk

(left at 6:21 p.m.)

This meeting was held electronically as per Section 20.1 of the Town's Procedure By law No. 6228-19, as amended, due to the COVID-19 State of Emergency.

The Chair called the meeting to order at 5:45 p.m.

Council consented to resolve into a Closed Session at 5:45 p.m.

Council reconvened into open session at 6:45 p.m.

# 1. Approval of the Agenda

Moved by Councillor Thompson Seconded by Councillor Gallo

That the confidential Council Closed Session meeting agenda be approved.

Carried

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## 2. Declaration of Pecuniary Interest and General Nature Thereof

There were no declarations of pecuniary interest under the *Municipal Conflict of Interest Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. M.50*.

# 3. Consideration of Items Requiring Discussion

Moved by Councillor Thompson Seconded by Councillor Gaertner

That Council resolve into Closed Session to consider the following matter:

 Personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees (Section 239(2)(b) of the *Municipal Act*, 2001); Re: CAO performance Update – Verbal Report

Carried

# Moved by Councillor Humfryes Seconded by Councillor Kim

That the Council Closed Session be reconvened into open session to rise and report from Closed Session.

Carried

1. Personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees (Section 239(2)(b) of the *Municipal Act, 2001*); Re: CAO Performance Update – Verbal Report

Moved by Councillor Thompson Seconded by Councillor Kim

1. That the verbal report regarding the CAO's performance update be received.

On a recorded vote the motion Carried

Yeas: 6 Nays: 0

Voting Yeas: Councillors Gallo, Gilliland, Humfryes,

Kim, Thompson, and Mayor Mrakas

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Voting Nays: None

Absent: Councillor Gaertner

# 4. By-laws

Moved by Councillor Humfryes Seconded by Councillor Kim

That the following confirming by-law be enacted:

**6262-20** Being a By-law to confirm actions by Council resulting from a Council

Closed Session on June 16, 2020.

Carried

# 5. Adjournment

Moved by Councillor Thompson Seconded by Councillor Gallo

That the meeting be adjourned at 7:02 p.m.

Carried

**Tom Mrakas, Mayor** 

Michael de Rond, Town Clerk



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# Town of Aurora Councillors' Office

# **Memorandum**

**Date:** July 14, 2020

To: Mayor and Members of Council

From: Councillor Wendy Gaertner

Re: Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority

**Board Meeting Highlights of May 22, 2020** 

#### Recommendation

That Council:	
$\boxtimes$	Receive the correspondence for information
	Endorse the recommendations
	Provide direction



# **Board Meeting Highlights**

May 22, 2020

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

a) CAO Walters advised that LSRCA's Education Team received a letter of thanks and appreciation from Simcoe County District School Board for their ability to overcome this year's challenges and continue to provide online learning. CAO Walters thanked the Education Team for their innovation during these challenging times and also thanked the Communications Team for their assistance with all the far-reaching online learning that LSRCA has been able to produce.

#### **PRESENTATIONS:**

#### a) Reopening Plan for Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority Conservation Areas

General Manager, Conservation Lands, Brian Kemp provided an overview of LSRCA's planned approach to reopening its conservation areas. Providing background, he noted that after a tough decision, all LSRCA Conservation Areas were closed on March 24<sup>th</sup> in an effort for LSRCA to do its part with social distancing and comply with provincial direction. On May 1<sup>st</sup> working with municipal partners East Gwillimbury, Newmarket and Uxbridge, a few LSRCA trails with direct connectivity to municipal trails were opened. Municipal staff assisted with the opening and monitoring of these trails. On May 11<sup>th</sup> with the Province opening conservation reserves for day use, LSRCA began working on a plan to reopen its conservation areas to provide limited day use. On May 19<sup>th</sup>, the Province further eased restrictions to include the opening of dog parks, etc. LSRCA is proceeding with its plan to reopen all conservation areas by May 29<sup>th</sup> excluding all amenities except the Bark Park at Scanlon Creek Conservation Area.

GM Kemp explained that steps to reopening included finalizing safety measures to keep staff safe, assessing all properties for hazards such as felled branches and trees, potholes, etc. He was pleased to note that properties for the most part are in good condition. New signage regarding restrictions and visitor etiquette is being installed, and enhanced maintenance will continue once properties are open. Staff will continue to keep municipal partners including park staff and bylaw enforcement updated on any property issues.

GM Kemp went on to note that timing for the reopening of conservation area facilities and amenities is unknown at this time but will coincide with provincial and medical health direction. Staff will continue to monitor properties and are prepared to close them again if restrictions and visitor etiquette is not adhered to.

Mayor Hackson thanked GM Kemp on behalf of the residents of East Gwillimbury, who are thankful for the opened trails, noting that East Gwillimbury staff enjoyed working with LSRCA staff and will continue to be available for ongoing assistance as needed.

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Councillor Gaertner asked about garbage in the conservation areas. GM Kemp noted they are trying to balance the need of garbage facilities versus safety of staff having to handle the garbage, and conservation area messaging includes asking the public to take home anything they bring, garbage included.

Chair Emmerson asked if staff have a sufficient supply of personal protective equipment, and GM Kemp noted that most items are available but finding sufficient face masks has been challenging. Chair Emmerson noted that York Region's Medical Officer of Health, Dr. Kurji, advised that a homemade, double layered cloth mask is a good substitute, and Mayor Barton advised that he has a source for masks should one be required.

Chair Emmerson thanked Board members for their assistance and patience and sent a thank you out to all LSRCA and municipal staff working on getting trails and conservation areas reopened.

To view this presentation, please click this link: LSRCA Conservation Areas Reopening Plan

#### **CORRESPONDENCE AND STAFF REPORTS:**

#### **Correspondence**

There were no items of Correspondence for this meeting.

#### LSRCA Business Continuity and Operational Response to the COVID -19 Pandemic

The Board received Staff Report No. 28-20-BOD, prepared by Chief Administrative Officer, Mike Walters, which updated the Board regarding LSRCA's business continuity and operational response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

#### Customer Service Strategy and Report on Timelines

The Board received Staff Report No. 29-20-BOD, prepared by Acting Director, Regulations, Ashlea Brown, which outlined LSRCA's customer service strategy and report on timelines.

#### Continued Improvements to Service Delivery -

#### Recommendations for assist Lake Simcoe Development Industry and Partner Municipalities

The Board approved Staff Report No. 30-20-BOD, prepared by General Manager, Planning & Development and Watershed Restoration Services, Rob Baldwin, which recommended updates in the Planning and Development area to assist in accelerating development industry and municipal projects.

#### Confidential Land Matter

The Board received Confidential Staff Report 31-20-BOD regarding a confidential land matter, and the Board approved the recommendations contained within the report.

For more information or to see the full agenda package, please click the link below for LSRCA's Board of Directors' webpage: https://www.lsrca.on.ca/Pages/Board-Meetings.aspx



# Town of Aurora General Committee Meeting Report

Video Conference Tuesday, July 7, 2020

Attendance

Council Members Mayor Mrakas in the Chair; Councillors Gaertner, Gallo, Gilliland

Humfryes, Kim, and Thompson

Members Absent None

Other Attendees Doug Nadorozny, Chief Administrative Officer, Robin McDougall,

Director of Community Services, Techa van Leeuwen, Director of Corporate Services, Rachel Wainwright-van Kessel, Director of Finance, Allan Downey, Director of Operations, David Waters, Director of Planning and Development Services, Michelle Outar, Acting Manager of Corporate Communications, Patricia De Sario,

Town Solicitor, Michael de Rond, Town Clerk, Linda Bottos,

Council/Committee Coordinator

This meeting was held electronically as per Section 20.1 of the Town's Procedure Bylaw No. 6228-19, as amended, due to the COVID-19 State of Emergency.

The Chair called the meeting to order at 7 p.m.

General Committee consented to recess the meeting at 9:07 p.m. and reconvened the meeting at 9:18 p.m.

# 1. Approval of the Agenda

General Committee approved the agenda as circulated by Legislative Services, including the following withdrawal and additional items:

Withdrawal of Delegation (a) Brian Atkins, Architect, and Wayne Morgan,
 Heritage Planner; Re: Item R7 – PDS20-028 – Request to Designate 15074
 Yonge Street ("Poplar Villa") under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act

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- Delegation (b) Rebecca Beaton, Resident
   Re: Cost of Construction on Holman Crescent and Johnson Road
- Notice of Motion (c) Councillor Kim and Mayor Mrakas
   Re: Anti-Black Racism and Anti-Racism Task Force

## 2. Declarations of Pecuniary Interest and General Nature Thereof

There were no declarations of pecuniary interest under the *Municipal Conflict of Interest Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. M.50.* 

# 3. Community Presentations

None

# 4. Delegations

(a) Brian Atkins, Architect, and Wayne Morgan, Heritage Planner
Re: Item R7 – PDS20-028 – Request to Designate 15074 Yonge Street
("Poplar Villa") under Part IV of the *Ontario Heritage Act* 

The delegation was withdrawn.

#### (b) Rebecca Beaton, Resident

Re: Cost of Construction on Holman Crescent and Johnson Road

Ms. Beaton expressed concerns regarding the approval process of two current capital projects, numbers 31118 and 31119, and requested clarification on the approval process, safeguards, and project budget increases.

General Committee received the comments of the delegation for information.

# 5. Consent Agenda

None

# 6. Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

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#### A1. Accessibility Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes of June 10, 2020

#### **General Committee recommends:**

1. That the Accessibility Advisory Committee meeting minutes of June 10, 2020, be received for information.

**Carried** 

## 7. Consideration of Items Requiring Discussion (Regular Agenda)

General Committee consented to permit the presentations for Items R1 and R2 additional time as required.

#### R1. CMS20-016 – Aquatics Feasibility Study

Mr. Stuart A. Isaac, President, The Isaac Sports Group, presented an overview of the feasibility study of the Town's aquatic facilities and programs, including strategic direction, programming, design, management, and financial analysis.

#### **General Committee recommends:**

1. That Report No. CMS20-016 be received for information.

Carried

# R2. PDS20-048 – Stable Neighbourhood Policy Review – Urban Design Guidelines

Ms. Wai Ying Di Giorgio, Principal, The Planning Partnership, presented an overview of the highlights of the proposed Urban Design Guidelines for the four stable neighbourhoods in Aurora.

#### **General Committee recommends:**

That Report No. PDS20-048 – Stable Neighbourhood Policy Review – Urban Design Guidelines be deferred to a September 2020 General Committee meeting and a notification letter be sent to the residents of the four stable neighbourhoods.

Motion to defer Carried

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#### R3. CMS20-017 – Downtown Street Wall Mural Program Guidelines

#### **General Committee recommends:**

- 1. That Report No. CMS20-017 be received; and
- That the Downtown Street Wall Mural Program Guidelines be approved; and
- That Community Services department staff be directed to initiate the selection process for the first mural through an online Call for Artists Application Process; and
- 4. That staff include a member of the Our Lady of Grace Church Council on the selection committee; and
- 5. That funding up to a maximum of \$5,000 be made available for the installation of the first mural from the Council operating contingency budget.

Carried

# R4. PDS20-011 – Heritage Permit Application File: HPA-2019-08 67 Catherine Avenue, Plan 116, Lot 20 and Part Lot 1

#### **General Committee recommends:**

- 1. That Report No. PDS20-011 be received; and
- 2. That Heritage Permit Application HPA-2019-08 be approved to permit the partial demolition of the rear portion of the existing dwelling at 67 Catherine Avenue and to construct a new addition with a floor area of 28.9m<sup>2</sup> (311 ft<sup>2</sup>).

Carried

# R5. PDS20-017 – Streetscape Improvements in the Northeast Old Aurora Heritage Conservation District

#### **General Committee recommends:**

1. That Report No. PDS20-017 be received; and

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 That staff be directed to prepare a cost analysis for all the remaining streetscape improvement measures recommended in the Northeast Old Aurora Conservation District Plan to be submitted as part of the 2021 budget process.

Carried

#### R6. PDS20-026 - BIA 2020 Business Plan and Budget

#### **General Committee recommends:**

- 1. That Report No. PDS20-026 be received; and
- 2. That the Aurora Business Improvement Association's (BIA) 2019 audited financial statements attached hereto as Attachment 2 be received; and
- 3. That the 2020 Business Plan and Budget attached hereto as Attachment 3 for the Aurora BIA be approved in part; and
- 4. That the Aurora BIA's audited 2019 surplus in the amount of \$6,293 be carried over to 2020.

Carried

# R7. PDS20-028 – Request to Designate 15074 Yonge Street ("Poplar Villa") under Part IV of the *Ontario Heritage Act*

#### **General Committee recommends:**

- 1. That Report No. PDS20-028 be received; and
- 2. That the property at 15074 Yonge Street, including the building known as "Poplar Villa" and its surrounding yards, be designated under Part IV of the *Ontario Heritage Act* as a property of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest; and
- 3. That the Town Clerk be authorized to publish and serve Council's Notice of Intention to Designate in accordance with the requirements of the *Ontario Heritage Act*; and

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4. That the designation by-law be brought before Council for adoption if no objections are received within the thirty (30) day period as per the *Ontario Heritage Act*.

Carried

# R8. PDS20-030 – Heritage Street Naming for Cedartrail Subdivision 14288 Yonge Street, File: SUB-2014-04

#### **General Committee recommends:**

- 1. That Report No. PDS20-030 be received; and
- 2. That the name "Phila Lane" be endorsed for the private road in the Cedartrail Subdivision (SUB-2014-04) to satisfy the heritage condition imposed by Council on July 4, 2017, for delisting the property from the Town of Aurora's Heritage Registry.

Carried

#### R9. FIN20-015 - 2019 Year-End Budget Report - as at December 31, 2019

#### **General Committee recommends:**

That Report No. FIN20-015 – 2019 Year-End Budget Report – as at December 31, 2019 be referred to the Finance Advisory Committee.

Motion to refer Carried

#### 8. Notices of Motion

(a) Councillor Humfryes

Re: Adoption of the International Holocaust Remembrance Alliance (IHRA)

Whereas on April 30, 2020, the Regional Municipality of York adopted the following resolution; and

Whereas the Regional Municipality of York and the Town of Aurora are rooted in the values of democracy, equity and inclusion; and

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Whereas in June 2018, the Inclusion Charter for York Region was endorsed as a community initiative, bringing together businesses, community organisations, municipalities, police services, hospitals, school boards, conservation authorities and agencies who share a vision to foster a welcoming and inclusive community; and

Whereas we have a shared responsibility to stop antisemitism in all its forms through education and public consciousness as antisemitic demonstrations continue to threaten communities and undermine democracy; and

Whereas the International Holocaust Remembrance Alliance (IHRA) is an intergovernmental organization founded in 1998 that consists of 34 countries including Canada, each of whom recognizes that international coordination is needed to combat antisemitism; and

Whereas six percent of York Region residents identify themselves as Jewish, which is a higher representation than Canada and Ontario; and

Whereas on February 27, 2020, Bill 168, the Combating Antisemitism Act, which directly mentioned IHRA, unanimously passed a second reading in the Ontario legislature with all-party support; and

Whereas on January 28, 2020, Vaughan Council unanimously endorsed Mayor Bevilacqua's motion to declare January 27 as International Holocaust Remembrance Day, which included the adoption of the IHRA definition of antisemitism; and

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## (b) Mayor Mrakas

#### Re: Rainbow Crosswalk at Yonge and Wellington Intersection

Whereas Aurora and other communities across the province have shown their support for Pride and the LGBTQ+ community by raising the Pride flag in June every year; and

Whereas the permanent installation of a rainbow crosswalk is a symbol of the Town of Aurora's acceptance of, support for, and commitment to diversity and inclusiveness; and

Whereas the intent of this initiative is to show vulnerable people in our community that Aurora is a town where everyone is welcome and accepted;

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# (c) Councillor Kim and Mayor Mrakas Re: Anti-Black Racism and Anti-Racism Task Force

Whereas the Town of Aurora has endorsed a Diversity and Inclusion Charter, a signed commitment to creating "...an inclusive environment...where everyone can participate freely in society and live with respect, dignity and freedom from discrimination"; and

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Whereas the Town of Aurora is committed to building a more inclusive society by "working to identify, address and prevent systemic racism in municipal policy, programs and services"; and

Whereas systemic barriers to full participation in our community continue to affect the lived experiences of Black Ontarians; and

Whereas the United Nations proclaimed 2015-2024 the Decade for People of African Descent, an important step in the international community recognizing that people of African descent represent a distinct group whose human rights must be promoted and protected; and

Whereas the Town of Aurora is committed to taking meaningful action to address anti-Black racism and affect long-term systemic change;

- Now Therefore Be It Hereby Resolved That an "Anti-Black Racism and Anti-Racism Task Force" be established; and
- 2. Be It Further Resolved That the purpose of this committee is to develop strategies to eliminate anti-Black racism and anti-racism in our community and the Municipal Corporation; and
- Be It Further Resolved That staff work with Black community groups within Aurora and York Region to identify and develop priorities for the proposed task force, identify opportunities to increase Black community engagement and foster an increased public awareness of anti-Black racism; and
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- 5. Be It Further Resolved That staff be directed to advertise, in accordance with the provisions of the "Policy for Ad Hoc/Advisory Committees and Local Boards", for applications from members of the public for appointment to the Anti-Black Racism and Anti-Racism Task Force; and
- 6. Be It Further Resolved That the Chief Administrative Officer be directed to appoint one appropriate staff liaison to support the work of the Anti-Black Racism and Anti-Racism Task Force; and

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- 7. Be It Further Resolved That each employee will have the responsibility to support the Equity, Diversity and Inclusion effort of the Town of Aurora; and
- 8. Be It Further Resolved That the Task Force will report at least annually on the progress made on diversity and inclusion in alignment with the Employment Equity Act and Bill C-25.

#### 9. New Business

Councillor Gilliland expressed appreciation to staff for their efforts in organizing Aurora's upcoming annual community cleanup event on July 25 and 26, 2020.

Councillor Gallo inquired about the anticipated time frame for Council's return to the Council Chambers for in-person meetings at Town Hall, and staff provided a response.

Councillor Gallo noted that a number of walls and fences on public property are in disrepair and offered to provide details to Town staff, and staff provided a response.

Councillor Humfryes referred to a petition received from Highland Green residents regarding the location of a scheduled dog park, which will be forwarded to Council.

Councillor Humfryes inquired about the Town's response and communications regarding the current gypsy moth outbreak, and staff provided a response.

Councillor Gaertner inquired about the state of the creek at the Geranium golf course development, and staff provided a response.

Councillor Gaertner inquired about whether a Class A estimate for Library Square has been received by Council, and staff provided a response.

Councillor Kim inquired about whether Niagara College's Canadian Food & Wine Institute will be moving forward with its fall agenda at the Aurora Armoury, and staff provided a response.

Councillor Humfryes requested an update on the construction projects discussed by Delegation (b) Rebecca Beaton, and staff provided a response.

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Councillor Humfryes inquired about the status and next steps of the Cousins Drive crossing in relation to Metrolinx, and staff provided a response.

Mayor Mrakas noted that Regional Council would be addressing the issue of mandatory masks later this week, and he requested feedback from the Council members who provided their individual perspectives.

#### 10. Public Service Announcements

Councillor Kim extended a reminder that residents can explore ways to stay active and engaged while physical distancing and self-isolating by visiting the Town's Recreation at Home webpage at **aurora.ca/recathome**.

Councillor Kim announced that the Skylight Gallery is currently featuring Aurorabased artist Sandra Murphy during the month of July 2020 and the online gallery show can be viewed at **aurora.ca/skylightgallery**.

Councillor Thompson announced that the summer camps team has created a Camp in a Bag program, including themed bag options and activities for campers of all ages, and more information is available at **aurora.ca/summercamps**.

Councillor Gaertner extended congratulations to teacher Gina Shillolo, who worked with her students regarding monarch butterflies, on her appointment as an outdoor education teacher with the York Region District School Board.

Councillor Gaertner invited residents to share good news stories by recognizing how **#AuroraBusinessesLead**, have given back and had a positive impact on the community during these difficult times, by visiting **engageaurora.ca/ourstories**, **#OurCOVID19stories**.

Councillor Gaertner encouraged everyone to shop local safely by visiting Aurora's one-stop online resource at **exploreaurora.ca**.

Councillor Humfryes announced that the Town is holding its annual community cleanup event over two days, July 25 and 26, 2020, where residents may participate in small groups or families, and more details and registration information can be found at **aurora.ca/cleanup**.

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Councillor Humfryes advised the application deadline for 20 Female Leaders in 2020 is July 8, 2020, and details are available at **aurora.ca/femalesportleaders**.

Councillor Gallo encouraged residents to share their thoughts and complete an online survey regarding the Town's Community Energy Plan (CEP), a comprehensive long-term plan to improve energy efficiency and reduce energy consumption and greenhouse gas emissions locally, at **engageaurora.ca/cep**.

Councillor Gilliland advised that the Town has an Instagram account just for teens, **@AuroraTeens**, including activities and content for ages 12 to 17 years, and the Youth Section of the Town's **#RecAtHome** website also includes resources and activities for teens at **aurora.ca/recathome**.

Mayor Mrakas announced that the Town has opened a temporary cooling centre in the Aurora Community Centre lobby located at 1 Community Centre Lane, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily until July 10, 2020, and more information is available by calling 905-727-1375.

Mayor Mrakas announced that Aurora's splash pads are now open from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. daily at locations including Town Park, Ada Johnson Park, Trent Park, Stewart Burnett Park, and Edward Coltham Park, and residents are being asked to respect the current physical distancing and hand hygiene guidelines.

Mayor Mrakas announced that Magna International Inc. has decided to maintain its corporate headquarters in Aurora by signing an extension to their current lease.

#### 11. Closed Session

None

# 12. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 10:30 p.m.



# Town of Aurora Audit Committee Meeting Report

Video Conference Tuesday, June 23, 2020

Attendance

Council Members Mayor Mrakas in the Chair; Councillors Gallo, Gilliland, Kim, and

Thompson

**Members Absent** Councillors Gaertner and Humfryes

Other Attendees Doug Nadorozny, Chief Administrative Officer, Robin McDougall,

Director of Community Services, Techa van Leeuwen, Director of Corporate Services, Rachel Wainwright-van Kessel, Director of Finance, Allan Downey, Director of Operations, David Waters, Director of Planning and Development Services, Patricia De Sario,

Town Solicitor, Michael de Rond, Town Clerk, Ishita Soneji,

Council/Committee Coordinator

This meeting was held electronically as per Section 20.1 of the Town's Procedure Bylaw No. 6228-19, as amended, due to the COVID-19 State of Emergency.

The Chair called the meeting to order at 6:18 p.m.

# 1. Approval of the Agenda

Audit Committee approved the agenda as circulated by Legislative Services.

# 2. Declarations of Pecuniary Interest and General Nature Thereof

There were no declarations of pecuniary interest under the *Municipal Conflict of Interest Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. M.50.* 

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## 3. Delegations

None

## 4. Consideration of Items Requiring Discussion

#### 1. FS20-016 – 2019 Audited Financial Statements with Audit Report

Ms. Giselle Bodkin and Ms. Emma Roy, Auditors, BDO Canada LLP, presented an overview of the audit report and the financial statements, including the audit findings, best practice recommendations and any identified risks, fraud preventive and internal control measures, and a summary of the audit process.

#### **Audit Committee recommends:**

- 1. That Report No. FS20-016 be received; and
- 2. That the 2019 Audit Reports and Financial Statements for the year ended December 31, 2019, be approved and published on the Town's website; and
- 3. That the 2020 year-end audit plan as proposed by BDO Canada LLP be endorsed.

Carried

# 5. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 6:39 p.m.



# Motion for Which Notice Has Been Given (July 7, 2020)

#### **Councillor Sandra Humfryes**

**Date:** July 14, 2020

To: Mayor and Members of Council

From: Councillor Humfryes

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Councillor Harold Kim and Mayor Tom Mrakas

**Date:** July 14, 2020

**To:** Members of Council

From: Councillor Kim and Mayor Mrakas

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# Town of Aurora Office of the Mayor

# **Memorandum**

**Date:** July 14, 2020

To: Members of Council

From: Mayor Tom Mrakas

Re: York Regional Council Highlights of June 25, 2020

#### Recommendation

That		

$\boxtimes$	Receive the correspondence for information
	Endorse the recommendations
	Provide direction



Home > Newsroom > Media Releases

#### **Media Release**

Council Highlights June 30, 2020

York Regional Council Highlights June 25, 2020



Live streaming of the public session of Council and Committee of the Whole meetings is available on the day of the meeting from 9 a.m. until the close of the meeting. Past sessions are also available at york.ca/councilandcommittee

# York Region moves to Stage 2 of provincial re-opening

On Friday, June 19, 2019, The Regional Municipality of York moved into Stage 2 of the provincial re-opening framework.

Throughout the COVID-19 global pandemic York Region has remained committed to protecting the health and safety of all residents while taking prudent measures to stop the spread of this virus. In the weeks ahead we will continue to follow the lead of the provincial government to ensure the timelines for the next stage of reopening are safe for all who live and work in our communities.

Regional Council recognizes entering Stage 2 is a testament to the residents and employees of York Region continuing to do their part to stop the spread of COVID-19. Thanks to these efforts, more businesses are able to re-open, families can visit with more loved ones and residents will be able to enjoy more of the activities.

While this is great news for York Region and our local economy, the fight against COVID-19 is not over. All York Region residents must continue doing their part to keep each other, our families and our communities safe. This includes staying at home when sick, maintaining physical distancing, washing your hands frequently with soap and water and wearing a two layer non-medical mask when physical distancing is not possible.

## **Impacts of COVID-19**

Regional Council received a number of updates on York Region's current response to the COVID-19 global pandemic and the on-going impacts on The Regional Municipality of York.

Analysis of financial information suggests unexpected costs and reduced revenues have had a cumulative impact of \$50.02 million, or approximately \$4.2 million per week on average.

If the current situation and recovery period continues for another six months, trends suggest the total impacts could be approximately \$129 million in 2020.

Included in the COVID-19 update is an analysis on the impact on travel in York Region.

With the closure of non-essential businesses, typical weekday traffic volumes reduced by almost 50% and weekend traffic volumes decreased approximately 42%. Daily heavy truck volumes did not change significantly and increased from approximately 3% to 8%.

York Region Transit (YRT) has also seen a significant decrease in ridership, up to 80%. To address physical distancing requirements, temporary traveller boarding standards have been implemented allowing 30% of available capacity to be used at any one time.

With the reduction of traffic volumes, construction projects have been working extended hours, allowing work to be completed faster and reducing the need for delays when traffic volumes increase.

Additional reports suggest the on-going pandemic will likely delay the development of the provincially mandated Community Safety and Well-being Plan and will defer the implementation of the *Housing Services Act*, Regulatory Amendments.

The province has advised the deadline to prepare and adopt a Community Safety and Well-Being Plan has been extended past January 1, 2021. Planned in-person community engagement remains on hold, however information and response to needs of vulnerable residents in York Region is helping shape what an appropriate plan could look after COVID-19 and beyond.

The COVID-19 situation also presents internal and external risks and resourcing factors related to the implementation of the Housing Services Act. In an effort to minimize impacts on tenants, co-operative members and housing wait list applicants, changes related to subsidized housing refusals have been deferred to January 1, 2021, while changes to the rent-geared-to-income program will not come into effect until July 1, 2021 as permitted by provincial regulation.

## Face coverings mandatory on York RegionTransit starting July 2, 2020

Regional Council approved a transit bylaw to make it mandatory for travellers to wear a non-medical face mask or covering while on a York Region Transit vehicle and all transit properties effective Thursday, July 2, 2020.

Numerous measures have been put in place to reduce the risk of spreading COVID-19 while helping to keep travellers and staff safe. These include enhanced cleaning and disinfection of buses and facilities and reducing the number of seats available to assist with physical distancing.

A limited number of non-medical masks will be available for passengers who do not have their own. Travellers are reminded if using disposable masks to ensure they are discarded properly in the garbage.

Children under the age of two, those unable to wear a face covering because of a medical condition and passengers needing assistance placing or removing a face covering are exempt from adhering to this bylaw.

Additionally, on Thursday, July 2, YRT will begin front door boarding and travellers will exit the bus through the middle or rear doors to create a one-way traveller flow. Barrier shields are being installed within the driver's area to provide protection between passengers and drivers. Hand sanitizer dispensers are also being installed at all YRT terminals.

YRT will continue to monitor updates to public health recommendations and provincial guidelines to ensure the transit system is adequately prepared to help reduce the spread of COVID-19 as the Province of Ontario re-opens.

## Social Services response to COVID-19

York Region continues to develop and implement actions as part of its social service response to COVID-19 including:

- Enhanced Housing and Homelessness Supports
- Innovative Children's Services
- Escalated Social Assistance and Income Supports
- Emergency Food Access

York Region's updated community scan found the key issues for vulnerable populations in York Region included access to food, system navigation and mental health and addictions support.

York Region will continue to work with other levels of government to identify and address social service needs.

# **COVID-19 small business support**

Regional Council authorized the repurposing of \$500,000 from the Innovation Investment Reserve Fund to provide COVID-19 support to local small businesses.

Leveraging \$500,000 from the Innovation Investment Reserve Fund to expand the reach of the Starter Company Plus program will provide support to small businesses across the nine local municipalities. Funds will be distributed through the Region's Small Business Enterprise Centres or support will take place through existing municipal Community Improvement Plans.

# **Expanding resources in Public Health**

Regional Council has approved the addition of eight permanent full time staff and up to 172 temporary full-time positions to support the on-going public health response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Under the provincial *Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act* order, local boards of health are authorized to take reasonable measures to respond to, prevent and alleviate the outbreak of COVID-19.

As York Region enters Stage 2 and eventually Stage 3 of the provincial re-opening framework, additional staffing resources are required to sustain the response, support the resumption of essential public health services, prepare for subsequent pandemic waves and meet the requirements of re-opening the local economy.

# Automated speed enforcement to slow drivers in school zones to launch in September

Regional Council received an update on automated speed enforcement, a pilot to have radar technology installed in community safety zones across the Region. The pilot program was scheduled to start this spring, however as a result of supplier and processing delays due to COVID-19, automated speed enforcement will be delayed until September 2020.

In October 2019, York Regional Council approved automated speed enforcement on Regional roads. The program remains a two-year limited use pilot aimed to create awareness and deter people from speeding near schools and is tentatively scheduled for September 2020 to August 2022.

# Pedestrian and cyclist pilot significantly reducing collisions thus far

In 2019 enhanced operational measures were implemented at four signalized intersections to help further protect pedestrians and cyclists. Measures put in place includes no right turns on red, exclusive left turn signal, warning signage and advanced pedestrian signal.

Pedestrian and cyclist feedback has been positive, indicating a feeling of being safer when crossing the road.

Pilot measures are installed at the following locations:

- Bathurst Street and Carrville Road/Rutherford Road in The City of Vaughan
- Bathurst Street and Clark Avenue in The City of Vaughan
- Major Mackenzie Drive and Bayview Avenue in The City of Richmond Hill
- Yonge Street and Clark Avenue in The City of Markham

Preliminary findings at pilot locations indicate right turn on red restrictions and protected left-turn lights reduce vehicle-pedestrian collisions by more than 50% and vehicle collisions by approximately 80%.

Staff will continue to monitor and evaluate the pilot and report back to Regional Council with findings in 2021.

## **Greening the Region's Fleet**

Regional Council approved the purchase of six additional electric buses to the York Region Transit (YRT) fleet, moving toward the goal of net-zero greenhouse gas emissions by 2051.

Transit buses create 60% of York Region's overall corporate greenhouse gas emissions. Electric buses will be phased in as diesel buses require replacement and as infrastructure improvements are made to support a fully electric fleet, significantly reducing greenhouse gas emissions.

The phased approach would see the purchase of six electric buses in 2021 with two additional electric buses purchased each year from 2022 to 2029.

Starting Monday, June 29, YRT will begin its trial of the electric buses purchased earlier this year. These electric buses will operate on routes 55 Davis Drive and 44 Bristol in the Town of Newmarket.

Over the next five years York Region has committed \$14 million in energy conservation initiatives. Strategies to reduce corporate emissions focus on transit, buildings, non-transit fleets and water and wastewater processes. Outlined in the Energy Conservation and Demand Management Plan is interim targets to ensure the Region remains on track to meet its 2051 Vision. In 2019, York Region achieved its target and on its way towards the goal of net-zero greenhouse gas emissions.

# **York Region Court Services 2019 Annual Report**

York Region Courts Services submitted its 2019 Annual Report to the Ministry of the Attorney General, outlining key accomplishments, activity and planned initiatives for 2020.

Highlights captured in the Court Services Annual 2019 Report include:

- 161,000-plus customers served in-person or by telephone
- 147,700 charges filed, a slight decrease from 2018
- 37,718 requests for disclosure
- 134,000-plus matters on trial dockets, including 671 charges related to cannabis enforcement

In 2019, Court Services also received a number of honours including the Peter J. Marshall Municipal Innovation Award from the Association of Municipalities of Ontario for leading the implementation of the first video testimony solution in a Province of Ontario court. It was also recognized by the Municipal Court Manager's Association of Ontario with the 2019 Peer Recognition Award for Commitment to the Organization and the Innovation Award to two Court Services staff for their outstanding work, positive contributions, championing of change and creative forward thinking solutions.

# York Region passes resolution to full producer responsibility

Regional Council passed a resolution for transitioning full responsibility for the Blue Box program to producers and/or service providers. The resolution includes the following recommendations to the Ontario government and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario:

- 1. York Region's prefers to transition blue box transfer and processing services concurrently with local municipal collection services in 2025
- 2. York Region will no longer provide transfer and processing services after Blue Box Program transition

To minimize risk across the integrated waste system, the Region and its local cities and towns prefer to collectively transition together in 2025. To minimize disruption and impacts on collections for residents, the Region will negotiate with producers for transition timing to align with specific local municipal collection contracts. Negotiating an earlier transition would also maximize opportunities for cost savings.

Until the transition, Regional and local municipal staff will continue to collaboratively manage blue box contamination and ensure the blue box collection and processing system is working smoothly.

The later transition date aligns best with collection contract end dates and allows time to negotiate with contractors and producers on commercial terms for acting as a service provider with minimal penalties for amending and/or ending existing contracts.

# 2019 greenhouse gas emissions target achieved

York Region's 2019 Corporate Energy Report identifies successes in reducing greenhouse gas emissions and energy consumption and costs from Regional

operations. Report highlights include:

- Corporate greenhouse gas emissions are 1% below the Energy Conservation and Demand Management Plan target for 2019
- Corporate energy costs fell by 3% or \$1.6 million as a result of lower market prices for gasoline and diesel fuel and successful natural gas and electricity procurement strategies
- \$14 million has been committed over the past five years in energy conservation initiatives including building efficiencies, electric bus pilot projects and process upgrades
- Regional energy consumption totalled \$50.7 million and produced 78,628 tonnes of greenhouse gas emissions
- Electrification of fleet vehicles and energy retrofits to Regional facilities are required to reach net-zero by 2051

The Region's corporate emissions are 1% to 3% of total community emissions. While this contribution is small, York Region recognizes the importance of our role in leading emission reduction initiatives to achieve a more sustainable future.

York Region's Corporate Energy Report tracks progress toward commitments made to mitigate impacts of climate change. York Region collaborates with local cities and towns to exchange information, share best practices and initiatives to reduce energy consumption and greenhouse gas emissions.

# New 20-year York Durham Sewage System Operating Agreement with Durham Region

York Region is implementing a new York Durham Sewage System Operating Agreement with Durham Region for 20 years beginning July 1, 2020. The agreement builds on the principles of transparency, enhanced reporting and achieving operational excellence, taking into account industry best practices, research and innovation.

Durham Region is a committed partner and successful operator of the Duffin Creek Plant. This new Operating Agreement will provide continuity in plant operations. Executing a new Operating Agreement reflects the long-term partnership between York Region and Durham Region in co-owning and managing the York Durham Sewage System Primary System, including the Duffin Creek Plant, to serve their respective residents.

The current Operating Agreement with Durham Region has been in place since 1997 and expires on June 30, 2020.

Since 1997, York Region has initiated and completed major improvements and expansions to address capacity and regulatory needs including optimization,

rehabilitation and expansion of infrastructure to increase capacity and treatment.

## Hospital capital funding for 2020

York Region continues to assist our local hospitals grow through its commitment to providing \$7 million to local hospitals in 2020. Annual funding amounts are adjusted for hospital performance and assessment growth and have helped fund capital improvements at four local hospitals:

- Mackenzie Vaughan Hospital
- Markham Stouffville Hospital
- Southlake Regional Health Centre
- Mackenzie Richmond Hill Hospital

York Region's contributions to hospital capital projects will provide residents with improved access to health care, reduce off-load delays and support the Region's Strategic Plan objective to improve access to health and social support services.

# Regional Council approves contract to award Salvation Army to deliver the Homelessness Prevention Program

The Homelessness Prevention Program is one component of York Region's investments and services to prevent homelessness and to help residents who become homeless with the necessary supports to find and keep housing. The program provides assistance to low income individuals and families who are experiencing homelessness, living in temporary shelter or at risk of losing their housing and not in receipt of Ontario Works or Ontario Disability Support Program assistance.

York Regional Council approved to enter into an agreement with The Governing Council of the Salvation Army in Canada through The Salvation Army Northridge Community Church to deliver the Homelessness Prevention Program for a term of up to five years.

# **Development activity during COVID19**

York Region continues planning and development activity during COVID-19 on housing, institutional, commercial and industrial development and ensuring planning policies and applications are advanced.

While there was an initial pause as municipalities adjusted to the pandemic response and emergency orders, new applications have only slowed slightly and development fees collected by the Region are similar to this time last year.

During the COVID-19 shutdown (March 17 to May 1, 2020) approximately 45 construction sites were open or active. Following the initial lifting of provincial restrictions (May 4 to May 18, 2020) approximately 150 construction sites have been active.

Further assessment of development activity will be reported to Regional Council in September 2020.

# York Region continues planning for density

As one of the fastest growing communities in Canada, York Region is expected to grow to 1.79 million people and 900,000 jobs by 2041. When planning for density in new communities, The Growth Plan requires a minimum density of 50 residents and jobs per hectare in York Region's Designated Greenfield Area.

Building compact and complete communities supports efficient use of infrastructure and reduces impact on agricultural land, reduces car dependency, supports public transit investment and contributes to creating a sense of place.

Setting the right New Community Area density will support complete communities, align growth and infrastructure, provide a mix of housing options and protect greenspace.

York Region will consult with the local municipalities and the Building Industry and Land Development Association (BILD) on a revised density target in the Regional Official Plan for New Community Areas.

# Measuring and monitoring affordable housing in 2019

Regional Council continues to work in collaboration with partners and local municipalities to implement new and innovative ways to address housing affordability and meet the growth projections outlined in the Regional Official Plan.

A full mix and range of housing options support growth and development of complete communities in York Region and helps to meet the needs of residents and workers of all ages and stages of life, impacting quality of life, community health and economic vitality.

York Region continues to face housing affordability challenges with only 14% of all new ownership and rental units affordable at the provincial threshold in 2019. The findings identify a need for more affordable ownership housing, including a full mix and range of unit sizes and the need for an increased supply of rental housing options.

To help address these challenges, York Region will continue to work with all levels of government and the development industry to explore new innovations and develop policy options through the Municipal Comprehensive Review process.

# 2019 Regional City Building update

Regional Council received an update on city building activities in 2019, including development, infrastructure investments and programs. Identified in the update are on-going and future initiatives that continue to drive city building projects forward to plan for complete communities.

In 2019, 40% of all York Region building permit activity and 79% of all apartment units were located in the Urban City Centres.

Planning for future growth in strategic locations, such as the Region's Urban City Centres, helps align with existing and planned infrastructure and services. This also guides rapid transit investment, residential intensification and commercial growth. Employment in the Urban City Centres grew by 5.3% in 2019, adding 6,800 jobs to the local economy.

# Job and development growth remain strong in York Region

In the 2019 Growth and Development Review, York Region continued to demonstrate growth in population, employment, construction value and the housing market.

Report highlights include:

- All local cities and towns experienced growth in 2019 with York Region's population growing by 11,100 or 1%; employment grew by 13,650 jobs or 2.1%
- Unemployment rate of 4.4% was the lowest on record and lowest in the Greater Toronto and Hamilton Area
- Total construction value for industrial, commercial and institutional building permits increased by 26% over 2018 values to \$1.25 billion
- Total construction value of \$3.15 billion is the seventh highest value ever recorded for York Region

• Housing completions decreased by 48.3% to 5,294 compared to 10,230 in 2018; due to COVID-19. However 9,613 units are currently under construction

COVID-19 has led to a broad shutdown of economic activity and many sectors in York Region were impacted negatively. Prior to the current economic downturn, York Region's employment activity continued to increase. A slow recovery has begun with support from the Business Recovery Support Partnership and the impacts to growth and development will be assessed and reported in the future.

# Agriculture and Agri-food Strategy update

York Region highlights positive progress update for 2019 Agriculture and Agri-Food Strategy activities, partnerships and achievements.

The strategy identified 45 action items for implementation over five years (2018 to 2022) to support and grow the agriculture and agri-food sector. The strategy is currently on track with 40 of 45 actions, nearly 90%, underway, planned or completed. These include showcasing agricultural innovators / champions in York Region, implementing a local food education campaign, supporting an agri-food asset mapping project and launching the first ever York Region Food and Beverage Food Accelerator Program with York University's YSpace.

York Region continued a number of funding partnerships to deliver projects that align with the Agriculture and Agri-Food Strategy and will continue to work on remaining deliverables for 2020 through to 2022 while focusing on building recovery post COVID-19.

# Regional Official Plan Natural Systems Planning Background Report

York Region will update natural systems (natural heritage system and water resource system) as part of the Regional Official Plan update based on provincial plans and requirements. Updated natural systems mapping and policy direction will be included in the draft Official Plan anticipated in the first half of 2021.

Protection of natural systems through Greenlands System is a priority for York Region. The Regional Greenlands is a connected system of protected natural heritage features, land and water systems that ensure animal and plant species and their natural environment thrive.

York Region will continue discussions and engagement with local municipalities, conservation authorities and stakeholders will occur throughout the process of

policy and mapping updates. Preliminary mapping and policy directions for natural heritage systems will be presented to Regional Council in advance of public consultation in 2021.

# York Region not moving forward on study of Regional Fire Service

Regional Council received an update indicating four of the Region's nine cities and towns do not support proceeding with a study to review the potential amalgamation on York Region's eight local fire services.

York Region currently has eight local fire departments serving its nine cities and towns – with Central York Fire servicing the Towns of Aurora and the Town of Newmarket.

As a study of a potential Regional Fire Service is not currently supported by a sufficient number of local municipalities to represent a triple majority, York Region will not proceed further.

# **Mandated review of Council Composition**

The Province of Ontario, through the *Municipal Act*, requires Regional Council to review the number of representatives from each of its nine local municipalities by December 2020.

Regional Council considered this on February 27, 2020, and through resolutions received from local municipal councils has initiated the process to change its composition by adding another member representing the City of Vaughan.

To pass a bylaw to change the composition of Regional Council, the motion must pass a triple majority approval. A triple majority is attained when the following three factors are met:

- A majority of Regional Council votes in favour of the bylaw
- A majority of the nine local municipal councils pass a resolution consenting to the bylaw
- The total number of voters in the local municipalities that have passed resolutions represent a majority of all electors in York Region

To complete the triple majority process, Regional Council will hold a public meeting in September 2020. If the bylaw is approved, the additional member for the City of Vaughan will be elected in the 2022 Municipal Election.

# **Community Report provides insight into York Region financial health**

Regional Council received the 2019 Community Report which profiles key 2019 accomplishments. The report also highlights the Region's strong financial state, information about York Region's multi-year budget and the Regional Fiscal Strategy.

The Community Report delivers a comprehensive look into York Region's strategic goals, demographics and highlights the services and programs provided to residents.

# Diversity, inclusion and anti-black racism

At the June 11, 2020 Committee of the Whole meeting, Regional Council observed an eight minute and 46-second moment of reflection in recognition of the tragic death of Mr. George Floyd.

The following week, Regional Council held a special education session with the Vaughan African Canadian Association. This important diversity dialogue provided an opportunity to better understand how York Region can continue to learn from people of colour and do more to end systemic racism and discrimination in our communities.

York Regional Council, York Regional Police and York Region staff are committed to fostering strong, safe and caring communities which are inclusive, celebrate diversity, equality and allow for everyone to live with respect, dignity and freedom from discrimination. There is no place for hate or intolerance in our organizations, cities and towns and Regional Council is committed to being part of the solution.

# York Region lobbies for seat on Big City Mayors' Caucus

Regional Council passed a resolution to seek two seats on the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) Big City Mayors' Caucus (BCMC).

The BCMC brings together representatives from 22 of Canada's biggest cities, offering a forum for policy development on a range of issues affecting the country's largest municipalities. Through the FCM, the mayors' caucus work with the federal government to shape national policy that encourages city building across the country.

As one of the largest and most diverse communities in Canada, York Region is Canada's fastest growing municipal jurisdiction without representation on the BCMC.

Through this resolution, York Region is seeking approval of an expended BCMC to include representation from York Region, specifically from the City of Markham and City of Vaughan.

# York Region receives 15 prestigious communication awards

York Region has received 15 International Association of Business Communicators (IABC) awards and was recognized as both the Not-for-Profit Communications Department of the Year and the Corporate Communications Department of the Year.

IABC is a global organization, representing non-profits, public sector organizations and Fortune 500 companies from around the world. The IABC has over 80 chapters worldwide, with its largest chapter being Toronto. IABC honours communication excellence on a worldwide and local scale through its Gold Quill and Toronto Ovation Awards.

For 2019, York Region was recognized with nine Gold Quill awards for a variety of communication campaigns and the Non-Profit Communications Department of the Year for the third consecutive year.

At a local level, York Region's communication efforts were awarded with six awards and the Corporate Communications Department of the Year award for the fifth consecutive year.

Through strong communication efforts, York Region continues to educate residents on the programs and services that help our communities thrive.

# York Region celebrates Pride

During the month of June, Regional Council and The Regional Municipality of York joined in celebrating Pride Month, paying tribute to those in the community who have and continue to fight to achieve equality and acceptance.

As one of Canada's fastest growing and most diverse communities, York Region embraces all dimensions of diversity and is grounded in the belief our greatest strength is the ability to build communities that celebrate and value everyone's contributions and differences.

#### **Seniors Month**

June is Seniors Month in Ontario, and Regional Council celebrated by recognizing the important contributions older adults and the important role communities plan in keeping seniors active, engaged and learning.

Regional Council remains committed to supporting the health and well-being of our aging population through the York Region Seniors Strategy, which balances the needs of all generations while also keeping seniors healthier, supporting age-friendly communities and connecting seniors to the right services at the right time.

# **National Indigenous History Month**

Regional Council recognized June as Nation Indigenous History Month and June 21 as National Indigenous Peoples Day, encouraging everyone to learn about and celebrate the heritage, contributions and outstanding achievements Métis, Inuit and First Nations peoples.

York Region is proud to have The Chippewas of Georgina Islands First Nation and Indigenous peoples living and working throughout the Region. Throughout the month of June and beyond, York Region acknowledges the rich culture, profound teachings and vibrant traditions of our First Nation and Indigenous peoples.

# **National Accessibility Week**

From May 31 to June 6, 2020, Regional Council recognized and celebrated National AccessAbility Week.

AccessAbility Week is a time to recognize the people, communities and organizations that are actively increasing opportunities and removing barriers so people of all abilities have a beet chance to succeed. It is an opportunity to focus on making our communities more welcoming and incisive for every individual who calls York Region home.

# **Canadian Multiculturalism Day**

Regional Council recognized June 27, 2020 as Canadian Multiculturalism Day and celebrated the individual identities and ancestry that makes York Region one of the most diverse communities in Canada.

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While Canadian multiculturalism is celebrated on this day, multiculturalism has greater daily meaning to our very own identity. Respecting and embracing various cultures is a fundamental core value that sets Canada and York Region apart from other places around the world.

As part of our commitment to inclusivity, the Inclusion Charter for York Region was created to embrace all dimensions of diversity and is grounded in the belief our greatest strength is the ability to build communities that celebrate and value everyone's differences and contributions.

# **Next regular meeting of York Regional Council**

York Regional Council will meet on Thursday, July 9, 2020 at 9 a.m. To maintain physical distancing and protect the health and well-being of residents, this will be a virtual meeting and streamed on york.ca/live

The Regional Municipality of York consists of nine local cities and towns and provides a variety of programs and services to 1.2 million residents and 54,000 businesses with over 650,000 employees. More information about the Region's key service areas is available at york.ca/regionalservices

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# The Corporation of the Town of Aurora

# By-law Number XXXX-20

# Being a By-law to amend Parking and Traffic Control By-law Number 4574-04.T, as amended, with respect to No Parking on various highways in the Town of Aurora.

**Whereas** paragraph 1 of subsection 11(3) of the *Municipal Act, 2001*, S.O. 2001, c. 25, as amended, provides that a lower-tier provides municipality to pass by-laws respecting highways, including parking and traffic on highways;

**And whereas** the Council of The Corporation of the Town of Aurora (the "Town") enacted By-law Number 4574-04.T, as amended, being the Parking and Traffic Control By-law, on September 28, 2004;

**And whereas** the Council of the Town deems it necessary and expedient to further amend By-law Number 4574-04.T, as amended;

Now therefore the Council of The Corporation of the Town of Aurora hereby enacts as follows:

1. Schedule I to By-law Number 4574-04.T, as amended, respecting No-Parking, be and is hereby amended by inserting the following:

Highway	Side	Road Section	Prohibited Times or Days
Kitimat Crescent	South and East	From: A point nine metres south of the beginning of the curb return.	
		To: A point nine metres east of the end of the curb return adjacent to 25 Kitimat Crescent.	Anytime

Enacted by Town of Aurora Council this 14th day of July, 2020.

•	Tom Mrakas, Mayor
,	Michael de Rond, Town Clerk

# The Corporation of the Town of Aurora By-law Number XXXX-20

Being a By-law to establish ward boundaries for the Town of Aurora.

**Whereas** Section 222 of the *Municipal Act*, 2001, S.O. 2001, c. 25, as amended, provides that a municipality is authorized to divide or re-divide the municipality into wards or to dissolve the existing wards;

**And whereas** at its Council Meeting held on June 23, 2020, the Municipal Council of The Corporation of the Town of Aurora passed a motion to establish a six (6) ward electoral system;

Now therefore the Council of The Corporation of the Town of Aurora hereby enacts as follows:

- 1. The number of wards in the Town of Aurora is set at six (6) and shall be divided as described in Schedule "A" which is attached and forms part of this by-law.
- 2. Effective for the 2022 municipal election, each ward shall be represented by one (1) Municipal Councillor elected within the ward boundary as described in Schedule "A", and the one (1) Municipal Councillor shall be the one (1) Councillor candidate with the highest number of votes within each ward boundary.
- 3. The Office of Mayor shall be elected by general vote.

Enacted by Town of Aurora Council this 14th day of July, 2020.

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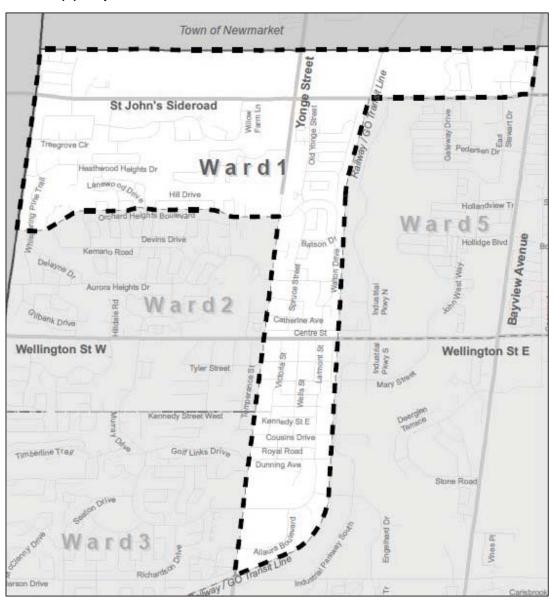
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#### Schedule "A" - Description and Maps of Wards

#### Ward One (1) Description

Beginning in the northwest corner of the Town of Aurora; Thence easterly along the northerly limit of the Town of Aurora to the centre line of Bayview Avenue; Thence southerly along the centre line of Bayview Avenue to the centre line of St. John's Sideroad; Thence westerly along the centre line of St. John's Sideroad to the centre line of the railway tracks; Thence southerly along the centre line of the railway tracks to the intersection of the railway tracks and the centre line of Yonge Street; Thence northerly along the centre line of Yonge Street to the centre line of Orchard Heights Boulevard; Thence westerly along the centre line of Orchard Heights Boulevard to the westerly limit of the Town of Aurora; Thence northerly on the Town of Aurora westerly limit to the point of beginning.

#### Ward One (1) Map

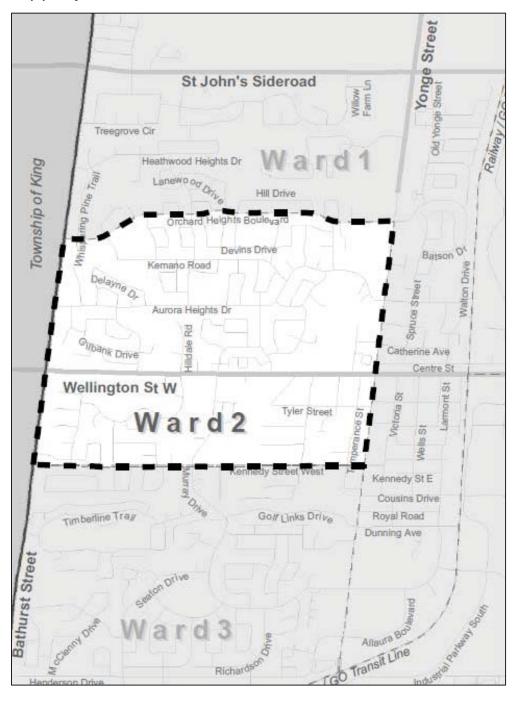


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## Ward Two (2) Description

Beginning at the intersection of the Town of Aurora westerly limit and the centre line of Orchard Heights Boulevard; Thence easterly along the centre line of Orchard Heights Boulevard to the centre line of Yonge Street; Thence southerly along the centre line of Yonge Street to the centre line of Kennedy Street West; Thence westerly along the centre line of Kennedy Street West to the westerly limit of the Town of Aurora; Thence northerly along the westerly limit of the Town of Aurora to the point of beginning.

#### Ward Two (2) Map

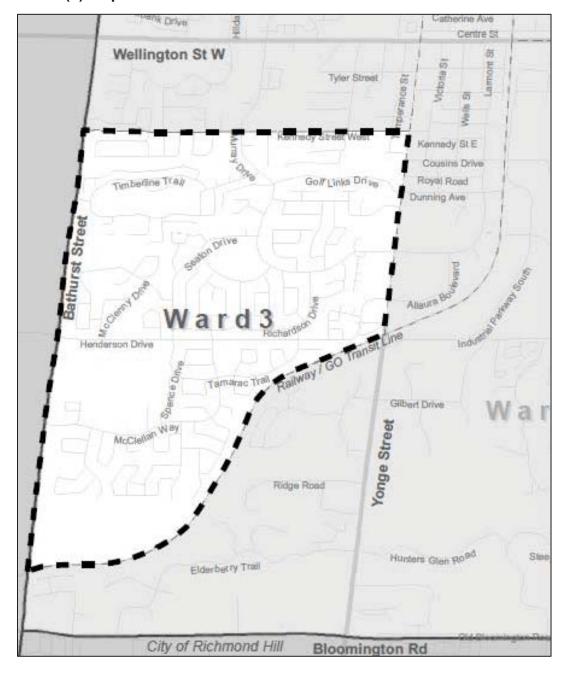


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## Ward Three (3) Description

Beginning at the intersection of the Town of Aurora westerly limit and the centre line of Kennedy Street West; Thence easterly along the centre line of Kennedy Street West to the centre line of Yonge Street; Thence southerly along the centre line of Yonge Street to the centre line of the intersection of the railway tracks and Yonge Street; Thence southwesterly along the centre line of the railway tracks to the westerly limit of the Town of Aurora; Thence northerly along the westerly limit of the Town of Aurora to the point of beginning.

#### Ward Three (3) Map

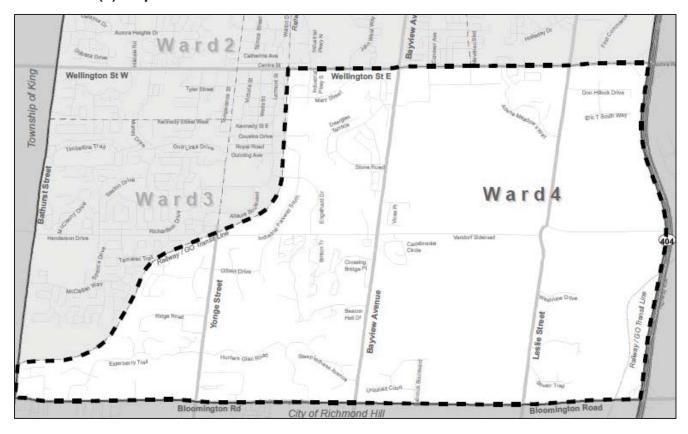


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# Ward Four (4) Description

Beginning in the southwest corner of the Town of Aurora; Thence northerly along the westerly limit of the Town of Aurora to the centre line of the railway tracks; Thence northeasterly along the centre line of the railway tracks to the intersection of the railway tracks and the centre line of Wellington Street; Thence easterly along the centre line of Wellington Street East to the easterly limit of the Town of Aurora; Thence southerly along the easterly limit of the Town of Aurora to the southerly limit of the Town of Aurora to the point of beginning.

# Ward Four (4) Map

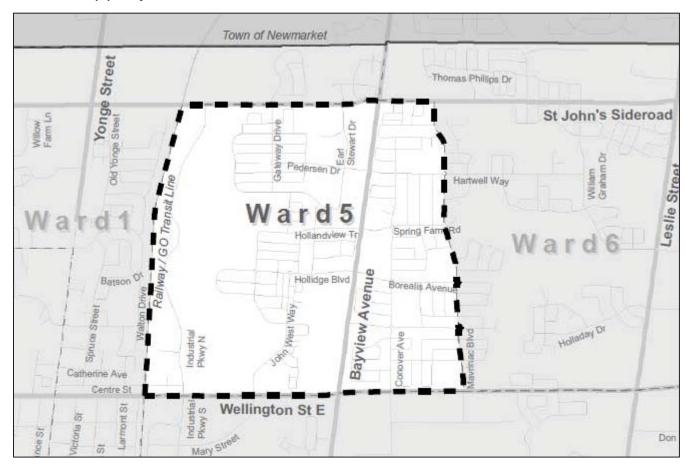


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# Ward Five (5) Description

Beginning at the intersection of the centre line of the railway tracks and the centre line of St. John's Sideroad; Thence easterly along the centre line of St. John's Sideroad to the centre line of Mavrinac Boulevard; Thence southerly along the centre line of Mavrinac Boulevard to the centre line of Wellington Street East; Thence westerly along the centre line of Wellington Street East to the centre line of the railway tracks; Thence northerly along the centre line of the railway tracks to the point of beginning.

#### Ward Five (5) Map

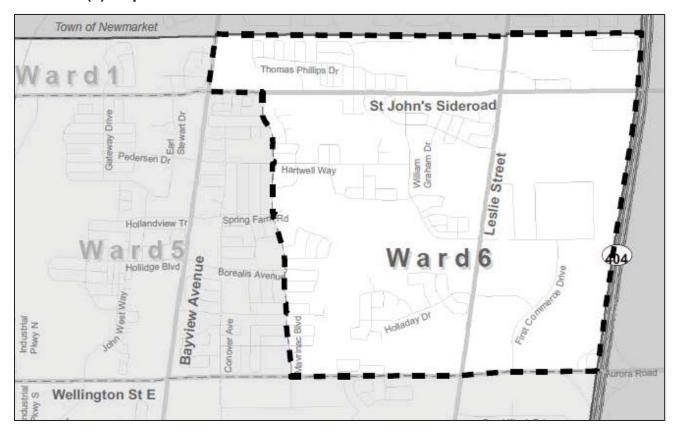


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## Ward Six (6) Description

Beginning in the northeast corner of the Town of Aurora; Thence southerly along the easterly limit of the Town of Aurora to the centre line of Wellington Street East; Thence westerly along the centre line of Wellington Street East to the centre line of Mavrinac Boulevard; Thence northerly along the centre line of Mavrinac Boulevard to the centre line of St. John's Sideroad; Thence westerly along the centre line of St. John's Sideroad to the centre line of Bayview Avenue; Thence northerly along the centre line of Bayview Avenue to the northerly limit of the Town of Aurora; Thence easterly along the northerly limit of the Town of Aurora to the point of beginning.

#### Ward Six (6) Map



#### The Corporation of the Town of Aurora

#### By-law Number XXXX-20

# Being a By-law to amend By-law Number 5285-10, as amended, to adopt Official Plan Amendment No. 21

**Whereas** on September 28, 2010 the Council of The Corporation of the Town of Aurora (the "Town") enacted By-law Number 5285-10, as amended, to adopt the Official Plan for the Town of Aurora (the "Official Plan");

**And whereas** authority is given to Council pursuant to the *Planning Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c. P.13, as amended (the "Planning Act") to pass a by-law amending the Official Plan;

**And whereas** the Council of the Town deems it necessary and expedient to further amend the Official Plan;

Now therefore the Council of The Corporation of the Town of Aurora hereby enacts as follows:

- 1. Official Plan Amendment No. 21 to the Official Plan, attached and forming part of this by-law, be and is hereby adopted.
- This by-law shall come into full force subject to compliance with the provisions of the Planning Act and subject to compliance with such provisions, this by-law will take effect from the date of final passage hereof.

Enacted by Town of Aurora Council this 14th day of July, 2020.

Tom Mrakas, Mayor
de Rond Town Clerk

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#### **Amendment No. 21**

#### To the Official Plan for the Town of Aurora

#### **Statement of Components**

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#### Part I - The Preamble

#### 1. Introduction

This part of Official Plan Amendment No. 21 (the "Amendment"), entitled Part I – The Preamble, explains the purpose and location of this Amendment, and provides an overview of the reasons for it. It is for explanatory purposes only and does not form part of the Amendment.

#### 2. Purpose of the Amendment

The purpose of this Amendment is to re-designate the subject lands from "Suburban Residential (SR)", "'Suburban Residential (SR-1)", "Core Area Open Space (COS)" and "Supporting Area Open Space (SOS)" designations to "Suburban Residential (SR-2)" and "Core Area Open Space (COS-1)" in order to facilitate the future development of 90 single detached dwellings along a private condominium road.

#### 3. Location

The lands affected by this Amendment are located on the north side of St. John's Sideroad, west of Yonge Street and municipally known as 306, 370, 434 & 488 St. John's Sideroad West and legally described as Part Lot 86, Concession 1 King, Part 1, Plan 65R-26049, Parts 1 and 2, Plan 65R-36724 and Parts 1 and 2, Plan 65R-37588 (the "Subject Lands").

#### 4. Basis of the Amendment

The basis of the Amendment is as follows:

4.1 The subject lands are designated "Suburban Residential (SR)", "Suburban Residential (SR-1)", "Core Area Open Space (COS)" and "Supporting Area Open Space (SOS)" designations. The SR designation generally permits fully serviced residential lots of approximately 0.2 hectares in size.

The SR-1 designation permits fully serviced lots with frontages greater than 24 metres and areas generally greater than 800 square metres.

The Core Area Open Space designation permits open space, approved stormwater management outlets and approved road and municipal service crossings. The area is intended to remain in a natural state and be dedicated to the Town.

The Supporting Area Open Space designation permits open space, approved stormwater management facilities, approved road and municipal service crossings, etc.

- 4.2 Applications for Official Plan Amendment, Zoning By-law Amendment and Draft Plan of Subdivision were submitted to the Town of Aurora for consideration in 2018, to facilitate the development of 92 Single-Detached dwellings on a private condominium road. The proposal was subsequently amended in 2019 and again in 2020 to reduce the number of residential dwellings from 92 to 90.
- 4.3 The Official Plan Amendment was submitted to re-designate the lands to Suburban Residential (SR-2) to permit fully serviced single-detached lots (90 total) with frontages generally greater than 15 metres and areas generally greater than 460 square metres. Accessory uses and home occupations which are

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- accessory to the residential use and compatible with the residential character may also be permitted. Neighbourhood oriented community services such as schools and parks shall also be permitted.
- 4.4 The Official Plan Amendment was submitted to also permit lands that allow for open space, approved stormwater management ponds, and approved road and municipal service crossings through a "Core Area Open Space (COS-1)" designation. Other than these permitted services, the areas shall remain in its natural state with only passive recreation uses permitted.
- 4.5 A Public Planning Meeting was held on June 26, 2019, to present the application and obtain input from the public and Council.
- 4.6 The Amendment is considered to be compatible and appropriate with the existing surrounding community and will result in a complementary built form.
- 4.7 The Amendment is consistent with Provincial and Regional Policies and Plans.
- 4.8 The Region of York is the approval authority for the Amendment.
- 4.9 The proposed development of the subject lands will be subject to future plan of condominium and site plan applications to establish common elements such as a private road and amenity spaces and to ensure compatibility with the surrounding area.

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#### Part II - The Amendment

#### 1. Introduction

This part of the Amendment, entitled Part II – The Amendment, consisting of the following text and attached maps, designated as Schedule "A" and Schedule "B", constitutes Amendment No. 21 to the Official Plan.

#### 2. Details of the Amendment

The Official Plan be and is hereby amended as follows:

- Item (1): Schedule "A" Structure Plan, being part of the Official Plan, be and is hereby amended by replacing the "Suburban Residential (SR)", "Suburban Residential (SR-1)", "Core Area Open Space (COS)" and "Supporting Area Open Space (SOS)" designations to "Suburban Residential (SR-2)" and "Core Area Open Space (COS-1)", as shown on Schedule "A", attached hereto and forming part of this Amendment.
- Item (2) Section 16.5.2 of the Official Plan be and is hereby amended to add the following policy:
  - "e) Suburban Residential (SR-2)

"Suburban Residential (SR-2)" permits fully serviced single-detached lots with frontages generally greater than 15 metres and areas generally greater than 460 square metres. Accessory uses and home occupations which are accessory to the residential use and compatible with the residential character may also be permitted. Neighbourhood oriented community services such as schools and parks shall also be permitted."

- Item (3): Section 16.5.2 of the Official Plan be and is hereby amended to add the following policy:
  - "f) Core Area Open Space (COS-1)

"Core Area Open Space (COS-1)" designation permits lands that are open space, approved stormwater management ponds, and approved road and municipal service crossings. Other than the above permitted services, this area shall remain in its natural state with only passive recreation uses permitted."

Official Plan Amendment No. 37 (OPA 37) be and is hereby amended as follows:

- Item (1): Schedule "A-A" Land Use Plan, being part of OPA 37, be and is hereby amended by replacing the "Suburban Residential (SR)", "Suburban Residential (SR-1)", "Core Area Open Space (COS)" and "Supporting Area Open Space (SOS)" designations to "Suburban Residential (SR-2)" and "Core Area Open Space (COS-1)", as shown on Schedule "B", attached hereto and forming part of this Amendment.
- Item (2): Section 2.0 of OPA 37 be and is hereby amended to add the following policy:
  - "2.5 Suburban Residential (SR-2)

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Suburban Residential (SR-2) permits fully serviced single-detached lots with frontages generally greater than 15 metres and areas generally greater than 460 square metres. Accessory uses and home occupations which are accessory to the residential use and compatible with the residential character may also be permitted. Neighbourhood oriented community services such as schools and parks shall also be permitted."

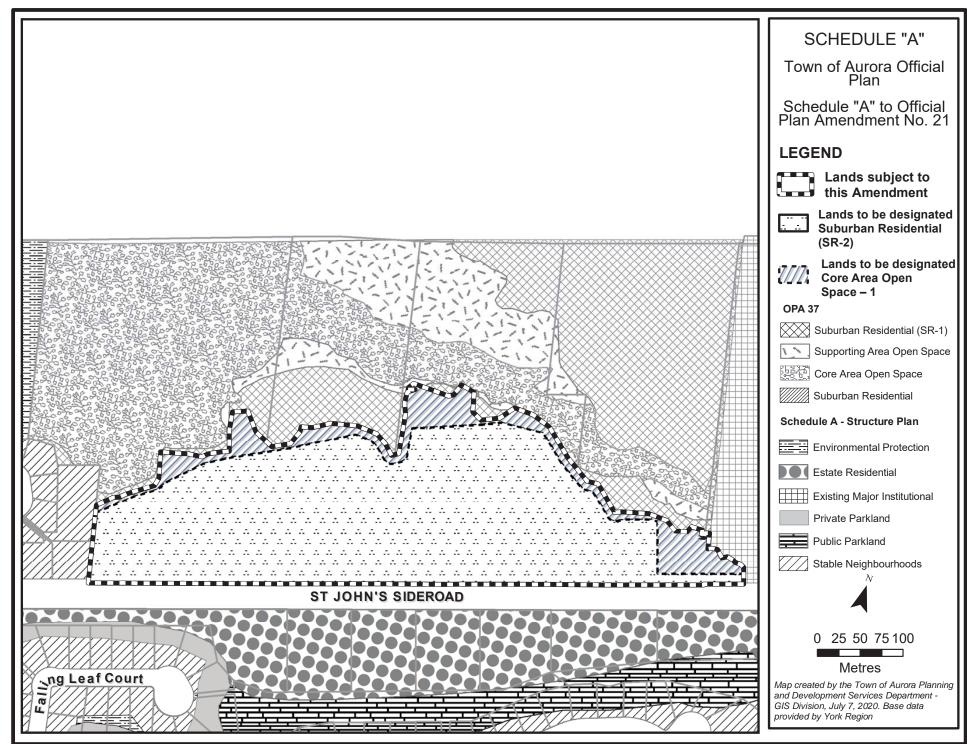
Item (3): Section 2.0 of OPA 37 be and is hereby amended to add the following policy:

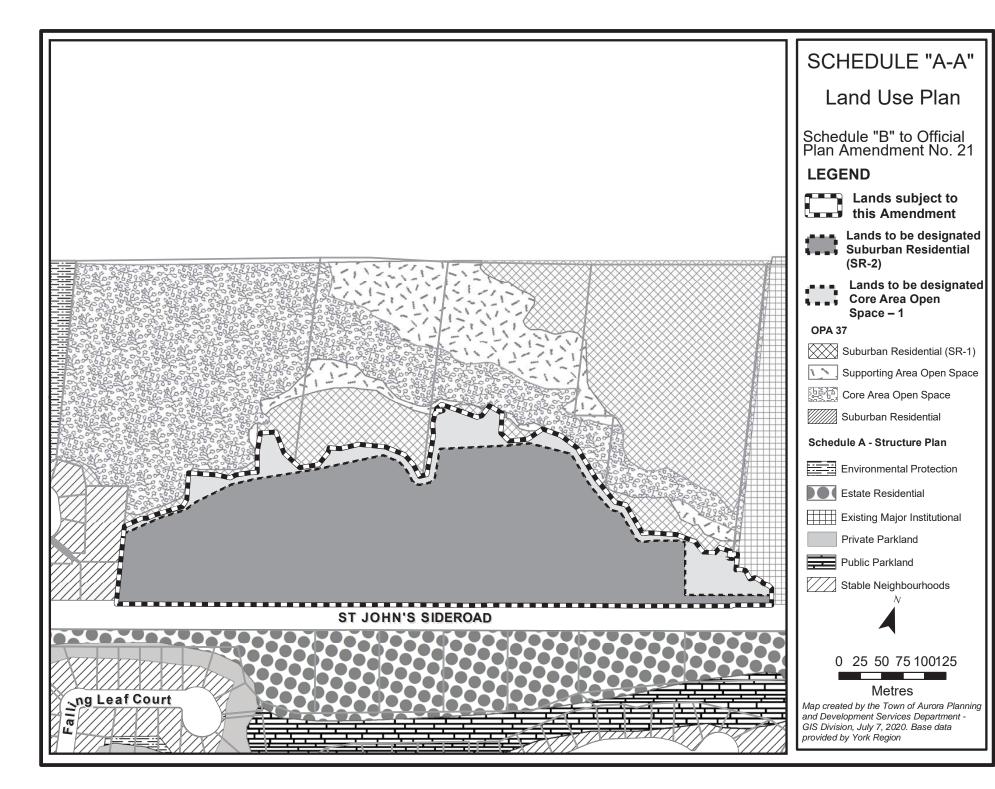
"2.6 Core Area Open Space (COS-1)

The Core Area Open Space designation permits lands that are open space, approved stormwater management ponds, and approved road and municipal service crossings. Other than the above permitted services this area shall remain in its natural state with only passive recreation uses permitted."

#### 3. Interpretation and Implementation

This Amendment has been considered in accordance with the provisions of the Official Plan. The implementation and interpretation of this Amendment shall be in accordance with the policies of the Official Plan.





# The Corporation of The Town of Aurora By-law Number XXXX-20

Being a By-law to confirm actions by Council resulting from a Council meeting on July 14, 2020.

The Council of the Corporation of The Town of Aurora hereby enacts as follows:

- 1. That the actions by Council at its Council meeting held on July 14, 2020, in respect of each motion, resolution and other action passed and taken by the Council at the said meeting is hereby adopted, ratified and confirmed.
- That the Mayor and the proper officers of the Town are hereby authorized and directed to do all things necessary to give effect to the said action or to obtain approvals where required and to execute all documents as may be necessary in that behalf and the Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to affix the corporate seal to all such documents.

Enacted by Town of Aurora Council this 14th day of July, 2020.

Tom Mrakas, Mayor
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Michael de Rond, Town Clerk