

General Committee Meeting Report Tuesday, March 22, 2022 2:30 p.m. Hybrid / Council Chamber

> Mayor A. Thompson Councillor I. Sinclair Councillor L. Kiernan Councillor J. Downey Councillor C. Early Councillor J. Innis Councillor N. deBoer Councillor A. Groves Councillor T. Rosa

Chief Administrative Officer: C. Herd
Director, Corporate Services / Town Clerk: L. Hall
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Coordinator, Council Committee: H. Lockyer
Manager, Legal and Court Services / Town Solicitor: A. Alyea
Director, Operations: B. Baird
Director, Engineering Services: A. Pearce

Director, Building and Municipal Law Enforcement / Chief Building Official: M. Sraga

CALL TO ORDER

Chair J. Innis called the meeting to order at 2:36 p.m. and advised that the meeting was being held as a hybrid meeting and open to the public through in-person attendance, an audio broadcast and streamed lived on the Town's website.

DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

None.

CONSENT AGENDA

The General Committee reports that the following matters were dealt with on the consent portion of the agenda and recommended to Town Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on March 29, 2022:

Staff Report 2022-0118: Proposed Policy Updates and the Use of Alternative Languages for the 2022 Municipal and School Board Election

That the Proposed Policy for the Use of Corporate Resources for Election Campaign Purposes attached as Schedule A to Staff Report 2022-0118, be approved; and

That the Proposed Accessible Election Policy attached as Schedule C to Staff Report 2022-0118, be approved; and

That a By-law be enacted to permit the translation of election information for voters and to delegate the authority to the Town Clerk to determine the languages to be used in addition to French and English.

Staff Report 2022-0066: 2021 Q4 Capital Status Update

That the 41 capital projects listed in Schedule A to Staff Report 2022-0066 be closed and the unaudited net capital project surplus of \$1,104,712.13 be transferred back to/(from) the original sources of funding;

That Capital Project 21-125 Emergency Storm Sewer Hickman Drive, in the amount of \$413,172, be funded from the Tax Funded Capital Contingency Reserve;

That Capital Project 21-126 Trail Culvert Emergency Repairs, in the amount of \$197,268, be funded from the Tax Funded Capital Contingency Reserve;

That the funding for Capital Project 21-129 Purchase of 1278 Mayfield Road be adjusted by:

The Land Sales Reserve funding be increased by \$600,000, The Tax Funded Capital Contingency Reserve be reduced by \$600,000;

That Capital Project 20-035 Concept Design Work for the Expansion of the Palgrave, Mono Mills and Alton Fire Stations be increased by \$1,980,000 funded \$1,584,000 from the DC Fire Reserve, and \$396,000 from the Tax Funded Capital Contingency Reserve; and

That Capital Project 21-029 Time Entry Management/Human Resource Information System Replacement – Additional Funding be increased by \$600,000 funded from the Tax Funded Operating Contingency Reserve.

Staff Report 2022-0069: Proposed 2022 Property Tax Ratios

That the 2022 Property Tax Ratios as outlined in Table 1 of Staff Report 2022-0069 be approved; and

That a by-law be enacted to establish 2022 tax ratios for prescribed property classes as outlined in Table 1 of Staff Report 2022-0069.

Staff Report 2022-0070: Proposed Interest Free Payment Option for Invoices Issued by Fire and Emergency Services

That a by-law be enacted to amend the Delegated Authority By-law 2016-106, as amended, to authorize the Treasurer to provide an interest free payment option for invoices issued by Fire & Emergency Services.

Staff Report 2022-0004: Partial Assumption of Municipal Services, Fernbrook Homes (Etobicoke Creek) Ltd. Anthem Residential Subdivision, Plan of Subdivision 43M-1845, Ward 2

That the roads and municipal services in the Fernbrook Homes (Etobicoke) Ltd., Anthem Residential Subdivision, Plan of Subdivision 43M-1845, Ward 2 be partially assumed save and except the storm water management facility and the concrete acoustic fence along the rear yards of lots 1 to 10 and 177 to 183, inclusive;

That securities in the amount of \$1,200,000 be retained by the Town to guarantee the remediation of the concrete acoustic fence along the rear yards of lots 1 to 10 and 177 to 183, inclusive and the removal of the accumulated sediment in the storm water management facility to the satisfaction of the Town; and

That a by-law be enacted that provides for the partial assumption of the roads and municipal services in Plan 43M-1845.

Staff Report 2022-0099: Proposed Meeting Additions to the 2022 Council & Committee Meeting Schedule

That the 2022 Council and Committee Meeting Schedule be amended to add the following meeting dates:

- General Committee Meeting on Tuesday, April 5 at 2:30 p.m.; and
- Planning and Development Committee Meeting on Monday, April 25 at 2:30 p.m. for the purposes of hosting a workshop on the Official Plan.

Notice of Motion - Nuisance Noise from Exhaust Systems

Whereas nuisance noise resulting from exhaust systems has for decades created negative impacts on Caledon residents and the enjoyment of their homes and community;

Whereas municipalities such as the Town of Ajax have brought similar motions forward requesting the Province of Ontario take action to address the nuisance noise caused by vehicular exhaust systems;

Now therefore be it resolved that Town of Caledon Council urge the Province of Ontario to work with the Lieutenant Governor to expedite the proclamation of section 75.1 of the

Highway Traffic Act (Better for People, Smarter for Business Act, 2019, S.O. 2019, c. 14, Sched. 16, s. 11);

That the Ministry of Transportation be requested to set a maximum decibel count for exhaust systems to ensure that exhaust systems with the capability of exceeding 80 decibels will not be available for sale and will not be permitted in the Province of Ontario, and consider reviewing and increasing associated penalties for non-compliance;

That the Province of Ontario be requested to provide funding for police services in Ontario to be equipped with approved decibel monitor devices to aid in effective enforcement efforts; and

Further that a copy of this motion be sent to the Honourable Caroline Mulroney, Minister of Transportation, the Honourable Sylvia Jones, Solicitor General / MPP Dufferin-Caledon, all Peel municipalities, Ontario Provincial Police and the Peel Regional Police.

Notice of Motion - Proposed Noise By-law Amendment to Restrict the Operation of Construction Equipment on Sundays and Statutory Holidays

Whereas the Town's Noise By-law permits the operation of any equipment in connection with construction to occur 7 days a week from 6:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m.;

Whereas residents have brought forward concerns regarding the use of construction equipment on Sunday's disturbing the peace and enjoyment of their properties;

Whereas it is reasonable to restrict the use of construction equipment at certain times to support the peace and enjoyment of the community;

Now therefore be it resolved that a by-law be enacted to amend the Town's Noise By-law to restrict the operation of any equipment in connection with construction on Sundays and statutory holidays between the hours of 8:00 p.m. one day to 8:00 a.m. the next day; and

Further that the proposed amendment is not a major change to the Town's Noise By-law and therefore a public open house is not required pursuant to the Town's Notice Policy.

Notice of Motion - Request to Review Airport Road and Highway 9 Intersection

Whereas the intersection of Airport Road and Highway 9 often experiences significant traffic congestion of vehicles, particularly during rush hour and in the summer months;

Whereas traffic congestion will increase over time within the Town of Caledon and surrounding areas as the population grows;

Whereas the Ministry of Transportation is responsible for managing the traffic signaling infrastructure at the subject intersection;

Now therefore be it resolved that the Ministry of Transportation be requested to review opportunities to install advanced left turn signals at the intersection of Airport Road and Highway 9 to alleviate traffic congestion travelling north and west bound during peak times.

Notice of Motion - Optional Small Business Property Tax Subclass

Whereas the Province of Ontario passed amendments to the Assessment Act in May of 2021 providing Ontario municipalities with the option to provide a property tax reduction for properties defined under an Optional Small Business Tax Subclass;

Whereas the Region of Peel convened a working group comprised of Region of Peel, City of Brampton, City of Mississauga and Town of Caledon staff that has engaged with various stakeholders in reviewing the optional small business subclass (the "Subclass");

Whereas the Region of Peel must pass a by-law to adopt the Optional Small Business Tax Subclass for implementation in local municipalities;

Whereas on October 28, 2021 Region of Peel Council endorsed the staff recommendation not to adopt the Optional Small Business Subclass for 2022, at that time;

Whereas this policy decision can be revisited in future tax policy reviews;

Whereas implementation of the Optional Small Business Tax Subclass requires careful consideration, thorough consultation with the community and with local municipalities;

Now therefore be it resolved that the Town of Caledon request that a meeting be held with the Mayors of the Town of Caledon, City of Brampton, City of Mississauga, the Chief Financial Officer of the Region of Peel, and the Regional Chair of the Region of Peel to discuss revisiting this tax policy and options moving forward; and

Further that a copy of the motion be sent to the Honourable Vic Fedeli, Minister of Economic Development, Job Creation and Trade, the Honourable Maud Murray, Deputy Minister of Economic Development, Job Creation and Trade, the Honourable Prabmeet Sarkaria, President of the Treasury Board on Ontario and the Region of Peel.

DELEGATIONS

Cynthia Wood and Alexis Fraser, on behalf of the Neighbours of Boston Mills Road, provided a delegation regarding the petition submitted by the neighbours for a Safer and Cleaner Community, included as agenda item 9.3.1. Ms. Wood provided an overview of the purpose of the petition submitted and collectively they discussed the communities concerns with respect to illegal dumping and other illegal activity, road conditions, excessive speeding and safety. Ms. Wood and Ms. Fraser requested that the Town consider installing 'no stopping' signs along the identified stretch of Boston Mills Road, reducing the speed limit, adding more signage specific to illegal dumping, and narrowing the road to avoid vehicles stopping.

Members of Committee provided comments, asked questions and received responses from the delegates.

With the consensus of the Committee, the order of items on the Agenda was amended to discuss the Petition from the Neighbours of Boston Mills Road for a Safer and Cleaner Community.

Neighbours of Boston Mills Road for a Safer and Cleaner Community

That the petition from the Neighbours of Boston Mills Road for a Safer and Cleaner Community be received and referred to Town staff and the Caledon OPP for review of the issues and to report back.

PRESENTATIONS

Proposed Encroachment By-law & Clean Yards By-law Amendment

Mark Sraga, Director, Building and Municipal Law Enforcement / Chief Building Official provided a presentation regarding the Proposed Encroachment By-law and Clean Yards By-law Amendment. Mr. Sraga provided an overview of the need for the Town to implement an Encroachment By-law to provide property owners with the ability to improve the overall streetscape. The Town's Traffic By-law currently prohibits all encroachments and is very restrictive preventing property owners from making improvements to the overall beautification of the area. He provided examples of what would be considered minor encroachments and noted that major encroachments will require a permit. He further outlined the proposed process for how members of the public will go about obtaining a permit should the by-law be enacted.

Mr. Sraga identified that the intent of the proposed amendments to the Clean Yards By-law is to align the service expectation for property owners to maintain the boulevard area. The Town's Clean Yards By-law applies to properties less than 0.4 hectares (1 acre) in size where complaints pertaining to excessive grass for larger properties would be enforced under the Town's Property Standards By-law resulting in a longer turnaround time for compliance and utilizing additional staff resources as there is an appeal mechanism for these contraventions. He addressed that several property owners voluntarily maintain the boulevard area. Mr. Sraga outlined the proposed amendments to the by-law noting that should the amending by-law be enacted; property owners will be responsible to maintain the grass portion of the boulevard and that removing the existing size limitation of 0.4 hectares will enable more effective and responsive enforcement. He concluded his presentation outlining next steps which include a public open house to gather

feedback on the proposed by-law and then a final report and draft by-law will be brought forward for consideration.

Members of Committee provided comments, asked questions and received responses from Mr. Sraga.

STAFF REPORTS

The General Committee recommends adoption of the following recommendation:

Staff Report 2022-0076: Town of Caledon Priorities for the 2022 Provincial Election

That the Town of Caledon Priorities for the 2022 Provincial Election outlined in Staff Report 2022-0076, be approved; and

That the Town of Caledon Priorities for the 2022 Provincial Election include:

- Dumping Increasing fine amounts for by-law infractions
- Transportation Extension of the 427 to Highway 9

This matter was recommended to Town Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on March 29, 2022.

The General Committee recommends adoption of the following recommendation:

Staff Report 2022-0128: Pre-approval for the Purchase of 2023 Fleet and Heavy Equipment

That due to global supply chain uncertainties and long lead time required to acquire fleet and heavy equipment, that the following proposed procurements for 2023, as outlined in Schedule A of Staff Report 2022-0128, be pre-approved for the 2023 Budget:

- a) Capital Project #22-011 Fleet Asset Replacements in the amount of \$2,870,000;
- b) Capital Project #22-012 Development Growth Fleet Asset Additions in the amount of \$1,877,472; and

That the 2023 fleet funding commitments outlined in Table 1 of Staff Report 2022-0128, be approved.

This matter was recommended to Town Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on March 29, 2022.

Councillor L. Kiernan left the meeting at 3:57 p.m. and returned at 4:03 p.m.

The General Committee recommends adoption of the following recommendation:

Staff Report 2022-0029: Proposed New Name for the Old Bolton Fire Hall Facility at 28 Ann Street, Ward 5

That the Old Bolton Fire Hall located at 28 Ann Street be renamed as, 'Humber River Centre'.

This matter was recommended to Town Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on March 29, 2022.

NOTICES OF MOTION

The General Committee recommends adoption of the following recommendation:

Request for Financial Assistance to Permit a Trailer at 14195 Torbram Road

Whereas the property owner of 14195 Torbram Road applied for a Building permit to place a residential trailer on the noted property which is currently vacant land, the use of the trailer is intended to accommodate farm assistance;

Whereas pursuant to the Town's Development Charges By-law, the town's portion of development charges for the placement of the residential trailer is 46,006.56 as the exemption provisions within the By-law do not apply unless the trailer is a secondary dwelling;

Whereas the Town supports local farmers and their need to hire and retain farm assistance for the viability of their agricultural operations;

Now therefore be it resolved that a grant in lieu of development charges be provided to the property owner of 14195 Torbram Road, to the upset limit of \$46,006.56; for the placement of the residential trailer, subject to all the conditions of the Building permit being met to the satisfaction of the Chief Building Official or designate; and

Further that in lieu of a two-cheque exchange between the Town and property owner, the grant be processed by an internal transfer from the Town's Grants - Development Charges Exemption operating budget to the Development Charge reserve funds revenue accounts.

This matter was recommended to Town Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on March 29, 2022.

The General Committee recommends adoption of the following recommendation:

Request to Review Airport Road and Old Church Road Intersection

Whereas the intersection of Airport Road and Old Church Road often experiences significant traffic congestion during morning and evening rush hour;

Whereas there is currently no advanced left turn signal for vehicles traveling south on Airport road and turning on to Old Church Road, resulting in an accumulation of traffic;

Whereas vehicles travelling south on Airport Road frequently enter into hatched pavement markings to illegally pass on the right side of vehicles waiting to turn left;

Whereas the Region of Peel is responsible for managing the traffic signaling infrastructure at the subject intersection;

Now therefore be it resolved that the Region of Peel be requested to investigate the subject intersection to improve traffic flow for those travelling southbound, including the installation of an advanced left turn signal, to reduce illegal passing.

This matter was recommended to Town Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on March 29, 2022.

CORRESPONDENCE

Brampton Christian School Request to Waive Development Charges

That the Request from the Brampton Christian School to Waive Development Charges be referred to staff for review and to report back.

CONFIDENTIAL SESSION

Moved by: Mayor A. Thompson - Seconded by: Councillor T. Rosa

That Committee shall go into Confidential Session under Section 239 of the Municipal Act for the following purposes:

Confidential Staff Report 2022-0071: Personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees - Visitor Management Task Force Appointment;

Confidential Staff Report 2022-0106: Personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees - 2022 Senior of the Year Nominations; and

Confidential Staff Report 2022-0022: Personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees - Community Recognition Night Award Recipients and Community Champion 2022

A recorded vote was taken as follows:

Recorded Vote	YES	NO	CONFLICT	ABSENT
Mayor A. Thompson	X			
Councillor I. Sinclair	X			
Councillor L. Kiernan	Χ			
Councillor J. Downey	Χ			
Councillor C. Early	X			
Councillor J. Innis	Χ			
Councillor N. deBoer	Χ			
Councillor A. Groves	Χ			
Councillor T. Rosa	X			
Total	9	0	0	0 Carried.

General Committee recessed at 4:23 p.m. and convened in Confidential Session at 4:37 p.m.

Mayor A. Thompson, Councillor N. deBoer, Councillor J. Downey, Councillor C. Early, Councillor A. Groves, Councillor J. Innis, Councillor L. Kiernan, Councillor T. Rosa, Councillor I. Sinclair, Chief Administrative Officer: C. Herd, , Director, Corporate Services / Town Clerk: L. Hall, Deputy Clerk, Council & Committee Services: J. Lavecchia and Director, Community Services: H. Savage, were present for this portion of the meeting.

The General Committee adjourned Confidential Session and reconvened in Open Session at 4:56 p.m.

The General Committee recommends adoption of the following recommendation:

Confidential Staff Report 2022-0071: Personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees - Visitor Management Task Force Appointment

That the two Members of Council, Tony Rosa and Lynn Kiernan, be appointed to the Visitor Management Task Force;

That the Terms of Reference be amended to remove the requirement for members to be residents of the Town of Caledon;

That the Terms of Reference be further amended to increase the number of Community Representatives from five to seven;

That the following seven individuals be appointed as Community Representatives to the Visitor Management Task Force:

- 1. Judy Mabee
- 2. Mark Prieur
- 3. Liz Beatty
- 4. William Carter
- 5. Anne Boschetto

- 6. Robert Deonarine
- 7. Heather Kendall

That the following three individuals be appointed as Members at Large:

- 1. Chris Humeniuk
- 2. John Monczka
- 3. Robert Darrell

This matter was recommended to Town Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on March 29, 2022.

The General Committee recommends adoption of the following recommendation:

Confidential Staff Report 2022-0106: Personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees - 2022 Senior of the Year Nominations

That Council select a recipient from the provided community nominations for the 2022 Senior of the Year award for the Town of Caledon; and

That Bob Fines be named as Caledon's Senior of the Year.

This matter was recommended to Town Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on March 29, 2022.

The General Committee recommends adoption of the following recommendation:

Confidential Staff Report 2022-0022: Personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees - Community Recognition Night Award Recipients and Community Champion 2022

That Neil Morris be selected as the recipient of the 2022 Community Champion award;

That the 2022 Caledon Community Recognition Night award recipients as listed in Schedule A to Confidential Staff Report 2022-0022, be approved and be made public.

This matter was recommended to Town Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on March 29, 2022.

RECONSIDERATION

Moved by: Councillor C. Early - Seconded by: Councillor J. Downey

That in accordance with section 11.2 of the Town's Procedural By-law, Council bring forward for reconsideration correspondence motion regarding the Request from the Brampton Christian School to Waive Development Charges.

A recorded vote was taken as follows:

Recorded Vote	YES	NO	CONFLICT	ABSENT	
Mayor A. Thompson	Χ				
Councillor I. Sinclair	X				
Councillor L. Kiernan	Χ				
Councillor J. Downey	X				
Councillor C. Early	X				
Councillor J. Innis	X				
Councillor N. deBoer	X				
Councillor A. Groves	X				
Councillor T. Rosa	X				
Total	9	0	0	0	
			Carried with two-thirds.		

Moved by: Councillor L. Kiernan - Seconded by: Councillor N. deBoer

Brampton Christian School Request to Waive Development Charges

That the Request from the Brampton Christian School to Waive Development Charges be referred to staff for review and to report back.

A recorded vote was taken as follows:

Recorded Vote	YES	NO	CONFLICT	ABSENT
Mayor A. Thompson		Χ		
Councillor I. Sinclair		Χ		
Councillor L. Kiernan		Χ		
Councillor J. Downey		Χ		
Councillor C. Early		Χ		
Councillor J. Innis		Χ		
Councillor N. deBoer		Χ		
Councillor A. Groves		Χ		
Councillor T. Rosa		Χ		
Total	0	9	0	0
				Lost.

CORRESPONDENCE

The General Committee recommends adoption of the following recommendation:

Brampton Christian School Request to Waive Development Charges

That a grant in lieu of waiving Development Charges be provided to Brampton Christian School to the upset limit of \$16,837.20 for three portables being proposed, and

That in lieu of a two-cheque exchange between the Town and Brampton Christian School, the grant be processed via an internal transfer from the Town's Grants – Development Charges Exemption operating budget to the Development Charge reserve funds revenue accounts.

This matter was recommended to Town Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on March 29, 2022.

ADJOURNMENT

The Committee adjourned at 5:08 p.m.