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**Special Council Meeting
C#29-18**

**Thursday, October 18, 2018
1:30 p.m.**

**Council Chambers
Richmond Hill Town Hall
225 East Beaver Creek Road
Richmond Hill, Ontario**

**His Worship
Mayor Dave Barrow**

Minutes

A special meeting of the Council of the Town of Richmond Hill was held on Thursday, October 18, 2018 at 1:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

The following Members of Council were present:

Mayor Barrow
Regional and Local Councillor Spatafora
Councillor Beros
Councillor Muench
Councillor Liu
Councillor West
Councillor Cilevitz
Councillor Chan

Regrets:
Regional and Local Councillor Hogg

The following members of Staff were present:

N. Garbe, Chief Administrative Officer
I. Brutto, Commissioner of Environment and Infrastructure Services
M. Dempster, Commissioner of Corporate and Financial Services
K. Kwan, Commissioner of Planning and Regulatory Services
I. Simanovskis, Commissioner of Community Services
A. Dimilta, Town Solicitor
S. Kraft, Fire Chief
J. DeVries, Director, Regulatory Services/CBO
M. Gandhi, Director, Communication Services
P. Lee, Director, Policy Planning
T. Steele, Director, By-law and Licensing Enforcement
S. Aiello, Manager, Development - Zoning
D. Alexander, Manager, Access Richmond Hill
L. Conde, Manager, Policy and Inter-Governmental
C. Moore, Manager, Communication Services
J. Baker, Supervisor, By-law and Licensing Enforcement
M. Fartsalas, Supervisor, AMPS
D. Guy, By-Law/Licensing Officer
J. Hypolite, IT Service Desk Technical Analyst
G. Collier, Deputy Town Clerk
L. Sampogna, Council/Committee Coordinator

Adoption of Agenda

Moved by: Councillor West
Seconded by: Councillor Cilevitz

That the agenda be adopted as distributed by the Clerk with the following addition:

- a) Delegation – Haiyan Jiang, 39 Alexandra Wood

Carried

Disclosures of Pecuniary Interest and General Nature Thereof

There were no disclosures of pecuniary interest by Members of Council under the *Municipal Conflict of Interest Act*.

Scheduled Business

3.1 Presentation by Neil Garbe, Chief Administrative Officer, regarding the prohibition of smoking or vaporizing of recreational cannabis in public places in the Town of Richmond Hill

Neil Garbe, Chief Administrative Officer, made a presentation regarding the prohibition of smoking or vaporizing of recreational cannabis in public places in the Town of Richmond Hill. He provided an overview of the Federal Legislation and status of the Provincial Cannabis Legislation, and highlighted the regulation options for Richmond Hill, namely, (i) remain status quo and use the current Federal and Provincial Legislative enforcement model in accordance with the *Smoke-Free Ontario Act, 2017*; and (ii) adopt a By-law prohibiting use in additional locations not covered by the legislation and provides for a system of fines. N. Garbe concluded the presentation by reviewing enforcement of the proposed By-law by York Regional Police and requested Council provide direction for the adoption of a By-law.

Delegations

Haiyan Jiang, 39 Alexandra Wood, addressed Council regarding the prohibition of smoking or vaporizing of recreational cannabis in public places in the Town of Richmond Hill. She advised of the variety of forms cannabis was available and noted the importance of preventing cannabis use among youth. She expressed her disappointment with the Province's adoption of Bill 36 and advised of her support for Council to adopt a By-law that would restrict smoking or vaporizing of recreational cannabis in public spaces in Richmond Hill.

3.2 Memorandum from Neil Garbe, Chief Administrative Officer, dated October 17, 2018 regarding the prohibition of smoking or vaporizing of recreational cannabis in public places in the Town of Richmond Hill and draft by-law 112-18

Moved by: Councillor Liu
Seconded by: Councillor Chan

- a) That the memorandum from Neil Garbe, Chief Administrative Officer, dated October 17, 2018 regarding the prohibition of smoking or vaporizing of recreational cannabis in public places in the Town of Richmond Hill, be received;
- b) That By-law 112-18, A By-law to prohibit the smoking or vaporizing of recreational cannabis in public places in the Town of Richmond Hill be approved.

A recorded vote was taken:

In favour: Councillor Chan, Councillor Cilevitz, Councillor Muench, Councillor West, Councillor Beros, Mayor Barrow, Councillor Liu

Opposed: None

Absent: Regional and Local Councillor Spatafora

Motion Carried Unanimously 7 to 0

By-Law to Confirm the Proceedings of Council at This Meeting

Moved by: Councillor Cilevitz

Seconded by: Councillor West

That By-law 113-18, A By-law to confirm the proceedings of Council at this meeting, be passed.

Carried

Adjournment

Moved by: Councillor Cilevitz

Seconded by: Councillor West

That the meeting be adjourned.

Carried

The meeting was adjourned at 2:54 p.m.

Dave Barrow
Mayor

Gloria T. Collier
DeputyTown Clerk