



## **Special Council Education and Training Meeting**

### **Minutes**

**C#09-21**

**Tuesday, March 9, 2021, 1:30 p.m.**

**(Electronic Meeting pursuant to Section 238(3.3) of the Municipal Act, 2001)**

An electronic Special Council Education and Training meeting pursuant to Section 238(3.3) of the *Municipal Act, 2001* of the Council of the City of Richmond Hill was held on Tuesday, March 9, 2021 at 1:30 p.m. via videoconference.

Council Members Present via videoconference:

Acting Mayor DiPaola  
Regional and Local Councillor Perrelli  
Councillor Beros  
Councillor Muench  
Councillor Liu  
Councillor West  
Councillor Cilevitz

Regrets:

Mayor Barrow  
Councillor Chan

Staff Members Present via videoconference:

M. Dempster, City Manager  
S. Adams, Commissioner of Corporate and Financial Services  
D. Joslin, Commissioner of Community Services  
K. Kwan, Commissioner of Planning and Infrastructure  
P. Masaro, Executive Director, Engineering and Infrastructure Services  
A. Dimlta, City Solicitor  
D. Dexter, Director, Financial Services/Treasurer  
G. Li, Manager, Fiscal Planning and Strategy  
I. Treiger, Financial Management Advisor  
D. Terzievski, Director, Infrastructure Planning and Development Engineering  
J. Walters, Manager, Engineering Subdivisions and Infrastructure Planning  
H. Ng, Manager, Transportation and Traffic  
P. Lee, Director, Policy Planning

M. Dobbie, Manager, Park and Natural Heritage Planning  
S. Huycke, City Clerk  
R. Ban, Deputy City Clerk  
S. Dumont, Council/Committee Coordinator

Gary Scandlan, Managing Partner, Watson & Associates, and Nancy Neale, Manager, Watson & Associates were also in attendance.

**1. Adoption of Agenda**

Moved by: Councillor Cilevitz  
Seconded by: Councillor Beros

That the agenda be adopted as distributed by the Clerk.

Carried

**2. 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*.

**3. Scheduled Business**

**3.1 Education and Training meeting with respect to 2021 Draft Development Charges**

David Dexter, Director, Financial Services and Treasurer provided introductory remarks regarding the 2021 Draft Development Charges By-law Update and introduced Gary Scandlan of Watson & Associates, who had been working with Gigi Li, Manager, Fiscal Planning and Strategy, on the development charges (DC) review. He provided an overview of development charges, including City-wide and Area Specific Development Charges, and continued by describing the staged approach to the DC update.

Gary Scandlan, Watson & Associates, detailed the purpose of development charges and provided a summary of the history of DC. He advised that the *Development Charges Act* now listed DC eligible services, and provided an overview of the provisions and changes that came into effect with Bill 108 (*More Homes, More Choice Act, 2019*), Bill 138 (*Plan to Build Ontario Together Act, 2019*) and Bill 197 (*COVID-19 Economic Recovery Act, 2020*). G. Scandlan provided details on the Community Benefit Charges (C.B.C.) that came into effect with Bill 197, noting that the City was planning to have a C.B.C. in place by September

18, 2022. He also advised of the exemptions that came into effect with Bill 213 (*Better for People, Smarter for Business Act, 2020*)

G. Scandlan provided an overview of the methodology to calculating DC, listed the services that were being updated, and noted that service standards were analysed as part of the DC calculation. He advised of the “Class of Service” the City was creating, and noted the refinements to the Capital Needs that were required due to legislative changes. G. Scandlan reviewed the updated calculated charges for Residential (Single Detached) units, Non-Residential – Retail units, and Non-Residential – Non-Retail units. He concluded by summarizing both the updated DC as per the 2019 DC By-law (2019\$) and the Schedule of Updated DC indexed to 2020\$.

D. Dexter described the by-law updates that were required, and provided a listing of the City’s Area Specific Development Charges. He advised that two Area Specific By-laws were due to expire, and detailed the updates that were proposed for both the Bayview North East Development Area and the Headford – Excluding Storm Development Area. D. Dexter concluded the presentation by outlining the proposed timeline for the 2021 DC update.

Moved by: Councillor Muench

Seconded by: Councillor West

a) That the presentation by David Dexter, Director, Financial Services and Treasurer and Gary Scandlan, Watson & Associates, regarding the 2021 Draft Development Charges, be received.

Carried

#### **4. By-law to Confirm the Proceedings of Council at this Meeting**

##### **4.1 By-law 38-21**

Moved by: Regional and Local Councillor Perrelli

Seconded by: Councillor Liu

That By-law 38-21, A By-law to confirm the proceedings of Council at this meeting, be passed.

Carried Unanimously

#### **5. Adjournment**

Moved by: Councillor West

Seconded by: Regional and Local Councillor Perrelli

That the meeting be adjourned.

Carried Unanimously

The meeting was adjourned at 3:27 p.m.

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Joe DiPaola, Acting Mayor

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Stephen M.A. Huycke, City Clerk