



Council Meeting

Minutes

C#06-22

Wednesday, February 23, 2022, 9:30 a.m.

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

An electronic Council meeting, pursuant to Section 238(3.3) of the *Municipal Act, 2001*, of the Council of the City of Richmond Hill was held on Wednesday, February 23, 2022 at 9:30 a.m. in Committee Room 1 via videoconference.

Council Member present in Committee Room 1:

Mayor West

Council Members present via videoconference:

Regional and Local Councillor DiPaola
Regional and Local Councillor Perrelli
Councillor Beros
Councillor Muench
Councillor Liu
Councillor Cilevitz
Councillor Chan

Staff Members present via videoconference:

K. Kwan, Acting City Manager and Commissioner of Planning and Infrastructure
S. Adams, Commissioner of Corporate and Financial Services
T. Steele, Acting Commissioner of Community Services
A. Dimilta, City Solicitor
P. Masaro, Executive Director, Infrastructure and Engineering Services
D. Dexter, Director, Financial Services and Treasurer
D. Terzievski, Director, Infrastructure Planning and Development Engineering
J. Stewart, Director, Public Works
D. Hearn, Director, Recreation and Culture
P. Lee, Director, Policy Planning
B. Levesque, Director, Infrastructure Delivery
M. Dobbie, Manager, Park and Natural Heritage Planning
K. Ash, Manager, Cultural Services
D. Beaulieu, Manager, Development - Subdivisions

A. Patsalides, Planning Technician

Staff Members present in Committee Room 1:

R. Ban, Deputy City Clerk

L. Sampogna, Council/Committee Coordinator

S. Dumont, Council/Committee Coordinator

C. Connolly, Legislative Services Assistant

1. Call to Order/National Anthem

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

Council consented to recess the meeting between 12:30 p.m. and 1:30 p.m.

2. Public Forum (not to exceed 15 minutes)

There were no members of the public who addressed Council during the Public Forum.

3. Council Announcements

Regional and Local Councillor Perrelli advised that yesterday was a good friend's birthday. On behalf of the City of Richmond Hill, he wished Anna a happy birthday.

Councillor Beros advised that Regional and Local Councillor DiPaola celebrated his birthday yesterday, and wished him a happy birthday.

Mayor West advised that today was Pink Shirt Day. He noted the origin of Pink Shirt Day, and how it grew to become an anti-bullying day celebrated nationally on the last Wednesday of February. Mayor West advised that this year's theme was "lifting each other up," and acknowledged the devastating impact that bullying can have on children and adults. He further noted that by acknowledging the reality of bullying, particularly cyber bullying, and supporting programs and groups that work to address bullying, we could all lift each other up.

4. Introduction of Emergency/Time Sensitive Matters

There were no emergency/time sensitive matters raised by Members of Council.

5. Adoption of Agenda

Moved by: Regional and Local Councillor DiPaola

Seconded by: Councillor Cilevitz

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

- a) Delegation - Juni Yeung, 7 Leach Gate, regarding Parks Plan, Recreation Plan, and Culture Plan Review - Key Findings and Directions - (Item 12.1);

- b) Delegation - Michael Bowcott, Richmond Hill Pickleball Network, regarding Parks Plan, Recreation Plan, and Culture Plan Review - Key Findings and Directions – (Item 12.2);
- c) Delegation - Jocelyn Lo, 350 Red Maple Road, regarding Parks Plan, Recreation Plan, and Culture Plan Review - Key Findings and Directions - (Item 12.3);
- d) Delegation - Rajshekhar Choudhary, 10 Pillar Rock Crescent, regarding Parks Plan, Recreation Plan, and Culture Plan Review - Key Findings and Direction - (Item 12.4);
- e) Delegation - Brian Cave, 101-350 Red Maple Road, regarding Parks Plan, Recreation Plan, and Culture Plan Review - Key Findings and Directions - (Item 12.5);
- f) Delegation - Matthew Bergman, Indigenous Action Committee, regarding Parks Plan, Recreation Plan, and Culture Plan Review - Key Findings and Directions - (Item 12.6);
- g) Delegation - Jay Shea, Indigenous Action Committee and Circle of Friendship Richmond Hill, regarding Parks Plan, Recreation Plan, and Culture Plan Review - Key Findings and Directions - (Item 12.7);
- h) Delegation - Lutfi Askandar, KickOff GTA, regarding Parks Plan, Recreation Plan, and Cultural Plan Review - Key Findings and Directions - (Item 12.8);
- i) Delegation - Paolo Volpe, 165 Richmond Street, regarding Parks Plan, Recreation Plan, and Culture Plan Review - Key Findings and Directions - (Item 12.9);
- j) Delegation - Debbie George, 1286302 Ontario Ltd. (Shirley Laneway Committee), 201 Shirley Drive, regarding the Member Motion submitted by Councillor Liu with respect to a report on assumption of the private laneway for freehold townhouses 141-247 Shirley Drive – (Item 12.10);
- k) Delegation - Annie Li, 1286302 Ontario Ltd. (Shirley Laneway Committee), 195 Shirley Drive, regarding the Member Motion submitted by Councillor Liu with respect to a report on assumption of the private laneway for freehold townhouses 141-247 Shirley Drive – (Item 12.11);
- l) Delegation - Emmanuel Aranas, 50 Sapphire Drive, regarding Alectra Utilities Corporation (AUC) Hydro Power Supply for Site Plan Application D06-19010 (Urbacon Properties Limited) - (Item 12.12);
- m) Delegation - Qi Zhang, 91 Sun Valley Drive, regarding Alectra Utilities Corporation (AUC) Hydro Power Supply for Site Plan Application D06-19010 (Urbacon Properties Limited) - (Item 12.13);

- n) Delegation - Karl Menezes, 43 Sapphire Drive, regarding Alectra Utilities Corporation (AUC) Hydro Power Supply for Site Plan Application D06-19010 (Urbacon Properties Limited) - (Item 12.14);
- o) Delegation - Dean Graham, 29 Scott Drive, regarding the Noise By-law Amendment - (Item 12.15);
- p) Delegation - Brian Chapnik, 110 Arnold Crescent, regarding the Noise By-law Amendment - (Item 12.16);
- q) Correspondence received regarding the Parks Plan, Recreation Plan, and Culture Plan Review - Key Findings and Directions - (Item 13.6);
- r) Correspondence submitted by Adriana Pisano Beaumont, 62 Wicker Drive, dated February 22, 2022, regarding the Member Motion submitted by Councillor Liu with respect to a Review on Snow and Windrow Removal - (Item 13.7);
- s) Correspondence submitted by Brian Chapnik, 110 Arnold Crescent, dated February 22, 2022, regarding the Noise By-law Amendment - (Item 13.8).

Carried Unanimously

Moved by: Councillor Chan
Seconded by: Councillor Cilevitz

That Ashley Bergman, Indigenous Action Committee, be added as a delegation to speak to the Parks Plan, Recreation Plan, and Culture Plan Review - Key Findings and Directions - (Item 12.17).

Carried Unanimously

6. 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*.

7. Adoption of Previous Council Minutes

7.1 Council Public Meeting C#02-22 held February 2, 2022

Moved by: Councillor Chan
Seconded by: Councillor Cilevitz

That the minutes of Council Public Meeting C#02-22 held on February 2, 2022 be adopted.

Carried Unanimously

7.2 Council Meeting C#04-22 held February 9, 2022

Moved by: Councillor Chan
Seconded by: Councillor Cilevitz

That the minutes of Council Meeting C#04-22 held February 9, 2022 be adopted.

Carried Unanimously

8. Identification of Items Requiring Separate Discussion

Council consented to separate items 13.2, 13.3, 13.4, 14.1, 14.2, 16.3 and 16.4 for discussion.

9. Adoption of Remainder of Agenda Items

On a motion of Councillor Cilevitz, seconded by Councillor Liu, Council adopted those items not identified for separate discussion.

10. Public Hearings

There were no public hearings.

11. Presentations

11.1 Presentation by Donald Hearn, Director, Recreation and Culture, Michelle Dobbie, Manager, Park and Natural Heritage Planning, and Karin Ash, Manager, Cultural Services, regarding Parks, Recreation and Culture Plan Key Findings and Directions Report - (refer to Item 13.4)

Michelle Dobbie, Manager, Park and Natural Heritage Planning, began by advising that the review of the Parks Plan, Recreation Plan and Cultural Plan was initiated following direction from the City's Capital Sustainability Committee to advance the review to 2020 utilizing an integrated lifecycle planning approach. M. Dobbie noted the legislative importance of reviewing the three plans, reviewed the project timeline, and highlighted key changes in the community identified in the background research.

M. Dobbie reviewed the key themes and findings of the Parks Plan which included:

- Parkland to Address Future Population Growth
- Responding to Parkland and Outdoor Recreation Facility Needs
- Strengthening Parkland Tools

Donald Hearn, Director, Recreation and Culture, presented the key themes and findings of the Recreation Plan which included:

- Developing New Indoor Recreation Facilities
- Optimizing the Use of Existing Recreation Facilities
- Enhancing the Delivery of Recreation Services and Programs

Karen Ash, Manager, Cultural Services, presented the key themes and findings of the Culture Plan which included:

- Leadership and Networking Equates to Sustainability and Inclusivity in the Culture Sector
- Fostering Growth in the Arts and Cultural Community
- The Changing Nature of Arts and Cultural Programming and Events
- Optimizing Places and Spaces for Arts and Culture

M. Dobbie concluded the presentation with a review of the recommendations of the staff report and next steps.

12. Delegations

12.1 **Juni Yeung, 7 Leach Gate, regarding Parks Plan, Recreation Plan, and Culture Plan Review - Key Findings and Directions - (refer to Item 13.4)**

Juni Yeung, 7 Leach Gate, addressed Council regarding the Parks Plan, Recreation Plan, and Culture Plan Review - Key Findings and Directions report. She shared her beliefs that the Plan seemed to be formulated from information collected before that pandemic, was based on a non-representative example of resident user responses from a Survey Monkey, and that it showed little to no preference to statistics on regional participation. Ms. Yeung shared her opinion that the underutilization of community centres was a symptom of access policies, as only Richmond Hill residents and organizations could book space at community centres. Ms. Yeung shared her hope that Council would promote the use of Richmond Hill facilities and smaller spaces to other regional groups and organizations.

12.2 **Michael Bowcott, Richmond Hill Pickleball Network, regarding Parks Plan, Recreation Plan, and Culture Plan Review - Key Findings and Directions - (refer to Item 13.4)**

Michael Bowcott, Richmond Hill Pickleball Network, addressed Council regarding the Parks Plan, Recreation Plan, and Culture Plan Review - Key Findings and Directions report, and questioned whether the plan accurately represented the needs and wants of residents. Mr. Bowcott advised that pickleball was the fastest growing sport in North America, and that more pickleball courts were needed immediately due to its increasing popularity. Mr. Bowcott concluded by requesting that a motion be put forward to build a

world class multi-court complex in Richmond Hill that we all could all be proud of.

12.3 Jocelyn Lo, 350 Red Maple Road, regarding Parks Plan, Recreation Plan, and Culture Plan Review - Key Findings and Directions - (refer to Item 13.4)

Jocelyn Lo, 350 Red Maple Road, submitted an application to appear as an electronic delegation to address Council on this matter but was not in attendance.

12.4 Rajshekhar Choudhary, 10 Pillar Rock Crescent, regarding Parks Plan, Recreation Plan, and Culture Plan Review - Key Findings and Direction - (refer to Item 13.4)

Rajshekhar Choudhary, 10 Pillar Rock Crescent, submitted an application to appear as an electronic delegation to address Council on this matter but was not in attendance.

12.5 Brian Cave, 101-350 Red Maple Road, regarding Parks Plan, Recreation Plan, and Culture Plan Review - Key Findings and Directions - (refer to Item 13.4)

Brian Cave, 101-350 Red Maple Road, addressed Council regarding the Parks Plan, Recreation Plan, and Culture Plan Review - Key Findings and Directions report. He echoed the remarks made by the earlier speaker Michael Bowcott, and reiterated the need for more facilities for pickleball. He shared his belief that if Richmond Hill intended to cater facilities to females, youth and seniors, that pickleball was the perfect sport for those demographics. Mr. Cave shared his desire that Richmond Hill be the first to build a world-class facility for pickleball as it was a sport that was inclusive to everyone.

12.6 Matthew Bergman, Indigenous Action Committee, regarding Parks Plan, Recreation Plan, and Culture Plan Review - Key Findings and Directions - (refer to Item 13.4)

Matthew Bergman, Indigenous Action Committee, addressed Council regarding the Parks Plan, Recreation Plan, and Culture Plan Review - Key Findings and Directions report. He advised that the Indigenous community in Richmond Hill and York Region had an issue with lack of services and locations, and shared his belief that Richmond Hill was in a unique position to be the first city in York Region to provide those services. Mr. Bergman advised that the Committee was requesting that a motion be brought forward

with respect to the Eyer property being turned into a Native cultural centre. He shared the importance of a cultural centre, noted that it would have a positive impact on the Indigenous community and community at large, be the first of its kind in York Region, and set an example for all other cities in York Region and all municipalities. Mr. Bergman also requested that a plan of action be created to improve access to all municipal properties for the purpose of the Indigenous community.

12.7 Jay Shea, Indigenous Action Committee and Circle of Friendship Richmond Hill, regarding Parks Plan, Recreation Plan, and Culture Plan Review - Key Findings and Directions - (refer to Item 13.4)

Jay Shea, Indigenous Action Committee and Circle of Friendship Richmond Hill, addressed Council regarding the Parks Plan, Recreation Plan, and Culture Plan Review - Key Findings and Directions report. He advised that there were no services specifically designed for the Indigenous community in Richmond Hill and York Region, and noted the importance of creating greater access to activities, teachings, heritage and healing. Mr. Shea shared his hope that Richmond Hill help contribute to the healing of the Indigenous people by re-purposing the Eyer Homestead to create the first Indigenous cultural centre in York Region. He described the purpose of the centre, the proposed programming that would be run, and the benefits the facility would have on Indigenous youth.

12.8 Lutfi Askandar, KickOff GTA, regarding Parks Plan, Recreation Plan, and Cultural Plan Review - Key Findings and Directions - (refer to Item 13.4)

Lutfi Askandar, KickOff GTA, addressed Council regarding the Parks Plan, Recreation Plan, and Cultural Plan Review - Key Findings and Directions report. He shared his concerns related to the lack of indoor facilities for soccer in Richmond Hill, and noted that Richmond Hill players were forced to drive to other York Region municipalities to play as a result. Mr. Askander advised that indoor facilities were very difficult to book due to high demand, and shared his belief that a second dome was needed. He also shared his opinion that a new dome would generate a positive return on investment and enjoy the same success as the Richmond Green dome.

12.9 Paolo Volpe, 165 Richmond Street, regarding Parks Plan, Recreation Plan, and Culture Plan Review - Key Findings and Directions - (refer to Item 13.4)

Paolo Volpe, 165 Richmond Street, addressed Council regarding the Parks Plan, Recreation Plan, and Culture Plan Review - Key Findings and Directions report. He shared his concerns regarding the lack of indoor facilities for soccer in Richmond Hill, the difficulty in renting space, and the considerable amount of driving that was required to play in available fields in other districts. He advised of the significant talent in Richmond Hill, noting that KickOff GTA was the only club that had two kids chosen to represent Canada at the IberCup in Portugal. Mr. Volpe advised that soccer was the most watched and popular sport in the world, and that the City needed to act quickly to be at the forefront of the growing popularity, as the talent pool in Richmond Hill was large. He urged Council to invest in kids and invest in KickOff GTA as they had invested in the community, and help put Richmond Hill on the map by fostering the talent of our kids.

12.10 Debbie George, 1286302 Ontario Ltd. (Shirley Laneway Committee), 201 Shirley Drive, regarding the Member Motion submitted by Councillor Liu with respect to a report on assumption of the private laneway for freehold townhouses 141-247 Shirley Drive - (refer to Item 14.1)

Debbie George, 1286302 Ontario Ltd. (Shirley Laneway Committee), addressed Council regarding the Member Motion submitted by Councillor Liu with respect to a report on assumption of the private laneway for freehold townhouses at 141-247 Shirley Drive. She shared her hope for a positive outcome that would release them from the burden of maintaining the laneway. Ms. George advised that since they were not registered under the Condominium Act, the only recourse left to them was to be on par with other City-owned and operated laneways. She provided a brief history of the Shirley Drive Laneway, noted similar laneways owned and operated by the City, and shared findings of a report that outlined recommendations that required the builder to provide support to the community, which had never materialized. Ms. George also shared her belief that the budget required for the City to assume the laneway would be a reasonable addition when annexed to the current City laneway budgets.

12.11 Annie Li, 1286302 Ontario Ltd. (Shirley Laneway Committee), 195 Shirley Drive, regarding the Member Motion submitted by Councillor Liu with respect to a report on assumption of the private laneway for freehold townhouses 141-247 Shirley Drive - (refer to Item 14.1)

Annie Li, 1286302 Ontario Ltd. (Shirley Laneway Committee), addressed Council regarding the Member Motion submitted by Councillor Liu with respect to a report on assumption of the private laneway for freehold

townhouses at 141-247 Shirley Drive. She acknowledged that further discussion was required with the City to determine the best approach to achieving unity with other laneways in Richmond Hill. Ms. Li shared their preference that the City assume full ownership and responsibility of the laneway, with the conveyance of land and current individual easements being modified in order for the City to service and maintain the laneway. Ms. Li provided a site map of the laneway and listed several City-owned and operated rear laneways in Ward 3 and 6. She also shared 2021 service and maintenance costs related to the laneway and their 2022 budget.

12.12 Emmanuel Aranas, 50 Sapphire Drive, regarding Alectra Utilities Corporation (AUC) Hydro Power Supply for Site Plan Application D06-19010 (Urbacon Properties Limited) - (refer to Item 13.2)

Emmanuel Aranas, 50 Sapphire Drive, addressed Council regarding Alectra Utilities Corporation (AUC) Hydro Power Supply for Site Plan Application D06-19010. Mr. Aranas shared the community's concerns regarding the impact the power lines may have on their quality of life, health, and the desirability of the community. He commented on the lack of communication with respect to how many transformers were required for the project, and expressed concern with the possibility that more megawatt capacity could be enabled in the future. Mr. Aranas advised that the community stood firm on their desire to have the polls relocated to the east side of Leslie Street, specifically that the line swing under Performance Drive, with the polls running on the east side of Leslie Street north to Elgin Mills Road, which would be accomplished by voting for Option 5.

12.13 Qi Zhang, 91 Sun Valley Drive, regarding Alectra Utilities Corporation (AUC) Hydro Power Supply for Site Plan Application D06-19010 (Urbacon Properties Limited) - (refer to Item 13.2)

Qi Zhang, 91 Sun Valley Drive, addressed Council regarding Alectra Utilities Corporation (AUC) Hydro Power Supply for Site Plan Application D06-19010. She shared concerns with the option of reducing pole heights and consolidating the streetlights, and shared her belief that costs to the residents were not being considered. She expressed concerns related to the electric magnetic field, noise generated by high voltages currents, and the loss of property values, quality of life and peace. She asked the City that should they support Option 4, that compensation be provided to the affected homeowners to allow them to purchase a similar quality home in the area. Ms. Zhang concluded by urging Council to select Option 5 which proposed the installation of the line on the east side of the street.

12.14 Karl Menezes, 43 Sapphire Drive, regarding Alectra Utilities Corporation (AUC) Hydro Power Supply for Site Plan Application D06-19010 (Urbacon Properties Limited) - (refer to Item 13.2)

Karl Menezes, 43 Sapphire Drive, addressed Council regarding Alectra Utilities Corporation (AUC) Hydro Power Supply for Site Plan Application D06-19010. Mr. Menezes advised that he was personally affected by the location of the poles as he had two poles just outside his property. He shared concerns with respect to the height of the poles, and the possible health impacts, and commented on the lack of communication between Alectra, Urbacon, the City and residents. Mr. Menezes noted that communication was not timely, and that it made it difficult for residents to respond appropriately. He advised that Town Halls have been ineffective, and concluded by requesting that the poles be moved to the other side of the road where no homes were situated, which would result in less health impacts.

12.15 Dean Graham, 29 Scott Drive, regarding the Noise By-law Amendment - (refer to Item 13.3)

Dean Graham, 29 Scott Drive, addressed Council regarding the Noise By-law Amendment. He provided a brief history of the building code with respect to the provisions that protected homeowners from noise. He advised of a complaint he made to the By-law Department regarding their neighbour's air conditioner unit, and outlined the actions that followed. Mr. Graham advised that the unit was deemed to be in compliance, even though it exceeded the allowable limits, as it had only run for 10 minutes on the day of the reading. He outlined further inaction by the By-law Department after additional complaints and the submission of a report prepared by an acoustical consultant. Mr. Graham outlined the impacts the noise has had on the enjoyment of their backyard and health, and notes his opposition to any changes to the current by-law.

12.16 Brian Chapnik, 110 Arnold Crescent, regarding the Noise By-law Amendment - (refer to Item 13.3)

Brian Chapnik, 110 Arnold Crescent, acoustical engineer, addressed Council regarding the Noise By-law Amendment. He acknowledged that the proposed Noise By-law was trying to address the variability of ambient noise levels, and shared concerns regarding the proposed target of ambient level plus five decibels. Mr. Chapnik shared his opinion that the proposal was not reasonable as it suggested that residents should have to listen to their neighbour's air conditioner as the dominant source of noise in their backyard. Mr. Chapnik shared his opinion that the five decibel increase on the ambient

level be denied, and detailed further recommendations in his correspondence submitted as Agenda Item 13.8.

12.17 Ashely Bergman, Indigenous Action Committee, regarding the Parks Plan, Recreation Plan, and Culture Plan Review - Key Findings and Directions report

Ashely Bergman, Indigenous Action Committee, addressed Council regarding the Parks Plan, Recreation Plan, and Culture Plan Review - Key Findings and Directions report. She advised that they had a vision of the services that could be provided in Richmond Hill, and that they wanted to capitalize on the often vacant and underutilized Eyer property by creating an Indigenous cultural centre. Ms. Bergman commented on the benefits of providing services to the indigenous community, and noted that their community was forced to travel outside the City to access services as they were not available in Richmond Hill.

13. Committee and Staff Reports

13.1 Minutes - Heritage Richmond Hill Meeting HRH#08-21 held November 9, 2021, and HRH#09-21 held December 7, 2021

Moved by: Councillor Cilevitz
 Seconded by: Councillor Liu

a) That the minutes of the Heritage Richmond Hill Meeting HRH#08-21 held November 9, 2021, and HRH#09-21 held December 7, 2021, be adopted.

Carried

13.2 SRPI.22.038 - Request for Direction - Alectra Utilities Corporation (AUC) Hydro Power Supply for Site Plan Application D06-19010 (Urbacon Properties Limited) - 10 Sofia Court

Moved by: Councillor Liu
 Seconded by: Councillor Muench

a) That staff report SRPI.22.038 be received for information purposes;

b) That Alectra Utilities Corporation (AUC) be advised of Council's preferred option (Option 5) with respect to the proposed hydro distribution pole line to service the Barker Business Park;

c) That Corporate and Financial Services be directed to report back to Council on how Council's preferred option (Option 5) will be funded;

An Amendment was:

Moved by: Councillor Liu
Seconded by: Councillor Cilevitz

That the following additional Clause d) be added to the main motion:

d) That Council request Richmond Hill's MPPs and the Region of York to engage with the residents with respect to this matter.

Motion to Amend Carried Unanimously

Main Motion as Amended:

Moved by: Councillor Liu
Seconded by: Councillor Muench

- a) That staff report SRPI.22.038 be received for information purposes;
- b) That Alectra Utilities Corporation (AUC) be advised of Council's preferred option (Option 5) with respect to the proposed hydro distribution pole line to service the Barker Business Park;
- c) That Corporate and Financial Services be directed to report back to Council on how Council's preferred option (Option 5) will be funded;
- d) That Council request Richmond Hill's MPPs and the Region of York to engage with the residents with respect to this matter.

An Amendment was:

Moved by: Regional and Local Councillor Perrelli
Seconded by: Councillor Liu

That the following additional Clause e) be added to the main motion as amended:

e) That the City undertake to reach out to residents and the Region of York to help to consider the mitigation of the visual aspect of the hydro poles by planting trees along the Region of York's right-of-way and to request Alectra to pay for the planting of trees.

A recorded vote was taken:

In favour: (7) Councillor Muench, Councillor Beros, Councillor Liu, Regional and Local Councillor Perrelli, Regional and Local Councillor DiPaola, Councillor Chan, Mayor West

Opposed: (1) Councillor Cilevitz

Clause e) Carried (7 to 1)

Main Motion as Amended:

Moved by: Councillor Liu
Seconded by: Councillor Muench

- a) That staff report SRPI.22.038 be received for information purposes;
- b) That Alectra Utilities Corporation (AUC) be advised of Council's preferred option (Option 5) with respect to the proposed hydro distribution pole line to service the Barker Business Park;
- c) That Corporate and Financial Services be directed to report back to Council on how Council's preferred option (Option 5) will be funded;
- d) That Council request Richmond Hill's MPPs and the Region of York to engage with the residents with respect to this matter;
- e) That the City undertake to reach out to residents and the Region of York to help to consider the mitigation of the visual aspect of the hydro poles by planting trees along the Region of York's right-of-way and to request Alectra to pay for the planting of trees.

A recorded vote was taken:

In favour: (7) Councillor Cilevitz, Councillor Beros, Councillor Muench, Councillor Liu, Regional and Local Councillor DiPaola, Councillor Chan, Regional and Local Councillor Perrelli

Opposed: (1) Mayor West

Carried (7 to 1)

13.3 SRCS.22.02 - Noise By-law Amendment

Moved by: Regional and Local Councillor DiPaola
Seconded by: Councillor Cilevitz

- a) That Staff Report SRCS.22.02 regarding Noise By-law Amendment be received;
- b) That By-law 22-22 (Attachment 1 to Staff Report SRCS.22.02) be enacted to amend Noise By-law 43-20 (Municipal Code Chapter 1055); and
- c) That By-law 23-22 (Attachment 2 to Staff Report SRCS.22.02) be enacted to amend Schedule 'A' of the Administrative Penalties By-law 69.16.

An Amendment was:

Moved by: Regional and Local Councillor Perrelli
Seconded by: Councillor Muench

That the following additional Clause d) be added to the main motion:

d) That the staff recommendations A, B and C be approved only if the Standard Operating Procedure be amended for interior sound measuring to be one foot within the residence.

A recorded vote was taken:

In favour: (4) Councillor Beros, Councillor Muench, Councillor Liu, Regional and Local Councillor Perrelli

Opposed: (4) Mayor West, Councillor Cilevitz, Regional and Local Councillor DiPaola, Councillor Chan

Motion to Amend Failed to Carry on a Tie Vote (4 to 4)

The complete motion to read as follows:

Moved by: Regional and Local Councillor DiPaola
Seconded by: Councillor Cilevitz

a) That Staff Report SRCS.22.02 regarding Noise By-law Amendment be received;

b) That proposed By-law 22-22 (Attachment 1 to Staff Report SRCS.22.02) be enacted to amend Noise By-law 43-20 (Municipal Code Chapter 1055); and

c) That proposed By-law 23-22 (Attachment 2 to Staff Report SRCS.22.02) be enacted to amend Schedule 'A' of the Administrative Penalties By-law 69.16.

A recorded vote was taken:

In favour: (7) Councillor Cilevitz, Regional and Local Councillor DiPaola, Councillor Chan, Councillor Muench, Mayor West, Councillor Liu, Councillor Beros

Opposed: (1) Regional and Local Councillor Perrelli

Carried (7 to 1)

13.4 SRPI.22.021 - Parks Plan, Recreation Plan, and Culture Plan Review – Key Findings and Directions

Moved by: Councillor Beros
Seconded by: Regional and Local Councillor Perrelli

That consideration of Staff Report SRPI.22.021 be referred back to staff to present additional information to Council at a Workshop to be scheduled for Wednesday March 2, 2022 at 9:30 a.m.

A recorded vote was taken:

In favour: (8) Mayor West, Regional and Local Councillor Perrelli, Regional and Local Councillor DiPaola, Councillor Muench, Councillor Chan, Councillor Cilevitz, Councillor Liu, Councillor Beros

Opposed: (0) None

Carried Unanimously (8 to 0)

13.5 SRPI.22.011 – Request for Approval – Repeal of Deeming By-law Application – Jebraeil Vossoughi – 36 Portage Avenue - City File DEEM-21-0001 - (Proposed By-law 15-22)

Moved by: Councillor Cilevitz
Seconded by: Councillor Liu

- a) That the Repeal of Deeming By-law Application submitted by Jebraeil Vossoughi for lands known as Lots 492 and 493, Plan 133 (Municipal Address: 36 Portage Avenue), City File DEEM-21-0001, be approved; and,
- b) That the Repeal of Deeming By-law be brought forward to the February 23, 2022 Council meeting for consideration and enactment.

Carried

13.6 Correspondence received regarding the Parks Plan, Recreation Plan, and Culture Plan Review - Key Findings and Directions - (refer to Item 13.4)

Moved by: Councillor Cilevitz
Seconded by: Councillor Liu

That the following correspondence received regarding the Parks Plan, Recreation Plan, and Culture Plan Review - Key Findings and Directions be received:

- a) Jeffrey Streisfield, Land Law, dated February 21, 2022;
- b) Gloria Liang, 20 Miriam Crescent, dated February 21, 2022;

- c) Barri Ranieri, 2 Geranium Court, dated February 21, 2022;
- d) Cindy Ranieri, 32 Sala Drive, dated February 22, 2022;
- e) Vivian (Chunhui) Li, 54 Ridgestone Drive, dated February 22, 2022;
- f) Paula D'Aoust, 145 Don Head Village Boulevard, dated February 22, 2022;
- g) Philip Chin, 46 Hyde Park Drive, dated February 22, 2022;
- h) Shufang Cheng, 263 Iredale Road, dated February 22, 2022;
- i) Dan Cho, 20 Lanebrooke Crescent, dated February 22, 2022;
- j) Xiaoying Piao, 253 Selwyn, dated February 22, 2022;
- k) Pedram Faghihi, 19 Lake Woods Street, dated February 22, 2022;
- l) Teresa Miotto, 20 Hillholm Blvd., dated February 22, 2022;
- m) Ron Li, 25 Kew Gardens, dated February 22, 2022.

Carried

13.7 Correspondence submitted by Adriana Pisano Beaumont, 62 Wicker Drive, dated February 22, 2022, regarding the Member Motion submitted by Councillor Liu with respect to a Review on Snow and Windrow Removal - (refer to Item 14.2)

Moved by: Councillor Cilevitz
Seconded by: Councillor Liu

- a) That the correspondence submitted by Adriana Pisano Beaumont, 62 Wicker Drive, dated February 22, 2022, regarding the Member Motion submitted by Councillor Liu with respect to a Review on Snow and Windrow Removal after major snowstorm on January 17th, be received.

Carried

13.8 Correspondence submitted by Brian Chapnik, 110 Arnold Crescent, dated February 22, 2022, regarding the Noise By-law Amendment - (refer to Item 13.3)

Moved by: Councillor Cilevitz
Seconded by: Councillor Liu

- a) That the correspondence submitted by Brian Chapnik, 110 Arnold Crescent, dated February 22, 2022, regarding the Noise By-law Amendment, be received.

Carried

14. Other Business

14.1 Member Motion - Councillor Liu - Report on assumption of the private laneway for freehold townhouses 141-247 Shirley Drive

Moved by: Councillor Liu

Seconded by: Regional and Local Councillor Perrelli

Subject Lands:

Parcel 368-1, Section 65M-3128 being part of Block 368, Plan 65M-3128 designated as Parts 49, 50, and 51 on Plan 65R-20018 Town of Richmond Hill, Regional Municipality of York Land Registry Office for the Land Titles Division of York Region (No. 65)

Laneway Easement Lands: are those parts of Blocks 364 to 370, both inclusive, on Plan 65M3128, designated as Pars, 1, 2, 7, 8, 11, 12,15, 16, 21, 22, 26, 120, 29, 30, 37, 38, 41, 42, 48, 49, 54, 55, 61, 62, 67, 68, 72, 73, 77, 78, 81, 82, 86, 87, 91, 92, 97, 98, 104, 105, 111, 112 and 118 on Plan 65R-20018.

WHEREAS the Shirley Drive townhomes built in 1997/1998 have an ownership arrangement for their rear laneway that is unique within in the City of Richmond Hill, and pre-dates the Condominium Act, 1998;

WHEREAS the builder, Law Development Group, registered "For Profit" Corporation 1286302 Ontario Limited with a residents' Board of Directors to govern and self-manage the maintenance and upkeep of the laneway under the terms of a Shared Facilities Agreement under which residents purchased their homes;

WHEREAS the Shirley Drive Rear Laneway townhomes are not registered under the Condominium Act, 1998 and therefore, are not supported by legislative requirements provided by the Condominium Act;

WHEREAS in order to provide relief to residents who have been disadvantaged with this unique arrangement over the past 23 years;

WHEREAS in order to eliminate the onerous and unsustainable expectation placed on residents to operate a self-managed committee without the support of the legislative provisions provided by the Condominium Act;

WHEREAS in order to eliminate the burden on residents to understand environmental sensitivities and technical requirements related to catch basin stormwater management and other infrastructure needs.

WHEREAS residents are entitled to receive equal levels of service and maintenance as other City owned rear laneway townhomes;

WHEREAS the City of Richmond Hill should achieve uniformity with other City owned rear laneway townhomes;

AND WHEREAS current residents have approved a 100% majority signed petition requesting the City of Richmond Hill to assume ownership and maintenance responsibilities for the rear laneway;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

Council direct staff to investigate and report back on the possible challenges and options for the assumption of the private laneway (above and below ground) for the freehold townhomes known municipally as 141-247 Shirley Drive as a designated public highway, in keeping with other freehold rear laneway townhomes operated and maintained by the City by June 2022.

An Amendment was:

Moved by: Councillor Muench

Seconded by: Councillor Cilevitz

That the following additional Clause b) be added to the main motion:

b) And that should any information about laneways come to Council, that all information known to staff about laneways be brought to Council at that time.

A recorded vote was taken:

In favour: (8) Regional and Local Councillor Perrelli, Mayor West, Councillor Liu, Regional and Local Councillor DiPaola, Councillor Muench, Councillor Beros, Councillor Chan, Councillor Cilevitz

Opposed: (0) None

Motion to Amend Carried Unanimously (8 to 0)

Main Motion as Amended:

Moved by: Councillor Liu

Seconded by: Regional and Local Councillor Perrelli

Subject Lands:

Parcel 368-1, Section 65M-3128 being part of Block 368, Plan 65M-3128 designated as Parts 49, 50, and 51 on Plan 65R-20018 Town of Richmond Hill, Regional Municipality of York Land Registry Office for the Land Titles Division of York Region (No. 65)

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WHEREAS the Shirley Drive townhomes built in 1997/1998 have an ownership arrangement for their rear laneway that is unique within in the City of Richmond Hill, and pre-dates the Condominium Act, 1998;

WHEREAS the builder, Law Development Group, registered "For Profit" Corporation 1286302 Ontario Limited with a residents' Board of Directors to govern and self-manage the maintenance and upkeep of the laneway under the terms of a Shared Facilities Agreement under which residents purchased their homes;

WHEREAS the Shirley Drive Rear Laneway townhomes are not registered under the Condominium Act, 1998 and therefore, are not supported by legislative requirements provided by the Condominium Act;

WHEREAS in order to provide relief to residents who have been disadvantaged with this unique arrangement over the past 23 years;

WHEREAS in order to eliminate the onerous and unsustainable expectation placed on residents to operate a self-managed committee without the support of the legislative provisions provided by the Condominium Act;

WHEREAS in order to eliminate the burden on residents to understand environmental sensitivities and technical requirements related to catch basin stormwater management and other infrastructure needs.

WHEREAS residents are entitled to receive equal levels of service and maintenance as other City owned rear laneway townhomes;

WHEREAS the City of Richmond Hill should achieve uniformity with other City owned rear laneway townhomes;

AND WHEREAS current residents have approved a 100% majority signed petition requesting the City of Richmond Hill to assume ownership and maintenance responsibilities for the rear laneway;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

a) Council direct staff to investigate and report back on the possible challenges and options for the assumption of the private laneway (above and below ground) for the freehold townhomes known municipally as 141-247

Shirley Drive as a designated public highway, in keeping with other freehold rear laneway townhomes operated and maintained by the City by June 2022;

b) And that should any information about laneways come to Council, that all information known to staff about laneways be brought to Council at that time.

A recorded vote was taken:

In favour: (8) Regional and Local Councillor Perrelli, Mayor West, Councillor Liu, Regional and Local Councillor DiPaola, Councillor Muench, Councillor Beros, Councillor Chan, Councillor Cilevitz

Opposed: (0) None

Carried Unanimously (8 to 0)

14.2 Member Motion - Councillor Liu - Review on Snow and Windrow Removal after major snowstorm on January 17th

Moved by: Councillor Liu

Seconded by: Councillor Chan

Whereas Environment Canada declared a Significant Winter Event on January 17, 2022;

Whereas this is one of the biggest snowstorms in decades, about 55 centimeters of snow fell on the city, shutting down schools and causing major transit and driving delays;

Whereas Council appreciate staff in Community Services, Communications and Access who worked tirelessly to deal with this significant winter event amid staff shortages;

Whereas Council still received many complaints about snow clearing process, windrow removal method and respond time;

Whereas the complaints may be due to residents misunderstanding and expectation;

Whereas Richmond Hill always thrives for better services;

Therefore be it resolved that: Council direct staff to conduct a full review of the City's snow removal operation and communication plan and report back before summer recess.

A recorded vote was taken:

In favour: (8) Regional and Local Councillor DiPaola, Councillor Chan, Councillor Muench, Mayor West, Councillor Liu, Councillor Beros, Regional and Local Councillor Perrelli, Councillor Cilevitz

Opposed: (0) None

Carried Unanimously (8 to 0)

15. Emergency/Time Sensitive Matters

There were no emergency/time sensitive matters.

16. By-laws

16.1 By-law 15-22 - A By-law of The Corporation of the City of Richmond Hill to repeal, in part, a By-law that designates a part of a Plan of Subdivision pursuant to Subsection 50(4) of the Planning Act, thereby deeming that part of that Plan not to be a Registered Plan of Subdivision for the purposes of Subsection 50(3) of the *Planning Act*.

Moved by: Councillor Cilevitz

Seconded by: Councillor Liu

That By-law 15-22 - A By-law of The Corporation of the City of Richmond Hill to repeal, in part, a By-law that designates a part of a Plan of Subdivision pursuant to Subsection 50(4) of the Planning Act, thereby deeming that part of that Plan not to be a Registered Plan of Subdivision for the purposes of Subsection 50(3) of the Planning Act, be approved

Carried

16.2 By-law 17-22 - A By-law to Adopt Amendment 31 to the Richmond Hill Official Plan

Moved by: Councillor Cilevitz

Seconded by: Councillor Liu

That By-law 17-22 - A By-law to Adopt Amendment 31 to the Richmond Hill Official Plan, be approved.

Carried

16.3 By-law 22-22 - Being a By-law to amend Noise By-law 43-20

Moved by: Councillor Chan

Seconded by: Councillor Cilevitz

That By-law 22-22 - Being a By-law to amend Noise By-law 43-20, be approved.

Carried Unanimously

16.4 By-law 23-22 - A By-law to amend By-law 69-16 of the City

Moved by: Councillor Chan
Seconded by: Councillor Cilevitz

That the By-law 23-22 - A By-law to amend By-law 69-16 of the City, be adopted.

Carried Unanimously

16.5 By-law 28-22 - A By-law to Remove Certain Lands from Part Lot Control

Moved by: Councillor Cilevitz
Seconded by: Councillor Liu

That the By-law 28-22 - A By-law to Remove Certain Lands from Part Lot Control, be adopted.

Carried

16.6 By-law 29-22 - A By-law to Remove Certain Lands from Part Lot Control

Moved by: Councillor Cilevitz
Seconded by: Councillor Liu

That By-law 29-22 - A By-law to Remove Certain Lands from Part Lot Control, adopted.

Carried

16.7 By-law 30-22 - A By-law to Remove Certain Lands from Part Lot Control

Moved by: Councillor Cilevitz
Seconded by: Councillor Liu

That the By-law 30-22 - A By-law to Remove Certain Lands from Part Lot Control, be adopted.

Carried

16.8 By-law 39-22 - A By-Law to authorize the use of alternative voting methods, namely internet voting (also known as online voting), as an

additional voting method, for municipal and school board elections and by-elections

Moved by: Councillor Cilevitz

Seconded by: Councillor Liu

That By-law 39-22 - A By-Law to authorize the use of alternative voting methods, namely internet voting (also known as online voting), as an additional voting method, for municipal and school board elections and by-elections, be adopted.

Carried

17. Closed Session

There were no closed session items.

18. By-law to Confirm the Proceedings of Council at this Meeting

18.1 By-law 38-22

Moved by: Councillor Cilevitz

Seconded by: Councillor Muench

That By-law 38-22, A By-law to confirm the proceedings of Council at this meeting, be passed.

Carried

19. Adjournment

Moved by: Councillor Cilevitz

Seconded by: Councillor Chan

That the meeting be adjourned.

Carried Unanimously

The meeting was adjourned at 5:02 p.m.

David West, Mayor

Ryan Ban, Deputy City Clerk