



Special Council Meeting

Minutes

C#38-23

Tuesday, November 7, 2023, 1:30 p.m.

Council Chambers

225 East Beaver Creek Road

Richmond Hill, Ontario

A Special Council meeting of the Council of the City of Richmond Hill was held on Tuesday, November 7, 2023 at 1:30 p.m. in Council Chambers via videoconference.

Council Members present in Council Chambers:

Mayor West
Regional and Local Councillor DiPaola
Councillor Davidson
Councillor Thompson
Councillor Liu
Councillor Cilevitz

Council Members present via videoconference:

Regional and Local Councillor Chan
Councillor Cui
Councillor Shiu

Staff Members present in Council Chambers:

S. Adams, Commissioner of Corporate and Financial Services
H. Punia, Chief of Staff to the Mayor
G. Li, Director, Financial Services and Treasurer
L. Chen, Manager, Fiscal Planning and Strategy
S. Huycke, City Clerk
R. Ban, Deputy City Clerk
K. Hurley, Council/Committee Coordinator
C. Connolly, Legislative Services Assistant

Staff Members present via videoconference:

- K. Kwan, Commissioner of Planning and Building Services
- P. Masaro, Executive Director, Infrastructure and Engineering Services
- T. Steele, Commissioner of Community Services
- A. Dimilta, City Solicitor
- J. Concepcion, Financial Management Advisor
- H. Leung, Financial Management Advisor
- D. Selicean, Capital and Reserves Management Advisor
- I. Treiger, Financial Management Advisor
- M. Wong, Executive Assistant to the City Manager

1. Adoption of Agenda

Moved by: Councillor Cilevitz
Seconded by: Councillor Davidson

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 2024 Budget Workshop - Presentation by Gigi Li, Director, Financial Services and Treasurer

1) 2024 Budget Process and Strong Mayor Powers

2) Economic Scan and New Legislative Impacts

3) Budget Fundamentals

4) 2024 Draft Budget

5) Next Steps

Gigi Li, Director, Financial Services and Treasurer, provided introductory remarks and explained that the purpose of today's meeting was to provide information regarding the upcoming Budget Committee of the Whole meetings; to provide background on the budgetary process, the various

budgets and impact from changes in provincial legislation; and to provide an opportunity for Members of Council to ask questions and to further understand the process on how the budget was formulated.

G. Li provided background information and reviewed in detail the 2024 Budget Process and Strong Mayor Powers, Economic Scan and New Legislative Impacts, Budget Fundamentals, and the 2024 Draft Budget. She concluded the 2024 budget workshop by outlining next steps in the process which included the release of the Budget Book on November 8th, a series of Budget Committee of the Whole meetings each with specific items being brought forward for consideration, and the Mayor tabling the budget at the December 13th Council meeting.

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

a) That the presentation by Gigi Li, Director, Financial Services and Treasurer, regarding the 2024 Budget Workshop, be received with thanks.

Carried Unanimously

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

4.1 By-law 128-23

Moved by: Councillor Davidson
Seconded by: Councillor Cilevitz

That By-law 128-23, A By-law to confirm the proceedings of Council at this meeting, be passed.

Carried Unanimously

5. Adjournment

Moved by: Councillor Thompson
Seconded by: Councillor Cilevitz

That the meeting be adjourned.

Carried

The meeting was adjourned at 3:43 p.m.

David West, Mayor

Stephen M.A. Huycke, City Clerk