



Council Meeting

Minutes

C#41-23

Wednesday, November 22, 2023, 10:00 a.m.

Council Chambers

225 East Beaver Creek Road

Richmond Hill, Ontario

A Council meeting of the Council of the City of Richmond Hill was held on Wednesday, November 22, 2023 at 10:00 a.m. in Council Chambers via videoconference.

Council Members present in Council Chambers:

Mayor West
Regional and Local Councillor Chan
Regional and Local Councillor DiPaola
Councillor Davidson
Councillor Thompson
Councillor Liu
Councillor Cui
Councillor Cilevitz
Councillor Shiu

Staff Members present in Council Chambers:

D. Joslin, City Manager
S. Adams, Commissioner of Corporate and Financial Services
T. Steele, Commissioner of Community Services
G. Galanis, Acting Commissioner of Planning and Building Services
A. Dimilta, City Solicitor
P. Masaro, Executive Director, Infrastructure and Engineering Services
H. Punia, Chief of Staff to the Mayor
M. Flores, Director, Policy Planning
A. Ierullo, Director, Economic Development and Richmond Hill Center
G. Li, Director, Financial Services and Treasurer
B. DeFreitas, Manager, Policy
P. Enright, Communications Advisor

- A. Crawford, Planner II - Policy
- A. Luk, Small Business Consultant
- P. Ruparel, Small Business Consultant
- B. Osler, Senior Economic Development Officer
- M. Jedinak, Senior Economic Development Officer
- K. Davey, Communications Coordinator
- C. Stone, Financial Services Consultant
- S. Huycke, City Clerk
- R. Ban, Deputy City Clerk
- L. Sampogna, Council/Committee Coordinator
- C. Connolly, Legislative Services Assistant

Staff Members present via videoconference:

- C. Debi, Director, Strategic Communications
- D. Terzievski, Director, Infrastructure Planning and Development Engineering
- C. Treacy, Director, Human Resources
- A. Iannucci, Chief Transformation Officer
- M. Dobbie, Manager, Park and Natural Heritage Planning
- V. Gaiu, Manager Energy and Waste
- A. Nichols, Manager, Public Works Support Services
- F. Caparelli, Planning Technician

1. Call to Order

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

2. Land Acknowledgement

We are gathering on lands that have been home to First Nations Peoples from time immemorial. We acknowledge that what we now call Richmond Hill is on the Treaty Lands and Territory of the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation and the Mississauga and Chippewa Nations of the Williams Treaty. We also recognize that we are on part of the traditional territories of the Haudenosaunee and the Huron Wendat.

We would also like to acknowledge all First Nation, Inuit and Métis peoples from across North America, also known as Turtle Island, who now reside in the City of Richmond Hill. We are committed to rebuilding constructive and cooperative relationships.

3. National Anthem

The National Anthem was played.

4. Public Forum (not to exceed 15 minutes)

Council consented to extend the Public Forum speaking time to up to five minutes per registrant.

- 4.1 Rianna Ford, Founder, RE.UP/The Loud Plug, addressed Council regarding reconsidering legal cannabis storefronts in the City of Richmond Hill. She advised that on April 19, 2023 the City of Mississauga opted to legalize cannabis storefronts, shared research leading to Mississauga's resolution, and hoped that with those discoveries Richmond Hill would reconsider legalizing cannabis storefronts.
- 4.2 Cyrus Hambaz, CEO, Licensed Cannabis Producer Canadian Clinical Cannabinoids, did not address Council regarding reconsidering legal cannabis storefronts in the City of Richmond Hill, as he was not in attendance.
- 4.3 Bret Unger, Retail Owner, Take Off Cannabis Inc., addressed Council regarding reconsidering legal cannabis storefronts in the City of Richmond Hill. He advised of the Government of Canada's legalization of cannabis for recreational sale, noted how legalizing cannabis storefronts would help improve the economy, educate and improve the wellbeing of consumers, and outlined responsibilities and obligations of retail store owners. He concluded by inviting Richmond Hill to reconsider legalizing cannabis storefronts.
- 4.4 Tristan Coolman, President, Pflag York Region, did not address Council regarding recent actions of a Member of Council, as he was not in attendance.
- 4.5 Sharon Chisholm, 81 Shaftsbury Avenue, addressed Council regarding recent actions of a Member of Council. She expressed her disappointment with Deputy Mayor Chan's actions during a speech by the Conservative Party of Canada leader Pierre Poilievre at an event held on November 5th, and shared her concerns with the appearance of behind closed doors partisan politics within municipal government. She asked questions about the event held on November 5th, and what steps Council was taking to ensure biased and toxic partisan politics would not happen with the current and future Council.

5. Council Announcements

Councillor Thompson reminded everyone of the opportunity to sign up for a free CPR non-certification course that was being offered at the Richvale Community Centre on Saturday, and advised that interested participants could sign up on his social media or at the St. John Ambulance website.

Mayor West echoed comments made by Councillor Thompson regarding the CPR event being held on Saturday, and noted the importance of knowing CPR to save a life of a loved one.

Mayor West shared that he was pleased to hear about the world community making progress toward a ceasefire, allowing humanitarian aid, and the release of hostages in the Middle East.

Mayor West advised of an increase in hate crimes in the community, noted the recent threats of violence in Vaughan, and indicated that York Regional Police reported a significant increase of hate crimes since last year. He implored the community to unite and support Richmond Hill citizens with compassion and inclusive attitudes, and stated that hateful acts and crimes had no place in our community.

Mayor West advised of a York Region Mayor's competition for the Fill A Purse For A Sister campaign, noting Stouffville initiated the challenge, and that he wanted to ensure Richmond Hill was doing their part to help women in need by donating purses filled with feminine personal care items for women in crisis until December 1st, with drop off locations across York Region.

Mayor West advised of the successful exhibition of I love Richmond Hill Photo Contest, acknowledged the beautiful display of photographs of important places in Richmond Hill, and extended his thanks to all participants.

Mayor West advised that he would be extending an invitation tomorrow at York Region Council to all York Region Mayors to join him and his team at the 360°Experience, the longest night of the year event, to benefit 360°Kids, and noted that he would share more information for an opportunity to support the organization in their endeavor.

6. Introduction of Emergency/Time Sensitive Matters

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

7. Adoption of Agenda

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

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

- 1) Delegation – Art Lambert, Christian Orthodox Cemetery, regarding the request of the Christian Orthodox Cemetery Inc., for the City’s consent to be exempted from the requirement – (Closed Session Item 19.1 b);
- 2) Memorandum from Gus Galanis, Acting Commissioner, Planning and Building Services, dated November 22, 2023, regarding Response to Committee Members Comments and Questions Regarding Official Plan Amendment 18.7 (Newkirk Local Centre) – (Item 15.7);
- 3) Memorandum from Gus Galanis, Acting Commissioner, Planning and Building Services, dated November 22, 2023, regarding Response to Committee Members Comments and Questions Regarding Official Plan Amendment 18.8 (Oak Ridges Local Centre) – (Item 15.8).

Carried Unanimously

8. 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*.

9. Adoption of Previous Council Minutes

9.1 Special Council Meeting C#38-23 held November 7, 2023

Moved by: Councillor Cui
Seconded by: Councillor Davidson

That the minutes of Special Council Meeting C#38-23 held on November 7, 2023, be adopted.

Carried

9.2 Council Meeting C#39-23 held November 8, 2023

Moved by: Councillor Cui
Seconded by: Councillor Davidson

That the minutes of Council Meeting C#39-23 held on November 8, 2023, be adopted.

Carried

10. Identification of Items Requiring Separate Discussion

Council consented to separate items 15.4.10 and 15.5 for discussion.

11. Adoption of Remainder of Agenda Items

On a motion of Councillor Cui, seconded by Councillor Cilevitz, Council adopted those items not identified for separate discussion, including Item 16.1 Member Motion submitted by Mayor West regarding to Add Closed Session Agenda Item to the November 22, 2023 Council Meeting pertaining to the employment of Executive Level Staff.

12. Public Hearings

There were no public hearings.

13. Presentations

13.1 Presentation by Mayor West of the William F. Bell Young Entrepreneur Award to Annie Rong, founder of Fill Your Tote!

Mayor West highlighted the legacy left behind by former Richmond Hill Mayor William F. Bell. Mayor West provided background information about the William F. Bell Young Entrepreneur Award which was initiated by the City in 2006 to recognize successful young entrepreneurs taking part in the Ontario Summer Company program, and introduced Mayor Bell's wife Jackie, his daughter Julie Ihamaki, and his brother John Bell, who were in attendance to present the award to this year's recipient.

Julie Ihamaki, on behalf of her family, advised that this year's award winner was Annie Rong, a dedicated and hard-working student who specialized in creating unique designs and selling tote bags with her company, Fill Your Tote! She highlighted the success of Fill Your Tote! despite being faced with challenges, and noted how her perseverance and creativity paid off.

Mayor West together with Jackie, Julie and John, presented Annie Rong, founder of Fill Your Tote!, with the 2023 William F. Bell Young Entrepreneur Award and on behalf of himself, the Bell Family, Members of Council, and the Richmond Hill Small Business Enterprise Centre, extended congratulations to Annie on her participation in the Summer Company program and wished her continued success.

14. Delegations

14.1 Rev. Art Lambert, Christian Orthodox Cemetery, addressed Council regarding the request of the Christian Orthodox Cemetery Inc. for the City's consent to be exempted from the requirement, pursuant to the *Funeral, Burial and Cremation Services Act, 2002*. He advised that in the past two years the Richmond Hill Ukrainian community had significantly increased, and noted that they were facing demands to increase the

capacity of the building they currently used at 9550 Leslie Street. He described the property, outlined the requirements of the Bereavement Authority of Ontario (BAO) to obtain a cemetery operator license, and to pay \$165,000 into a care and maintenance fund for the Cemetery, or to provide a letter of consent for the exemption from the requirement. Rev. Art Lambert stated that in order to proceed with the cemetery operator license, they were seeking the City's support to provide a letter of consent to grant an exemption of the requirement imposed by the authority.

15. Committee and Staff Reports

15.1 Minutes - Economic Development Committee EDC#01-23 held March 28, 2023

Moved by: Councillor Cui
Seconded by: Councillor Cilevitz

a) That the minutes of Economic Development Committee meeting EDC#01-23 held March 28, 2023, be adopted.

Carried

15.2 Minutes - Accessibility Advisory Committee meeting AAC#03-23 held September 28, 2023

Moved by: Councillor Cui
Seconded by: Councillor Cilevitz

a) That the minutes of Accessibility Advisory Committee meeting AAC#03-23 held September 28, 2023, be adopted.

Carried

15.3 Minutes - Audit Committee A#02-23 held November 14, 2023

Moved by: Councillor Cui
Seconded by: Councillor Cilevitz

That the minutes of Audit Committee meeting A#02-23 held November 14, 2023, be adopted as circulated and the following recommendations be approved:

Carried

15.3.1 Report from Grant Thornton LLP regarding Audit Strategy for the year ended December 31, 2023 - (Audit Item 4.1)

Moved by: Councillor Cui

Seconded by: Councillor Cilevitz

a) That the Report from Grant Thornton LLP, regarding Audit Strategy for the year ended December 31, 2023, be received.

Carried

15.3.2 SRCFS.23.055 - Capital Project Financial Status Report - (Audit Item 4.2)

Moved by: Councillor Cui

Seconded by: Councillor Cilevitz

a) That all capital projects listed in Appendix "A" to Staff Report SRCFS.23.055:

- i. Be closed
- ii. Projects with a net surplus of \$4.08 million be returned to sources as identified; and

b) That Budget and Funding Adjustments in the amount of \$0.39 million returned to sources as identified in Appendix "B" to Staff Report SRCFS.23.055, be approved;

c) That the Status of Capital Projects List in Appendix "F" to Staff Report SRCFS.23.055, be received.

Carried

15.4 Minutes - Committee of the Whole Meeting CW#14-23 held November 15, 2023

That the minutes of Committee of the Whole meeting CW#14-23 held November 15, 2023, be adopted as circulated and the following recommendations be approved:

15.4.1 SRCFS.23.046 - Tax Adjustments under Section 357 and 358 of the Municipal Act - (CW Item 8.1)

Moved by: Councillor Cui

Seconded by: Councillor Cilevitz

a) That taxes amounting to \$23,721.65 be written off pursuant to the provisions of Section 357 of the *Municipal Act, 2001*;

b) That taxes amounting to \$20,073.67 be written off pursuant to the provisions of Section 358 of the *Municipal Act, 2001*;

- c) That applicable penalty and interest be adjusted accordingly;
- d) That the Treasurer be directed to adjust the accounts receivable accordingly.

Carried

15.4.2 SRPBS.23.029 - Request for Approval - OPA 18.7 Newkirk Local Centre (City File MOPA-23-0002) - (CW Item 11.1) - (Proposed By-law 107-23)

Moved by: Councillor Cui
Seconded by: Councillor Cilevitz

- a) That staff report SRPBS.23.029 regarding Request for Approval, OPA 18.7 Newkirk Local Centre, be received;
- b) That Official Plan Amendment 18.7, attached as Appendix 'A' to staff report SRPBS.23.029, be adopted and that the City's Official Plan be amended in accordance with the policy changes and modifications set out in OPA 18.7;
- c) That following adoption of Official Plan Amendment 18.7 by City Council, a copy of the amendment be forwarded to York Region as the approval authority for consideration and approval.

Carried

15.4.3 SRPBS.23.030 - Request for Approval - OPA 18.8 Oak Ridges Local Centre (City File MOPA-23-0003) - (CW Item 11.2) - (Proposed By-law 108-23)

Moved by: Councillor Cui
Seconded by: Councillor Cilevitz

- a) That staff report SRPBS.23.030 regarding Request for Approval, OPA 18.8 Oak Ridges Local Centre, be received.
- b) That Council adopt Official Plan Amendment 18.8 (attached as Appendix 'A' to SRPBS.23.030), and that the City's Official Plan be amended in accordance with the modifications set out in OPA 18.8;
- c) That following adoption of the Official Plan Amendment 18.8 by City Council, a copy of the amendment be forwarded to York Region as the approval authority for consideration and approval.

Carried

15.4.4 SRPBS.23.020 - Request for Approval - Street Naming Application - Countrywide Homes (Jefferson) Inc. and Giueseppina Brunetto - 30 Beech Avenue, 211-305 Jefferson Sideroad, 196-288 and 307 Harris Avenue - City File AA-23-0013 - (CW Item 11.3)

Moved by: Councillor Cui
Seconded by: Councillor Cilevitz

a) That staff report SRPBS.23.020 regarding a Street Naming Application submitted by Countrywide Homes (Jefferson) Inc. and Giueseppina Brunetto for the lands known as Lots 1 to 5, Plan 9597, Lots 11, 15 to 18, 20 to 24, 27 and 28, Plan 1916 and Lot 3, Plan 65M-2071 (municipal addresses: 30 Beech Avenue, 211-305 Jefferson Sideroad, 196-288 and 307 Harris Avenue) be approved subject to the following:

- i. That the proposed streets James Pollard Drive, Moose Avenue, and Flower Court be approved in accordance with staff report SRPBS.23.020; and
- ii. That staff be directed to bring forward a by-law to implement the approval of the street names in accordance with staff report SRPBS.23.020.

Carried

15.4.5 SRPBS.23.021 - Request for Approval - Zoning By-law Amendment - Carefirst Seniors and Community Services Association - 9893 Leslie Street - City File D02-20015 (Related City File SP-23-0008) - (CW Item 11.4)

Moved by: Councillor Cui
Seconded by: Councillor Cilevitz

a) That the Zoning By-law Amendment application submitted by Carefirst Seniors and Community Services Association for the lands known as Part of Lot 20, Concession 3, E.Y.S. (municipal address 9893 Leslie Street), City File D02-20015 be approved, subject to the following:

- i. that the subject lands be rezoned from High Performance Commercial Industrial Historic ((MC-1 (HIS)) Zone under By-law 413-90, as amended, to Institutional (INST) Zone and Open Space (OS) Zone under By-law 2325-68, as amended,

with site-specific provisions as set out in Appendix “C” to Staff Report SRPBS.23.021;

- ii. that prior to the final amending Zoning By-law being brought forward to Council for consideration and enactment, the following take place:
 - a. that the related Site Plan Application (City File SP-23-0008) be substantially completed to the satisfaction of the Commissioner of Planning and Building Services;
 - b. that the draft Zoning By-law attached hereto as Appendix “C” be finalized and updated to address the comments in Staff Report SRPBS.23.021 to the satisfaction of the Commissioner of Planning and Building Services;

b) That pursuant to Section 34(17) of the Planning Act, Council deem that no further notice be required with respect to any necessary modifications to the draft amending Zoning By-law to implement the proposed development on the subject lands; and,

c) That the authority to assign municipal servicing allocation to the proposed development to be constructed on the subject lands be delegated to the Commissioner of Planning and Infrastructure subject to the City’s Interim Growth Management Strategy, and that the assigned municipal servicing allocation be released in accordance with the provisions of By-law 109-11.

Carried

15.4.6 SRPBS.23.039 - Request for Authorization to Enter into an Agreement - 95 and 105 Oneida Crescent - (CW Item 11.5)

Moved by: Councillor Cui
Seconded by: Councillor Cilevitz

a) That the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to execute an Agreement with respect to the improvements to the City-owned parkland adjacent to 95 Oneida Crescent and 105 Oneida Crescent with all the requisite parties as described in staff report SRPBS.23.039 upon the written recommendation of the Commissioner of Planning and Building Services.

Carried

15.4.7 SRCFS.23.057 - 2024 Council and Committee Meeting Schedule - (CW Item 11.6)

Moved by: Councillor Cui
Seconded by: Councillor Cilevitz

a) That the proposed 2024 Council and Committee meeting schedule as set out in Appendix 'A' to staff report SRCFS.23.057 be approved.

Carried

15.4.8 SRCFS.23.044 - Non-Competitive Acquisition, Water Meter Supply, Installation, Maintenance and Reading - (CW Item 11.7)

Moved by: Councillor Cui
Seconded by: Councillor Cilevitz

a) That a contract for the provision of water meter supply, installation, maintenance and reading be awarded non-competitively to Neptune Technology Group Canada Co. pursuant to Appendix "B" Part I Section (c) of the Procurement By-law 113-16;

b) That the contract award be for an acquisition value not exceeding \$1,650,000 exclusive of H.S.T., pursuant to and for a term of one year, commencing January 1, 2024, and ending December 31, 2024;

c) That the Commissioner of Corporate and Financial Services be authorized to execute any necessary documentation to effect the contract.

Carried

15.4.9 SRCFS.23.045 - Stormwater Rate Structure Review - (CW Item 11.8)

Moved by: Councillor Cui
Seconded by: Councillor Cilevitz

a) That staff report SRCFS.23.045 regarding Stormwater Rate Structure Review be received;

b) That Council approve the proposed refinements to the Stormwater Management Rate Structure, as outlined in staff report SRCFS.23.045;

- c) That staff be directed to include in the 2024 Draft Stormwater Management Services Budget for Council's consideration, an increase in the Stormwater Management rates to generate additional revenues and provide much needed funding contribution to the reserve fund to ensure long term financial sustainability for Stormwater related infrastructure;
- d) That staff be directed to undertake a Stormwater Management Financial Plan along with a Water and Wastewater Financial Plan and report back to Council by the 3rd quarter of 2024;
- e) That staff be directed to include in the 2024 Draft Stormwater Management Services Budget, a reward program for residents acting as good ambassadors with respect to stormwater management;
- f) That By-Law 99-23, attached as Appendix 'A' to staff report SRCFS.23.045, be enacted to adopt the 2024 Stormwater Management Rate Structure.

Carried

15.4.10 SRCS.23.23 - Blue Box Transition Update - (CW Item 11.9)

Moved by: Councillor Thompson
Seconded by: Councillor Davidson

- a) That Council receive, for information, the outcome of contract discussions associated with the transition of Ontario's Blue Box Program to Producers, effective January 1, 2026 as outlined in staff report SRCS.23.23;
- b) That the City of Richmond Hill not pursue Circular Materials upcoming Request for Proposal (RFP) for collection of blue box materials on behalf of Producers for the York Region catchment area beginning January 1, 2026;
- c) That staff report back to Council with options and costs for post-transition collection of blue box materials from non-eligible sources;
- d) That the expansion of the City's super mailbox recycling program be put on hold until post-transition costs to deliver this service are obtained and a decision by Council is made on this program;
- e) That the Mayor be directed to send a letter expressing Council's concerns with the Blue Box Transition Program to the Minister of

Environment, Conservation and Parks, Association of Municipalities Ontario, Ontario Big City Mayors, York Region and local Richmond Hill Members of Provincial Parliament.

Carried Unanimously

15.4.11 SRCS.23.24 - Non-Competitive Acquisition of 17 Replacement Trailers - (CW Item 11.10)

Moved by: Councillor Cui
Seconded by: Councillor Cilevitz

- a) That the contract for the acquisition of 17 replacement trailers be awarded non-competitively to Bluewater Trailers Sales Ltd. at a cost not exceeding \$186,000 (exclusive of taxes), pursuant to Appendix "B", Part II, section (a) of Procurement By-Law 113-16;
- b) That the Commissioner of Community Services be authorized to execute any and all necessary documentation to affect the contract.

Carried

15.4.12 SRCS.23.25 - Municipal Access Agreement with telMax Inc. - (CW Item 11.11)

Moved by: Councillor Cui
Seconded by: Councillor Cilevitz

- a) That the Commissioner of Community Services be authorized to:
 - i. execute a Municipal Access Agreement with telMAX Inc.; and
 - ii. negotiate and execute Municipal Access Agreements with other telecommunication service providers.

Carried

15.4.13 SRIES.23.003 - Traffic Regulation Changes (Speed Limit, Parking and Traffic Control) - (CW Item 11.12) - (Proposed By-laws 111-23, 112-23, 113-23 and 114-23)

Moved by: Councillor Cui
Seconded by: Councillor Cilevitz

- a) That the speed limit, parking and traffic control regulation changes outlined in staff report SRIES.23.003, at the November 22nd, 2023 be approved;

- b) That By-Law 111-23, attached as Appendix '7' to staff report SRIES.23.003, be brought forward to the November 22, 2023, Council meeting for enactment to amend Municipal Code Chapter 1126 in order to reduce the speed limit on various City of Richmond Hill roads to 40 km/h;
- c) That York Regional Police be advised of the new reduced posted speed limits and be requested to provide enforcement along the roads as resources permit;
- d) That By-Law 112-23, attached as Appendix '8' to staff report SRIES.23.003, be brought forward to the November 22, 2023, Council meeting for enactment to amend Municipal Code Chapter 1116, in order to implement the changes to parking regulations outlined in this staff report;
- e) That By-Law 113-23, attached as Appendix '9' to staff report SRIES.23.003, be brought forward to the November 22, 2023, Council meeting for enactment to amend Municipal Code Chapter 1128, in order to implement the changes to intersection traffic control outlined in this staff report;
- f) That By-Law 114-23, attached as Appendix '10' to staff report SRIES.23.003, be brought forward to the November 22, 2023, Council Meeting for enactment to amend Municipal Code Chapter 1135 in order to implement the changes to U-turn prohibitions outlined in this staff report.

Carried

15.4.14 Correspondence regarding OPA 18.7 Newkirk Local Centre - (CW Item 11.13)

Moved by: Councillor Cui
Seconded by: Councillor Cilevitz

That the following correspondence regarding OPA 18.7 Newkirk Local Centre be received:

1. Jeff Thompson, Senior Planner, Planning Policy and Regulation, Toronto and Region Conservation Authority, dated July 4, 2023.

2. Jordan Cook, Planner, Planning and Property Development Services, York Region District School Board, dated September 20, 2023.
3. Chris Pereira and Courtney Mark, MBPD Limited, dated November 7, 2023.

Carried

15.4.15 Correspondence regarding OPA 18.8 Oak Ridges Local Centre - (CW Item 11.14)

Moved by: Councillor Cui
Seconded by: Councillor Cilevitz

That the following correspondence regarding OPA 18.8 Oak Ridges Local Centre be received:

1. Jeff Thompson, Senior Planner, Planning Policy and Regulation, Toronto and Region Conservation Authority, dated July 4, 2023.
2. Jordan Cook, Planner, Planning and Property Development Services, York Region District School Board, dated September 20, 2023.

Carried

15.4.16 Additional Correspondence regarding OPA 18.7 Newkirk Local Centre - (CW Item 11.15)

Moved by: Councillor Cui
Seconded by: Councillor Cilevitz

That the following additional correspondence regarding OPA 18.7 Newkirk Local Centre be received:

1. Tak Amiri, 207-21 Dunlop Street, dated November 13, 2023.
2. Lincoln Lo, Malone Given Parsons Ltd., dated November 14, 2023.

Carried

15.4.17 Additional Correspondence regarding OPA 18.8 Oak Ridges Local Centre - (CW Item 11.16)

Moved by: Councillor Cui

Seconded by: Councillor Cilevitz

That the following additional correspondence regarding OPA 18.8 Oak Ridges Local Centre be received:

1. Mason Sanglakhi, 200-10212 Yonge Street, dated June 16, 2023 and received June 20, 2023.
2. Ian Andres, Goodmans LLP, dated November 13, 2023.
3. Lauren Capilongo, Malone Given Parsons Ltd., dated November 14, 2023.
4. Azar Davis, Zelinka Priamo Ltd., dated November 14, 2023.

Carried

15.5 York Region Briefing Note, submitted by Kyle Catney, Director, Transit Operations, York Region Transit, dated November 22, 2023 regarding York Region Transit's 2024 Transit Initiatives for the City of Richmond Hill

Moved by: Regional and Local Councillor Chan

Seconded by: Councillor Davidson

a) That the York Region Briefing Note, submitted by Kyle Catney, Director, Transit Operations, York Region Transit, dated November 22, 2023 regarding York Region Transit's 2024 Transit Initiatives for the City of Richmond Hill, be received for information with thanks.

Carried Unanimously

15.6 Correspondence from Kim Empringham, York Region Federation of Agriculture, dated November 15, 2023, regarding Stormwater Rate Structure Review - (refer to Item 15.4.9)

Moved by: Councillor Cui

Seconded by: Councillor Cilevitz

a) That the correspondence from Kim Empringham, York Region Federation of Agriculture, dated November 15, 2023, regarding Stormwater Rate Structure Review, be received.

Carried

15.7 Memorandum from Gus Galanis, Acting Commissioner, Planning and Building Services, dated November 22, 2023, regarding Response to Committee Members Comments and Questions Regarding Official

Plan Amendment 18.7 (Newkirk Local Centre) - (refer to Items 15.4.2 and 18.3)

Moved by: Councillor Cui
Seconded by: Councillor Cilevitz

a) That the Memorandum from Gus Galanis, Acting Commissioner, Planning and Building Services, dated November 22, 2023, regarding Response to Committee Members Comments and Questions Regarding Official Plan Amendment 18.7 (Newkirk Local Centre), be received.

Carried

15.8 Memorandum from Gus Galanis, Acting Commissioner, Planning and Building Services, dated November 22, 2023, regarding Response to Committee Members Comments and Questions Regarding Official Plan Amendment 18.8 (Oak Ridges Local Centre) - (refer to Items 15.4.3 and 18.4)

Moved by: Councillor Cui
Seconded by: Councillor Cilevitz

a) That the Memorandum from Gus Galanis, Acting Commissioner, Planning and Building Services, dated November 22, 2023, regarding Response to Committee Members Comments and Questions Regarding Official Plan Amendment 18.8 (Oak Ridges Local Centre), be received.

Carried

16. Other Business

16.1 Member Motion - Mayor West - Add Closed Session Agenda Item to the November 22, 2023 Council Meeting pertaining to the employment of Executive Level Staff

Moved by: Councillor Cui
Seconded by: Councillor Cilevitz

That a Closed Session Agenda Item be added to the November 22, 2023 Council agenda to consider personal matters about identifiable individuals, and labour relations or employee negotiations related to the employment of Executive Level Staff (Sections 239(2)(b) and 239(2)(d) of the *Municipal Act, 2001*).

Carried

17. Emergency/Time Sensitive Matters

There were no emergency/time sensitive matters.

18. By-laws

Moved by: Councillor Cui
Seconded by: Councillor Cilevitz

That the following By-laws be approved:

- 18.1 By-law 100-23 - A By-law to Levy for Taxes Prior to the Adoption of Budget Estimates
- 18.2 By-law 103-23 - A By-law to Remove Certain Lands from Part Lot Control
- 18.3 By-law 107-23 - A By-law to Adopt Amendment 18.7 to the Richmond Hill Official Plan
- 18.4 By-law 108-23 - A By-law to Adopt Amendment 18.8 to the Richmond Hill Official Plan
- 18.5 By-law 111-23 - A By-law to amend Schedule "A", as amended, being Chapter 1126 of the City of Richmond Hill Municipal Code, relating to the Speed of Motor Vehicles
- 18.6 By-law 112-23 - A By-law to amend Chapter 1116 of the City of Richmond Hill Municipal Code, being By-law 402-89, as amended, relating to parking regulation
- 18.7 By-law 113-23 - A By-law to amend Schedule "A", as amended, being Chapter 1128 of the City of Richmond Hill Municipal Code, relating to the erection of stop signs
- 18.8 By-law 114-23 - A By-law to amend Chapter 1135 of the City of Richmond Hill Municipal Code, relating to U-turn prohibitions
- 18.9 By-law 127-23 - A By-law to establish lands as public highway
- 18.10 By-law 130-23 - A By-law to Remove Certain Lands from Part Lot Control

Carried Unanimously

19. Closed Session

19.1 Resolution to Move into Closed Session and General Nature Thereof:

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

That Council move into Closed Session:

- a) To consider matters related to labour relations or employee negotiations with respect to Administrative Employees and Members of Council (Section 239(2)(d) of the *Municipal Act, 2001*).
- b) To consider matters related to the receiving of advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose and related to the request of the Christian Orthodox Cemetery Inc. for the City's consent to be exempted from the requirement, pursuant to the *Funeral, Burial and Cremation Services Act, 2002*, S.O. 2002, c. 33, to have a \$165,000 care and maintenance fund for the Headford United Church Cemetery - 9550 Leslie St., Richmond Hill – Ward 3 (Section 239(2)(f) of the *Municipal Act, 2001*).
- c) To consider personal matters about identifiable individuals, and labour relations or employee negotiations related to the employment of Executive Level Staff (Sections 239(2)(b) and 239(2)(d) of the *Municipal Act, 2001*) - (refer to Agenda Item 16.1).

Carried Unanimously

19.2 Resolution to Reconvene in Open Session

Council moved into closed and then returned to open session (10:45 a.m. to 11:26 a.m.).

19.3 Adoption of Recommendations Arising from the Closed Session Meeting

The City Clerk advised that there were no open session recommendations for Closed Session Items B and C.

The following recommendations were made in Open Session for Item A:

19.3.1 To consider matters related to labour relations or employee negotiations with respect to Administrative Employees and Members of Council (Section 239(2)(d) of the *Municipal Act, 2001*) – (Item A)

Moved by: Councillor Cilevitz
 Seconded by: Councillor Davidson

- a) That Council approve a 2.0% increase to the City's Non-Union Administrative Employees salaries effective on January 1, 2024.

- b) That Council approve a 2.0% increase to the Members of Council annual remuneration effective on January 1, 2024.
- c) That paragraph 2 of By-law 102-22, being A By-law Authorization and Payment of Remuneration of Members of Council for the 2022 to 2026 Term of Council, be amended to read as follows:

“That the annual remuneration of the Mayor, Regional and Local Councillors and Ward Councillors referred to in paragraph 1 shall be increased by 1.70% effective on January 1, 2023, and shall be further increased by 2% effective on January 1, 2024.

Carried Unanimously

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

20.1 By-law 135-23

Moved by: Councillor Davidson
Seconded by: Councillor Shiu

That By-law 135-23, A By-law to confirm the proceedings of Council at this meeting, be passed.

Carried

21. Adjournment

Moved by: Councillor Cilevitz
Seconded by: Councillor Cui

That the meeting be adjourned.

Carried

The meeting was adjourned at 11:27 a.m.

David West, Mayor

Stephen M.A. Huycke, City Clerk