



Council Meeting

Minutes

C#43-23

Wednesday, December 13, 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, December 13, 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
G. Galanis, Acting Commissioner of Planning and Building Services
T. Steele, Commissioner of Community Services
A. Dimilta, City Solicitor
P. Masaro, Executive Director, Infrastructure and Engineering Services
M. Flores, Director, Policy Planning
G. Li, Director, Financial Services and Treasurer
S. DeMaria, Manager, Development Site Plans
B. DeFreitas, Senior Planner - Policy
F. Caparelli, Planning Technician
S. Huycke, City Clerk

R. Ban, Deputy City Clerk
K. Hurley, Council/Committee Coordinator
C. Connolly, Legislative Services Assistant

Staff Members present via videoconference:

C. Debi, Director, Strategic Communications
D. Guy, Director, Community Standards
M. Dobbie, Manager, Park and Natural Heritage Planning
D. Kharena, Planning Researcher

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)

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

5. Council Announcements

Councillor Cilevitz extended her thanks to everyone who attended the menorah lighting ceremony last Thursday evening, acknowledged City staff and the Mayor's Office for their contributions in organizing a wonderful event, and hoped that everyone was having a happy Chanukah.

Councillor Cilevitz, with today being the last Council meeting before the break, wished all residents, staff and fellow Members of Council happy holidays, Merry Christmas, happy Chanukah and a blessed Kwanzaa.

Councillor Cui acknowledged that today was the national Memorial Day for the victims of the Nanjing Massacre which took place in 1937.

Mayor West extended his condolences to the family and friends of longtime Richmond Hill resident Shelagh Harris who recently passed away and acknowledged her many contributions to the community.

6. Introduction of Emergency/Time Sensitive Matters

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

7. Adoption of Agenda

Moved by: Councillor Shiu
Seconded by: Councillor Davidson

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

- a) Correspondence from Pat Pollock, Chair, Mayvern Area Residents Association, 67 Drumern Crescent, regarding Sign By-law Amendment - Election Signs - (Item 15.7);
- b) By-law 140-23 - A By-Law to amend Tariff of Fees By-Law 94-23 and Stormwater Management Fees By-Law 99-23 - (Item 18.9).

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 Council Public Meeting C#40-23 held November 21, 2023

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

That the minutes of Council Public Meeting C#40-23 held on November 21, 2023, be adopted.

Carried Unanimously

9.2 Council Meeting C#41-23 held November 22, 2023

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

That the minutes of Council Meeting C#41-23 held on November 22, 2023, be adopted.

Carried Unanimously

9.3 Special Council Meeting C#42-23 held November 29, 2023

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

That the minutes of Special Council Meeting C#42-23 held on November 29, 2023, be adopted.

Carried Unanimously

10. Identification of Items Requiring Separate Discussion

Council consented to separate items 15.1.1, 15.1.2, 15.1.3 and 16.1 for discussion.

11. Adoption of Remainder of Agenda Items

On a motion of Councillor Cilevitz, seconded by Regional and Local Councillor Chan, Council adopted those items not identified for separate discussion.

12. Public Hearings

There were no public hearings.

13. Presentations

13.1 Presentation by Mayor West regarding the 2024 Draft Capital and Operating Budgets for the City of Richmond Hill - (refer to Item 15.1)

Mayor West made introductory remarks regarding the 2024 Draft Capital and Operating Budgets for the City of Richmond Hill, and acknowledged the extensive process that was undertaken for the budget. He extended his thanks to Members of Council, Budget Committee of the Whole Chair DiPaola, Director Li and staff for the work that went into the 2024 budget which reflected the values of the community and would shape what the municipality does going forward. Mayor West advised that the process for the 2024 budget was carried out similar to past years while now falling under the Strong Mayor Powers under the *Municipal Act, 2001* to ensure

everyone's input was heard, and noted that it was a responsible budget that took into consideration various fiscal and other related pressures while balancing the needs of the community. Mayor West concluded his presentation by presenting the 2024 Draft Capital and Operating Budgets to Members of Council for consideration and approval.

14. Delegations

There were no delegations.

15. Committee and Staff Reports

15.1 2024 Draft Capital and Operating Budgets

15.1.1 2024 Draft Capital Budget

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

a) That Council, in accordance with the provisions of Subsection 7(4) of Ontario Regulation 530/22, does hereby shorten the 30-day period to pass resolutions making amendments to the proposed 2024 Capital Budget to adjournment of the Council meeting on December 13, 2023.

Carried Unanimously

15.1.2 2024 Operating Budget - (By-law 140-23)

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

a) That Council, in accordance with the provisions of Subsection 7(4) of Ontario Regulation 530/22, does hereby shorten the 30-day period to pass resolutions making amendments to the proposed 2024 Capital Budget to adjournment of the Council meeting on December 13, 2023.

Carried Unanimously

15.1.3 2024 Rate Supported Operating Budgets - (By-law 140-23)

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

a) That Council, in accordance with the provisions of Subsection 7(4) of Ontario Regulation 530/22, does hereby shorten the 30-day period to pass resolutions making amendments to the proposed

2024 Rate Supported Operating Budgets to adjournment of the Council meeting on December 13, 2023.

Carried Unanimously

15.1.4 2024 Village of Richmond Hill Business Improvement Area Budget

Moved by: Councillor Cui
Seconded by: Councillor Thompson

a) That Council, in accordance with the provisions of Subsection 7(4) of Ontario Regulation 530/22, does hereby shorten the 30-day period to pass resolutions making amendments to the proposed 2024 Village of Richmond Hill Business Improvement Area Budget to adjournment of the Council meeting on December 13, 2023.

Carried Unanimously

15.1.5 Memorandum from Stephen M. A. Huycke, Director of Legislative Services/City Clerk, dated December 8, 2023, regarding Strong Mayor Powers and 2024 Capital and Operating Budgets

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

a) That the Memorandum from Stephen M. A. Huycke, Director of Legislative Services/City Clerk, dated December 8, 2023, regarding Strong Mayor Powers and 2024 Capital and Operating Budgets, be received for information.

Carried

15.2 Minutes - Budget Committee of the Whole Meeting BCW#06-23 held November 21, 2023

That the minutes of Budget Committee of the Whole meeting BCW#06-23 held November 21, 2023, be adopted as circulated and the following recommendation be approved:

15.2.1 SRCFS.23.054 - 2024 Draft Capital Budget and 9 Year Forecast - (BCW Item 4.1)

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

a) That Budget Committee of the Whole recommends that Council receive for information purposes the 2025-2033 Capital Forecast as identified in Appendix 'D' of staff report SRCFS.23.054, in the amount of \$1,678,173,000 that includes project management and overhead costs.

Carried

15.3 Minutes - Budget Committee of the Whole Meeting BCW#07-23 held November 28, 2023

That the minutes of Budget Committee of the Whole meeting BCW#07-23 held November 28, 2023, be adopted as circulated and the following recommendations be approved:

15.3.1 SRCS.23.26 - South Richvale Greenway Winter Trail Maintenance (BCW Item 4.1)

Moved by: Councillor Cilevitz

Seconded by: Regional and Local Councillor Chan

- a) That staff report SRCS.23.26 regarding the provision of winter maintenance to the trails within South Richvale Greenway be received;
- b) That winter maintenance of trails within South Richvale Greenway not be enhanced beyond the current level of service that is now being provided;
- c) That a Trails Level of Service Study, as contemplated and recommended in the forthcoming 2023 Transportation Master Plan Update, be completed to comprehensively assess the City-wide trail system and make recommendations for trail design standards, categorization and maintenance service levels.

Carried

15.3.2 SRPBS.23.046 - Proposal to Hire Contract Staff to Coordinate the City's Affordable Housing Mandate - (BCW Item 4.2)

Moved by: Councillor Cilevitz

Seconded by: Regional and Local Councillor Chan

- a) That staff report SRPBS.23.046 regarding Proposal to Hire Contract Staff to Coordinate the City's Affordable Housing Mandate be received;

b) That Council endorse the hiring of contract staff to help advance and accelerate the building of affordable housing in Richmond Hill as outlined in staff report SRPBS.23.046;

c) That Council approve an operating budget of \$560,000 from the 2023 Operating Surplus to hire contract staff in accordance with staff report SRPBS.23.046.

Carried

15.3.3 Memorandum from Gigi Li, Director, Financial Services and Treasurer, dated November 28, 2023, regarding the 2024 Draft Operating Budget - Budget Mitigating Options - (BCW Item 4.4)

Moved by: Councillor Cilevitz

Seconded by: Regional and Local Councillor Chan

a) That the Memorandum from Gigi Li, Director, Financial Services and Treasurer, dated November 28, 2023, regarding the 2024 Draft Operating Budget - Budget Mitigating Options, be received.

Carried

15.4 Minutes - Budget Committee of the Whole Meeting BCW#08-23 held December 5, 2023

That the minutes of Budget Committee of the Whole meeting BCW#08-23 held December 5, 2023, be adopted as circulated and the following recommendation be approved:

15.4.1 Correspondence from John Li, 206 Brookside Road, dated December 4, 2023, regarding the 2024 Draft Operating Budget - (BCW Item 4.4)

Moved by: Councillor Cilevitz

Seconded by: Regional and Local Councillor Chan

a) That the correspondence from John Li, 206 Brookside Road, dated December 4, 2023, regarding the 2024 Draft Operating Budget, be received.

Carried

15.5 Minutes - Committee of the Whole Meeting CW#15-23 held December 6, 2023

That the minutes of Committee of the Whole meeting CW#15-23 held December 6, 2023, be adopted as circulated and the following recommendations be approved:

15.5.1 SRS.23.05 - Conveyance of Easements located on 160 and 170 West Beaver Creek Road - (CW Item 11.1)

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

a) That the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to execute any and all documents as may be required to implement the conveyance of easements designated as Part 1 and 2 Reference Plan 65R-40495, as outlined in staff report SRS.23.05, upon the written recommendation of the City Manager.

Carried

15.5.2 SRCFS.23.058 - New Procedure By-law for Council and Committee Meetings - (CW Item 11.2) - (By-law 125-23)

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

a) That staff report SRCFS.23.058 regarding the new Procedure By-law for Council and Committee Meetings be received; and
b) That Council enact draft By-law 125-23 (Attachment "A" to Staff Report SRCFS.23.058) to repeal and replace the City's Procedure By-law 74-12, as amended, effective on January 1, 2024.

Carried

15.5.3 SRCS.23.21 - Sign By-law Amendment - Election Signs - (CW Item 11.3) - (By-law 126-23)

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

a) That Staff Report SRCS.23.21, regarding Election Sign amendments to the Sign By-law, be received.

b) That By-law 126-23 (Attachment 1 to staff report SRCS.23.21) be enacted to amend the Election Sign component of the Sign By-law 52-09 (Municipal Code Chapter 740).

Carried

15.5.4 SRCS.23.29 - Transitioning of Tow Truck Regulation to the Province - (CW Item 11.4) - (By-law 137-23)

Moved by: Councillor Cilevitz

Seconded by: Regional and Local Councillor Chan

a) That Staff Report SRCS.23.29, regarding the transitioning of towing and vehicle storage sector regulation to the Province be received;

b) That effective January 1st, 2024, the Tow Truck By-law 78-19 and all subsequent amendments be repealed;

c) That amending By-law 137-23 (attached to SRCS.23.29 as Attachment 1) be approved to remove Tow Truck By-law offences from the Administrative Penalties By-law 69-16, as amended, effective January 1st, 2024.

Carried

15.5.5 SRIES.23.004 - 2023 Transportation Master Plan Update - (CW Item 11.5)

Moved by: Councillor Cilevitz

Seconded by: Regional and Local Councillor Chan

a) That staff report SRIES.23.004 regarding the 2023 Transportation Master Plan Update, be adopted.

Carried

15.5.6 SRIES.23.005 - Traffic Safety and Operations Strategy - (CW Item 11.6)

Moved by: Councillor Cilevitz

Seconded by: Regional and Local Councillor Chan

a) That staff report SRIES.23.005 regarding the 2023 Traffic Operations and Safety Strategy, be adopted.

Carried

15.5.7 SRIES.23.006 - 2023 Urban Master Environmental Servicing Plan Update - (CW Item 11.7)

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

a) That staff report SREIS.23.006 regarding the 2023 Urban Master Environmental Servicing Plan Update Study, be adopted.

Carried

15.5.8 SRPBS.23.033 - Request for Approval - Zoning By-law Amendment and Draft Plan of Subdivision Applications - 0 Leslie Street - City Files D02-22015 and SUB-22-0007 - (CW Item 11.8)

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

a) That the Zoning By-law Amendment and draft Plan of Subdivision applications submitted by The Canada Life Assurance Company and The Canada Life Insurance Company of Canada for the lands known as Part of Lot 18, Concession 3, E.Y.S. (Municipal Address: 0 Leslie Street), City Files D02-22015 and SUB-22-0007, be approved, subject to the following:

- i. that the subject lands be rezoned from “Agricultural (A1) Zone” under By-law 2325-68, as amended, to “High Performance Commercial Industrial (MC-1) Zone”, “High Performance Industrial (M-1) Zone” and “Flood (F) Zone” under By-law 150-80, as amended, with site specific exceptions as set out in Appendix “B” to Staff Report SRPBS.23.033;
- ii. that the amending Zoning By-law be brought forward to the December 13, 2023 Council meeting for consideration and enactment;
- iii. that the draft Plan of Subdivision as depicted on Map 5 to Staff Report SRPBS.23.033 be draft approved, subject to the conditions as set out in Appendix “C”; and,

- iv. that prior to draft approval being granted, the applicant pay the applicable processing fee in accordance with the City's Tariff of Fees By-law.

Carried

15.5.9 SRPBS.23.038 - Request for Approval - Zoning By-law Amendment Application - BH Properties Limited - 52 Beaufort Hills Road - City File D02-22003 - (CW Item 11.9) - (By-law 122-23)

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

a) That the Zoning By-law Amendment application submitted by BH Properties Limited for lands known as Lot 215, Plan M37 (Municipal Address: 52 Beaufort Hills Road), City File D02-22003, be approved as outlined in this report subject to the following:

- i. that a site specific exception be applied to the portion of the lands zoned "Residential Urban (RU) Zone" under By-law 1275 and that a portion of the subject lands be rezoned from "Residential Urban (RU) Zone under By-law 1275, as amended, to "Open Space (O) Zone" by By-law 122-23, as set out in Appendix "B" to Staff Report SRPBS.23.038; and,
- ii. that the amending Zoning By-law be brought forward to the December 13, 2023 Council meeting for enactment.

Carried

15.5.10 SRPBS.23.024 - Request for Approval - Private Street Naming Application - Life Construction Inc. - 11280 Leslie Street - City File AA-23-0035 - (CW Item 11.10)

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

a) That Staff Report SRPBS.23.024 regarding a Private Street Naming Application submitted by Life Construction Inc. for the lands known as Part of Lot 29, Concession 2, E.Y.S. (Municipal Address: 11280 Leslie Street) be approved subject to the following:

- i. That the proposed private streets Grimsby Lane (P), William Fisher Lane (P), and Carlow Lane (P) be approved in accordance with Staff Report SRPBS.23.024; 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.23.024.

Carried

15.5.11 SRPBS.23.013 - Draft Mill Pond Park Revitalization Master Plan - (CW Item 11.11)

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

- a) That Staff Report SRPBS.23.013, including the Draft Mill Pond Park Revitalization Master Plan (Attachment A), be received, and that all comments be referred back to staff.

Carried

15.5.12 SRPBS.23.040 - Request for Direction - Official Plan Amendment and Zoning By-law Amendment Applications - 4Q Commercial WP Inc. - 11160 and 11172 Yonge Street - City Files D01-20013 and D02-20025 - (CW Item 11.12)

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

- a) That Staff Report SRPBS.23.040 be received for information purposes;
- b) That the Ontario Land Tribunal (OLT) be advised that Council supports the Settlement Offer dated November 18, 2023 submitted by 4Q Commercial WP Inc. for lands known as 11160 and 11172 Yonge Street, (City Files:D01-20013 and D02-20025), for the primary reasons outlined in Staff Report SRPBS.23.040, subject to the following:
 - i) that the OLT be requested to approve the implementing Official Plan Amendment substantially in accordance with the document contained in Appendix “B” to Staff Report SRPBS.23.040;
 - ii) that the OLT be requested to approve the implementing Zoning By-law Amendment substantially in accordance with the document contained in Appendix “C” to Staff Report SRPBS.23.040;

iii) that the OLT be requested to withhold the issuance of its Final Order with respect to the revised Official Plan and Zoning By-law Amendments until such time as the City advises the Tribunal that the implementing Official Plan and Zoning By-law Amendments have been finalized, and the following Conditions of Approval have all been cleared, to the satisfaction of the Commissioner of Planning and Building Services:

- a. the applicant has addressed all of the outstanding comments from the Toronto and Region Conservation Authority (TRCA) (refer to Appendix “D”) to the satisfaction of the TRCA;
- b. the applicant has submitted an updated Functional Servicing Report addressing the servicing requirements for the proposed development based on the revised unit count;
- c. the applicant has submitted an updated Transportation Impact Study;
- d. the applicant has submitted an updated Natural Heritage Evaluation or Addendum, Tree Inventory and Protection Plan and Arborist Report, recommending, amongst other matters, the revised dripline for the significant woodland, a 10 metre minimum vegetation protection zone to the revised dripline, and restoration planting therein;
- e. that the Natural Heritage lands and their associated buffers as shown on the revised plans, be placed in an appropriate Open Space (OS) Zone or Flood (F) Zone; and,
- f. the applicant provides updated architectural plans demonstrating that all access routes shall maintain a 4.6 metre minimum vertical clearance, loading areas for waste collection that have a 6.5 metre vertical clearance and showing the height of roll-up doors, and providing revised truck maneuvering diagrams from loading areas.

c) That upon the recommendation of the Commissioner of Planning and Building Services, the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to

enter into Minutes of Settlement and any further agreements or documentation as necessary to implement the Settlement Offer dated November 18, 2023;

d) That pursuant to Section 34(17) of the Planning Act, Council deems that no further notice be required with respect to any necessary modifications to the implementing Zoning By-law Amendment for the proposed development;

e) That the authority to assign servicing allocation to the proposed development on the subject lands be delegated to the Commissioner of Planning and Building Services subject to the criteria in the City's Interim Growth Management Strategy, and that the assigned servicing allocation be released in accordance with the provisions of By-law 109-11, as amended; and,

f) That appropriate City staff be directed to appear at the Ontario Land Tribunal as necessary in support of Council's position concerning the subject applications.

Carried

15.5.13 SRPBS.23.042 - Community Improvement Plan - Façade Grant Application - 10176-10178 Yonge Street - (City File CIPG.23.0001) - (CW Item 11.13)

Moved by: Councillor Cilevitz

Seconded by: Regional and Local Councillor Chan

a) That Council approve a Community Improvement Plan Façade Improvement, Landscaping, and Signage grant application submitted by Reza Zolfaghari for improvements to 10176-10178 Yonge Street in the amount not to exceed \$50,000, as outlined in staff report SRPBS.23.042 and pending the issuance of the necessary permits from the Building Division;

b) That the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to sign the grant agreement to provide the funding identified in Recommendation (a), upon the recommendation of the Commissioner of Planning and Building Services;

c) That Council delegate approval authority to the Commissioner of Planning and Building Services to approve assumption agreements to transfer the grant agreement if property ownership changes;

d) That Council allow the Director of Financial Services and Treasurer to issue a cheque(s) to disburse the funding to the applicant after it is determined the project has satisfied all requirements.

Carried

15.5.14 Correspondence received regarding the proposed application submitted by BH Properties Limited for 52 Beaufort Hills Road - (CW Item 11.14)

Moved by: Councillor Cilevitz

Seconded by: Regional and Local Councillor Chan

That the following correspondence regarding the proposed application submitted by BH Properties Limited for 52 Beaufort Hills Road, be received:

1. Xiangfeng Ge and Siying Yuan, 46 Beaufort Hills Road, dated April 5, 2022.
2. Peter Giatas, 137 Coon's Road, dated April 10, 2022.

Carried

15.5.15 Correspondence from Nick Bird, dated December 4, 2023, regarding Traffic Safety and Operations Strategy - (CW Item 11.15)

Moved by: Councillor Cilevitz

Seconded by: Regional and Local Councillor Chan

a) That the correspondence from Nick Bird, dated December 4, 2023, regarding Traffic Safety and Operations Strategy, be received.

Carried

15.5.16 Correspondence from Adriana Pisano Beaumont, Richmond Hill Winter Carnival, dated December 4, 2023, regarding the Draft Mill Pond Park Revitalization Master Plan - (CW Item 11.16)

Moved by: Councillor Cilevitz

Seconded by: Regional and Local Councillor Chan

a) That the correspondence from Adriana Pisano Beaumont, Richmond Hill Winter Carnival, dated December 4, 2023, regarding the Draft Mill Pond Park Revitalization Master Plan, be received.

Carried

15.6 SRPBS.23.025 - Request for Approval - Public and Private Street Naming Application - 1863106 Ontario Inc. - 11430 Leslie Street - City File AA-23-0036

Moved by: Councillor Cilevitz

Seconded by: Regional and Local Councillor Chan

a) That staff report SRPBS.23.025 regarding a Private Street Naming Application submitted by 1863106 Ontario Inc. for the lands known as Part of Lot 30, Concession 2, E.Y.S. (municipal address: 11430 Leslie Street) be approved subject to the following:

- i. That the proposed public street Charles Glover Crescent, and the private streets Biloba Lane (P), Krosno Lane (P), Percy Green Lane (P), Halesia Lane (P), Canina Lane (P), Moschata Lane (P), and Opinicon Lane (P), be approved in accordance with staff report SRPBS.23.025; 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.23.025.

Carried

15.7 Correspondence from Pat Pollock, Chair, Mayvern Area Residents Association, 67 Drumern Crescent, regarding Sign By-law Amendment - Election Signs - (refer to Item 15.5.3)

Moved by: Councillor Cilevitz

Seconded by: Regional and Local Councillor Chan

a) That the correspondence from Pat Pollock, Chair, Mayvern Area Residents Association, 67 Drumern Crescent, regarding Sign By-law Amendment - Election Signs, be received.

Carried

16. Other Business

16.1 Member Motion - Regional and Local Councillor DiPaola - Direct Planning Staff on Provincial Housing Targets in Richmond Hill

Moved by: Regional and Local Councillor DiPaola

Seconded by: Councillor Cilevitz

Whereas the Province of Ontario imposed a target of 27,000 new housing units to be built in Richmond Hill by 2031 as part of Ontario's plan to build 1.5 million homes in ten years;

Whereas on March 21, 2023, the City of Richmond Hill endorsed its municipal housing target pledge to help support the Provincially assigned targets;

Whereas the City of Richmond Hill through its Official Plan Update has been planning for increased and accelerated growth in its mixed-use, transit-serviced centres and corridors as well as gentle intensification, while also exploring incentives and streamlining initiatives for affordable housing;

Whereas the City of Richmond Hill, like all other Ontario municipalities, are adjusting to the impacts of Bill 23 *More Homes, Built Faster Act* which reduces or exempts municipal charges for development resulting in significant revenue losses to the City in growth-related funding tools;

Whereas the Province of Ontario announced its three-year, \$1.2 billion Building Faster Fund to provide up to \$400 million per year to municipalities that meet or exceed their Provincially assigned housing targets;

Whereas municipalities that do not achieve 80% of their designated housing target will receive no funding;

Whereas municipalities have expressed concerns over the validity of this target criteria as a measure to track a municipality's progress, since municipalities themselves do not build housing and are not in direct control of the timing associated with the delivery of housing construction or other private development interests; and,

Whereas according to the latest Provincial housing tracker published on November 23, 2023, 72% of municipalities with assigned municipal housing targets, including Richmond Hill, were identified as not being on track to meet their annual housing target for 2023.

Now Therefore Be It Resolved That:

Council directs Planning staff to report to Council as early as possible in 2024 regarding where in Richmond Hill the 27,000 new housing units are planned to be built by 2031 and the feasibility of achieving Richmond Hill's annual housing target as set by the Province within the three-year time horizon of the Province's Building Faster Fund.

Carried Unanimously

17. Emergency/Time Sensitive Matters

There were no emergency/time sensitive matters.

18. By-laws

Moved by: Councillor Cilevitz
Seconded by: Councillor Thompson

That the following By-laws be approved:

By-law 99-23 - A By-Law to provide for a Stormwater Management Fee and to enact rules and regulations for its billing and collection

By-law 122-23 - A By-law to Amend By-law 1275, as amended, of the former Township of King and By-law 146-76, as amended, of The Corporation of the City of Richmond Hill

By-law 124-23 - A By-law to amend By-law 190-87, as amended, of The Corporation of the City of Richmond Hill

By-law 125-23 - A By-Law to Govern the Calling, Place and Proceedings of the Council of the Corporation of the City of Richmond Hill (Procedure By-law)

By-law 126-23 - A By-law to amend By-law 52-09, being the City of Richmond Hill Sign By-law

By-law 136-23 - A By-law to establish lands as public highway

By-law 137-23 - A By-law to amend the Administrative Penalty By-law 69-16 and to repeal designated Tow Truck Licensing By-law 78-19 Offences

By-law 139-23 - A By-Law to Appoint a Deputy Treasurer and to repeal By-Law 49-23

By-law 140-23 - A By-Law to amend Tariff of Fees By-Law 94-23 and Stormwater Management Fees By-Law 99-23

Carried

19. Closed Session

Council consented not to resolve into a closed session meeting to consider personal matters about identifiable individuals, including municipal or local board employees, with respect to the membership of the Board of Management of the Village of Richmond Hill Business Improvement Area (BIA) for the remainder of the current Term of Council (Section 239(2)(b) of the *Municipal Act, 2001*), and adopted the following recommendations in open session:

19.1 Confidential Memorandum from Stephen M.A. Huycke, Director of Legislative Services/City Clerk, dated December 8, 2023, regarding Village of Richmond Hill Business Improvement Area Board of Director Appointments - (Item A)

Moved by: Councillor Thompson

Seconded by: Councillor Cui

a) That the confidential closed session Memorandum from Stephen M.A. Huycke, Director of Legislative Services/City Clerk, dated December 8, 2023, regarding Village of Richmond Hill Business Improvement Area Board of Director Appointments, be received and remain confidential;

b) That the resignation of Aneal Swaratsingh as Director of the Village of Richmond Hill Business Improvement Area (BIA) Board of Management be received; and

c) That Lena Guirguis be appointed as Director of the Village of Richmond Hill Business Improvement Area (BIA) Board of Management for the remainder of the 2022 to 2026 Term of Council.

Carried Unanimously

20. By-law to Confirm the Proceedings of Council at this Meeting**20.1 By-law 141-23**

Moved by: Councillor Cui

Seconded by: Councillor Davidson

That By-law 141-23, A By-law to confirm the proceedings of Council at this meeting, be passed.

Carried

21. Adjournment

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

That the meeting be adjourned.

Carried

The meeting was adjourned at 10:57 a.m.

David West, Mayor

Stephen M.A. Huycke, City Clerk