



Special Council Meeting Workshop

Minutes

C#12-24

Tuesday, May 14, 2024, 1:30 p.m.

Council Chambers

225 East Beaver Creek Road

Richmond Hill, Ontario

A Special Council Meeting Workshop of the Council of the City of Richmond Hill was held on Tuesday, May 14, 2024 at 1:30 p.m. in Council Chambers via videoconference.

Council Members present in Council Chambers:

Mayor West
Regional and Local Councillor Chan
Councillor Davidson
Councillor Thompson
Councillor Cui
Councillor Cilevitz

Council Members present via videoconference:

Regional and Local Councillor DiPaola
Councillor Shiu

Regrets:

Councillor Liu

Staff Members present in Council Chambers:

M. Flores, Director, Policy Planning
H. Punia, Chief of Staff to the Mayor
P. Chow, Manager, Policy
L. Conde, Manager, Strategy and Government Relations
S. DeMaria, Manager, Development Planning
R. Rendon, Sustainability
C. Chu, Senior Planner - Policy
S. Huycke, City Clerk
R. Ban, Deputy City Clerk

K. Hurley, Council/Committee Coordinator
C. Connolly, Legislative Services Assistant

Staff Members present via videoconference:

D. Joslin, City Manager
S. Adams, Commissioner of Corporate and Financial Services
G. Galanis, Acting Commissioner of Planning and Building Services
P. Masaro, Commissioner of Infrastructure and Engineering Services
T. Steele, Commissioner of Community Services
G. Li, Director, Financial Services and Treasurer
A. Dickinson, Coordinator, Strategy and Government Relations
J. Gu, Coordinator, Strategy and Government Relations

Nick Michael, N. Barry Lyon Consultants Limited, and Graeme Stewart, ERA Architects, were also in attendance in Council Chambers.

1. Call to Order

The Chair called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.

2. Adoption of Agenda

Moved by: Councillor Davidson
Seconded by: Councillor Cilevitz

That the agenda be adopted as distributed by the Clerk.

Carried Unanimously

3. 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*.

4. Delegation(s)

There were no delegations.

5. Scheduled Business

5.1 Community Improvement Plan for Affordable Housing and Sustainable Design Workshop - Presentation by Chun Chu, Senior Planner

Chun Chu, Senior Planner, provided introductory remarks regarding the Community Improvement Plan for Affordable Housing and Sustainable

Design, and introduced Nick Michael, N. Barry Lyon Consultants Limited, and Graeme Stewart, ERA Architects, the consultants who were retained to work on the project alongside staff.

C. Chu reviewed what a Community Improvement Plan (CIP) was including its objectives, and noted the steps involved in creating a CIP. She provided a detailed overview of the Project and the purpose of a CIP for affordable housing and sustainable design, and summarized the Project's timeline which had been broken down into 5 phases:

- Phase 1 - Background Study (Q1 2023 - Q2 2024)
- Phase 2 - Targeted Stakeholder Consultation (April 2024)
- Phase 3 - Draft CIP (Spring 2024)
- Phase 4 - Consultation (Public Open House and Council Public Meeting - June 2024)
- Phase 5 - Final CIP (Committee of the Whole and Council Meetings - October 2024)

Nick Michael, N. Barry Lyon Consultants Limited, introduced himself and provided background information on his urban planning and land economics firm and the work that they do. He provided an overview of the Background Report and analysis that was undertaken and the key findings specific to Affordable Housing and Housing Incentives (those currently available, financial and non-financial incentives).

Graeme Stewart, ERA Architects, introduced himself and provided background information on his architecture and planning firm and the work that they do. He provided an overview of the Background Report and analysis that was undertaken and the key findings specific to Sustainable Design.

C. Chu concluded the presentation by summarizing the consultation feedback that was received, advising of next steps in the process, and reviewing the recommendations for today's Special Council Meeting Workshop.

Moved by: Councillor Davidson

Seconded by: Regional and Local Councillor Chan

a) That the presentation by Chun Chu, Senior Planner, regarding the Community Improvement Plan for Affordable Housing and Sustainable Design, be received;

b) That all comments regarding the Community Improvement Plan for Affordable Housing and Sustainable Design be referred back to staff.

Carried Unanimously

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

6.1 By-law 67-24

Moved by: Councillor Cilevitz

Seconded by: Councillor Cui

That By-law 67-24, A By-law to confirm the proceedings of Council at this meeting, be passed.

Carried

7. Adjournment

Moved by: Councillor Cui

Seconded by: Councillor Cilevitz

That the meeting be adjourned.

Carried Unanimously

The meeting was adjourned at 3:08 p.m.

David West, Mayor

Stephen M.A. Huycke, City Clerk