



Committee of the Whole Meeting

Minutes

CW#11-24

Wednesday, September 4, 2024, 9:30 a.m.

Council Chambers

225 East Beaver Creek Road

Richmond Hill, Ontario

A Committee of the Whole meeting of the Council of the City of Richmond Hill was held on Wednesday, September 4, 2024 at 9:30 a.m. in Council Chambers via videoconference.

Committee Members present in Council Chambers:

Councillor Davidson (Vice-Chair)
Mayor West
Councillor Liu
Councillor Cui
Councillor Cilevitz
Councillor Shiu

Committee Members present via videoconference:

Regional and Local Councillor Chan
Regional and Local Councillor DiPaola

Committee Members regrets:

Councillor Thompson (Chair)

Staff Members present in Council Chambers:

D. Joslin, City Manager
S. Adams, Commissioner of Corporate and Financial Services and Treasurer
P. Masaro, Commissioner of Infrastructure and Engineering Services
T. Steele, Commissioner of Community Services
M. Flores, Acting Commissioner of Planning and Building Services
G. Li, Director, Financial Services and Treasurer
M. Kotylak, Manager, Procurement Services
M. Raza, Manager, Fiscal Strategy and Long-term Plan
I. Treiger, Financial Management Advisor

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, Communications Services
D. Giannetta, Director, Development Planning
D. Guy, Director, Community Standards
D. Hearn, Director, Recreation and Culture
R. Jones, Director, Information Technology/CIO
D. Terziewski, Director, Infrastructure Planning and Development Engineering
D. DiRuscio, Manager, Cultural Services
M. Mackenzie, Heritage Coordinator

Gary Scandlan, Independent Policy Advisor retired from Watson & Associates Economists Ltd., and Navreet Bains, Watson & Associates Economists Ltd., were in attendance in Council Chambers.

1. Call to Order

The Vice-Chair called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

2. Council Announcements

Mayor West extended a warm welcome back to everyone from summer recess.

Mayor West informed Members of Council of his intension to include a Member Motion regarding installing signage recognizing First Nations' names of local waterways at today's meeting but missed the deadline. He advised that he would share the Member Motion with Council Members following today's meeting, with it being included in next week's Council agenda for consideration.

Mayor West acknowledged the attendance of Chairman Wayne Emmerson, of the Regional Municipality of York, in the Council Chambers today and extended a warm welcome.

Councillor Cui provided an update on the 2023-2024 Ward 4 Neighbourhood Watch program, invited any residents interested in promoting the initiative to contact him, and expressed his gratitude and support to all volunteers and their families for their contributions.

Councillor Davidson acknowledged the successful School Board Trustee By-election held in Richmond Hill in July, and expressed her gratitude to the City Clerk and his team for their efforts in making the election a success.

3. Introduction of Emergency/Time Sensitive Matters

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

4. Adoption of Agenda

Moved by: Councillor Cilevitz

That the agenda be adopted as distributed by the Clerk.

Carried

5. 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*.

6. Identification of Items Requiring Separate Discussion

There were no disclosures of pecuniary interest by members of Council under the *Municipal Conflict of Interest Act*.

7. Adoption of the Remainder of Agenda Items

Committee consented to separate items 11.2 and 11.3, for discussion.

8. Public Hearing(s)

There were no public hearings.

9. Presentation(s)

There were no presentations.

10. Delegation(s)

There were no delegations.

11. Committee and Staff Reports

11.1 Minutes - Heritage Centre Advisory Committee meetings held February 26, 2024 and April 15, 2024

Moved by: Councillor Cui

- a) That the minutes of the Heritage Centre Advisory Committee meetings held February 26, 2024 and April 15, 2024, be adopted.

Carried

11.2 SRCFS.24.032 - Heritage Richmond Hill Committee Education Community Representative - Remainder of 2022 to 2026 Term of Council

Moved by: Mayor West

- a) That staff report SRCFS.24.032 regarding Heritage Richmond Hill Committee Education Community Representative - Remainder of 2022 to 2026 Term of Council, be received;
- b) That the resignation of the Heritage Richmond Hill Committee Member, Crystal Yu, be received;
- c) That, for the remainder of the 2022 to 2026 Term of Council, the Heritage Richmond Hill Committee be authorized to operate without an Education Community representative and without making any amendments to the Committee's composition as outlined in its Terms of Reference.

Carried Unanimously

11.3 SRCFS.24.033 - 2024 Development Charges By-law Amendments

Moved by: Mayor West

- a) That staff report SRCFS.24.033 regarding 2024 Development Charges By-law Amendments be received;
- b) That the memo dated August 13, 2024 regarding 2024 Development Charges Background Study Update - Amendments as per Bill 185, attached as Appendix "A" to staff report SRCFS.24.033,, be received;
- c) That Council endorses the phased approach with two distinct processes to amend the City's existing Development Charges By-laws, as outlined in staff report SRCFS.24.033;
- d) That the capital project listing set out in Section 3.1.2 of the 2024 Development Charges Background Study Update - Amendments as per Bill 185 dated August 13, 2024, subject to further annual review during the capital budget process, be approved;

e) That draft amending By-laws 105-24, 106-24, 107-24, 108-24, 109-24, 110-24, and 111-24 for City-wide and Area Specific Development Charges be brought forward to the September 11, 2024 Council meeting for adoption, attached as Appendix “B” to staff report SRCFS.24.033, as part of Phase I - Minor amendments to the Development Charges By-laws;

f) That the Director, Financial Services and Treasurer, be authorized to schedule and give notice for the public meeting(s) required by the *Development Charges Act, 1997*.

Carried

11.4 SRCFS.24.034 - Semi Annual Report - Non Competitive Acquisitions

Moved by: Councillor Cui

a) That staff report SRCFS.24.034 regarding Semi Annual Report - Non-Competitive Acquisitions, be received for information purposes only.

Carried

11.5 SRCFS.24.036 - Amendments to the Community Flag Raisings and Flag Protocol Policy pertaining to the United Nations University - Institute for Water Environment and Health

Moved by: Councillor Cui

a) That staff report SRCFS.24.036 regarding Amendments to the Community Flag Raisings and Flag Protocol Policy pertaining to the United Nations University - Institute for Water Environment and Health, be received;

b) That the amended Community Flag Raising and Flag Protocol Policy, attached as Attachment A to staff report SRCFS.24.36, be approved;

c) That the amended Customary Flag Configuration Procedure, attached as Attachment B to staff report SRCFS.24.36, be approved;

d) That the amended Flying Flags at Half-mast Procedure, attached as Attachment C to staff report SRCFS.24.36, be approved.

Carried

11.6 SRCM.24.07 - Delegated Authority Summer Recess Accounting - Reference By-law 86-20 as amended by By-law 113-20 and By-law 86-24 (June 24, 2024 to August 30, 2024)

Moved by: Councillor Cui

a) That staff report SRCM.24.07 regarding staff report SRCM.24.07, Delegated Authority Summer Recess Accounting - Reference By-law 86-20 as amended by By-law 113-20 and By-law 86-24 (June 24, 2024 to August 30, 2024), be received for information.

Carried

12. Other Business

There were no other business items.

13. Emergency/Time Sensitive Matters

There were no emergency/time sensitive matters.

14. Adjournment

Moved by: Councillor Cui

That the meeting be adjourned.

Carried

The meeting was adjourned at 9:50 a.m.