



Special Council Meeting

Minutes

C#28-24

Wednesday, November 27, 2024, 9:30 a.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 Wednesday, November 27, 2024 at 9:30 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, Commissioner of Planning and Building Services
P. Masaro, Commissioner of Infrastructure and Engineering Services
T. Steele, Commissioner of Community Services
A. Dimilta, City Solicitor
G. Li, Director, Financial Services and Treasurer
S. Huycke, City Clerk
R. Ban, Deputy City Clerk
K. Hurley, Council/Committee Coordinator
C. Connolly, Legislative Assistant

Charles Loopstra and Paul Martin, Loopstra Nixon LLP, City's External Solicitors, were also in attendance in Council Chambers.

1. Call to Order

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

2. Adoption of Agenda

Moved by: Councillor Cilevitz

Seconded by: Councillor Cui

That the agenda be adopted as distributed by the Clerk.

Carried Unanimously

3. Disclosures of Pecuniary Interest and General Nature Thereof

Councillor Cilevitz declared a pecuniary interest on Closed Session Item 5.1 (c) regarding the consideration of matters related to a Time Sensitive matter related to receiving the advice that is subject to: solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose; and related to litigation affecting the municipality before the Ontario Superior Court of Justice, Court File No. CV-22-00002453-0000, The City of Richmond Hill et al. ats. Carmine Perrelli (Sections 239(2)(e) and (f) of the *Municipal Act, 2001*, S.O. 2001, c. 25), as she was named. Councillor Cilevitz left the Closed Session meeting during consideration of this item and did not participate in the discussion or voting on this item.

Regional and Local Councillor Chan declared a pecuniary interest on Closed Session Item 5.1 (c) regarding the consideration of matters related to a Time Sensitive matter related to receiving the advice that is subject to: solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose; and related to litigation affecting the municipality before the Ontario Superior Court of Justice, Court File No. CV-22-00002453-0000, The City of Richmond Hill et al. ats. Carmine Perrelli (Sections 239(2)(e) and (f) of the *Municipal Act, 2001*, S.O. 2001, c. 25), as he was named. Regional and Local Councillor Chan left the Closed Session meeting during consideration of this item and did not participate in the discussion or voting on this item.

Regional and Local Councillor DiPaola declared a pecuniary interest on Closed Session Item 5.1 (c) regarding the consideration of matters related to a Time Sensitive matter related to receiving the advice that is subject to: solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose; and related to litigation affecting the municipality before the Ontario Superior Court of Justice, Court File No. CV-22-00002453-0000, The City of Richmond Hill et al. ats. Carmine Perrelli (Sections 239(2)(e) and (f) of the *Municipal Act, 2001*, S.O. 2001, c. 25), as he was named. Regional and Local Councillor DiPaola left the

Closed Session meeting during consideration of this item and did not participate in the discussion or voting on this item.

Councillor Liu declared a pecuniary interest on Closed Session Item 5.1 (c) regarding the consideration of matters related to a Time Sensitive matter related to receiving the advice that is subject to: solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose; and related to litigation affecting the municipality before the Ontario Superior Court of Justice, Court File No. CV-22-00002453-0000, The City of Richmond Hill et al. ats. Carmine Perrelli (Sections 239(2)(e) and (f) of the *Municipal Act, 2001*, S.O. 2001, c. 25), as he was named. Councillor Liu left the Closed Session meeting during consideration of this item and did not participate in the discussion or voting on this item.

Mayor West declared a pecuniary interest on Closed Session Item 5.1 (c) regarding the consideration of matters related to a Time Sensitive matter related to receiving the advice that is subject to: solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose; and related to litigation affecting the municipality before the Ontario Superior Court of Justice, Court File No. CV-22-00002453-0000, The City of Richmond Hill et al. ats. Carmine Perrelli (Sections 239(2)(e) and (f) of the *Municipal Act, 2001*, S.O. 2001, c. 25), as he was named. Mayor West left the Closed Session meeting during consideration of this item and did not participate in the discussion or voting on this item.

4. Delegation(s)

There were no delegations.

5. Scheduled Business

5.1 Resolution to Move Into Closed Session and General Nature Thereof

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

That Council move into Closed Session:

- (a) To consider a Time Sensitive matter related to receiving the advice that is subject to: solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose; and related to litigation affecting the municipality before the Ontario Superior Court of Justice, Court File No. CV-22-00002095-0000, The City of Richmond Hill ats. Regional and Local Councillor Carmine Perrelli (Sections 239(2)(e) and (f) of the *Municipal Act, 2001*, S.O. 2001, c. 25);

- (b) To consider a Time Sensitive matter related to receiving the advice that is subject to: solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose; and related to litigation affecting the municipality before the Ontario Superior Court of Justice, Court File No. CV-23-00001147-0000, The Corporation of the City of Richmond Hill et al. ats. Mike Makrigiorgos (Sections 239(2)(e) and (f) of the *Municipal Act, 2001*, S.O. 2001, c. 25);
- (c) To consider a Time Sensitive matter related to receiving the advice that is subject to: solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose; and related to litigation affecting the municipality before the Ontario Superior Court of Justice, Court File No. CV-22-00002453-0000, The City of Richmond Hill et al. ats. Carmine Perrelli (Sections 239(2)(e) and (f) of the *Municipal Act, 2001*, S.O. 2001, c. 25).

Carried Unanimously

5.2 Resolution to Reconvene in Open Session

Council moved into closed and then returned to open session (9:31 a.m. to 11:43 a.m.).

5.3 Adoption of the Recommendations Arising from the Closed Session Meeting (if required)

The City Clerk advised that there were no open session recommendations for Closed Session Items A, B and C. The City Clerk further advised that in accordance with the *Municipal Conflict of Interest Act*, those Members of Council who declared a Pecuniary Interest in open session were not in attendance during consideration of Closed Session Item C, nor were the City Manager and City Clerk. The City Clerk further advised that in accordance with Subsection 7(1) of the *Municipal Conflict of Interest Act*, those Members of Council who had not declared a Pecuniary Interest in Closed Session Item C, constituted a quorum.

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

6.1 By-law 158-24

Moved by: Councillor Shiu
Seconded by: Councillor Liu

That By-law 158-24, A By-law to confirm the proceedings of Council at this meeting, be passed.

Carried Unanimously

7. Adjournment

Moved by: Councillor Cilevitz
Seconded by: Councillor Davidson

That the meeting be adjourned.

Carried Unanimously

The meeting was adjourned at 11:45 a.m.

David West, Mayor

Stephen M.A. Huycke, City Clerk