

Council Minutes

Electronic Meeting No. 7

May 12, 2020, 1:00 PM

Live streamed

Roll Call	Mayor Frank Scarpitti	Councillor Reid McAlpine
	Deputy Mayor Don Hamilton	Councillor Karen Rea
Staff	Regional Councillor Jack Heath	Councillor Andrew Keyes
	Regional Councillor Joe Li	Councillor Amanda Collucci
	Regional Councillor Jim Jones	Councillor Khalid Usman
	Councillor Keith Irish	Councillor Isa Lee
	Councillor Alan Ho	
Staff	Andy Taylor, Chief Administrative Officer	Bryan Frois, Chief of Staff
	Trinela Cane, Commissioner, Corporate Services	Kimberley Kitteringham, City Clerk
	Brenda Librecz, Commissioner, Community & Fire Services	Martha Pettit, Deputy City Clerk
	Arvin Prasad, Commissioner, Development Services	John Wong, Technology Support Specialist II
	Claudia Storto, City Solicitor and Director of Human Resources	Hristina Giantsopoulos, Elections & Council/Committee Coordinator
	Brian Lee, Director, Engineering	Adam Grant, Deputy Fire Chief
	Joel Lustig, Treasurer	Meg West, Manager of Business Planning and Projects

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1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting of Council convened at 1:08 PM on May 12, 2020. Mayor Frank Scarpitti presided.

INDIGENOUS LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

We begin today by acknowledging that we walk upon the traditional territories of Indigenous Peoples and we recognize their history, spirituality, culture, and stewardship of the land. We are grateful to all Indigenous groups for their commitment to protect the land and its resources and we are committed to reconciliation, partnership and enhanced understanding.

Mayor Scarpitti recognized the recent passing of former Ward 4 Councillor George McKelvey, former Unionville Volunteer Fire Brigade member, Bruce Couperthwaite, and former City staff person Ewan Burke who each served the community. A moment of silence was observed.

Mayor Scarpitti acknowledged National Nurses Week and on behalf of Council and the community thanked all nurses for their work and dedication, particularly during the COVID-19 pandemic. He invited the community to turn on their porch lights on Thursday, May 14 from 9:00 - 10:00 pm as part of the Night for Nurses.

Mayor Scarpitti recognized National Police Week and on behalf of Council and the community thanked all police for their service.

2. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

None disclosed.

3. APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

3.1 COUNCIL MINUTES APRIL 28, 2020

Moved by Councillor Isa Lee

Seconded by Councillor Reid McAlpine

1. That the Minutes of the Electronic Council Meeting held on April 28, 2020, be adopted.

Carried

4. PRESENTATIONS

There were no presentations.

5. DEPUTATIONS

There were no deputations.

6. COMMUNICATIONS

There were no communications.

7. PROCLAMATIONS

7.1 PROCLAMATION AND FLAG RAISING REQUESTS (3.4)

Moved by Councillor Keith Irish

Seconded by Councillor Alan Ho

1. That the following proclamation, issued by the City Clerk in accordance with the City of Markham Proclamation Policy, be received for information purposes:
 - a. Nursing Week May 11 - 17, 2020
2. That the following new request for proclamation be approved and added to the Five-Year Proclamations List approved by Council:
 - a. Innovation Month - June 2020
 - b. **National Police Week - May 10 - 16, 2020**
3. That the following new requests for proclamation, issued by the City Clerk in accordance with the City of Markham Proclamation Policy, be received and added to the Five-Year Proclamations List approved by Council:

Emergency Preparedness Week - May 3 - 9, 2020

Mental Health Week May 4 - 10, 2020
4. That the following new request for a flag to be raised at the Anthony Roman Markham Civic Centre flagpole be approved and added to the Five-Year List of Request to Raise Flag approved by Council:
 - a. Innovation Month - June 1, 2020 (Organized by The City of Markham)

Carried as Amended

Council consented to add National Police Week from May 10-16, 2020.

8. REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

8.1 REPORT NO. 13 - GENERAL COMMITTEE (MAY 4, 2020)

Moved by Regional Councillor Jack Heath

Seconded by Councillor Andrew Keyes

That the report of the General Committee be received & adopted. (Items 1 and 2):

Carried

8.1.1 RESPONSE TO YORK REGION – FIRE REGIONALIZATION (7.15)

Moved by Regional Councillor Jack Heath

Seconded by Councillor Andrew Keyes

1. That Council not support proceeding with a Regional Fire Service study; and,
2. That Staff recommend that we continue current efforts with Richmond Hill and Vaughan, in particular the creation of a shared communications centre that will enable further joint/shared opportunities to achieve efficiencies and to improve services to our residents and businesses.

Carried

8.1.2 YORK REGION - MANDATED REVIEW OF REGIONAL COUNCIL COMPOSITION (13.4)

Moved by Regional Councillor Jack Heath

Seconded by Councillor Andrew Keyes

1. That the communication dated February 27, 2020 from York Region regarding Mandated Review of Regional Council Composition be received for information purposes; and,
2. That the City of Markham provides its **consents** to a bylaw changing the size of Regional Council by increasing the number of members from the City of Vaughan from four to five.

**Carried by Recorded Vote
(See following Recorded Vote)**

Recorded Vote (10:3):

YEAS: Councillor Keith Irish, Councillor Alan Ho, Councillor Reid McAlpine, Regional Councillor Jim Jones, Mayor Frank Scarpitti, Regional Councillor Jack Heath, Regional Councillor Joe Li, Councillor Amanda Collucci, Councillor Khalid Usman, Councillor Isa Lee **(10)**

NAYS: Councillor Karen Rea, Deputy Mayor Don Hamilton, Councillor Andrew Keyes **(3)**

8.2 REPORT NO. 14 - DEVELOPMENT SERVICES COMMITTEE (MAY 11, 2020)

Moved by Regional Councillor Jim Jones

Seconded by Councillor Keith Irish

That the report of the Development Services Committee be received & adopted, save and except for Item. No. 8.2.3:

Carried

8.2.1 UPDATE ON DEVELOPMENT SERVICES (10.0)

Moved by Regional Councillor Jim Jones

Seconded by Councillor Keith Irish

1. That the presentation entitled "Update on Development Services", dated May 11, 2020, be received; and,
2. That the deputation made by Elizabeth Brown, Markham Village Sherwood Conservation Area, be received; and,
3. That Staff be authorized to continue with statutory and non-statutory public meetings utilizing electronic meeting participation; and,
4. That Staff be directed to notify the relevant local ward councillor of the scheduling of a statutory public meeting prior to the issuing of statutory notice; and,
5. That Staff be authorized and directed to do all things necessary to give effect to this resolution.

Carried

8.2.2 FEE DEFERRAL: TARIFF OF FEES FOR THE PROCESSING OF
PLANNING APPLICATIONS & FEES OR CHARGES FOR SERVICES
OR ACTIVITIES PROVIDED OR DONE BY THE CITY (CITY WIDE)
(10.0)

Moved by Regional Councillor Jim Jones

Seconded by Councillor Keith Irish

1. That the staff memo entitled “Fee Deferral: Tariff of Fees for the Processing of Planning Applications & Fees or Charges for Services or Activities Provided or Done by the City (City Wide)” be received; and,
2. That the communications submitted by the Building Industry and Land Development Association (BILD), be received; and,
3. That (a) the *Tariff of Fees for the Processing of Planning Applications* in By-law 211-83 as amended by By-law 2019-137, and (b) *Fees or Charges for Services or Activities Provided or Done by the City* in By-law 2002-276 be amended as outlined in this memo to provide financial relief to the development industry; and,
4. That By-law 2002-276 be amended to reflect the 2020 annual adjustment for the Residential Infill Grading and Servicing (RIGS) fee from 26% to 28.6% ; and,
5. That the relevant by-law amendments be brought forward to the next Council meeting for enactment; and further,
6. That Staff be authorized and directed to do all things necessary to give effect to this resolution.

(By-laws 2020-38 and 2020-39)

Carried

8.2.3 MAIN STREET UNIONVILLE PROPOSED PARKING PROHIBITION (WARD 3) (5.12)

Moved by Regional Councillor Jim Jones

Seconded by Councillor Keith Irish

1. That the report entitled “Main Street Unionville Proposed Parking Prohibition (Ward 3),” be received; and,
2. That Schedule “C” of Parking By-law 2005-188 be amended to temporarily rescind the existing parking prohibition on the west side of Main Street Unionville, from Station Lane to a point 23m north of Victoria Avenue, until the later of September 8, 2020 or the end of the Ontario Declaration of Emergency; and,
3. That Schedule “C” of Parking By-law 2005-188 be amended to temporarily rescind the existing parking prohibition on the west side of Main Street Unionville, from a point 24m north of Fred Varley Drive to Carlton Road, until the later of September 8, 2020 or the end of the Ontario Declaration of Emergency; and,
4. That Schedule “C” of Parking By-law 2005-188 be amended to temporarily prohibit parking at any time on the west side of Main Street Unionville, from Station Lane to a point 23m north of Victoria Avenue, until the later of September 8, 2020 or the end of the Ontario Declaration of Emergency; and,
5. That Schedule “C” of Parking By-law 2005-188 be amended to temporarily prohibit parking at any time on the west side of Main Street Unionville, from a point 24m north of Fred Varley Drive to Carlton Road, until the later of September 8, 2020 or the end of the Ontario Declaration of Emergency; and,
6. That the cost of materials, installation and future removal of the regulatory signs in the amount of \$1,500 be funded from COVID-19 operating account # 330-330-4580 (Traffic Signs/Supplies); and,
7. That the By-law Enforcement, Licensing & Regulatory Services be directed to enforce the parking prohibition upon installation of the signs and passing of the by-law; and,
8. That Council delegate authority to the Director of Engineering in consultation with the Director of Operations to amend parking, traffic and speed limit by-laws, where required, in order to promptly respond

to traffic operations and safety concerns arising during the COVID-19 pandemic until such time as this authority is repealed by Council; and,

9. That staff be directed to explore and **bring back to the June 8, 2020 Development Services Committee a report on the implementation of a temporary expansion of the cycling network in Markham where warranted, to fill gaps in the current cycling network; and,**
10. That staff be requested to report back on delegated authority for parking restrictions and other similar administrative matters on a permanent basis, and further,
11. That staff be authorized and directed to do all things necessary to give effect to this resolution.

(By-law 2020-40)

Carried as Amended

Council consented to amend clause 9 from:

"That staff be directed to explore and where warranted, implement temporary expansion of the cycling network in Markham to fill gaps in the current cycling network; and,"

to:

"That staff be directed to explore and bring back to the June 8, 2020 Development Services Committee a report on the implementation of a temporary expansion of the cycling network in Markham where warranted to fill gaps in the current cycling network; and"

Council had before it the following original recommendation for consideration:

1. That the report entitled "Main Street Unionville Proposed Parking Prohibition (Ward 3)," be received; and,
2. That Schedule "C" of Parking By-law 2005-188 be amended to temporarily rescind the existing parking prohibition on the west side of Main Street Unionville, from Station Lane to a point 23m north of Victoria Avenue, until the later of September 8, 2020 or the end of the Ontario Declaration of Emergency; and,

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6. That the cost of materials, installation and future removal of the regulatory signs in the amount of \$1,500 be funded from COVID-19 operating account # 330-330-4580 (Traffic Signs/Supplies); and,
7. That the By-law Enforcement, Licensing & Regulatory Services be directed to enforce the parking prohibition upon installation of the signs and passing of the by-law; and,
8. That Council delegate authority to the Director of Engineering in consultation with the Director of Operations to amend parking, traffic and speed limit by-laws, where required, in order to promptly respond to traffic operations and safety concerns arising during the COVID-19 pandemic until such time as this authority is repealed by Council; and,
9. **That staff be directed to explore and where warranted, implement temporary expansion of the cycling network in Markham to fill gaps in the current cycling network; and,**
10. **That staff be requested to report back on delegated authority for parking restrictions and other similar administrative matters on a permanent basis, and further,**
11. That staff be authorized and directed to do all things necessary to give effect to this resolution.

(By-law 2020-40)

8.2.4 THERMAL TEMPERATURE DETECTION AND DATA RETENTION FOR THE CITY OF MARKHAM (8.0, 11.0)

Moved by Regional Councillor Jim Jones

Seconded by Councillor Keith Irish

Moved by Regional Councillor Jim Jones

Seconded by Deputy Mayor Don Hamilton

Whereas, in just a few short months the Covid-19 pandemic has fundamentally changed the way we live, work, play and plan for the future; and,

Whereas, working remotely has created immense challenges for governments, businesses and employees, and has heightened the requirement for more integrated systems and advanced collaboration/monitoring tools and videoconferencing technologies to ensure productivity; and,

Whereas, cities, communities, businesses and workplaces are in the midst of an unprecedented digital transformation driven by the rise of mobile and connected Internet of Things (IOT) systems, the explosion of the secured delivery and management of censored data, and the emergence of automated integrated business solutions and technologies such as artificial intelligence and machine learning solutions; and,

Whereas, Government and cities need to consider the role of IOT/technologies and delivering services transparently, efficiently and with accountability to its citizens; and

Therefore, be it resolved

1. That staff be directed to investigate and report back on thermal temperature detection systems as a first line of action due to the COVID-19 environment and potential future health pandemics; and,
2. That such detection systems should be non-contact, fully integrated, capable of detecting high temperatures in both City of Markham employees and visitors to Markham properties, such as City Hall and Community Centres and have the capacity to send immediate alerts to authorized City of Markham officials who are responsible for managing health and safety protocols; and

3. That additionally have the capacity to capture the temperature data and retain the data for future analysis to guide health workers to better address potential future pandemics threats in a timely manner; and,
4. That, furthermore, thermal temperature systems should not require individuals to use their own personal cell phones for detection and tracking purposes thereby respecting privacy considerations; and
5. That a system of this type should also have the capability to add other features which can offer additional and important measurements for other health and safety factors that have not yet been contemplated; and further,
6. That a proper all-encompassing system should be used to encourage City of Markham businesses to also adopt similar thermal temperature detection systems in order to deliver data alerts to the City of Markham in order to ensure that health workers can take swift and responsible actions in addressing pandemic spikes in our community.

Carried

9. MOTIONS

There were no motions.

10. NOTICE OF MOTION TO RECONSIDER

There were no notices of motion to reconsider.

11. NEW/OTHER BUSINESS

There were no new or other business.

12. ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no announcements.

13. BY-LAWS - THREE READINGS

Moved by Councillor Khalid Usman

Seconded by Regional Councillor Jack Heath

That By-law 2020-36, 2020-38 to 2020-40 be given three readings and enacted.

Carried

Three Readings

- 13.1 BY-LAW 2020-36 FOREST BAY HOMES LIMITED, PART LOT CONTROL EXEMPTION BY-LAW

Carried

- 13.2 BY-LAW 2020-38 A BY-LAW TO AMEND BY-LAW 211-83, AS AMENDED, BEING A BY-LAW TO PRESCRIBE A TARIFF OF FEES FOR THE PROCESSING OF PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Carried

- 13.3 BY-LAW 2020-39 A BY-LAW TO AMEND BY-LAW 2002-276, BEING A BY-LAW TO IMPOSE FEES OR CHARGES FOR SERVICES OR ACTIVITIES PROVIDED OR DONE BY THE CITY OF MARKHAM

Carried

- 13.4 BY-LAW 2020-40 A BY-LAW TO AMEND PARKING BY-LAW 2005-188

Carried

14. CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

Council consented to not resolve into confidential session.

14.1 GENERAL COMMITTEE

14.1.1 THE SECURITY OF THE PROPERTY OF THE MUNICIPALITY OR LOCAL BOARD (8.7) [Section 239 (2) (a)]

Moved by Regional Councillor Jack Heath

Seconded by Deputy Mayor Don Hamilton

1. That the confidential report on the Security of the Property of the Municipality or Local Board; be received; and,
2. That By-Law 2013-113 – “A By-Law to Delegate Authority to Conduct Certain Real Property Transactions” be amended to authorize the Senior Manager of Real Property, in consultation with the Treasurer, to execute agreements to amend the City’s leases and other agreements with tenants and licensees (collectively “Tenants”) of City-owned properties to address situations arising from an Emergency, provided the form of such agreements are satisfactory to the City Solicitor; and,
3. That Council adopt the By-law attached as Attachment No.2 of this Report to amend By-Law 2013-113 “A By-Law to Delegate Authority to Conduct Certain Real Property Transactions” at the next Council meeting; and further,
4. That Staff be authorized and directed to do all things necessary to give effect to this resolution.

Carried

15. CONFIRMATORY BY-LAW - THREE READINGS

Moved by Councillor Amanda Collucci

Seconded by Councillor Karen Rea

That By-law 2020--37 be given three readings and enacted.

Three Readings

BY-LAW 2020-37 A BY-LAW TO CONFIRM THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE
COUNCIL MEETING OF MAY 12, 2020.

Carried

16. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Councillor Isa Lee

Seconded by Councillor Keith Irish

That the Council meeting be adjourned at 2:10 p.m.

Carried

Kimberley Kitteringham
City Clerk

Frank Scarpitti
Mayor

