

Council Meeting Minutes

Meeting No. 15
November 8, 2022, 1:00 PM
Live streamed

Roll Call	Mayor Frank Scarpitti	Councillor Reid McAlpine
	Regional Councillor Jack Heath	Councillor Karen Rea
	Regional Councillor Joe Li	Councillor Andrew Keyes
	Regional Councillor Jim Jones	Councillor Amanda Collucci
	Councillor Keith Irish	Councillor Khalid Usman
	Councillor Alan Ho	Councillor Isa Lee
Regrets	Deputy Mayor Don Hamilton	
Staff	Andy Taylor, Chief Administrative Officer	Hristina Giantsopoulos, Election/Council & Committee Coordinator
	Trinela Cane, Commissioner, Corporate Services	Sumon Acharjee, Chief Information Officer
	Arvin Prasad, Commissioner, Development Services	Darryl Lyons, Senior Manager, Policy & Research
	Claudia Storto, City Solicitor and Director of Human Resources	Parvathi Nampoothiri, Sr. Manager, Urban Design, Planning & Urban Design
	Adam Grant, Fire Chief	Mark Visser, Acting Treasurer
	Bryan Frois, Manager, Executive Operations & Strategic Initiatives	Stephanie DiPerna, Director, Building Standards
	Kimberley Kitteringham, City Clerk	Peter Wokral, Senior Planner II
	Alida Tari, Manager, Access & Privacy	Stacia Muradali, Manager, Development
	John Wong, Technology Support Specialist II	

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1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting of Council convened at 1:10 PM on November 1, 2022. Mayor Frank Scarpitti presided.

INDIGENOUS LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

We begin today by acknowledging the traditional territories of Indigenous peoples and their commitment to stewardship of the land. We acknowledge the communities in circle. The North, West, South and Eastern directions, and Haudenosaunee, Huron-Wendat, Anishnabeg, Seneca, Chippewa, and the Mississaugas of the Credit peoples. We share the responsibility with the caretakers of this land to ensure the dish is never empty and to restore relationships that are based on peace, friendship, and trust. We are committed to reconciliation, partnership and enhanced understanding.

All Members of Council and staff and attendees in the Council Chamber observed a moment of silence in recognition of Remembrance Day.

2. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

Councillor Khalid Usman declared a potential conflict of interest in relation to item 6.1.

3. APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

3.1 COUNCIL MINUTES - SEPTEMBER 13, 2022

Moved by Councillor Alan Ho

Seconded by Councillor Karen Rea

1. That the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on September 13, 2022, be adopted.

Carried

4. PRESENTATIONS

Mayor Scarpitti noted that this was the last Council meeting of the 2018-2022 Council term. Some of the collective achievements of Council included: updating Markham's Strategic Plan, Building Markham's Future Together, continued financial stewardship and a property tax freeze during the Covid-19 pandemic, the introduction of new technology, continued support for sustainability and recycling efforts, and the planting of almost 9,000 trees. The Mayor also noted that the City initiated Markham's Affordable and Rental Housing Strategy and secured five transit stations in the City of Markham on the Yonge Subway Extension, in addition to celebrating the commencement of construction of the York University Markham Campus. He further indicated that the City launched the Diversity Action Plan Update, the Eliminating Anti-Black Racism Action Plan, updated the Integrated Leisure Master Plan and launched Destination Markham.

The Mayor extended appreciation to ELT, Directors and all front-line City staff. He provided special thanks to staff working on the successful 2022 Markham Municipal Election.

Mayor Scarpitti congratulated all Members of Council who were re-elected and the Councillors elect.

On behalf of Council he also paid tribute to departing Council Members, Deputy Mayor Don Hamilton, Regional Councillor Jack Heath and Councillor Khalid Usman.

Regional Councillor Jack Heath and Councillor Khalid Usman addressed Members of Council to thank them and Markham residents for the opportunity to serve the City.

5. DEPUTATIONS

There was a deputation in relation to Item 8.1.1 City of Markham Age-Friendly Design Guidelines

Sal Amenta addressed Members of Council to express concerns regarding the implementation timeframe and the veracity of age friendly standards versus guidelines for new planning applications.

Moved by Regional Councillor Jack Heath

Seconded by Councillor Khalid Usman

That the deputation from Sal Amenta, be received.

Carried

6. COMMUNICATIONS

6.1 31-2022 LOCAL PLANNING APPEAL TRIBUNAL (LPAT) DECISION MADE - 2404099 ONTARIO LIMITED

Councillor Khalid Usman declared a conflict of interest on this matter and did not participate in the discussion or vote.

Moved by Regional Councillor Jack Heath

Seconded by Regional Councillor Jim Jones

That the summary from the City Solicitor be received for information purposes.

Carried

6.2 32-2022 COMMUNICATION - CITY OF MARKHAM - AGE-FRIENDLY DESIGN GUIDELINES (10.0)

Moved by Councillor Keith Irish
 Seconded by Councillor Andrew Keyes

1. That the written communication dated November 7, 2022, regarding "City of Markham Age-Friendly Design Guidelines" from Andy Langer be received.

Carried

7. PROCLAMATIONS

7.1 PROCLAMATION AND FLAG RAISING REQUESTS (3.4)

Moved by Regional Councillor Joe Li
 Seconded by Councillor Amanda Collucci

1. That the following proclamations, issued by the City Clerk in accordance with the City of Markham Proclamation Policy, be received for information purposes:
 - a. Orange Shirt Day - September 30, 2022
 - b. National Day of Truth and Reconciliation - September 30, 2022

Carried

8. REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

8.1 REPORT NO. 35 - DEVELOPMENT SERVICES COMMITTEE (SEPTEMBER 12, 2022)

Moved by Regional Councillor Jack Heath
 Seconded by Regional Councillor Jim Jones

That the report of the Development Services Committee be received & adopted.
 (Item 1 only):

Carried

8.1.1 CITY OF MARKHAM - AGE-FRIENDLY DESIGN GUIDELINES (10.0)

Moved by Regional Councillor Jack Heath
 Seconded by Regional Councillor Jim Jones

1. That the report titled, “ City of Markham – Age-Friendly Design Guidelines” be received; and,
2. That the guidelines outlined in the “City of Markham – Age-Friendly Design Guidelines” (Appendix 1) be endorsed for implementation through the development review process; and,
3. That Staff be directed to form a Staff Working Group to prepare a Request for Proposal and retain a consultant to complete a cost analysis of implementing the “City of Markham – Age-Friendly Design Guidelines” in the public realm and report back to Development Services Committee in Q2, 2023; and,
4. That the guidelines in the “City of Markham – Age-Friendly Design Guidelines” applicable to the public realm be implemented once the cost analysis is completed and presented to the DSC; and,
5. That minor amendments to the “City of Markham – Age-Friendly Design Guidelines” be made subject to the Development Services Commissioner’s approval; and,
6. That the City of Markham's Age Friendly design guidelines be adopted as the standards for the City; and,
7. That future planning applications include a section addressing an applicant's adherence to the City of Markham's Age Friendly Design Standards; and further,
8. That Staff be authorized and directed to do all things necessary to give effect to this resolution.

Carried as Amended

Members of Council consented to the addition of the friendly amendment in clause 6.

Council had before it the following original recommendation for consideration:

1. That the report titled, “ City of Markham – Age-Friendly Design Guidelines” be received; and,
2. That the guidelines outlined in the “City of Markham – AgeFriendly Design Guidelines” (Appendix 1) be endorsed for implementation through the development review process; and,

3. That Staff be directed to form a Staff Working Group to prepare a Request for Proposal and retain a consultant to complete a cost analysis of implementing the “City of Markham – Age-Friendly Design Guidelines” in the public realm and report back to Development Services Committee; and,
4. That the guidelines in the “City of Markham – Age-Friendly Design Guidelines” applicable to the public realm be implemented once the cost analysis is completed and presented to the DSC; and,
5. That minor amendments to the “City of Markham – Age-Friendly Design Guidelines” be made subject to the Development Services Commissioner’s approval; and further,
6. That Staff be authorized and directed to do all things necessary to give effect to this resolution.

9. MOTIONS

There were no motions.

10. NOTICE OF MOTION TO RECONSIDER

There were no notices of motion to reconsider.

11. NEW/OTHER BUSINESS

11.1 REQUEST FOR DEMOLITION - DETACHED HERITAGE ACCESSORY BUILDING, 45 JERMAN STREET, MARKHAM VILLAGE HERITAGE CONSERVATION DISTRICT (16.11)

Moved by Councillor Karen Rea

Seconded by Councillor Andrew Keyes

1. That the report entitled “Request for Demolition – Detached Heritage Accessory Building, 45 Jerman Street, Markham Village Heritage Conservation District”, dated November 8, 2022, be received; and,
2. That Council supports the proposed demolition of the existing detached heritage accessory building at 45 Jerman Street, located within the Markham Village Heritage Conservation District, subject to the owner advertising the building for salvage or relocation for two weeks in the local newspaper or appropriate social media; and further,
3. That Staff be authorized and directed to do all things necessary to give effect to this resolution.

Carried

11.2 BILL 23 UPDATE

Councillor Karen Rea inquired about the timing for staff's report back on Bill 23. Commissioner Prasad indicated that Bill 23 will be the subject of an upcoming Development Services meeting.

11.3 ARIA DEVELOPMENT LPAT PROCEEDINGS

The City Solicitor & Director of People Services, Claudia Storto, provided an update on the matter and advised that the City is awaiting a written decision from the Ontario Land Tribunal regarding the approval of the units in this development.

12. ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no announcements.

13. BY-LAWS - THREE READINGS

Moved by Councillor Isa Lee

Seconded by Councillor Andrew Keyes

That By-laws 2022-113 to 2022-118 be given three readings and enacted.

Carried

Three Readings

13.1 BY-LAW 2022-113, AN ADMINISTRATIVE BYLAW AMENDING BY-LAW 2018-57

13.2 BY-LAW 2022-114, 2404099 ONTARIO LIMITED, JD DEVELOPMENT GROUP, 7190 AND 7200 MARKHAM ROAD, ZONING BY-LAW AMENDMENT APPROVED BY THE LOCAL PLANNING APPEAL TRIBUNAL (LPAT)

13.3 BY-LAW 2022-115, MADISON HOMES CORNELL ROUGE LIMITED, PART LOT CONTROL EXEMPTION BYLAW

13.4 BY-LAW 2022-116, STATEVIEW HOMES (ON THE MARK) INC, MARKLAND STREET, PART LOT CONTROL BYLAW

13.5 BY-LAW 2022-117, PRIMONT (CORNELL 2) INC PART LOT CONTROL EXEMPTION BYLAW

13.6 BY-LAW 2022-118, METROPIA MINTO (SIXTEENTH) HOLDINGS INC.,
PART LOT CONTROL EXEMPTION BY-LAW

14. CONFIRMATORY BY-LAW - THREE READINGS

Moved by Regional Councillor Jim Jones

Seconded by Councillor Reid McAlpine

That By-law 2022-119 be given three readings and enacted.

Three Readings

BY-LAW 2022-119 A BY-LAW TO CONFIRM THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE
COUNCIL MEETING OF NOVEMBER 8, 2022.

Carried

15. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Councillor Khalid Usman

Seconded by Regional Councillor Jack Heath

That the Council meeting be adjourned at 3:09 PM.

Carried

Kimberley Kitteringham

City Clerk

Frank Scarpitti

Mayor