

Special Development Services Committee Minutes

Meeting Number: 24
November 25, 2024, 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM
Flato Markham Theatre
171 Town Centre Blvd.

Roll Call	Mayor Frank Scarpitti Deputy Mayor Michael Chan Regional Councillor Jim Jones Regional Councillor Joe Li Regional Councillor Alan Ho Councillor Keith Irish Councillor Ritch Lau	Councillor Reid McAlpine Councillor Karen Rea Councillor Andrew Keyes Councillor Amanda Collucci Councillor Isa Lee
Regrets	Councillor Juanita Nathan	
Staff	Arvin Prasad, Commissioner, Development Services Trinela Cane, Commissioner, Corporate Services Morgan Jones, Commissioner, Community Services Claudia Storto, City Solicitor and Director of Human Resources Joseph Silva, Treasurer Bryan Frois, Manager of Executive Operations & Strategic Initiatives Chris Nearing, Fire Chief Frank Clarizio, Director, Engineering	Alice Lam, Director, Operations Loy Cheah, Senior Manager, Transportation Samson Wat, Senior Project Engineer John Wong, Technology Support Coordinator Rajeeth Arulanantham, Election & Committee Coordinator Hristina Giantsopoulos, Election & Committee Coordinator David Porretta, Manager, Traffic Engineering

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1. CALL TO ORDER

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.

The Special Development Services Meeting convened at 9:14 AM. Regional Councillor Joe Li presided as Chair.

2. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

There were none disclosed.

3. PRESENTATIONS

3.1 VISION ZERO ROAD SAFETY PLAN DEVELOPMENT - WORKSHOP (5.10)

Commissioner Arvin Prasad provided opening remarks and introduced Frank Clarizio, Director, Engineering who welcomed all those in attendance to this Special Development Services meeting and indicated that it is a key element in the development of a comprehensive data-driven road safety plan.

Mr. Clarizio outlined the format of the meeting and indicated that there will be two breakout sessions to solicit feedback on various topics that will be considered in the development of the City's Road Safety Plan, supporting policies, engineering standards and enhanced community engagement strategies. He introduced the consultant team from CIMA; Jeffrey Suggett, Alireza Hadayeghi, Soroush Salek, Maria Demitiry, and Janice Zhang. He also thanked Loy Cheah, Sampson Watt, Mustafa Ismatyar, David Porretta and his team for their work on this project.

The Committee participated in two breakout sessions where each of the three discussion tables were assigned a question to provide feedback on.

Session 1

1. What locations (apart from school zones) do you believe should be prioritized for traffic calming?
2. How do you feel about increasing the necessary resources to move to a more proactive approach to addressing traffic calming concerns through an annual program?

3. What role should residents and the community have in approving and implementing traffic calming measures? How should they be informed and consulted?

Session 2

1. Which types of treatments do you think require specific Council approval to implement? What treatments could staff implement without specific Council approval?
2. Identify which Engineering treatments should be prioritized in the City's list of possible treatment types and why?
3. Identify which Education & Enforcement treatments should be prioritized to improve safety and why?

There was discussion on various strategies and initiatives such as the use of roundabouts, roadway narrowing, speed cushions, speed enforcement, and the importance of public education.

Frank Clarizio advised that a workshop memo will be prepared and that a draft policy will be brought to a Development Services meeting in early 2025.

Regional Councillor Joe Li adjourned the meeting.

Moved by Mayor Frank Scarpitti
Seconded by Councillor Ritch Lau

1. That the presentation titled "Vision Zero Road Safety Plan Development - Workshop" be received.

Carried

4. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Mayor Frank Scarpitti
Seconded by Councillor Ritch Lau

That the Special Development Services Meeting adjourn at 12:04 PM.

Carried