

## General Committee Meeting Minutes

**Meeting Number: 2**  
**February 11, 2025, 9:30 AM - 10:00 AM**  
**Live streamed**

Roll Call	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 Juanita Nathan Councillor Isa Lee
Regrets	Mayor Frank Scarpitti	Councillor Amanda Collucci
Staff	Andy Taylor, Chief Administrative Officer Trinela Cane, Commissioner, Corporate Services Morgan Jones, Commissioner, Community Services Claudia Storto, City Solicitor and Director of Human Resources Chris Nearing, Fire Chief Joseph Silva, Treasurer Sumon Acharjee, Chief Information Officer Alex Moore, Manager of Purchasing & Accounts Payable Chris Bullen, Manager, By-Law Services	Mark Visser, Senior Manager Strategy Innovation & Investments Eddy Wu, Director, Environmental Services Jay Pak, Senior Manager, Financial Planning & Reporting John Wong, Technology Support Coordinator Emil Bautista, Technology Support Specialist II Anushrut Bharadwaj, Assistant to Council/Committee Iyana Mundo, Assistant to Council/Committee Rajeeth Arulanantham, Election & Committee Coordinator

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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.

General Committee convened at 9:32 AM with Councillor Keith Irish presiding as Chair.

**2. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST**

There were no disclosures of pecuniary interest.

**3. APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES**

**3.1 MINUTES OF THE JANUARY 21, 2025 GENERAL COMMITTEE (16.0)**

Moved by Councillor Karen Rea

Seconded by Councillor Ritch Lau

1. That the minutes of the January 21, 2025 General Committee meeting be confirmed.

**Carried**

**4. PRESENTATIONS**

There were no presentations.

**5. DEPUTATIONS**

There were no deputations.

**6. COMMUNICATIONS**

There were no communications.

**7. PETITIONS**

There were no petitions.

**8. CONSENT REPORTS - FINANCE & ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS**

**8.1 2024 INVESTMENT PERFORMANCE REVIEW (7.0)**

Moved by Councillor Andrew Keyes

Seconded by Councillor Isa Lee

1. That the report dated February 4, 2025 entitled “2024 Investment Performance Review” be received; and further,
2. That staff be authorized and directed to do all things necessary to give effect to this resolution.

**Carried**

## **8.2 NEW USER FEES (7.4)**

The Committee made comments on the *Permitting of Noise By-Law Exemption* fee for business owners and restaurants.

The Committee also asked questions on the *Investigation Of an Open-Air Burning Complaint from Public/Fire Crews* fee.

Chris Nearing, Fire Chief, responded to questions from Committee on this new fee for attending an open-air burning complaint investigation. Chief Nearing clarified that this is a new fee and is in addition to the fine for an open-air burning without a permit.

Moved by Deputy Mayor Michael Chan

Seconded by Regional Councillor Alan Ho

1. That the report titled “New User Fees” be received; and,
2. That the new user fee, permit and fines as outlined in Appendix A be approved; and,
3. That By-Law 2012-137, Licensing, Permit and Service Fees be amended to reflect the proposed fee changes as outlined in Appendix B (Table 1.1); and,
4. That By-Law 2002-276, To Impose Fees and Charges for Services or Activities provided or done by the City of Markham, be amended to reflect the proposed fee changes as outlined in Appendix B (Table 1.2); and,
5. That Schedule A of By-Law 2018-109, a by-law to regulate the use, alteration, and occupancy of highways within the City of Markham be amended with changes as outlined in Appendix B (Table 1.3); and further,
6. That Staff be authorized and directed to do all things necessary to give effect to this resolution.

**Carried**

**8.3 MINUTES OF THE SEPTEMBER 26, 2024, MARKHAM ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (16.0)**

Moved by Councillor Andrew Keyes

Seconded by Councillor Isa Lee

1. That the minutes and notes of the September 26, 2024, Environmental Advisory Committee be received for information purposes.

**Carried**

**8.4 MINUTES OF THE SEPTEMBER 16, OCTOBER 28, AND DECEMBER 16, 2024 ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ACCESSIBILITY (16.0)**

Moved by Councillor Andrew Keyes

Seconded by Councillor Isa Lee

1. That the minutes and notes of the September 16, October 28, and December 16, 2024 Advisory Committee on Accessibility be received for information purposes.

**Carried**

**8.5 MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER 15, 2024 BOX GROVE COMMUNITY CENTRE BOARD (16.0)**

Moved by Councillor Andrew Keyes

Seconded by Councillor Isa Lee

1. That the minutes and notes of the October 15, 2024 Box Grove Community Centre Board Member Meeting be received for information purposes.

**Carried**

**8.6 MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER 25, 2024 MARKHAM PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD (16.0)**

Moved by Councillor Andrew Keyes

Seconded by Councillor Isa Lee

1. That the minutes and notes of the November 25, 2024, Markham Public Library Board be received for information purposes.

**Carried**

**9. MOTIONS**

There were no motions.

**10. NOTICES OF MOTION**

There were no notices of motion.

**11. NEW/OTHER BUSINESS**

There were no new/other business.

**12. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

There were no announcements.

**13. ADJOURNMENT**

Moved by Regional Councillor Joe Li

Seconded by Councillor Juanita Nathan

That General Committee adjourn at 9:41 AM.

**Carried**