



**Minutes
General Committee
May 13, 2015
Meeting Number 17**

Finance & Administrative Issues

Chair: Deputy Mayor Jack Heath
Vice Chair: Councillor Colin Campbell

Community Services Issues

Chair: Councillor Alan Ho
Vice Chair: Councillor Alex Chiu

Environment & Sustainability Issues

Chair: Councillor Valerie Burke
Vice Chair: Councillor Karen Rea

Building, Parks, & Construction Issues

Chair: Councillor Colin Campbell
Vice Chair: Regional Councillor Nirmala Armstrong

Alternate formats are available upon request.

Attendance

Deputy Mayor Jack Heath
Regional Councillor Jim Jones
Regional Councillor Joe Li
Councillor Valerie Burke
Councillor Alan Ho
Councillor Don Hamilton
Councillor Karen Rea
Councillor Colin Campbell
Councillor Amanda Collucci

Andy Taylor, Chief Administrative Officer
Jim Baird, Commissioner of Development Services
Trinela Cane, Commissioner of Corporate Services
Brenda Librecz, Commissioner of Community & Fire Services
Catherine Conrad, City Solicitor
Kimberley Kitteringham, City Clerk
Martha Pettit, Deputy City Clerk
Nasir Kenea, Chief Information Officer
Joel Lustig, Treasurer
Peter Loukes, Director of Environmental Services
Dennis Flaherty, Director of Communications & Community Engagement
Stephen Chait, Director of Economic Development
Biju Karumanchery, Director of Planning & Urban Design
Mohammed Hosseini-Ara, Director of Culture
Fred Rich, Manager, Strategy & Insurance Risk
Mona Nazif, Senior Manager, HR Client Services
Don Taylor, Manager, Executive Operations
Bill Snowball, Fire Chief
Graham Seaman, Senior Manager Sustainability Office
Rick Dominico, CAO's Office
Jamie Bosomworth, Manager Strategy & Innovation
Morgan Jones, Manager Roads Operation
Brian Lee, Deputy Director Engineering
Kitty Bavington, Council/Committee Coordinator
Alida Tari, Council/Committee Coordinator

Regrets

Mayor Frank Scarpitti
Regional Councillor Nirmala Armstrong
Councillor Logan Kanapathi
Councillor Alex Chiu

The General Committee meeting convened at the hour of 12:21 PM with Deputy Mayor Jack Heath as Chair.

Disclosure of Interest

None disclosed.

1. EDUCATION OR TRAINING SESSION -BUILDING MARKHAM'S FUTURE TOGETHER (BMFT) (16.23) [Schedule](#) [Presentation](#)

Andy Taylor, Chief Administrative Officer addressed the Committee and staff providing opening remarks. He also provided a brief recap of the three previous BMFT sessions.

Jim Baird, Commissioner of Development Services delivered a PowerPoint presentation regarding "Safe and Sustainable Community."

Staff and General Committee members were divided into three groups to discuss and obtain feedback by responding to questions relative to the key action of "Safe and Sustainable Community."

Commissioners Trinela Cane, Brenda Librecz and Jim Baird provided a summary of the results of their break-out session.

Mohammed Hosseini-Ara, Director of Culture delivered a PowerPoint presentation relative to the public consultation process regarding Building Markham Future Together.

The Committee suggested that staff provide Members of Council a template with the information regarding BMFT and presentation materials that Council members can share with their constituents. There was discussion regarding the importance of ensuring residents understand the legislation regarding growth requirements. There was discussion regarding a City survey as a way to engage the public.

Commissioner Trinela Cane delivered a PowerPoint presentation outlining the need to ensure that the City is fiscally prudent and efficient.

Staff and General Committee members discussed questions relative to ensuring that the City is fiscally prudent and efficient.

Andy Taylor, Chief Administrative Officer addressed the Committee and staff and provided closing remarks. He indicated that prior to going out to the public, staff will bring a summary of these sessions to Council to ensure everything discussed and suggested was captured appropriately.

Adjournment

Moved by Councillor Alan Ho
Seconded by Councillor Amanda Collucci

That the General Committee meeting adjourn at 4:22 PM.

Carried