



**Minutes
General Committee
September 8, 2014
Meeting Number 17**

Finance & Administrative Issues

Chair: Mayor Frank Scarpitti
Vice Chair: Councillor Carolina Moretti

Environment & Sustainability Issues

Chair: Councillor Valerie Burke
Vice Chair: Regional Councillor Joe Li

Community Services Issues

Chair: Councillor Alex Chiu
Vice Chair: Councillor Howard Shore

Building, Parks, & Construction Issues

Chair: Councillor Logan Kanapathi
Vice Chair: Councillor Colin Campbell

Alternate formats are available upon request.

Attendance

Mayor Frank Scarpitti
Deputy Mayor Jack Heath
Regional Councillor Jim Jones
Regional Councillor Gord Landon
Regional Councillor Joe Li
Councillor Valerie Burke
Councillor Howard Shore
Councillor Don Hamilton
Councillor Carolina Moretti
Councillor Colin Campbell
Councillor Alan Ho
Councillor Logan Kanapathi
Councillor Alex Chiu

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
Joel Lustig, Treasurer
Dennis Flaherty, Director of Communications &
Community Engagement
Alida Tari, Council/Committee Coordinator

The General Committee meeting convened at the hour of 9:05 AM with Mayor Frank Scarpitti in the Chair.

Disclosure of Interest

None disclosed.

1. KINDRED SPIRITS ORCHESTRA (9.0)

[Letter](#)

Kristian Alexander, Music Director addressed the Committee and delivered a PowerPoint presentation regarding the Kindred Spirits Orchestra.

Jingye, Kindred Spirits Orchestra was in attendance to do a violin performance for the Mayor and Members of Council.

Carol Walsh, Markham resident addressed the Committee regarding the request for financial support from the City of Markham for Kindred Spirits Orchestra and spoke in support.

Dennis Flaherty, Director of Communications & Community Engagement addressed Committee and provided information regarding the promotional opportunities provided to Kindred Spirits Orchestra by the City of Markham.

The Committee discussed the following relative to the financial support requested by Kindred Spirits Orchestra and cultural organizations in general:

- Where will the funds come from
- How do other municipalities fund their arts and culture programs
- What are the benefits to the City when funding music, arts and culture
- Does the City of Markham need an additional cultural centre
- What are the financial implications to the City if the budget for cultural events/programs is increased
- Should the City consider allocating \$0.20 per capita in their future budgets to support programs such as Kindred Spirits Orchestra
- Need to work together with York Region transit to try a pilot transportation project that can get Markham residents door to door to cultural venues such as the Flato Markham Theatre

The Committee suggested that the financial request from Kindred Spirits Orchestra be referred to staff for a report.

Moved by Councillor Carolina Moretti
Seconded by Deputy Mayor Jack Heath

- 1) That the letter dated July 22, 2014 from Jobert Sevileno, President and CEO, Kristian Alexander, Music Director, and Carol Walsh, Board of Directors of the Kindred Spirits Orchestra be received; and,
- 2) **That the request for annual financial assistance from the Kindred Spirits Orchestra be referred to staff; and,**
- 3) **That staff be directed to report back in the first quarter of 2015 the following relative to cultural organizations:**

- a. **How do other municipalities support their community arts and cultural organizations through their budget;**
 - b. **How many cultural facilities do other municipalities have and how are their utilized;**
 - c. **How do other municipalities achieve sustainability for cultural groups for their City;**
 - d. **What are the impacts of providing additional funds to cultural groups in the City (how many groups and the level of support needed);**
 - e. **Develop a criteria that cultural organization can follow if applying for a municipal grant and/or financial assistance; and,**
- 4) **That staff be directed to report back at the September 15, 2014 General Committee meeting on whether the City of Markham can assist Kindred Spirit Orchestra with their request of \$23,000.00 for 2014; and further,**
- 5) **That staff be authorized and directed to do all things necessary to give effect to this resolution.**

Carried

2. E.A. DANBY CERTIFICATE OF MERIT (12.2.6)

[Report](#) [Presentation](#)

Brenda Librecz, Commissioner of Community & Fire Services addressed Committee and provided some opening remarks relate to the E.A. Danby Certificate of Merit.

Stephen Huycke, representative of Zone 4 Board of Directors of Association of Municipal Managers, Clerks and Treasurers of Ontario (AMCTO) delivered a PowerPoint presentation regarding the E.A. Danby Certificate of Merit.

Moved by Councillor Valerie Burke
Seconded by Councillor Alex Chiu

- 1) That the report entitled “AMCTO - E.A. Danby Award Certificate of Merit Presentation to Council” be received; and,
- 2) That Stephen Huycke, a representative from the AMCTO Board of Directors, present the E.A. Danby award for ‘Water on Wheels’ Public Outreach Program to Council on behalf of AMCTO.

Carried

**3. MINUTES OF THE JUNE 24 2014
GENERAL COMMITTEE (16.0)**

[Minutes](#)

Moved by Councillor Carolina Moretti
Seconded by Councillor Alex Chiu

- 1) That the minutes of the June 24, 2014 General Committee meeting be confirmed.

Carried

**4. MINUTES OF THE JUNE 18, 2014
ANIMAL CARE COMMITTEE (16.0)**

[Minutes](#)

Moved by Councillor Carolina Moretti
Seconded by Councillor Alex Chiu

- 1) That the minutes of the June 18, 2014 Animal Care Committee meeting be received for information purposes.

Carried

**5. MINUTES OF THE JUNE 2, 2014
BOX GROVE COMMUNITY CENTRE BOARD (16.0)**

[Minutes](#)

Moved by Councillor Carolina Moretti
Seconded by Councillor Alex Chiu

- 1) That the minutes of the June 2, 2014 Box Grove Community Centre Board meeting be received for information purposes.

Carried

6. **MINUTES OF THE MAY 26, 2014
MARKHAM PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD (16.0)**
[Minutes](#)

Moved by Councillor Carolina Moretti
Seconded by Councillor Alex Chiu

- 1) That the minutes of the May 26, 2014 Markham Public Library Board meeting be received for information purposes.

Carried

7. **MINUTES OF THE JUNE 16, 2014, JULY 3, 2014,
JULY 17, 2014, AND JULY 29, 2014
RBC MARKHAM MILLIKEN MILLS
CHILDREN'S FESTIVAL COMMITTEE (16.0)**
[June 16](#) [July 3](#) [July 17](#) [July 29](#)

Moved by Councillor Carolina Moretti
Seconded by Councillor Alex Chiu

- 1) That the minutes of the June 16, 2014, July 3, 2014, July 17, 2014, and July 29, 2014 RBC Markham Milliken Mills Children's Festival Committee meeting be received for information purposes.

Carried

8. **MINUTES OF THE MAY 13, 2014 AND JUNE 10, 2014
SENIORS ADVISORY COMMITTEE (16.0)**
[May 13](#) [June 10](#)

Moved by Councillor Carolina Moretti
Seconded by Councillor Alex Chiu

- 1) That the minutes of the May 13, 2014 and June 10, 2014 Seniors Advisory Committee meetings be received for information purposes.

Carried

**9. MINUTES OF THE MAY 22, 2014,
JUNE 26, 2014 AND JULY 24, 2014
SENIORS HALL OF FAME
AWARDS COMMITTEE (16.0)**
[May 22](#) [June 26](#) [July 24](#)

Moved by Councillor Carolina Moretti
Seconded by Councillor Alex Chiu

- 1) That the minutes of the May 22, 2014, June 26, 2014 and July 24, 2014 Seniors Hall of Fame Awards Committee meeting be received for information purposes.

Carried

**10. 2015 PAN AMERICAN/PARAPAN AMERICAN
GAMES PROPOSED PARKING AND
STOPPING PROHIBITIONS (5.12)**
[Report](#) [Attachment](#)

There was brief discussion regarding parking prohibitions relative to Pan Am/Parapan Am Centre and Bill Crothers Secondary School.

Moved by Councillor Carolina Moretti
Seconded by Councillor Alex Chiu

- 1) That the staff report entitled “2015 Pan American/Parapan American Games Proposed Parking & Stopping Prohibitions”, be received; and,
- 2) That Schedule “E” of Parking By-law 2005-188 (No Stopping), be amended by including the both sides of YMCA Blvd., in its entirety; and,
- 3) That Schedule “E” of Parking By-law 2005-188 (No Stopping), be amended by including the both sides of Enterprise Blvd., between Main St. Unionville and Sciberras Rd.; and,
- 4) That Schedule “E” of Parking By-law 2005-188 (No Stopping), be amended by including the both sides of Rivis Rd., in its entirety; and,
- 5) That Schedule “E” of Parking By-law 2005-188 (No Stopping), be amended by including the both sides of Unionville Gate, between Kennedy Rd. and Main St. Unionville; and,
- 6) That Schedule “E” of Parking By-law 2005-188 (No Stopping), be amended by including the west side of Main St Unionville, between Highway 7 and a point 40 meters south of Highway 7; and,

- 7) That Schedule “E” of Parking By-law 2005-188 (No Stopping), be amended by including the west side of Main St Unionville, between a point 36 meters south of East Dr. and Enterprise Blvd.; and,
- 8) That Schedule “E” of Parking By-law 2005-188 (No Stopping), be amended by including the east side of Main St Unionville, between Highway 7 and a point 200 meters south of Highway 7; and,
- 9) That Schedule “E” of Parking By-law 2005-188 (No Stopping), be amended by including the east side of Main St Unionville, between a point 36 meters south of Richard Maynard Cres.(north leg) and a point 52 meters south of Richard Maynard Cres. (north leg); and,
- 10) That Schedule “E” of Parking By-law 2005-188 (No Stopping), be amended by including the east side of Main St Unionville, between a point 15 meters north of Richard Maynard Cres.(south leg) and a point 10 meters south of Richard Maynard Cres. (south leg); and,
- 11) That Schedule “E” of Parking By-law 2005-188 (No Stopping), be amended by including the east side of Main St Unionville, between a point 32 meters south of Richard Maynard Cres.(south leg) and Enterprise Blvd.; and,
- 12) That Schedule “E” of Parking By-law 2005-188 (No Stopping), be amended by including both sides of Bill Crothers Dr. between Enterprise Blvd. and the northerly limit; and,
- 13) That Schedule “E” of Parking By-law 2005-188 (No Stopping), be amended by including both sides of Helen Ave. between Unity Gardens Rd. and Kennedy Rd. effective July 7 – August 15, 2015 only; and,
- 14) That Schedule “E” of Parking By-law 2005-188 (No Stopping), be amended by including both sides of Unity Gardens Dr. between Castan Ave. and Helen Ave., effective from July 7 – August 15, 2015 only; and,
- 15) That Schedule “C” of Parking By-law 2005-188 (No Parking), be amended by including the north side of East Dr. in its entirety, effective July 7 – August 15, 2015 only; and,
- 16) That Schedule “C” of Parking By-law 2005-188 (No Parking), be amended by rescinding the north side of YMCA Blvd. in its entirety; and,
- 17) That Schedule “C” of Parking By-law 2005-188 (No Parking), be amended by rescinding the south side of YMCA Blvd. from Kennedy Rd. and a point 115 meters west thereof; and,
- 18) That Schedule “C” of Parking By-law 2005-188 (No Parking), be amended by rescinding the south side of YMCA Blvd. from the west limit to a point 75 meters east of Rivis Rd.; and,

- 19) That Schedule "C" of Parking By-law 2005-188 (No Parking), be amended by rescinding the south side of YMCA Blvd. from a point 75 meters east of Rivis Rd and a point 115 meters west of Kennedy Rd.; and,
- 20) That Schedule "C" of Parking By-law 2005-188 (No Parking), be amended by rescinding both sides of Rivis Rd. in its entirety; and
- 21) That Schedule "C" of Parking By-law 2005-188 (No Parking), be amended by rescinding the west side of Main Street Unionville South between Highway 7 and East Drive; and,
- 22) That Schedule "C" of Parking By-law 2005-188 (No Parking), be amended by rescinding the west side of Main Street Unionville South between the west side of Main Street South Unionville, from 17.0 meters to the south of lot property line 28/34 to 120.0 meters south; and,
- 23) That the Operations Department be directed to install and maintain the appropriate regulatory signs at the subject locations; and,
- 24) That the cost of materials and installation for the traffic signs and pavement markings be funded from Operations capital account # 061-5350-14228-005 (Traffic Operational Improvements) in the amount of \$6,000; and,
- 25) That the Parking Control Department be directed to enforce the parking and stopping prohibitions upon approval of the By-law amendment and installation of the regulatory signs; and further,
- 26) That staff be authorized and directed to do all things necessary to give effect to this resolution.

Carried

**11. THE ONTARIO MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT –
MARKHAM DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM DRINKING WATER
SYSTEM INSPECTION REPORT, MAY 2014 (5.3)**

[Report](#) [Attachment](#)

Moved by Councillor Carolina Moretti

Seconded by Councillor Alex Chiu

- 1) That the report titled “The Ontario Ministry of Environment – Markham Distribution System – Drinking Water System Inspection Report, May 2014” be received; and,
- 2) That Staff be authorized and directed to do all things necessary to give effect to this resolution.

Carried

12. IN-CAMERA MATTERS

Moved by Councillor Alex Chiu

Seconded by Councillor Alan Ho

That, in accordance with Section 239 (2) of the Municipal Act, General Committee resolve into an in-camera session to discuss the following confidential matters (11:32 am):

- (1) GENERAL COMMITTEE IN-CAMERA MINUTES – JUNE 24, 2014 (16.0)
[Section 239 (2) (c) (b)]
- (2) PERSONAL MATTERS ABOUT AN IDENTIFIABLE INDIVIDUAL, INCLUDING MUNICIPAL OR LOCAL BOARD EMPLOYEES (ELECTION COMPLIANCE AUDIT COMMITTEE) (14.0)
[Section 239 (2) (b)]

- (3) PERSONAL MATTERS ABOUT AN IDENTIFIABLE INDIVIDUAL, INCLUDING MUNICIPAL OR LOCAL BOARD EMPLOYEES (BOARD APPOINTMENTS) (16.24)
[Section 239 (2) (b)]
- (4) A PROPOSED OR PENDING ACQUISITION OR DISPOSITION OF LAND BY THE MUNICIPALITY OR LOCAL BOARD (YORK UNIVERSITY PROPOSAL) (8.0)
[Section 239 (2) (c)]

Carried

Moved by Councillor Carolina Moretti
Seconded by Councillor Howard Shore

That the General Committee rise from the in-camera session 2:59 PM.

Carried

Adjournment

Moved by Alex Chiu
Seconded by Valerie Burke

That the General Committee meeting adjourn at 2:59 PM.

Carried