



MINUTES
GENERAL COMMITTEE
September 23, 2013
Meeting No. 19

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 Gord Landon
Regional Councillor Joe Li
Councillor Valerie Burke
Councillor Don Hamilton
Councillor Colin Campbell
Councillor Alan Ho
Councillor Logan Kanapathi

Andy Taylor, Chief Administrative Officer
Catherine Conrad, City Solicitor
Jim Baird, Commissioner of Development Services
Brenda Librecz, Commissioner of Community & Fire Services
Trinela Cane, Commissioner of Corporate Services
Joel Lustig, Treasurer
Bill Snowball, Fire Chief
Andrea Tang, Manager, Financial Planning
Mary Creighton, Director of Recreation
Alida Tari, Council/Committee Coordinator

Regrets

Regional Councillor Jim Jones
Councillor Howard Shore
Councillor Carolina Moretti
Councillor Alex Chiu

The General Committee convened at the hour of 12:11 p.m. with Regional Councillor Gord Landon in the Chair. Mayor Frank Scarpitti assumed the Chair at 12:40 p.m. Councillor Howard Shore Chaired Community Services related items.

DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST

None disclosed.

**1. MINUTES OF THE SEPTEMBER 16, 2013
GENERAL COMMITTEE (16.0)**

[Minutes](#)

Moved by Councillor Logan Kanapathi
Seconded by Deputy Mayor Jack Heath

- 1) That the Minutes of the September 16, 2013 General Committee be confirmed.

CARRIED

**2. MINUTES OF THE JUNE 20, 2013
BOARD OF MANAGEMENT
MARKHAM VILLAGE BUSINESS
IMPROVEMENT AREA COMMITTEE (16.0)**

[Minutes](#)

Moved by Councillor Logan Kanapathi
Seconded by Deputy Mayor Jack Heath

- 1) That the Minutes of the June 20, 2013 Board of Management Markham Village Business Improvement Area Committee be received for information purposes.

CARRIED

**3. MINUTES OF THE JUNE 24, 2013
CANADA DAY COMMITTEE (16.0)**

[Minutes](#)

Moved by Councillor Logan Kanapathi
Seconded by Deputy Mayor Jack Heath

- 1) That the Minutes of the June 24, 2013 Canada Day Committee be received for information purposes.

CARRIED

**4. MINUTES OF THE JUNE 20, 2013
ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (16.0)**

[Minutes](#)

Moved by Councillor Logan Kanapathi
Seconded by Deputy Mayor Jack Heath

- 1) That the Minutes of the June 20, 2013 Environmental Advisory Committee be received for information purposes.

CARRIED

**5. MINUTES OF THE JUNE 25, 2013
PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD (16.0)**

[Minutes](#)

Moved by Councillor Logan Kanapathi
Seconded by Deputy Mayor Jack Heath

- 1) That the Minutes of the June 25, 2013 Public Library Board be received for information purposes.

CARRIED

**6. MINUTES OF THE MAY 28, 2013
SANTA CLAUS PARADE COMMITTEE (16.0)**

[Minutes](#)

Moved by Councillor Logan Kanapathi
Seconded by Deputy Mayor Jack Heath

- 1) That the Minutes of the May 28, 2013 Santa Claus Parade Committee be received for information purposes.

CARRIED

**7. STAFF AWARDED CONTRACTS FOR THE
MONTHS OF JUNE, JULY AND AUGUST 2013 (7.12)**

[Report](#)

There was brief discussion regarding the following:

- 19-T-13 Painting at Thornhill Community Centre and Various Building City-Wide
- 184-T-13 Highway 48 Parkland (relocation of 9040 Markham Rd.)

Moved by Deputy Mayor Jack Heath
Seconded by Councillor Colin Cambell

- 1) That the report entitled “Staff Awarded Contracts for the Months of June, July and August be received;
- 2) That Staff be authorized and directed to do all things necessary to give effect to this resolution.

CARRIED

8. AWARD OF PROPOSAL 151-R-13 ELECTRICAL SERVICES FOR CITY FACILITIES (7.12)

[Report](#)

Moved by Councillor Logan Kanapathi
Seconded by Deputy Mayor Jack Heath

- 1) That the report entitled “Award of Proposal 151-R-13 Electrical Services for City Facilities” be received; and,
- 2) That the contract for Electrical Services for City Facilities be awarded to the highest ranked and lowest priced bidder, Kudlak-Baird (1982) Ltd., beginning October 1, 2013 in the estimated annual amount of \$271,750.08 inclusive of HST with prices fixed for a period of four (4) years totaling \$1,087,000.32 inclusive of HST; and,
- 3) That the award be funded from the various City Departments Operating and Capital budget accounts on an as required basis; and,
- 4) That this report be tabled at the September 24th, 2013 Council Meeting; and,
- 5) That the award amounts in 2014 to 2017 be subject to Council approval of the respective year’s operating budgets and that the award amounts be amended to reflect changes (e.g. growth from new facilities) to the various user budget accounts as approved by Council during the annual budget process; and,
- 6) That the 2014 operating budget be adjusted accordingly to reflect the 2% rate reduction in comparison to the previous contract; and further,
- 7) That Staff be authorized and directed to do all things necessary to give effect to this resolution.

CARRIED

9. CONTRACT EXTENSION (303-R-09) FOR GENERAL INSURANCE AND RISK MANAGEMENT PROGRAM (7.12)

[Report](#)

Moved by Councillor Logan Kanapathi
Seconded by Deputy Mayor Jack Heath

- 1) That the report “Contract Extension (303-R-09) for General Insurance and Risk Management Program” be received; and,
- 2) That contract 303-R-09 for General Insurance and Risk Management Program be extended for a further one-year term from January 1, 2014 to January 1, 2015 to Jardine Lloyd

Thompson for a maximum amount of \$1,225,000 (inclusive of PST, premium changes, asset growth, and inflation in property values); and,

- 3) That the Treasurer be authorized to extend the contract for General Insurance and Risk Management Program for three further one year periods (2015 to 2017) provided that it is in the best interest of the City and the premium increase per year does not exceed 5% of the cost of the previous years' insurance program, exclusive of annual coverage changes and asset growth related changes to the property and automotive portfolios; and,
- 4) That the Treasurer be further authorized to approve all annual coverage changes, asset growth related changes to the property and automotive portfolios (2015 to 2017); and,
- 5) That in accordance with Purchasing By-Law 2004-341, Part II, Section 7 (1)(c), Non-Competitive Procurement, whereby “When the extension of an existing contract would prove more cost-effective and beneficial”, the tendering process be waived; and,
- 6) That this award be funded from 2014 Operating Account 840-8465555 Insurance Premium as shown in the financial consideration section, subject to Council approval of the 2014 operating budget; and further,
- 7) That Staff be authorized and directed to do all things necessary to give effect to this resolution.

CARRIED

**10. DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY TO
CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER
DURING THE ANNUAL SUMMER
RECESS AS PER BY-LAW 4-2000 (7.0)**
[Report](#)

Moved by Councillor Logan Kanapathi
Seconded by Deputy Mayor Jack Heath

- 1) That the report entitled “Delegation of Authority to Chief Administrative Officer during the annual summer recess as per By-law 4-2000” be received; and,
- 2) That Staff be authorized and directed to do all things necessary to give effect to this resolution.

CARRIED

11. 2013 JULY YEAR-TO-DATE REVIEW OF OPERATIONS AND YEAR END PROJECTION (7.4)
[Presentation](#) [Report](#) [Appendices 1-12](#)

Andrea Tang, Manager, Financial Planning delivered a PowerPoint presentation regarding the 2013 July Year-to-Date (YTD) review of Operations and Year-End projections.

The Committee discussed the following:

- Funding deficit relative to winter operations
- Challenges with snow removal in laneways
- Streetlight hydro pricing
- Planning reserves and revenues lower than anticipated for 2013
- Challenges relative to lower recreation revenues and efforts underway to assist in raising those revenues
- Consideration to include forestry as part of the Life Cycle reserves

Moved by Mayor Frank Scarpitti

Seconded by Councillor Logan Kanapathi

- 1) That the presentation by Ms. Andrea Tang, Manager, Financial Planning entitled “2013 July Year-To-Date (YTD) Review of Operations and Year- End Projection, be received; and,
- 2) That the report dated September 23, 2013 entitled “2013 July Year-To-Date Review of Operations and Year End Projection” be received.

CARRIED

12. FLATO MARKHAM THEATRE STRATEGIC UPDATE AND KEY INITIATIVES (6.5)
[Report](#) [Appendix A](#) [Appendix B](#)

Moved by Councillor Alan Ho

Seconded by Mayor Frank Scarpitti

This item has been deferred to the October 7, 2013 General Committee meeting.

- 1) That the presentation by Mr. John Tidball, Chair, Flato Markham Theatre Advisory Board and Ms. Karen Toon, Member, Flato Markham Theatre Advisory Board entitled “Flato Markham Theatre Strategic Update and Key Initiatives,” be received.
- 2) That the report titled Flato Markham Theatre (FMT) Strategic Update and Key Initiatives be received; and further,

- 3) That Staff be authorized and directed to do all things necessary to give effect to this resolution.

CARRIED

**13. APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO THE
MAYOR’S YOUTH TASK FORCE FOR THE
PERIOD OF SEPTEMBER 1, 2013 TO JUNE 30, 2014 (16.24)**
[Report](#)

Moved by Councillor Valerie Burke
Seconded by Regional Councillor Gord Landon

- 1) That the Report Appointment of Members to the Mayor’s Youth Task Force for the period of September 1, 2013 to June 30, 2014 be received; and,
- 2) That the following Appointments of Members to the Mayor’s Youth Task Force be confirmed for the term September 1, 2013 to June 30, 2014;

Name	Ward	School	Grade
Tiffany Chan, Co – Chair	5	Unionville H.S.	12
Amanda Whyte, Co-Chair	5	Unionville H.S.	12
Joeffre Braga	5	St. Brother Andre	11
Nirushi Mohan	7	Markham District H.S.	11
Ronaz Remtulla	3	Unionville H.S.	12
Tina Zhong	5	Thornhill Secondary School	11
Crystal Chen	2	Thornhill Secondary School	10
Annie Sun	4	Pierre Elliott Trudeau	12
Jeffrey Li	3	Markville Secondary School	11
Sean Pereira	1	St. Roberts Catholic H.S.	10
Jennifer Cheng	7	Markham District H.S.	11
Michelle Lu	4	Markham District H.S.	11
Nandini Shah	4	Bur Oak Secondary School	11
Ashley Lam	6	Markham District H.S.	12
Loreta Chan	3	Markville Secondary School	10
Pai Liu	4	Bur Oak Secondary School	12
Yu Xin Shi	8	Milliken Mills H.S.	11
Henry He	3	Marc Garneau CI	11
Justin Jen	4	St. Augustine	9
Clive Ngan	4	Pierre Elliot Trudeau	12
Arjun Bali	6	Bayview Secondary School	12
Joyce Chan	5	Unionville High School	9
Scott Zhang	6	Unionville High School	10
Gary Li	4	Pierre Elliot Trudeau	11
Monica Xu	4	Bayview Secondary School	10; and further,

- 3) That Staff be authorized and directed to do all things necessary to give effect to this resolution.

CARRIED

**14. STRATEGIC PLANNING FOR
VARLEY ART GALLERY (6.12)**

[Report](#)

Moved by Councillor Valerie Burke
Seconded by Regional Councillor Gord Landon

- 1) That the report entitled Strategic Planning for Varley Art Gallery be received; and,
- 2) That Staff be authorized and directed to do all things necessary to give effect to this resolution.

CARRIED

**15. DARREN HILL TRAIL PROPOSED
PARKING PROHIBITION (2.17)**

[Report](#) [Attachment A](#) [Attachment B](#)

Moved by Councillor Valerie Burke
Seconded by Regional Councillor Gord Landon

- 1) That the staff report entitled “Darren Hill Trail Proposed Parking Prohibition”, be received; and,
- 2) That Schedule “C” of Parking By-law 2005-188, be amended by prohibiting parking anytime on the east & north sides of Darren Hill Trail, between the property line of #37 and #35 Darren Hill Trail and the property line between #35 and #21 Darren Hill Trail; and,
- 3) That Schedule “C” of Parking By-law 2005-188, be amended by prohibiting parking anytime on the south & west sides of Darren Hill Trail between the property line of #22 and #24 Darren Hill Trail and the property line between #18 Darren Hill Trail and the rear property line of #1396 Castlemore Avenue; and,
- 4) That the Operations Department be directed to install and maintain the appropriate regulatory signs at the subject locations; and,
- 5) That the cost of materials and installation for the regulatory signs be funded from capital project # 11305 (Traffic Operational Improvements) in the amount of approximately \$500; and,

- 6) That the Parking Control Department be directed to enforce the parking prohibition upon approval of the By-law amendment and installation of the regulatory signs; and further,
- 7) That staff be authorized and directed to do all things necessary to give effect to this resolution.

CARRIED

**16. ACQUISITION OF AN ARTICULATED
AERIAL LADDER DEVICE (7.16)**

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

Bill Snowball, Fire Chief presented the Committee with photographs of the articulated aerial ladder device.

Moved by Councillor Colin Campbell
Seconded by Mayor Frank Scarpitti

- 1) That the report entitled “Acquisition of an Articulated Aerial Ladder Device” be received; and,
- 2) That the approved funding for the Capital Project - 13403 New Fleet Vehicles Fire be increased by \$305,300, inclusive of HST, to reflect current market price for an articulated aerial ladder device; and,
- 3) That the increase in the budget in the amount of \$305,300 be 100% funded from Development Charges in accordance with the original budget request; and further,
- 4) That Staff be authorized and directed to do all things necessary to give effect to this resolution.

CARRIED

NEW BUSINESS

17. FEDERAL FUNDING ANNOUNCEMENT (7.0)

Councillor Howard Shore advised the Committee that Federal Finance Minister Jim Flaherty announced that his government will put up funding to assist in the building of a subway in Scarborough and stated concerns that necessary funding is not being received by York Regional municipalities to advance their transportation issues.

It was suggested that Andy Taylor, Chief Administrative Officer investigate the specifics of the announcement.

18. IN-CAMERA MATTERS (16.0, 8.6, 11.0 & 6.0)

Moved by Deputy Mayor Jack Heath
Seconded by Councillor Colin Campbell

That, in accordance with Section 239 (2) of the *Municipal Act*, General Committee resolve into an in-camera/restricted session to discuss the following confidential matters (1:50 p.m.):

- (1) GENERAL COMMITTEE IN-CAMERA MINUTES
- September 16, 2013
[Section 239 (2) (a) (b) (c) (d) (e) (f)]
- (2) A PROPOSED OR PENDING ACQUISITION OR DISPOSITION OF LAND BY THE MUNICIPALITY OR LOCAL BOARD (WARD 8)
[Section 239 (2) (c)]
- (3) LABOUR RELATIONS OR EMPLOYEE NEGOTIATIONS
(CUPE INSIDE & OUTSIDE COLLECTIVE BARGAINING)
[Section 239 (2) (d)] (restricted)
- (4) PERSONAL MATTERS ABOUT AN IDENTIFIABLE
INDIVIDUAL, INCLUDING MUNICIPAL OR LOCAL
BOARD EMPLOYEES
AND
ADVICE THAT IS SUBJECT
TO SOLICITOR-CLIENT PRIVILEGE, INCLUDING
COMMUNICATIONS NECESSARY FOR THAT PURPOSE
[Section 239 (2) (b) (f)] (restricted)

CARRIED

Moved by Regional Councillor Gord Landon
Seconded by Councillor Colin Campbell

That the General Committee rise from the in-camera and restricted session (4:52 p.m.)

CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Councillor Alan Ho
Seconded by Councillor Howard Shore

That the General Committee meeting adjourn at 4:52 p.m.

CARRIED