



MINUTES
GENERAL COMMITTEE
December 10, 2012
Meeting No. 29

Finance & Administrative Issues

Chair: Mayor Frank Scarpitti
Vice Chair: Councillor Carolina Moretti

Community Services Issues

Chair: Councillor Alex Chiu
Vice Chair: Councillor Howard Shore

Environment & Sustainability Issues

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

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
Catherine Conrad, City Solicitor
Jim Baird, Commissioner of Development Services
Brenda Librecz, Commissioner of Community & Fire Services
Gary Adamkowski, Director, Asset Management
Martha Pettit, Deputy Clerk
John Ryerson, Director of Culture
Claudia Marsales, Senior Manager of Waste & Environmental Management
Sara Tam, Manager Business Planning & Innovation
Graham Seaman, Senior Manager Sustainability Office
Joel Lustig, Treasurer
Mavis Urquhart, Manager of Environmental Leadership
Alida Tari, Council/Committee Coordinator

The General Committee convened at the hour of 9:09 a.m. with Mayor Frank Scarpitti in the Chair; Councillor Howard Shore Chaired Community Services related items; and Councillors Colin Campbell and Logan Kanapathi Chaired Building, Parks and Construction related items.

The General Committee meeting recessed at 12:54 p.m. and reconvened at 1:52 p.m.

DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST

None disclosed.

**1. CITY OF MARKHAM CULTURE
POLICY & PLAN (6.5)**

[Presentation](#) [Report](#) [Appendix A](#)

John Ryerson, Director of Culture delivered a PowerPoint presentation regarding the City of Markham Culture Policy and Plan.

There was brief discussion regarding community engagement.

The Committee discussed the financial aspects relative to the Markham Culture Policy and Plan and noted that there is a need to collectively work on partnerships.

Sheniz addressed the Committee regarding the City of Markham Culture Policy & Plan and spoke in support.

Barry Nelson addressed the Committee with respect to the City of Markham Culture Policy & Plan providing some comments and spoke in support.

Moved by Councillor Carolina Moretti
Seconded by Councillor Howard Shore

- 1) That the presentation by Mr. John Ryerson, Director of Culture entitled “City of Markham Culture Policy & Plan 2012” be received; and,
- 2) That the staff report titled “City of Markham Culture Policy & Plan” be received; and,
- 3) That the City of Markham Culture Policy & Plan 2012 (Appendix A) be approved subject to annual business planning, operating and capital budget processes; and,
- 4) That staff be directed to undertake community outreach for the preparation of an implementation plan for the Actions and report back to Council on the results; and,
- 5) That Council conveys appreciation to the Province of Ontario for their support of Markham’s cultural planning process; and,
- 6) That Council convey its appreciation to the Building a Creative Markham Advisory Committee; and,
- 7) That the correspondence from Mr. David Tsubouchi be received; and,
- 8) **A special thank you to the Chief Administrative Officer, Commissioners, all the members of Building a Creative Markham Advisory Committee, members of the staff team and consultants for all their efforts in advancing this plan; and further,**
- 9) That Staff be authorized and directed to do all things necessary to give effect to these resolutions.

CARRIED

**2. MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER 19, 2012
GENERAL COMMITTEE (16.0)**
[November](#)

Moved by Regional Councillor Jim Jones
Seconded by Councillor Valerie Burke

- 1) That the Minutes of the November 19, 2012 General Committee be confirmed.
CARRIED

**3. MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER 17 2012
ACCESSIBILITY COMMITTEE (16.0)**
[Minutes](#)

It was noted that the minutes indicate that Councillor Carolina Moretti and Councillor Colin Campbell be contacted with respect to providing their input on where the curve cuts should be located on Main Street Markham prior to the completion of construction. It was suggested that Councillor Carolina Moretti follow up with Warren Rupnarain, Accessibility Coordinator.

Moved by Regional Councillor Jim Jones
Seconded by Councillor Valerie Burke

- 1) That the Minutes of the October 17, 2012 Accessibility Committee be received for information purposes.
CARRIED

**4. MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER 17, 2012
ANIMAL CARE COMMITTEE (16.0)**
[Minutes](#)

Moved by Regional Councillor Jim Jones
Seconded by Councillor Valerie B
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- 1) That the Minutes of the October 17, 2012 Animal Care Committee be received for information purposes.
CARRIED

**5. MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER 1, 2012
SPECIAL ANIMAL CARE COMMITTEE (16.0)**
[Minutes](#)

Moved by Regional Councillor Jim Jones
Seconded by Councillor Valerie Burke

- 1) That the Minutes of the October 1, 2012 Special Animal Care Committee be received for information purposes.

CARRIED

**6. MINUTES OF THE APRIL 19, 2012,
MAY 16, 2012, JUNE 20, 2012, JULY 18, 2012
AUGUST 22, 2012, SEPTEMBER 27 2012,
OCTOBER 17, 2012 AND NOVEMBER 21, 2012
BOARD OF MANAGEMENT
UNIONVILLE BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT AREA (16.0)**
[April](#) [May](#) [June](#) [July](#) [August](#) [September](#) [October](#) [November](#)

Moved by Regional Councillor Jim Jones
Seconded by Councillor Valerie Burke

- 1) That the Minutes of the April 19, 2012, May 16, 2012, June 20, 2012, July 18, 2012, August 22, 2012, September 27, 2012, October 17, 2012 and November 21, 2012 Board of Management Unionville Business Improvement Area be received for information purposes.

CARRIED

**7. MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER 12, 2012
BUDGET SUB-COMMITTEE (16.0)**
[November](#)

Moved by Regional Councillor Jim Jones
Seconded by Councillor Valerie Burke

- 1) That the Minutes of the November 13, 2012 Budget Sub-Committee be received for information purposes.

CARRIED

**8. MINUTES OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES COMMITTEE
SEPTEMBER 4, 2012 AND DECEMBER 4, 2012 (16.0)**
[September](#) [December](#) [Report](#)

Diane Blackburn, Recycling Council of Ontario presented the City of Markham with the waste minimization award. The City of Markham was presented with Gold for Municipal Combined Programs.

Farid Parhami, The Recycle People Corp. addressed the Committee and congratulated Markham in achieving the Gold for Municipal Combined Program Award.

Jacquie Copithorn, York Region District School Board addressed the Committee relative to the Zero Waste program at the separate and public schools and spoke in support.

There was discussion regarding the organic pick up for the schools that have participated in the Zero Waste pilot project in Markham.

The Committee discussed the reason for the deferral for the application from the Youth Environmental Network of York Region.

The Committee inquired whether all schools will be eligible for the proposed funding relative to zero waste. Staff advised that they will be reporting back on this matter.

Moved by Regional Councillor Jim Jones
Seconded by Councillor Valerie Burke

- 1) That the minutes of the Environmental Issues Committee dated September 4, 2012 and December 4, 2012 be received for information purposes; and,
- 2) That the following recommendation from the December 4, 2012 Environmental Issues Committee meeting be endorsed:

"That staff report "Markham Environmental Sustainability Fund (MESF) – Fall 2012 Funding", be received; and,

That available funding from the MESF be reduced and capped at \$150,000 annually, which is reflective of recent annual expenditures, yet still ensures adequate financial support is available for a variety of environmental community and staff projects; and,

That the MESF program requirements for funding schools be amended to support the *Diversion Sub Committee Strategy - Markham's Roadmap to 80% Diversion*, starting in 2013, as follows:

- i. a maximum of 10 schools be approved by Markham's Waste and Environmental Department for Zero Waste Programs per year, to a maximum funding limit of \$2,500 per separate and public school with an emphasis on elementary schools.

This Program and its funding would be administered by the Waste and Environmental Management Department;

- ii. a maximum of 3 schools continue to be approved to a maximum of \$5,000 per funding cycle (Spring and Fall) for all other qualifying environmental projects, *provided* the school has already adopted the Zero Waste practices to the satisfaction of Markham's Waste and Environmental Management Department; and,

That the following is recommended:

- i. That the application by the Healthy Yards Program Coordinator - Toronto Region Conservation Authority (TRCA) for \$2,700 for a Demonstration Rain Garden Tour at Markham Museum, be approved, allowing for a minor exception. That exception would permit this application to be considered prior to TRCA reporting on their original project to install the garden, which is now in place but awaiting completion of signage and the opening ceremony. Also, that TRCA work with Environmental Services, Communication and Community Outreach staff and the Markham Museum staff to promote the tours to the public;
- ii. That the application by Youth Environmental Network of York Region for \$9,970, for an Ecological Action Conference, be deferred, pending review and discussions with Environmental Services, Communications and Community Outreach and Operations staff;
- iii. That the application from Lincoln Park Public School for \$1,627, for a zero waste program, be approved, provided they work with Waste and Environmental Management Department staff and ensure the MESF is recognized in any promotional materials;
- iv. That the application by James Robinson Public School for \$5,000, for an outdoor garden as part of a wheelchair accessible schoolyard, be approved, subject to review of the plant species by Parks staff;
- v. That the application by Claudia Marsales, Waste and Environment Department, for \$5,000, for a multi-residential battery recycling program, be approved; and,

That funds come from the Markham Environmental Sustainability Fund (MESF), account #87 2800168; and further,

That Staff be authorized to do all things necessary to give effect to the above."

CARRIED

**9. MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER 22, 2012
PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD (16.0)**
[Minutes](#)

Moved by Regional Councillor Jim Jones
Seconded by Councillor Valerie Burke

- 1) That the Minutes of the October 22, 2012 Public Library Board be received for information purposes.

CARRIED

**10. MINUTES OF THE SEPTEMBER 10, 2012
AND OCTOBER 1, 2012 RACE RELATIONS
COMMITTEE (16.0)**
[September](#) [October](#)

Moved by Regional Councillor Jim Jones
Seconded by Councillor Valerie Burke

- 1) That the Minutes of the September 10, 2012 and October 1, 2012 Race Relations Committee be received for information purposes.

CARRIED

**11. MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER 1, 2012,
OCTOBER 11, 2012, NOVEMBER 12, 2012
AND NOVEMBER 21, 2012
SOUTHEAST COMMUNITY CENTRE AND
LIBRARY SUB COMMITTEE (16.0)**
[October 1](#) [October 11](#) [November 12](#) [November 21](#)

Moved by Regional Councillor Jim Jones
Seconded by Councillor Valerie Burke

- 1) That the Minutes of the October 1, 2012, October 11, 2012, November 12, 2012 and November 21, 2012 Southeast Community Centre and Library Sub Committee be received for information purposes.

CARRIED

12. BOARD/COMMITTEE RESIGNATIONS (16.24)

Moved by Regional Councillor Jim Jones

Seconded by Councillor Valerie Burke

- 1) That the resignation of Mi Ly from the Animal Care Committee be received with regret for information purposes and that a letter of appreciation be forwarded by Mayor Frank Scarpitti.

CARRIED

**13. 2013 STANDING COMMITTEE/ COUNCIL
MEETING SCHEDULE (16.0)**

[Calendar](#) [FinalCalendar](#)

The Committee discussed the possibility of changing the Tuesday May 13, 2013 Council meeting to Tuesday May 8, 2013. It was suggested that the Tuesday May 13, 2012 Council meeting remain and if there are any contentious items for Ward 5 that they be dealt with at the next meeting.

The following changes were suggested:

- Tuesday February 19, 2013 Development Services Committee Meeting (day time) be moved up to Tuesday February 12, 2013
- Thursday May 23, 2013 Special Council (Community Recognition) be moved to Wednesday May 22, 2013

There was brief discussion regarding the potential to begin the Standing Committee meetings at 10:00 a.m.

Moved by Regional Councillor Jim Jones

Seconded by Councillor Valerie Burke

- 1) **That the Tuesday February 19, 2013 Development Services Committee Meeting (day time) be moved up to Tuesday February 12, 2013; and,**
- 2) **That the Thursday May 23, 2013 Special Council (Community Recognition) be moved to Wednesday May 22, 2013; and further,**
- 3) That the 2013 Standing Committee/Council Meeting Schedule be approved, **as amended.**

CARRIED

**14. GLENBOURNE AND GLENRIDGE COMMUNITIES
SANITARY SEWER SYSTEM – FEES BY-LAW (5.5)**

[Report](#)

Moved by Regional Councillor Jim Jones
Seconded by Councillor Valerie Burke

- 1) That the report entitled “Glenbourne and Glenridge Communities Sanitary Sewer System - Fees By-law” be received; and,
- 2) That Council enact a Fees By-law pursuant to Section 391 of the *Municipal Act, 2001* for costs associated with the sanitary sewer system; and,
- 3) That the Finance Department be authorized to collect the total project costs for the Glenbourne and Glenridge Communities Sanitary Sewer System from the sixty eight (68) property owners of Glenbourne and Glenridge Communities (as set out in the Fees By-law); and,
- 4) That the costs per lot be paid either as a one-time payment or annually up to a maximum of 10 years accruing interest at the same rate as the Region of York 10 Year Debenture Rate, 5.1% calculated annually in advance; and,
- 5) That all outstanding amounts be added to the tax account of each property owner; and,
- 6) That the collected funds be reimbursed to the Waterworks Stabilization Capital Reserve; and further,
- 7) That Staff be authorized and directed to do all things necessary to give effect to this resolution.

CARRIED

**15. DEVELOPMENT CHARGES INDEXING
– JANUARY 1, 2013 (7.11)**

[Report](#)

Moved by Regional Councillor Jim Jones
Seconded by Councillor Valerie Burke

- 1) That the report titled “Development Charges Indexing – January 1, 2013” be received; and,
- 2) That Council approve an increase in development charges of 0.7%, effective January 1, 2013; and further,
- 3) That staff be directed to do all things necessary to give effect to this report.

CARRIED

**16. INTERIM SPENDING AUTHORITY
PENDING APPROVAL OF 2013 BUDGET (7.0)**
[Report](#)

Moved by Regional Councillor Jim Jones
Seconded by Councillor Valerie Burke

- 1) That the report “Interim Spending Authority pending approval of 2013 Budget”, be received; and,
- 2) That Council approve 50% of the 2012 Operating, Waterworks, Planning & Design, Building Standards and Engineering budgets equal to \$137,087,510 as a pre-budget approval for 2013 operating expenditures; and further,
- 3) That Staff be authorized and directed to do all things necessary to give effect to this resolution.

CARRIED

**17. 2013 CAPITAL AND OTHER
PROGRAMS BUDGET (7.5)**
[Report](#) [Appendix 1](#) [Appendix 2](#) [Appendix 3](#)

Moved by Regional Councillor Jim Jones
Seconded by Councillor Valerie Burke

- 1) That the report dated December 10, 2012 entitled, “2013 Capital and Other Programs Budget” (2013 Capital Budget) be received; and,
- 2) That Council approve the 2013 Capital Budget which totals \$169,032,100 as outlined in Appendices 1, 2 and 3; and further,
- 3) That Staff be authorized and directed to do all things necessary to give effect to this resolution.

CARRIED

**18. CHANGES TO USER FEE BY-LAW
AND PARKING BY-LAW (7.0)**

[Report](#) [Appendix A](#)

Moved by Regional Councillor Jim Jones
Seconded by Councillor Valerie Burke

- 1) That the report dated December 10, 2012 entitled “Changes to User Fee By-Law and Parking By-Law” be received; and,
- 2) That Legislative Services user fees and service charges (within By-law 2002-276) be amended to reflect the changes as outlined in Appendix A – Table 1; and,
- 3) That parking fines (within By-law 2005-188) be amended to reflect the changes as outlined in Appendix A – Table 2; and,
- 4) That monthly overnight parking permit fees (within By-law 2005-188) be amended as outlined in Appendix A – Table 3; and,
- 5) That amendments to Legislative Services user fees and service charges, parking fines, and monthly overnight parking permit fees will be effective January 1, 2013; and,
- 6) That total additional revenues of \$502,000 from the amendments to Legislative Services user fees and service charges, and parking fines be included in the 2013 Operating Budget; and,
- 7) That By-law 2002-276, a by-law to impose fees and charges for services or activities provided by the City of Markham, be amended to reflect the changes in rates; and,
- 8) That By-law 2005-188, a by-law to govern and control the parking of vehicles in the City of Markham, be amended to reflect the changes in rates; and,
- 9) That notice to the public will be provided in accordance with By-law 2002-275, a by-law to prescribe the form, manner and times for the provision of reasonable notice; and further,
- 10) That Staff be authorized and directed to do all things necessary to give effect to this resolution.

CARRIED

**19. REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL 186-R-12
JANITORIAL SERVICES FOR VARIOUS
LOCATIONS WITHIN THE CITY (7.12)**

[Report](#)

Moved by Regional Councillor Jim Jones
Seconded by Councillor Valerie Burke

- 1) That the report “Request for Proposal 186-R-12 Janitorial Services for Various Locations within the City” be received; and,
- 2) That Request for Proposal 186-R-12 for Janitorial Services be awarded to the highest ranked and second lowest priced bidder, Arsenal Cleaning Services Ltd. in the annual amount of \$378,926.07 inclusive of HST; and,
- 3) That staff be authorized to extend the contract for two (2) additional years at the same itemized pricing, subject to the supplier performance; and,
- 4) That the contract be funded from various City Department’s Operating Budgets; and further,
- 5) That Staff be authorized and directed to do all things necessary to give effect to this resolution.

CARRIED

**20. WARD BOUNDARY REVIEW
INTERIM REPORT (9.2)**

[Report](#) [Attachment A](#) [Attachment B](#) [Attachment C](#)
[Attachment D](#) [Attachment E](#) [Attachment F](#) [Attachment G](#)

Staff provided some opening comments relative to the Ward Boundary Review process.

Dr. Robert J. Williams, Public Affairs Consultant delivered a PowerPoint presentation providing a high level overview of the City of Markham Ward Boundary Review 2012-2013.

The Committee discussed the following:

- Whether future development has been considered during the review
- Thornhill area – whether it should be one Ward
- Dividing an existing community
- Appropriate fit relative to the various communities
- Representation by population numbers (noted that would require two additional Ward Councillors to decrease the optimal Ward Population)
- Option D – try to balance the numbers more between Wards 5, 7 and 8

- Should there be a full study of the impact if the number of Ward Councillors was to increase
- Any consideration to recommending “at large elections”
- Any consideration to work load of individual Ward Councillors
- Any consideration to increase support staff for Ward Councillors rather than increasing number of Councillors
- Support for option D
- Consider 7 equal rectangle Wards and leave Thornhill how is
- Difficulty of considering subjective issues (such as work load, transit issues, etc)
- Can you provide a timeline of deadlines to meet

Staff delivered a brief PowerPoint presentation providing a high level overview relative to increasing the size of Council for the City of Markham.

Ms. Marion Matthias, Markham resident addressed the Committee with respect to the Ward Boundary Review and provided some comments and concerns.

Moved by Deputy Mayor Jack Heath
Seconded by Councillor Carolina Moretti

- 1) That the staff report entitled “Ward Boundary Review 2012 – Consultants Interim Report & Draft Options” be received; and,
- 2) That the report of Dr. Robert J. Williams, titled “Interim Report 2012 Ward Boundary Review” (Attachment “A”) be received; and,
- 3) Council direct staff to obtain public input on the “Interim Report 2012 Ward Boundary Review” and Council’s preferred **option D including an examination of minor modifications**, to realign the City’s ward boundaries as outlined in this report; and,
- 4) That following public consultation, a final report and recommended options to Markham’s ward boundaries be presented at a future meeting of General Committee; and further,
- 5) That Staff be authorized and directed to do all things necessary to give effect to this resolution.

CARRIED

20 (a). DIVERSITY ACTION PLAN – STATUS UPDATE (11.0)
[Presentation](#) [Report](#)

Moved by Councillor Logan Kanapathi
Seconded by Regional Councillor Jim Jones

That the following be deferred to the January 21, 2013 General Committee meeting:

- 1) That the report entitled “Diversity Action Plan- Status Update” be received as information; and,
- 2) That Staff be authorized and directed to do all things necessary to give effect to this resolution.

CARRIED

21. ONE BOOK ONE MARKHAM (3.19)
[Presentation](#)

Deborah Jestin, Library Board Chair delivered a PowerPoint presentation regarding the “One Book, One Markham.”

There was brief discussion regarding the selection process of the book.

The Committee thanked everyone involved in bringing forward this great initiative.

Moved by Deputy Mayor Heath
Seconded by Councillor Colin Campbell

- 1) That the presentation by Ms. Deborah Jestin, Library Board Chair entitled “One Book, One Markham” be received.

CARRIED

**22. QUALITY MANAGEMENT SYSTEM
OPERATIONAL PLAN AND POLICY
ENDORSEMENT AND MANAGEMENT
REVIEW OUTCOMES (5.3)**
[Report](#) [Attachment A](#) [Attachment B](#)

Moved by Regional Councillor Jim Jones
Seconded by Councillor Valerie Burke

- 1) That the report “Quality Management System Operational Plan and Policy Endorsement and Management Review Outcomes” be received; and,

- 2) That Council, as the Owner of the City's drinking water system, acknowledges and endorses the revisions made to the City's Quality Management System (QMS) Operational Plan, Policy and Service Level Documents; and,
- 3) That the Quality Management System Management Review Outcomes be received; and,
- 4) That Council, as the Owner of the City's drinking water system, acknowledge and support the outcomes and action items identified from the 2012 Management Reviews; and further,
- 5) That Staff be authorized and directed to do all things necessary to give effect to this resolution.

CARRIED

23. MUNICIPAL INFRASTRUCTURE INVESTMENT INITIATIVE – GRANT APPLICATION FOR WEST THORNHILL STORM REMEDIATION (5.0)

R. Muir, ext. 2894

[Report](#)

Moved by Regional Councillor Jim Jones
Seconded by Councillor Valerie Burke

- 1) That the report "West Thornhill Storm Remediation - Municipal Infrastructure Investment Initiative - Grant Application" be received; and,
- 2) That staff be authorized to submit an Expression of Interest and, if successful, an application for a grant under the Ontario Ministry of Infrastructure's Municipal Infrastructure Investment Initiative - Capital Program; and further,
- 3) That Staff be authorized and directed to do all things necessary to give effect to this resolution.

CARRIED

24. MARKHAM PAN AM CENTRE UPDATE (5.0)

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

There was discussion regarding the parking structure. It was suggested that staff will bring back the site plan when the overlay is finalized.

Moved by Deputy Mayor Jack Heath
Seconded by Regional Councillor Jim Jones

- 1) That the report titled "Markham Pan Am Centre Update" be received; and,

- 2) That the Commissioner of Community and Fire Services be authorized to enter into discussion with Toronto 2015 (TO2015) regarding the Municipal Designation Program – “Host Municipality” and report back to Council on the program and costs in the first quarter of 2013; and,
- 3) That the remaining unfunded portion of \$15.36M will be requested in the 2014 Capital Budget; and,
- 4) That Community Services staff report back on the public art in Q1 2013 outlining processes, timing and budget; and further,
- 5) That Staff be authorized and directed to do all things necessary to give effect to this resolution.

CARRIED

25. REQUEST RECEIVED FROM COMMUNITY ORGANIZATION TO PROVIDE MUNICIPAL SUPPORT FOR A CHINESE MEMORIAL GARDEN IN MARKHAM

(DR. HENRY NORMAN BETHUNE) (12.2.6)

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

Dr. Ken Ng, Chairman of the Federation of Chinese Canadians in Markham addressed the Committee regarding its request that Markham provide municipal support for a Chinese Suzhou garden dedicated to Dr. Bethune in Markham and spoke in support.

Brenda Librecz, Commissioner of Community & Fire Services provided the Committee with some brief background information regarding the proposal.

Sara Tam, Manager Business Planning & Innovation delivered a PowerPoint presentation regarding the request received from the FCCM to provide municipal support for a Suzhou-style Chinese Garden in Markham to commemorate Dr. Bethune.

The Committee suggested that it should be clear that this garden will be honouring a Canadian, Dr. Henry Norman Bethune.

The Committee suggested that staff also investigate the Chinese classical garden in Boston.

- 1) That the presentation by Ms. Sara Tam, Manager of Business Planning & Innovation, entitled “Request received from Community Organization to provide Municipal Support for **Dr. Henry Norman Bethune** Garden in Markham,” be received.
- 2) That the report entitled, “Request received from Community Organization to provide Municipal Support for a Chinese Memorial Garden in Markham” dated November 23, 2012 be received; and,

- 3) That Council support the project being proposed by the local community organization, Federation of Chinese Canadians in Markham (FCCM), to develop a Suzhou-style Chinese garden in the City of Markham and their application for funding from the Province of Ontario; and,
- 4) That the City of Markham's contribution to the FCCM project consists of the provision of the land on which the proposed Chinese garden will be situated, without foregoing ownership of the land; and,
- 5) That Council endorse the contribution of City-owned land within an existing or future park towards the FCCM project and subject to
 - a. FCCM receiving funding from other levels of government, fundraising the remainder from the private sector, and providing a satisfactory business and operating plan; and
 - b. City of Markham finalizing a suitable location and community access terms, completing its due diligence review, and concluding other related requirements; and,
- 6) That the City of Markham is not responsible for any costs or responsibilities associated with the design, construction, and operation of the proposed FCCM project; and,
- 7) That staff be authorized to work with FCCM on finalizing a location and terms of an agreement for Council approval; and,
- 8) That staff report back to Council no later than Q2 of 2013; and further,
- 9) That staff be authorized and directed to do all things necessary to give effect to this resolution.

CARRIED

**26. SOUTHEAST MARKHAM COMMUNITY
CENTRE & LIBRARY PROJECT –
ENERGY CONSERVATION AND
SUSTAINABILITY INITIATIVES (6.6)**
[Report](#)

Staff provided a brief summary of the proposed initiatives to achieve LEED Gold level of certification.

There was brief discussion regarding the Solar Photovoltaic system.

Moved by Mayor Frank Scarpitti
Seconded by Regional Councillor Jim Jones

- 1) That the report titled “Southeast Markham Community Centre & Library Project – Energy Conservation and Sustainability Initiatives” be received; and,
- 2) That Council approves the recommended energy conservation and sustainability initiative of targeting LEED Gold level of certification on the basis of adding a 300kW Solar Photovoltaic system and other additional enhancements to the base building design; and,
- 3) That Perkins + Will be authorized to proceed with the LEED Gold design including the Solar Photovoltaic rooftop array in the amount of \$37,175 to be funded from the ‘South East Community Centre/Architect Consultant Services’ 2011 Capital Account #70-5350-11318-005; and,
- 4) That Council approves the recommended additional enhancements to the base building design to enable targeting LEED Gold level of certification, at an additional capital cost of \$247,000, funded from “South East Markham Community Centre and Library” 2013 Capital Account #13500, and;
- 5) That Staff be directed to include a 300kW solar photovoltaic rooftop array as an option in the construction contract tender of the project, and;
- 6) That Staff be directed to make a recommendation, once bids are received, whether to include the solar photovoltaic rooftop array as part of the construction contract award, or lease the roof top area to PowerStream Solar, and further,
- 7) That Staff be authorized and directed to do all things necessary to give effect to this resolution.

CARRIED

**27. STIVER MILL RESTORATION
- COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE
IMPROVEMENT FUND (CIIF) (5.7)**
[Report](#)

There was brief discussion relative to the conditions associated to the CIIF Grant.

Moved by Mayor Frank Scarpitti
Seconded by Councillor Carolina Moretti

- 1) That the Report entitled “Stiver Mill Restoration – Community Infrastructure Improvement Fund (CIIF)” be received; and,
- 2) That the City of Markham proceed with the completion of the Stiver Mill restoration for a total cost of \$1,901,800 on a 1/3 shared basis with Government of Canada and 2/3 funded by City of Markham; and,
- 3) That the project be funded from the following sources:

- i. 'Unionville Public Washrooms' capital project #9219 with remaining funds of \$148,816;
 - ii. 'Stiver Mill Preservation and Stabilization' capital project #12284 with remaining funds of \$161,900;
 - iii. CIIF Grant for \$622,339;
 - iv. Section 37 funding in the amount of \$968,745.
- 4) That a capital project be established to undertake the work for the Stiver Mill Restoration Project (Project); and,
- 5) That the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to execute the contribution agreement, in a form and content satisfactory to the City Solicitor and Commissioner of Community Services and Fire; and,
- 6) That the tendering process be waived where it is necessary or in the best interest of the City to acquire Consulting and Professional Services from a supplier who has a proven track record with the City in term of pricing, quality and service, in accordance with Purchasing By-Law 2004-341, Part II, Section 7 (1) (h); and the City award the Consulting and Professional Services for detailed design and construction administration to David Johnston Architect for 10% of the estimated construction costs, not to exceed \$180,000, inclusive of contingency and HST impact; and
- 7) That Staff proceed with the preparation of the design drawings and tender documents, tendering and tender award as required for the restoration of the Stiver Mill and associated landscape works; and,
- 8) That the Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) be delegated authority to award the construction tender to the successful bidder provided that the project is within budget or can be made to come within budget through selected scope changes and/or corresponding price adjustments and/or budget allocation changes; and,
- 9) That the Director of Planning and Urban Design, or designate, be delegated authority for Site Plan Approval; and further,
- 10) That Staff be authorized and directed to do all things necessary to give effect to this resolution.

CARRIED

NEW BUSINESS

COUNCIL MEETING

The Committee discussed changing the Tuesday December 18, 2012 Council meeting from 1:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

**Moved by Councillor Carolina Moretti
Seconded by Councillor Valerie Burke**

That the Tuesday December 18, 2012 Council meeting be re-scheduled to begin at 7:00 p.m.

CARRIED

28. IN-CAMERA MATTERS (16.0, 8.6, 5.0, 8.6, 8.0, 12.2.6, & 12.2.6)

The Committee received majority consent to add four new items to the in-camera agenda.

Moved by Councillor Carolina Moretti
Seconded by Councillor Valerie Burke

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:

- 1) A matter in respect of which a council, board, committee or other body may hold a closed meeting under another Act. (Minutes of In-Camera November 19, 2012 General Committee)
[Section 239 (2) (g)]
- 2) A proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local board.
[Section 239 (2) (c)]
- 3) The security of the property of the municipality or local board.
[Section 239 (2) (a)]
- 4) A proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local board.
[Section 239 (2) (c)]
- 5) A proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local board.
[Section 239 (2) (c)]
- 6) A personal matter about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees.
[Section 239 (2) (b)]
- 7) A personal matter about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees.
[Section 239 (2) (b)]

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Councillor Alan Ho
Seconded by Councillor Carolina Moretti

That the General Committee meeting adjourn at 4:45 p.m.

CARRIED