



MINUTES

Corporation of the City of Cambridge

Council Meeting

Date:	May 13, 2025, 6:30 p.m.
Location:	Council Chambers
Council Members In Attendance:	Councillor Shwery - Ward 1, Councillor Devine - Ward 2, Councillor Kimpson - Ward 3, Councillor Earnshaw - Ward 4, Councillor Roberts - Ward 5, Councillor Cooper - Ward 6, Councillor Hamilton - Ward 7, Councillor Ermeta - Ward 8, Mayor Liggett
Staff Members in Attendance:	David Calder - City Manager, Hardy Bromberg, Deputy City Manager - Community Development, Yogesh Shah, Deputy City Manager - Infrastructure Services, Cheryl Zahnleiter, Deputy City Manager - Corporate Enterprise, Bryan Boodhoo - City Solicitor, Sheryl Ayres - Chief Financial Officer, Sheena Pawliwec - Director of Finance and Deputy Treasurer, Lesley Head - Director of Recreation and Culture, Leah Walter - Director of Engineering and Transportation, Sylvia Rafalski-Misch - Manager of Development Planning, Jennifer Shaw - Deputy City Clerk, Maria Barrantes Barreto - Council Committee Services Coordinator, Rachel Latour - Administrative Assistant
Others in Attendance:	Nicole Goodbrand - Senior Planner, Rutvik Shah - Network Administrator, Rob Martin - Fire Chief, Michael Hausser - Director of Operations, Kate Hyde - Senior Financial Analyst - Development, Shannon Noonan - Manager of Transportation Engineering

1. Meeting Called to Order

The meeting of the Council of the Corporation of the City of Cambridge is held in Council Chambers and is live streamed to the City of Cambridge website. Mayor Liggett welcomes everyone present and calls the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

2. Indigenous Territory Acknowledgement

3. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest

4. Presentations

- 4.1 Matthew Day, Waterloo Region Community Energy re: Energy Resiliency in Waterloo Region
- 4.2 Tova Davidson, Sustainable Waterloo Region re: Community Group Delegation
- 4.3 Nicole Goodbrand, Senior Planner re: 25-010-CD - Recommendation Report for Official Plan and Zoning By-law Amendments – 579 Grand Ridge Drive
- 4.4 Shannon Noonan, Manager of Transportation Engineering re: 25-026-CD 2025 Speed Management Action Plan

5. Delegations and Consideration of Related Reports

- 5.1 Martin Asling re: 25-010-CD Recommendation Report for Official Plan and Zoning By-law Amendments – 579 Grand Ridge Drive
- 5.2 Diane Goodwin re: 25-010-CD Recommendation Report for Official Plan and Zoning By-law Amendments – 579 Grand Ridge Drive
- 5.3 Jarnail Singh Shergrall re: 25-026-CD 2025 Speed Management Action Plan
- 5.4 Shammi Khanna re: 25-026-CD 2025 Speed Management Action Plan

6. Closed Session

Motion: 25-076

Moved by Councillor Earnshaw

Seconded by Councillor Roberts

That in accordance with section 239 (2) (e), (f), and (k) of the Municipal Act, 2001, Council to convene in Closed Session at 5:30 p.m. to consider the following subject matters:

(e) litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the municipality or local board (Confidential Litigation Update) (Confidential Legal Advice);

(f) advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose (Confidential Litigation Update) (Confidential Legal Advice);

(k) a position, plan, procedure, criteria or instruction to be applied to any negotiations carried on or to be carried on by or on behalf of the municipality or local board (Confidential Litigation Update) (Confidential Legal Advice).

In Favour (8): Councillor Shwery, Councillor Kimpson, Councillor Earnshaw, Councillor Roberts, Councillor Cooper, Councillor Hamilton, Councillor Ermeta, and Mayor Liggett

Absent (1): Councillor Devine

Carried (8 to 0)

7. Rise from Closed

Motion: 25-077

Moved by Councillor Ermeta

Seconded by Councillor Roberts

THAT Council rise from Closed Session and reconvene in Open Session at 6:31 p.m.

In Favour (8): Councillor Shwery, Councillor Kimpson, Councillor Earnshaw, Councillor Roberts, Councillor Cooper, Councillor Hamilton, Councillor Ermeta, and Mayor Liggett

Absent (1): Councillor Devine

Carried (8 to 0)

8. Consent Agenda

Motion: 25-078

Moved by Councillor Shwery

Seconded by Councillor Hamilton

THAT all items listed under the heading of Consent Agenda for May 13, 2025 be adopted as recommended.

In Favour (8): Councillor Shwery, Councillor Kimpson, Councillor Earnshaw, Councillor Roberts, Councillor Cooper, Councillor Hamilton, Councillor Ermeta, and Mayor Liggett

Absent (1): Councillor Devine

Carried (8 to 0)

8.1 Council Workshop Minutes - April 22, 2025

8.2 Council Meeting Minutes - April 29, 2025

8.3 Council Information Package - May 2, 2025

8.4 25-005-CRE Appointment of New Members, Preston Towne Centre Business Improvement Area

8.5 25-003-CRS Township of North Dumfries Fire Protection Agreement

9. Consideration of Reports

9.1 Community Development

9.1.1 25-010-CD Recommendation Report for Official Plan and Zoning By-law Amendments – 579 Grand Ridge Drive

Motion: 25-079

Moved by Councillor Roberts

Seconded by Councillor Kimpson

AND THAT City Council requests Regional Council to direct Regional staff to implement the following recommendations to improve the safety of the intersection of Grand Ridge Drive and Cedar Street found within the March 2025 Traffic and Safety Study prepared by CIMA+ . These recommendations are as follows:

- **Establishing intermediate speed transition zone with posted speed of 60 km/hr between the 80 km/hr and 50 km/hr speed zones.**

- **Implementing peripheral transverse bar pavement marking in the speed transition zone as a speed management measure to alert the drivers' awareness of the need to reduce speed.**

- **Extending the 50 km/hr zone further to the west.**
- **Provide advance street name signages to prepare drivers to decelerate ahead of time.**
- **Install “Pedestrian Yield to Traffic” sign on the refuge island.**
- **Install “Pedestrian Ahead” advanced warning signs in the eastbound and westbound directions.**

AND FURTHER THAT City Council requests Regional Council to direct Regional staff to annually monitor the intersection of Cedar Street and Grand Ridge Drive for traffic control signals.

In Favour (8): Councillor Shwery, Councillor Kimpson, Councillor Earnshaw, Councillor Roberts, Councillor Cooper, Councillor Hamilton, Councillor Ermeta, and Mayor Liggett

Absent (1): Councillor Devine

Carried (8 to 0)

Motion: 25-080

Moved by Councillor Roberts

Seconded by Councillor Cooper

THAT Report 25-010-CD being a Recommendation Report for Official Plan and Zoning By-law Amendments – 579 Grand Ridge Drive, be received;

AND THAT Council adopts proposed Official Plan Amendment No. 90 to apply site specific policy 8.10.125 to the lands currently designated Low/Medium Density Residential to permit a multi-unit residential development;

AND THAT Council approves the Zoning By-law Amendment as recommended by staff to rezone the subject lands from R5 and

OS1 to (H)RM3 S. 4.1.488 to facilitate a multi-unit residential development;

AND THAT Council is satisfied that the requirements for a public meeting in accordance with subsections 17(15) and 34(12) of the Planning Act have been met;

AND THAT that the by-laws attached to Report 25-010-CD be passed;

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Absent (1): Councillor Devine

Carried (8 to 0)

9.2 Corporate Services

9.2.1 Integrity Commissioner Complaint Report # 2025-02

Motion: 25-081

Moved by Councillor Earnshaw

Seconded by Councillor Kimpson

That report Integrity Commissioner Complaint Report # 2025-02 be received.

In Favour (8): Councillor Shwery, Councillor Kimpson, Councillor Earnshaw, Councillor Roberts, Councillor Cooper, Councillor Hamilton, Councillor Ermeta, and Mayor Liggett

Absent (1): Councillor Devine

Carried (8 to 0)

9.2.2 25-014-CRS 2024 Year End Operating Update

Motion: 25-082

Moved by Councillor Kimpson

Seconded by Councillor Ermeta

THAT Report 25-014-CRS 2024 Year End Operating Update be received;

AND THAT the tax-supported and water utility operating budget

variances for the December 2024 reporting period, as outlined in report 25-014-CRS, be approved;

AND THAT the tax-supported operating surplus of \$3,062,493 be allocated in the amount of \$1,531,247 to the Rate Stabilization Reserve, \$510,247 to the Capital Works Reserve fund to reduce the debenture funding to capital project A/00420-40 Preston Auditorium Expansion Construction, \$571,000 to the Infrastructure Renewal Reserve Fund, and \$450,000 to the Election Reserve;

AND THAT the water surplus of \$2,356,004 be transferred equally to the Water Rate Stabilization Reserve Fund and the Water Capital Reserve totaling \$1,178,002 respectively;

AND THAT the wastewater surplus of \$3,255,245 be transferred to the Wastewater Rate Stabilization Reserve Fund and Wastewater Capital Reserve for \$492,264 and \$2,762,981, respectively;

AND THAT the Cambridge Public Library surplus in the amount of \$96,402 be transferred to the City Rate Stabilization Reserve;

AND THAT the Year End Operating Surplus Allocation Policy, as amended, as per Appendix C to report 25-014-CRS be approved;

AND FURTHER THAT the transfers to and from the reserve funds as outlined in Appendix A to report 25-014-CRS be approved.

In Favour (8): Councillor Shwery, Councillor Kimpson, Councillor Earnshaw, Councillor Roberts, Councillor Cooper, Councillor Hamilton, Councillor Ermeta, and Mayor Liggett

Absent (1): Councillor Devine

Carried (8 to 0)

9.2.3 25-028-CRS Appointment of Auditor and Board of Directors for GrandBridge Corporation

Motion: 25-083

Moved by Councillor Hamilton
Seconded by Councillor Shwery

THAT Report 25-028-CRS Appointment of Auditor and Board of Directors for GrandBridge Corporation be received;

AND THAT the Corporation of the City of Cambridge, as the majority Shareholder, approve the appointment of KPMG as the Auditors for GrandBridge Corporation for the fiscal year 2025;

AND FURTHER THAT the Corporation of the City of Cambridge, as the majority Shareholder, approve the following slate of Board of Directors for GrandBridge Corporation, effective May 1, 2025:

Craig Mann

Peter Ferraro

Gerry Remers

Scott Saint

Terry Smith

Sandra Vos

Lynn Woeller

In Favour (8): Councillor Shwery, Councillor Kimpson, Councillor Earnshaw, Councillor Roberts, Councillor Cooper, Councillor Hamilton, Councillor Ermeta, and Mayor Liggett

Absent (1): Councillor Devine

Carried (8 to 0)

9.3 Corporate Enterprise

9.4 Community Development

9.4.1 25-026-CD 2025 Speed Management Action Plan

Motion: 25-084

Moved by Councillor Kimpson
Seconded by Councillor Earnshaw

THAT Report 25-026-CD, 2025 Speed Management Program Action Plan be received;

AND THAT Council endorse the 2025 Speed Management Program Action Plan.

In Favour (8): Councillor Shwery, Councillor Kimpson, Councillor Earnshaw, Councillor Roberts, Councillor Cooper, Councillor Hamilton, Councillor Ermeta, and Mayor Liggett

Absent (1): Councillor Devine

Carried (8 to 0)

9.4.2 25-027-CD Municipal Speed Camera Site Selection

Motion: 25-085

Moved by Councillor Shwery

Seconded by Councillor Hamilton

THAT Report 25-027-CD Municipal Speed Camera Site Selection be received;

AND THAT Council endorse the continued expansion of the Municipal Speed Camera Program in Cambridge to include ten (10) additional locations for Municipal Speed Cameras as outlined in report 25-027-CD.

In Favour (8): Councillor Shwery, Councillor Kimpson, Councillor Earnshaw, Councillor Roberts, Councillor Cooper, Councillor Hamilton, Councillor Ermeta, and Mayor Liggett

Absent (1): Councillor Devine

Carried (8 to 0)

9.5 Infrastructure Services

9.5.1 25-011-IFS Critical Ice Making Component Replacements Dickson and Duncan McIntosh Arenas

Motion: 25-086

Moved by Councillor Cooper

Seconded by Councillor Roberts

THAT Report 25-011-IFS Critical Ice Making Component Replacements Dickson and Duncan McIntosh Arenas be received;

AND THAT the creation of capital project A/01726-40 Duncan McIntosh Arena – Ice Equipment Repairs be approved and the funding in the amount of \$407,000 be transferred to the project from the Infrastructure Renewal Reserve Fund;

AND FURTHER THAT the creation of capital project A/01727-40 Dickson Arena – Ice Equipment Repairs be approved and the funding in the amount of \$164,000 be transferred to the project from the Infrastructure Renewal Reserve Fund.

In Favour (8): Councillor Shwery, Councillor Kimpson, Councillor Earnshaw, Councillor Roberts, Councillor Cooper, Councillor Hamilton, Councillor Ermeta, and Mayor Liggett

Absent (1): Councillor Devine

Carried (8 to 0)

9.6 Office of the City Manager

10. Other Business

11. Motions

12. Notices of Motion

12.1 Motion re: To Support the need for Provincial Action on Salt Pollution from Road Salt

13. Correspondence

13.1 Citizens for Cambridge re: 25-010-CD Recommendation Report for Official Plan and Zoning By-law Amendments – 579 Grand Ridge Drive

13.2 Engage Cambridge Neighbourhood Meeting Questionnaire re: 25-010-CD Recommendation Report for Official Plan and Zoning By-law Amendments – 579 Grand Ridge Drive

13.3 Barrier Free Cambridge re: 25-011-IFS Critical Ice Making Component Replacements Dickson and Duncan McIntosh Arenas

14. Motion to Receive and File

Motion: 25-087

Moved by Councillor Kimpson

Seconded by Councillor Cooper

THAT all presentations and correspondence from the May 13, 2025 Council meeting be received.

In Favour (8): Councillor Shwery, Councillor Kimpson, Councillor Earnshaw, Councillor Roberts, Councillor Cooper, Councillor Hamilton, Councillor Ermeta, and Mayor Liggett

Absent (1): Councillor Devine

Carried (8 to 0)

15. Consideration of By-laws

Motion: 25-088

Moved by Councillor Cooper

Seconded by Councillor Shwery

THAT the following by-laws listed under the heading of Introduction and Consideration of By-laws be enacted and passed:

25-029 Being a by-law to adopt Amendment No. 90 of the City of Cambridge Official Plan (2012), as amended with respect to land municipally known as 579 Grand Ridge Road

25-030 Being a by-law to amend Zoning By-law 150-85, as amended, with respect to land municipally known as 579 Grand Ridge Drive

In Favour (8): Councillor Shwery, Councillor Kimpson, Councillor Earnshaw, Councillor Roberts, Councillor Cooper, Councillor Hamilton, Councillor Ermeta, and Mayor Liggett

Absent (1): Councillor Devine

Carried (8 to 0)

16. Confirmatory By-law

Motion: 25-089

Moved by Councillor Earnshaw
Seconded by Councillor Ermeta

Being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of the Council of the Corporation of the City of Cambridge

In Favour (8): Councillor Shwery, Councillor Kimpson, Councillor Earnshaw, Councillor Roberts, Councillor Cooper, Councillor Hamilton, Councillor Ermeta, and Mayor Liggett

Absent (1): Councillor Devine

Carried (8 to 0)

17. Adjournment

Motion: 25-090

Moved by Councillor Roberts
Seconded by Councillor Cooper

THAT the Council meeting does now adjourn at 8:55 p.m.

In Favour (8): Councillor Shwery, Councillor Kimpson, Councillor Earnshaw, Councillor Roberts, Councillor Cooper, Councillor Hamilton, Councillor Ermeta, and Mayor Liggett

Absent (1): Councillor Devine

Carried (8 to 0)

Mayor

Clerk