



MINUTES

Corporation of the City of Cambridge

Special Council Meeting

Date: December 15, 2022, 8:45 p.m.

Location: Virtual Meeting

Council Members In Attendance: Councillor Reid - 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 and Mayor Liggett

Staff Members in Attendance: David Calder - City Manager, Hardy Bromberg, Deputy City Manager - Community Development, Yogesh Shah, Deputy City Manager - Infrastructure Services, Olu Ojikutu - Director of Risk and Facilities, Sheryl Ayres - Chief Financial Officer, Brian Boodhoo, City Solicitor, Danielle Manton - City Clerk, Jennifer Shaw - Deputy City Clerk, Rachel Latour - Administrative Assistant, Michael Oliveri - Council Committee Services Coordinator, Maria Barrantes Barreto, Julie Kalbfleisch – Director of Communications, Lesley Head - Director of Recreation and Culture, Shane Taylor - Project Manager, Katie Fischer - Deputy Treasurer, Victoria Terella - Supervisor of Financial Planning

1. Meeting Called to Order

The meeting of the Council of the Corporation of the City of Cambridge is held virtually via Microsoft Zoom and live streamed to the City of Cambridge website. Mayor Liggett welcomes everyone present and calls the meeting to order at 8:45 p.m.

2. Indigenous Territory Acknowledgement

3. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest

None.

4. Motion to Approve the Proceedings of the December 15th, 2022 Budget and Audit Committee Meeting

Motion: 22-319

Moved by Councillor Earnshaw

Seconded by Councillor Reid

THAT the proceedings of the December 15th, 2022 Budget and Audit Committee Meeting be approved.

In Favour (9): Councillor Reid, Councillor Devine, Councillor Kimpson, Councillor Earnshaw, Councillor Roberts, Councillor Cooper, Councillor Hamilton, Councillor Ermeta and Mayor Liggett

Carried (9 to 0)

5. Motion to Waive Notice

Motion: 22-320

Moved by Councillor Reid

Seconded by Councillor Hamilton

THAT the notice requirements of the procedure by-law be waived to provide a notice of motion to be considered at the Special Council meeting on December 15, 2022 related to the More Homes Built Faster Act

In Favour (9): Councillor Reid, Councillor Devine, Councillor Kimpson, Councillor Earnshaw, Councillor Roberts, Councillor Cooper, Councillor Hamilton, Councillor Ermeta and Mayor Liggett

Carried (9 to 0)

6. Motion - Councillor Roberts re: More Homes Built Faster Act

Motion: 22-321

Moved by Councillor Roberts

Seconded by Councillor Hamilton

Whereas the More Homes Built Faster Act received Royal Assent on November 28, 2022; and

Whereas these changes that will have significant impacts on several provincial Acts and in turn, significant and longstanding impacts on Ontario municipalities; and

Whereas the Act defines affordable housing as 80% of the market rate; and

Whereas a definition of affordability which is tied to a percentage of market rates remains largely unaffordable for many; and

Whereas the province has restricted the use of inclusionary zoning by limiting it to 5% of dwellings within a development, thereby limiting affordable housing opportunities; and

Whereas the province has restricted the use of inclusionary zoning by capping the time to remain affordable at 25 years, thereby limiting the longevity of housing affordability; and

Therefore, be it resolved that the Cambridge City Council requests that the provincial definition of affordable be based on income and not market rates, and

Be it further resolved that the Cambridge City Council requests that the provincial limitation of 5% of the use of inclusionary zoning within a development be increased; and

Be it further resolved that the Cambridge City Council requests that the provincial timelines regarding the use of inclusionary zoning affordable housing be increased beyond 25 years;

Be it further resolved that the Cambridge City Council requests that the Province reconsider how the More Homes Built Faster Act, 2022, will negatively impact environmental protection, heritage preservation, public participation, and loss of farmland; and

Be it further resolved that Cambridge City Council also supports the resolution passed on December 8, 2022 by the Ontario Big City Mayors regarding the More Homes Built Faster Act.

In Favour (9): Councillor Reid, Councillor Devine, Councillor Kimpson, Councillor Earnshaw, Councillor Roberts, Councillor Cooper, Councillor Hamilton, Councillor Ermeta and Mayor Liggett

Carried (9 to 0)

7. Consideration of By-laws

Motion: 22-322

Moved by Councillor Cooper

Seconded by Councillor Reid

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

22-082 Being a by-law to adopt Municipal Fees and Charges for the Water Utility for 2023

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

Opposed (1): Councillor Devine

Carried (8 to 1)

8. Confirmatory By-law

Motion: 22-323

Moved by Councillor Kimpson

Seconded by Councillor Devine

THAT By-Law 22-083 being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of the Council of the Corporation of the City of Cambridge be passed.

In Favour (9): Councillor Reid, Councillor Devine, Councillor Kimpson, Councillor Earnshaw, Councillor Roberts, Councillor Cooper, Councillor Hamilton, Councillor Ermeta and Mayor Liggett

Carried (9 to 0)

9. Adjournment

Motion: 22-324

Moved by Councillor Roberts

Seconded by Councillor Earnshaw

THAT the Council meeting does now adjourn at 9:00 p.m.

In Favour (9): Councillor Reid, Councillor Devine, Councillor Kimpson, Councillor Earnshaw, Councillor Roberts, Councillor Cooper, Councillor Hamilton, Councillor Ermeta and Mayor Liggett

Carried (9 to 0)

Mayor

Clerk