



MINUTES

Corporation of the City of Cambridge

Council Meeting

Date: May 9, 2023, 6:30 p.m.

Location: Council Chambers

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, Yogesh Shah, Deputy City Manager - Infrastructure Services, Cheryl Zahnleiter, Deputy City Manager - Corporate Enterprise, Sheryl Ayres - Chief Financial Officer, Bryan Boodhoo - City Solicitor, Kevin De Leebeek - Director of Engineering, Julie Kalbfleisch - Director of Communications, Danielle Manton - City Clerk, Jennifer Shaw - Deputy City Clerk, Rachel Latour - Administrative Assistant and Krishna Katta - Support Technician

Others in Attendance: Pascal Laperrière, Assistant City Solicitor; Joan Jylanne, Manager of Policy Planning - Planning Services; Jenna Brown-Jowett, Director of Corporate Strategy and Wanda Shaefer-Stilling and Supervisor of Recreation - Arts, Culture and Events

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 YouTube channel. Mayor Liggett welcomes everyone present and calls the meeting to order at 6:53 p.m.

2. Indigenous Territory Acknowledgement

3. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest

None.

4. Presentations

4.1 Doctors4Cambridge re: Update on Activities

5. Delegations and Consideration of Related Reports

5.1 Susan Shackleton re: McQueen Shaver Blvd Speeding Motion

5.2 Michael Eccles re: McQueen Shaver Blvd Speeding Motion

6. Closed Session

Motion: 23-167

Moved by Councillor Roberts

Seconded by Councillor Cooper

That in accordance with Section 239 (2) (b), (c), (e), (f) and (k) of the Municipal Act, 2001, Council to convene in Closed Session at 5:32 p.m. to consider the following subject matters:

(b) personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees (Appointments to Advisory Committees)

(c) a proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local board (Pending Property Disposition)

(e) litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the municipality or local board (Agreement Interpretation)

(f) advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose (Agreement Interpretation and Bonus Option)

(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 (Pending Property Disposition and Agreement Interpretation)

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. Rise from Closed Session

Motion: 23-168

Moved by Councillor Hamilton

Seconded by Councillor Ermeta

THAT Council rise from Closed Session and reconvene in Open Session at 6:53 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)

8. Consent Agenda

Motion: 23-169

Moved by Councillor Ermeta

Seconded by Councillor Reid

THAT all items listed under the heading of Consent Agenda for May 9, 2023, be adopted as recommended.

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)

8.1 Council Meeting Minutes - April 25, 2023

8.2 Council Information Package - April 28, 2023

8.3 23-094-CRS 2023 Final Tax Levy Report

9. Consideration of Reports

9.1 Corporate Services

9.1.1 23-112-CRS Procedure By-law Review and Hybrid Meeting Procedure

Motion: 23-170

Moved by Councillor Earnshaw
Seconded by Councillor Devine

THAT Report 22-112-CRS Procedure By-law Review and Hybrid Meeting Procedure be received;

AND THAT the Procedure By-law and accompanying Hybrid Meeting Procedure attached as Appendix A through D to Report 22-112-CRS be presented to Council for enactment for a trial period ending on November 15, 2024;

AND THAT prior to the conclusion of the trial period, the City Clerk be directed to undertake a mid-term review of the Procedure By-law and Hybrid Model to include consultation with the community and Council;

AND FURTHER THAT following the mid-term review, the City Clerk be directed to report back to Council with a finalized Procedure By-law and Hybrid Meeting Procedure incorporating revisions from the review.

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)

9.1.2 23-113-CRS – Citizen Appointments to Advisory Committees

Motion: 23-171

Moved by Councillor Earnshaw
Seconded by Councillor Hamilton

THAT Report 23-113-CRS Citizen Appointments to Advisory Committees be received;

AND THAT Confidential Appendices B, C and D to Report 23-113-CRS be received and remain confidential;

AND THAT the following individuals be appointed to the Arthur White Sports Bursary Fund Advisory Committee for the term of Council ending November 14, 2026, Charles Langille, John Rothwell, Lynda Killpatrick and Robert Benedetti;

AND THAT the following individual be appointed to the Cycling and Trails Advisory Committee for the term of Council ending November 14, 2026, Danita Blackler;

AND THAT the following individual be recognized as the Business Improvement Area Representative for the Economic Development Advisory Committee for the term of Council ending November 14, 2026, Brian Kennedy;

AND THAT the City Clerk be directed to notify all successful and unsuccessful applicants;

AND FURTHER THAT Council Appointed Citizen Members to the City's advisory committees who do not submit their signed Code of Conduct form within the first month after their appointment has been made, shall forfeit their membership on the committee to which they have been appointed.

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)

9.2 Corporate Enterprise

9.2.1 23-034-CRE Development of the 2024-2026 Strategic Plan

Motion: 23-172

Moved by Councillor Kimpson

Seconded by Councillor Hamilton

THAT Report 23-034 (Development of the 2024-2026 Strategic Plan) be received;

AND THAT Council endorse the recommended approach for the development of the 2024-2026 Strategic Plan.

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)

9.3 Community Development

9.3.1 23-237-CD Recommendation to Designate 156 Argyle Street North (Preston Carnegie Library) under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act

Motion: 23-173

Moved by Councillor Kimpson

Seconded by Councillor Reid

THAT Report 23-237-CD – Recommendation to Designate 156 Argyle Street North (Preston Carnegie Library) under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act – be received;

AND THAT Council approve the Statement of Cultural Heritage Value and Description of Heritage Attributes, attached as Appendix A to this report;

AND FURTHER THAT Council authorize the Clerk to publish a Notice of Intention to Designate the property municipally known as 156 Argyle Street North in accordance with Part IV of the Ontario Heritage 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)

9.3.2 23-219-CD Watermain Decommissioning and Private Property Servicing Agreement - 200 Sheffield Street

Motion: 23-174

Moved by Councillor Reid

Seconded by Councillor Cooper

THAT Report 23-219-CD Watermain Decommissioning and Private Property Servicing Agreement - 200 Sheffield Street be received;
AND THAT Confidential Appendix B to Report 23-219-CD be received as information and remain confidential;

AND FURTHER THAT Council authorize the Mayor and Clerk to execute a Private Property Servicing Agreement with the Owner of 200 Sheffield Street, to the satisfaction of the City Solicitor, to allow

for the decommissioning of watermain within the unopened road allowance adjacent to 200 Sheffield Street.

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)

9.3.3 23-236-CD Request for Exemption of Noise By-Law 32-04 for 2023 Special Events

Motion: 23-175

Moved by Councillor Devine
Seconded by Councillor Kimpson

THAT Report 23-236-CD Requests for Exemption to Noise By-law 32-04 for 2023 Special Events be received;

AND FURTHER THAT the requests identified in report 23-236-CD 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)

9.4 Infrastructure Services

None.

9.5 Office of the City Manager

None.

10. Other Business

11. Motions

11.1 Motion re: Legislative Amendments to Improve Municipal Codes of Conduct and Enforcement

Motion: 23-176

Moved by Councillor Kimpson
Seconded by Councillor Roberts

Note: This Motion was introduced at the April 25, 2023, Meeting of Council.

WHEREAS, Ontario's Big City Mayors (OBCM) have passed a motion that supports the call of the Association of Municipalities of Ontario for the Government of Ontario to introduce legislation to strengthen municipal Codes of Conduct and compliance with them in consultation with municipal governments or in the alternative, OBCM has supported the province ordering Bill 5 for second reading to expedite the matter;

WHEREAS the legislation encompasses the Association of Municipalities of Ontario's recommendations for:

- a. Updating municipal Codes of Conduct to account for workplace safety and harassment;
- b. Creating a flexible administrative penalty regime, adapted to the local economic and financial circumstances of municipalities across Ontario;
- c. Increasing training of municipal Integrity Commissioners to enhance consistency of investigations and recommendations across the province;
- d. Allowing municipalities to apply to a member of the judiciary to remove a sitting member if recommended through the report of a municipal Integrity Commissioner; and
- e. Prohibiting a member so removed from sitting for election in the term of removal and the subsequent term of office.

WHEREAS OBCM's motion requests that municipalities and their respective Integrity Commissioners be consulted on the development of any regulations related to the proposed legislation;

AND WHEREAS OBCM believes that municipal elected officials should be held to account in in this way, it also believes that federal and provincial elected officials should take similar actions to hold themselves to account.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the City of Cambridge supports the Ontario Big City Mayor's motion on legislative amendments to improve municipal Codes of Conduct and enforcement.

AND THAT this motion be circulated to Right Honourable Justin Trudeau, Prime Minister of Canada, the Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario, the Honourable David Lametti, Minister of Justice, the Honourable Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, Kate Manson-Smith, Deputy Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, Scott Pierce, Federation of Canadian Municipalities Acting President, and Colin Best, President of the Association of Municipalities of Ontario and all Ontario Municipalities.

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)

11.2 Motion re: McQueen Shaver Blvd Speeding

Motion: 23-177

Moved by Councillor Cooper

Seconded by Councillor Hamilton

Note: This Motion was introduced at the April 25, 2023, Meeting of Council.

WHEREAS Waterloo Regional Police have identified McQueen Shaver Blvd as an area of excessive speeding and stunt driving beyond levels normally seen on municipal roads.

WHEREAS these speeds as witnessed by residents and police have approached 200km/h and regularly exceed twice the posted speed limit.

WHEREAS these rates of speed pose a significant danger to pedestrians, motorists, and nearby residents whose homes back onto McQueen Shaver Blvd.

WHEREAS our local police service has limited resources to undertake speed enforcement,

WHEREAS s.205.1 of the Highway Traffic Act (HTA) provides that Automated Speed Enforcement systems (ASE) may only be placed in designated community safety zones and school safety zones,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the City of Cambridge request the Region of Waterloo initiate measures to designate McQueen Shaver Blvd a community safety zone.

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)

11.3 Motion re: Highway Traffic Act Amendments

Motion: 23-178

Moved by Councillor Cooper
Seconded by Councillor Ermeta

Note: This Motion was introduced at the April 25, 2023, Meeting of Council.

WHEREAS speeding on our roads is a major concern in our community,

WHEREAS speeding can occur in all areas of our community,

WHEREAS barriers and delays to enforcement pose a danger to our community,

WHEREAS our municipality has limited resources to implement speed mitigation road design and re-design,

WHEREAS our local police service has limited resources to undertake speed enforcement,

AND WHEREAS s.205.1 of the Highway Traffic Act (HTA) provides that Automated Speed Enforcement systems (ASE) may only be placed in designated community safety zones and school safety zones,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the City of Cambridge request that the Ontario Government amend s.205.1 of the HTA to permit municipalities to locate an ASE system permanently or temporarily on any roadway under the jurisdiction of municipalities and as determined by municipalities and not be restricted to only community safety zones and school safety zones;

AND THAT a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Ontario Minister of Transportation, the Ontario Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing,

local area MPPs, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) and all Ontario Municipalities.

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

Carried (9-0)

11.4 Motion re: Galt Core Heritage Conservation District

Note: This motion was withdrawn from the agenda for Tuesday, May 9, 2023, and was not discussed during the Council meeting.

11.5 Notice of Motion re: Ontario Health Coalition's Referendum

Note: This Motion was introduced at the May 9, 2023, Meeting of Council but will not be discussed until the May 16, 2023, Special Meeting of Council.

WHEREAS on January 16, 2023, the provincial government announced that it is moving forward with plans to “substantially” expand for-profit clinics and hospitals to take the surgeries and diagnostics out of our local public hospitals;

WHEREAS surgeries, MRI’s and CTs are core public hospital services.

WHEREAS the provincial government has contracted the first three for-profit clinics (day hospitals) in Windsor, Waterloo and Ottawa;

WHEREAS the provincial government is currently allowing for-profit corporations to run surgeries out of under-used public hospital operating rooms;

WHEREAS the provincial government has introduced enabling legislation in the form of Bill 60, Your Health Act, 2023 which amends and enacts various Acts with respect to the health system;

AND WHEREAS Bill 60 has received its third reading in the provincial legislature and is nearing Royal Assent,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the Council or the Corporation of the City of Cambridge supports the Ontario Health Coalition’s province-wide, citizen-run referendum being held on Friday, May 26 and Saturday, May 27, 2023.

AND THAT this motion be circulated to the Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario, the Ontario Minister of Health, local area MPPs, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) and all Ontario Municipalities.

12. Correspondence

13. Motion to Receive and File

Motion: 23-179

Moved by Councillor Devine

Seconded by Councillor Ermeta

THAT all presentations and correspondence from the May 9, 2023, Council meeting be received.

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)

14. Consideration of By-laws

Motion: 23-180

Moved by Councillor Roberts

Seconded by Councillor Hamilton

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)

15. Confirmatory By-law

Motion: 23-181

Moved by Councillor Devine

Seconded by Councillor Roberts

That By-Law 23-036 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)

16. Adjournment

Motion: 23-182

Moved by Councillor Cooper

Seconded by Councillor Earnshaw

THAT the Council meeting does now adjourn at 8:02 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