



MINUTES

Corporation of the City of Cambridge

Council Meeting

Date:	September 12, 2023, 6:30 p.m.
Location:	Council Chambers
Council Members in Attendance:	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
Regrets:	Councillor Devine - Ward 2
Staff Members in Attendance:	David Calder - City Manager; Hardy Bromberg, Deputy City Manager - Community Development; Mike Hausser - Acting Deputy City Manager, Infrastructure Services; Cheryl Zahnleiter, Deputy City Manager - Corporate Enterprise; Bryan Boodhoo - City Solicitor; Danielle Manton - City Clerk; Jennifer Shaw - Deputy City Clerk; Rachel Latour - Administrative Assistant
Others in Attendance:	Allison Jones - Acting Director of Communications; Karen Pepper - Director, Mayor and Council Operations and Initiatives; Jenna Brown-Jowett - Director of Corporate Strategy; Sylvia Rafalski-Misch - Manager of Development Planning; Jacqueline Hannemann - Senior Planner; Bryan Cooper - Senior Planner; Rutvik Shah - Support Technician

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 6:49 p.m.

2. Indigenous Territory Acknowledgement

3. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest

None.

4. Presentations

- 4.1 Jenna Brown-Jowett, Director of Corporate Strategy re: 23-041-CRE 2024-2026 Strategic Plan- Key Components
- 4.2 Andrea Sinclair, MHBC Planning re: 23-197-CD – 499 Dundas Street North Official Plan Amendment and Zoning By-law Amendment Recommendation Report
- 4.3 Jacqueline Hannemann, Senior Planner re: 23-197-CD – 499 Dundas Street North Official Plan Amendment and Zoning By-law Amendment Recommendation Report

5. Delegations and Consideration of Related Reports

- 5.1 Katie Watson, The Rotary Club of Cambridge (Preston-Hespeler) re: Request to install Peace Pole

Motion: 23-314

Moved by Councillor Earnshaw

Seconded by Councillor Kimpson

THAT Council supports the Rotary Club of Cambridge's request to erect a peace pole on City property by the Rotary Club of Cambridge's bench on the pathway at the end of Hammet Street past Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Elementary School in coordination with Operations staff;

AND THAT staff be directed to enter into a maintenance agreement with the Rotary Club.

In Favour (7): Councillor Kimpson, Councillor Earnshaw, Councillor Roberts, Councillor Cooper, Councillor Hamilton, Councillor Ermeta, and Mayor Liggett

Absent (1): Councillor Devine

Carried (7 to 0)

5.2 Family Violence Project Waterloo Region re: Motion re: Declaring Intimate Partner Violence (IPV) an epidemic

5.3 Kim Decker, YMCA Cambridge re: Motion re: Declaring Intimate Partner Violence (IPV) an epidemic

6. Closed Session

Motion: 23-312

Moved by Councillor Cooper

Seconded by Councillor Roberts

That in accordance with section 239 (2) (c), (d) (e), (f), and (k) of the Municipal Act, 2001, Council to convene in Closed Session at 5:31 to consider the following subject matters:

(c) a proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local board (Potential lease of land);

(d) labour relation or employee negotiations (Confidential Verbal Update re: Governance Matter);

(e) litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the municipality or local board (Legal opinion on a settlement offer);

(f) advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose (Legal opinion on a settlement offer);

(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 (Potential lease of land) (Legal opinion on a settlement offer).

In Favour (7): Councillor Kimpson, Councillor Earnshaw, Councillor Roberts, Councillor Cooper, Councillor Hamilton, Councillor Ermeta, and Mayor Liggett

Absent (1): Councillor Devine

Carried (7 to 0)

7. Rise from Closed Session

Motion: 23-313

Moved by Councillor Earnshaw

Seconded by Councillor Ermeta

THAT Council rise from Closed Session and reconvene in Open Session at 6:49 p.m.

In Favour (7): Councillor Kimpson, Councillor Earnshaw, Councillor Roberts, Councillor Cooper, Councillor Hamilton, Councillor Ermeta, and Mayor Liggett

Absent (1): Councillor Devine

Carried (7 to 0)

8. Consent Agenda

Motion: 23-315

Moved by Councillor Hamilton

Seconded by Councillor Earnshaw

THAT all items listed under the heading of Consent Agenda for September 12, 2023 be adopted as recommended.

In Favour (7): Councillor Kimpson, Councillor Earnshaw, Councillor Roberts, Councillor Cooper, Councillor Hamilton, Councillor Ermeta, and Mayor Liggett

Absent (1): Councillor Devine

Carried (7 to 0)

8.1 Special Council Meeting Minutes - August 17, 2023

8.2 Council Workshop Minutes - August 17, 2023

8.3 Council Meeting Minutes - August 29, 2023

8.4 Council Information Package - September 1, 2023

8.5 23-297-CD Exemption from Part Lot Control - Lidstone Street and Gledhill Crescent

9. Consideration of Reports

9.1 Corporate Services

9.2 Corporate Enterprise

9.2.1 23-041-CRE 2024-2026 Strategic Plan- Key Components

Moved by Councillor Cooper

Seconded by Councillor Ermeta

THAT Report 23-041 2024-2026 Strategic Plan key components be received;

AND THAT Council endorse the key components of the Strategic Plan, as presented in 23-041-CRE Appendix A – Draft 2024-2026 Strategic Plan Key Component Content;

Amendment:

Motion: 23-316

Moved by Councillor Hamilton

Seconded by Councillor Earnshaw

AND THAT Council direct staff to add "and preparing for the possibility of the LRT and related development" under the "promote and develop more transportation options" strategic action.

In Favour (5): Councillor Kimpson, Councillor Earnshaw, Councillor Roberts, Councillor Cooper, Councillor Hamilton

Opposed (2): Mayor Liggett, and Councillor Ermeta

Absent (1): Councillor Devine

Carried (5 to 2)

Motion: 23-317

Moved by Councillor Cooper

Seconded by Councillor Ermeta

Main Motion as Amended

THAT Report 23-041 2024-2026 Strategic Plan key components be received;

AND THAT Council endorse the key components of the Strategic Plan, as presented in 23-041-CRE Appendix A – Draft 2024-2026 Strategic Plan Key Component Content;

AND THAT Council direct staff to add "and preparing for the possibility of the LRT and related development" under the "promote and develop more transportation options" strategic action.

In Favour (6): Councillor Kimpson, Councillor Earnshaw, Councillor Roberts, Councillor Cooper, Councillor Hamilton, and Mayor Liggett

Opposed (1): Councillor Ermeta

Absent (1): Councillor Devine

Carried (6 to 1)

9.3 Community Development

9.3.1 23-197-CD – 499 Dundas Street North Official Plan Amendment and Zoning By-law Amendment Recommendation Report

Motion: 23-318

Moved by Councillor Earnshaw

Seconded by Councillor Roberts

THAT Report 23-197-CD – 499 Dundas Street North Official Plan Amendment and Zoning By-law Amendment Recommendation Report be received;

AND THAT Cambridge Council adopts proposed Official Plan Amendment No.62 to redesignate 499 Dundas Street North from the 'Business Industrial' designation to the 'High Density Residential' designation with Site Specific Policy 8.10.97 to permit a Floor Space Index (FSI) of up to 3.5 and that the adopted Official Plan Amendment be submitted to the Regional Municipality of Waterloo for approval;

AND THAT Cambridge Council approves the proposed Zoning By-law Amendment to rezone the subject lands from C2 s.3.3.3 to (H)RM3 s.4.1.440 to facilitate the development of the lands for a 6-storey multiple-residential development with 60 units;

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

AND FURTHER THAT that the by-laws attached to report 23-197-CD be passed.

In Favour (7): Councillor Kimpson, Councillor Earnshaw, Councillor Roberts, Councillor Cooper, Councillor Hamilton, Councillor Ermeta, and Mayor Liggett

Absent (1): Councillor Devine

Carried (7 to 0)

9.3.2 23-312-CD Blenheim Road Local Improvement - Sanitary Servicing Extension Addendum

Motion: 23-319

Moved by Councillor Roberts

Seconded by Councillor Kimpson

THAT Report 23-312-CD Blenheim Road Local Improvement - Sanitary Servicing Extension Addendum be received;

AND THAT Report 23-274-CD Blenheim Road Local Improvement - Sanitary Servicing Extension included as Appendix B to report 23-312-CD be received;

AND THAT Council direct staff to notify impacted property owners of the City's intention to proceed with Local Improvement Charges Option 4 for the extension of municipal sanitary sewer on Blenheim Road in accordance with the Ontario Regulation 586/06;

AND FURTHER THAT the by-law included as Appendix A to Addendum Report 23-312-CD to amend the Mandatory Connection By-law be approved.

In Favour (7): Councillor Kimpson, Councillor Earnshaw, Councillor Roberts, Councillor Cooper, Councillor Hamilton, Councillor Ermeta, and Mayor Liggett

Absent (1): Councillor Devine

Carried (7 to 0)

9.3.3 23-307-CD Recommendation Report - Proposed Official Plan Amendment and Zoning By-law Amendment for Additional Residential Units

Motion: 23-320

Moved by Councillor Hamilton
Seconded by Councillor Kimpson

THAT Report 23-307-CD Recommendation Report - Proposed Official Plan Amendment and Zoning By-law Amendment for Additional Residential Units be received;

AND THAT Council adopts the Official Plan Amendment;

AND THAT Council approves the proposed Zoning By-law Amendment;

AND FURTHER THAT the by-laws attached to report 23-307-CD be passed.

In Favour (7): Councillor Kimpson, Councillor Earnshaw, Councillor Roberts, Councillor Cooper, Councillor Hamilton, Councillor Ermeta, and Mayor Liggett

Absent (1): Councillor Devine

Carried (7 to 0)

9.4 Infrastructure Services

9.5 Office of the City Manager

10. Other Business

Direction to Staff from Councillor Roberts:

In July 2019 Council approved report 19-194 CD Custom Traffic Warning Signs that included a policy for the Use of Custom Warning Signs on City Streets.

The report and policy provided an outline on custom traffic warning signs and the nature of requests for such signs.

In Ontario, the Ontario Traffic Manual (OTM) provides guidance on the use of traffic controls, pavement markings and signs.

Warning signs are intended to provide advance notice to drivers of unexpected and potentially dangerous conditions on or near the road.

The policy approved by Council only has one staff member noted as the authority to approve exceptions to custom warning signage

For continuity purposes, I would kindly request that Council direct that staff update this policy to reflect that the Deputy City Manager or their designate be authorized to approve signage that may not meet the Ontario Traffic Manual

guidelines provided that the criteria outlined in the policy for custom warning signs are met to the satisfaction of the Deputy City Manager or their designate and that no unnecessary risks are posed.

This request is to direct staff to make this update to the policy and remove the section on custom pedestrian advisory signage.

11. Motions

11.1 Motion re: Declaring Intimate Partner Violence (IPV) an epidemic

Motion: 23-321

Moved by Councillor Hamilton

Seconded by Councillor Kimpson

WHEREAS the safety of our community and its members is of extreme importance to every single Cambridge resident, as well as to Cambridge Council;

WHEREAS intimate partner violence, often referred to as domestic violence, means any use of physical or sexual force, actual or threatened in an intimate relationship, including emotional and/or psychological abuse or harassing behaviour, and persons of any gender or sex can be victims of intimate partner violence;

WHEREAS Waterloo Region is experiencing a rise in intimate partner violence (IPV) and domestic violence during and after the COVID-19 pandemic, and the Waterloo Region Police Service (WRPS) experiences an average of 17 calls related to IPV per day, with a total of 6,158 calls in 2022 and 66,000 calls for service in total, despite the fact that 70% of IPV incidents go unreported due to feelings of shame, fear, and secrecy;

WHEREAS the WRPS has laid more than 35,000 charges related to IPV, or an average of 3500 per year;

WHEREAS in 2022, five out of the six homicides in Waterloo Region stemmed from IPV and domestic violence, with over 3,800 criminal charges issued by WRPS in relation to IPV;

WHEREAS between 2012 and 2022, the WRPS received a total of 20,870 calls related to IPV in Cambridge, and laid a total of 11,020 charges related to IPV in Cambridge;

WHEREAS Indigenous women are approximately 3.5 times more likely to experience some form of intimate partner violence than non-Indigenous

women, and the homicide rate for Indigenous women and girls is approximately 6 times higher than for non-Indigenous women and girls, and Indigenous women are 12 times more likely to be murdered or missing than any other women in Canada, and 16 times more likely than white women;

WHEREAS violence against women costs the national justice system, health care systems, social services agencies and municipalities billions of dollars per year, and municipalities are on the front lines in addressing gender-based violence;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the City of Cambridge joins over 30 other Ontario municipalities in supporting the recommendation #1 from the Culleton, Kuzyk and Warmerdam Inquest (CKW Inquest) in formally declaring intimate partner violence (IPV) as an epidemic;

AND THAT the Province of Ontario be requested to declare that intimate partner violence and violence against women is an epidemic, in accordance with Recommendation #1 of the C.K.W. Inquest;

AND THAT Cambridge recommends that Waterloo Regional Council integrates intimate partner violence into the Region's Community Safety and Wellbeing Plan, in accordance with Recommendation #10 of the C.K.W. Inquest, and set out gender based violence/intimate partner violence as a separate priority within the plan;

AND FURTHER THAT the City Clerk be directed to send a copy of this motion to the Region of Waterloo, Province of Ontario, The Right Honorable Prime Minister, Members of Parliament, Provincial Members of Parliament, United Nations, and all Ontario Municipalities.

In Favour (7): Councillor Kimpson, Councillor Earnshaw, Councillor Roberts, Councillor Cooper, Councillor Hamilton, Councillor Ermeta, and Mayor Liggett

Absent (1): Councillor Devine

Carried (7 to 0)

12. Notices of Motion

13. Correspondence

- 13.1 Rotary Club of Cambridge (Preston-Hespeler) re: Request to install Peace Pole

13.2 Cameron Dearlove re: Motion re: Declaring Intimate Partner Violence (IPV) an epidemic

14. Motion to Receive and File

Motion: 23-322

Moved by Councillor Earnshaw
Seconded by Councillor Kimpson

THAT all presentations and correspondence from the September 12, 2023, Council meeting be received.

In Favour (7): Councillor Kimpson, Councillor Earnshaw, Councillor Roberts, Councillor Cooper, Councillor Hamilton, Councillor Ermeta, and Mayor Liggett

Absent (1): Councillor Devine

Carried (7 to 0)

15. Consideration of By-laws

Motion: 23-323

Moved by Councillor Kimpson
Seconded by Councillor Earnshaw

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

23-061 Being a by-law to amend by-law 6-13 to require owners of buildings of certain classes in the municipality to connect the said buildings to the sewage service or water service of the municipality and to restrict the use of septic tanks

23-074 Being a by-law to exempt certain lots or blocks pursuant to subsection 50(5) of the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. P.13, as amended (Part Lot Control Exemption) – Blocks 119, 120, 121 and 122 on Registered Plan 58M-696

23-075 Being a by-law to adopt Amendment No. 62 of the City of Cambridge Official Plan (2012), as amended with respect to land municipally known as 499 Dundas Street North

23-076 Being a by-law to amend Zoning By-law 150-85, as amended with respect to land municipally known as 499 Dundas Street North

23-077 Being a by-law to amend Zoning By-law 150-85, as amended, with respect to permitting Additional Residential Units

23-078 Being a by-law to adopt Amendment No. 68 of the City of Cambridge Official Plan (2012), as amended with respect to additional residential units

In Favour (7): Councillor Kimpson, Councillor Earnshaw, Councillor Roberts, Councillor Cooper, Councillor Hamilton, Councillor Ermeta, and Mayor Liggett

Absent (1): Councillor Devine

Carried (7 to 0)

16. Confirmatory By-law

Motion: 23-324

Moved by Councillor Earnshaw

Seconded by Councillor Roberts

That By-Law 23-079 Being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of the Council of the Corporation of the City of Cambridge be passed.

In Favour (7): Councillor Kimpson, Councillor Earnshaw, Councillor Roberts, Councillor Cooper, Councillor Hamilton, Councillor Ermeta, and Mayor Liggett

Absent (1): Councillor Devine

Carried (7 to 0)

17. Adjournment

Motion: 23-325

Moved by Councillor Earnshaw

Seconded by Councillor Cooper

THAT the Council meeting does now adjourn at 8:39 p.m.

In Favour (7): Councillor Kimpson, Councillor Earnshaw, Councillor Roberts, Councillor Cooper, Councillor Hamilton, Councillor Ermeta, and Mayor Liggett

Absent (1): Councillor Devine

Carried (7 to 0)

Mayor

Clerk