

City Council Meeting Agenda

Monday, January 25, 2021, 5:30 p.m.

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1. Notice of Electronic Participation

1.1. City Council

This meeting will be held by Electronic Participation in accordance with City of Guelph Procedural By-law (2020)-20515

2. Call to Order - 5:30 p.m.

3. Authority to move into closed meeting

Recommendation:

That the Council of the City of Guelph now hold a meeting that is closed to the public, pursuant to the Municipal Act, to consider:

3.1. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and General Nature Thereof (closed items)

3.2. Confirmation of Minutes for the closed Council meeting held December 14, 2020.

3.3. January 2021 Director Appointments to Downtown Guelph Business Association, Board of Management - 2021-21

Section 239 2(b) of the Municipal Act relating to personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees.

3.4. 361 Whitelaw Road Local Planning Appeal Tribunal Update

Section 239 (2)(e) and (f) of the Municipal Act relating to litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the municipality or local board and advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose.

3.5. 65 Delhi Street - Update - 2021-32

Section 239 (2)(c) and (f) of the Municipal Act relating to a proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local board and advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose.

4. Open Meeting – 6:00 p.m.

4.1. Closed Meeting Summary

4.2. O Canada

4.3. Silent Reflection

4.4. First Nations Acknowledgement

4.5. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and General Nature Thereof

5. Confirmation of Open Minutes

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(Councillor Billings)

Recommendation:

That the minutes of the open Special Council Meeting held December 1, Council meeting held December 14, 2020, and Committee of the Whole Meeting held December 7, 2020, be confirmed as recorded and without being read.

6. Committee of the Whole Consent Report

The following resolutions have been prepared to facilitate Council's consideration of various matters and are suggested for consideration. If Council wishes to address a specific report in isolation of the Committee of the Whole Consent Report, please identify the item. It will be extracted and dealt with separately as part of the Items for Discussion.

6.1. Sign By-law Variance for 225-245 Westwood Road - 2021-05

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Recommendation:

1. That the request for variance from Table 2, Row 8 of Sign

By-law Number (1996)-15245, as amended, to permit a non-illuminated freestanding sign with a setback of 1m and an area of 1.73m² to be a height of 2.87m above the adjacent roadway at 225-245 Westwood Drive, be approved.

6.2. Sign By-law Variance for 244-246 Willow Road - 2021-06

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Recommendation:

1. That the request for variance from Table 2, Row 8 of Sign By-law Number (1996)-15245, as amended, to permit a non-illuminated freestanding sign with a setback of 1m and an area of 1.73m² to be a height of 1.92m above the adjacent roadway at 244-246 Willow Road, be approved.

6.3. Sign By-law Variance for 85-87 Westwood Road - 2021-04

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Recommendation:

1. That the request for variance from Table 2, Row 8 of Sign By-law Number (1996)-15245, as amended, to permit a non-illuminated freestanding sign with a setback of 1m and an area of 1.73m² to be a height of 2.23m above the adjacent roadway at 85-87 Westwood Drive, be approved.

6.4. Coalition of Inclusive Municipalities - 2021-08

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Recommendation:

1. That City Council requests to join the Coalition of Inclusive Municipalities and endorses the Coalition of Inclusive Municipalities' 10 Common Commitments.
2. That staff be directed to facilitate the Mayor's signing of a formal declaration to join the Coalition.
3. That staff be directed to take any additional measures necessary to join the Coalition of Inclusive Municipalities, including the development of a plan of action.

7. Items for Discussion

The following items have been extracted from the Committee of the Whole Consent Report and the Council Consent Agenda and will be considered separately. These items have been extracted either at the request of a member of Council or because they include a presentation and/or delegations.

7.1. City Council Appointment to the Grand River Conservation Authority Board of Directors - 2021-17

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Recommendation:

1. That Councillor Goller's appointment to the Grand River Conservation Authority Board of Directors be rescinded.

2. That Councillor _____ be appointed to the Grand River Conservation Authority Board of Directors for a term ending November 15, 2022.

7.2. January 2021 Director Appointments to The Downtown Guelph Business Association Board of Management - 2021-22

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Recommendation:

1. That _____, _____ and _____ be appointed as directors to the Downtown Guelph Business Association Board of Management for a term ending November 30, 2022, or until such time as a success is appointed.

8. Special Resolutions

9. By-laws

(Councillor Gibson)

10. Mayor's Announcements

Please provide any announcements, to the Mayor in writing, by 12 noon on the day of the Council meeting.

11. Adjournment



Minutes of Committee of the Whole Meeting

**December 7, 2020, 2:00 p.m.
Remote meeting live streamed
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Council:

Mayor C. Guthrie
Councillor P. Allt
Councillor B. Bell
Councillor C. Billings
Councillor L. Caron
Councillor C. Downer
Councillor D. Gibson
Councillor R. Goller
Councillor J. Gordon
Councillor J. Hofland
Councillor M. Salisbury
Councillor M. MacKinnon
Councillor D. O'Rourke

Staff:

S. Stewart, Chief Administrative Officer
C. Clack-Bush, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer, Public Services
K. Dedman, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer, Infrastructure, Development and Enterprise Services
T. Lee, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer, Corporate Services
T. Baker, General Manager, Finance/City Treasurer
J. Sales, General Manager, Strategy, Innovation and Intergovernmental Services
A. Vilko, General Manager, Facilities and Energy Management
L. Muñoz, Manager, Policy and Intergovernmental Relations
I. Scott, Manager, Facility Design and Construction
S. O'Brien, General Manager, City Clerk's Office/City Clerk
L. Cline, Council and Committee Coordinator

1. Call to Order - Mayor

Mayor Guthrie called the meeting to order (2:00 p.m.).

1.1 Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and General Nature Thereof

There were no disclosures.

2. Staff Recognitions

Mayor Guthrie introduced and presented the following staff recognitions:

Jennifer Smith, Stewart McDonough, Kelly Guthrie, Alison Springate, Michelle Lowther and Barb Swartzentruber were recognized for their involvement in Guelph's Community Plan, which won "Project of the Year" at the 2020 International Association for Public Participation (IAP2) Canada Core Values Awards.

City of Guelph staff Barb Swartzentruber, Cathy Kennedy, Michelle Lowther, Leah Parolin, Kelly Guthrie, Tara Sprigg, Jenny Smith, Alison Springate and County of Wellington staff Jana Burns, Andrea Ravensdale, Kayla-Wray Amy and Justine Dainard were recognized for their involvement in Our Food Future, which was a 2020 Smart 50 Awards Recipient in the community engagement category.

3. Items for Discussion - Governance

3.1 Managing the Impacts of COVID-19: Update #6, 2020-238

Scott Stewart, Chief Administrative Officer, and Christopher Beveridge, Director, Health Protection from Wellington-Dufferin-Guelph Public Health, provided an update on how the City is working to respond to, manage and recover from COVID-19. Christopher Beveridge provided information regarding the provincial reopening framework, as well as the status of cases in Wellington-Dufferin-Guelph. Scott Stewart outlined how the City is continuing to support the community and businesses through COVID-19 and provided an update on financial implications and recovery.

Moved By Councillor Billings

Seconded By Councillor Salisbury

That report "Managing the Impacts of COVID-19: Update 6" dated December 7, 2020 be forwarded to the local MP and MPP, FCM, AMO, OBCM and the Federal Minister of Finance and the Ministers of Municipal Affairs and Housing and Minister of Finance for the Province of Ontario.

Voting in Favour: (13): Mayor Guthrie, Councillor Allt, Councillor Bell, Councillor Billings, Councillor Caron, Councillor Downer, Councillor Gibson, Councillor Goller, Councillor Gordon, Councillor Hofland, Councillor Salisbury, Councillor MacKinnon, and Councillor O'Rourke

Carried (13 to 0)

Council recessed at 3:33 p.m. and reconvened at 3:41 p.m.

3.2 Intergovernmental Relations Strategic Framework and 2021 Advocacy Plan, 2020-228

Jodie Sales, General Manager, Strategy, Innovation and Intergovernmental Services, and Leslie Muñoz, Manager, Policy and Intergovernmental Relations, outlined the proposed intergovernmental relations strategic framework as well as the 2021 proposed advocacy priorities and action plan.

Moved By Councillor Allt

Seconded By Councillor Hofland

1. That Council approve the Intergovernmental Relations Strategic Framework to guide intergovernmental and advocacy activities for the rest of Council's term.
2. That Council approve the 2021 Advocacy Priorities.
3. That Staff report back to Council in Q4 2021 to provide an update on intergovernmental activities in 2021 and to propose advocacy priorities for 2022.

Voting in Favour: (13): Mayor Guthrie, Councillor Allt, Councillor Bell, Councillor Billings, Councillor Caron, Councillor Downer, Councillor Gibson, Councillor Goller, Councillor Gordon, Councillor Hofland, Councillor Salisbury, Councillor MacKinnon, and Councillor O'Rourke

Carried (13 to 0)

4. Consent Agenda - Infrastructure, Development and Enterprise Services

Moved By Councillor Billings
Seconded By Councillor Goller

That the December 7, 2020 Consent Agenda - Infrastructure, Development and Enterprise Services, as identified below, be adopted:

4.1 Transition of Blue Box and Electrical and Electronic Equipment Programs to Individual Producer Responsibility, 2020-216

1. That the City of Guelph request that the Ontario Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks accommodate the City's original request to transition its Blue Box program to full producer responsibility at the earliest transition date, January 1, 2023, or, in the event that this is not possible, that the City of Guelph receive full funding for the operation of the City's Blue Box program based on 100% of reported costs until such time as the program is transitioned to producer responsibility.
2. That the City's preceding resolution be forwarded to the Ontario Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks.
3. That staff be authorized to enter into negotiations with producers or producer responsibility organizations for the purposes of developing transition strategies with respect to Blue Box services to be transitioned under the proposed Blue Box Transition regulation of the Waste Free Ontario Act once it is enacted.
4. That the City continue to provide a waste collection service for Electrical and Electronic Equipment at the Public Drop-off depot and analyze the program's performance during the first year to determine direction with respect to future program offerings.

Voting in Favour: (13): Mayor Guthrie, Councillor Allt, Councillor Bell, Councillor Billings, Councillor Caron, Councillor Downer, Councillor Gibson, Councillor Goller, Councillor Gordon, Councillor Hofland, Councillor Salisbury, Councillor MacKinnon, and Councillor O'Rourke

Carried (13 to 0)

5. Items for Discussion - Infrastructure, Development and Enterprise Services

5.1 Real Estate Assets Update, 2020-208

Antti Vilkkö, General Manager, Facilities and Energy Management, and Ian Scott, Manager, Facility Design and Construction, provided an update on the current use and next steps for City-owned properties.

It was requested that clause 3 be voted on separately.

Moved By Councillor Caron

Seconded By Councillor Salisbury

That clause 3 be referred back to staff.

Voting in Favour: (13): Mayor Guthrie, Councillor Allt, Councillor Bell, Councillor Billings, Councillor Caron, Councillor Downer, Councillor Gibson, Councillor Goller, Councillor Gordon, Councillor Hofland, Councillor Salisbury, Councillor MacKinnon, and Councillor O'Rourke

Carried (13 to 0)

Moved By Councillor Downer

Seconded By Councillor Hofland

1. That the property at 65 Delhi Street be deemed a surplus asset and be put up for sale.
2. That a market sounding study to determine potential uses for the Drill Hall be completed by 2022, to coincide with the completion of the building stabilization efforts.
4. That staff report back to City Council in Q4 2021 to provide an update on the listed properties of interest.

Voting in Favour: (13): Mayor Guthrie, Councillor Allt, Councillor Bell, Councillor Billings, Councillor Caron, Councillor Downer, Councillor Gibson, Councillor Goller, Councillor Gordon, Councillor Hofland, Councillor Salisbury, Councillor MacKinnon, and Councillor O'Rourke

Carried (13 to 0)

6. Adjournment

Moved By Councillor Billings

Seconded By Councillor Caron

That the meeting be adjourned (5:16 p.m.).

Voting in Favour: (13): Mayor Guthrie, Councillor Allt, Councillor Bell, Councillor Billings, Councillor Caron, Councillor Downer, Councillor Gibson, Councillor Goller, Councillor Gordon, Councillor Hofland, Councillor Salisbury, Councillor MacKinnon, and Councillor O'Rourke

Carried (13 to 0)

Mayor Guthrie

Stephen O'Brien - City Clerk



Minutes of Guelph City Council

December 1, 2020

1:30 p.m.

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Staff:

S. Stewart, Chief Administrative Officer
C. Clack, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer, Public Services
K. Dedman, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer,
Infrastructure, Development and Enterprise Services
T. Lee, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer, Corporate
Services
T. Baker, General Manager, Finance/City Treasurer
M. Ellis, General Manager, Human Resources
K. Newland, Manager, Finance Client Services
G. Clark, Manager, Financial Strategy, Long Term Planning
R. Maeresera, Senior Corporate Analyst, Financial Planning
S. O'Brien, General Manager, City Clerk's Office/City Clerk
L. Cline, Council and Committee Coordinator
D. Tremblay, Council and Committee Coordinator

2. Call to Order - 1:30 p.m.

Mayor Guthrie called the meeting to order. (1:31 p.m.)

3. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and General Nature Thereof

There were no disclosures.

4. Authority to move into closed meeting

Moved By Councillor Salisbury

Seconded By Councillor Downer

That the Council of the City of Guelph now hold a meeting that is closed to the public, pursuant to Section 239(2)(d) of the Municipal Act relating to labour relations or employee negotiations.

Voting in Favour: (13): Mayor Guthrie, Councillor Allt, Councillor Bell, Councillor Caron, Councillor Billings, Councillor Downer, Councillor Gibson, Councillor Goller, Councillor Gordon, Councillor Hofland, Councillor Salisbury, Councillor MacKinnon, and Councillor O'Rourke

Carried (13 to 0)

The following items were considered:

4.1 Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and General Nature Thereof

4.2 2021 Non-union Employee Compensation Increase - 2020-203

5. Open Meeting - 2:00 p.m.

Mayor Guthrie called the meeting to order. (2:08 p.m.)

5.1 Closed Meeting Summary

Mayor Guthrie spoke regarding the matters discussed in closed session and identified the following:

Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and General Nature Thereof

There were no disclosures.

2021 Non-union Employee Compensation Increase

The Mayor advised that information was received and Council will report on this matter as part of the next item.

5.5 Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and General Nature Thereof

Councillor Allt declared a conflict of interest with respect to the Mayor's Task Force items as he is a Board Member of Stonehenge who may be a recipient of city funds either directly or indirectly.

6. Special Resolution

6.1 2021 Non-Union Employee Compensation Increase - 2020-203

Moved By Councillor Gibson

Seconded By Councillor MacKinnon

That all proposed salary and wage increases for non-union, management exempt staff, including Mayor and Council, as proposed for 2021 be frozen resulting in a 0% increase and a reduction of \$831,800 to the 2021 budget.

Voting in Favour: (8): Mayor Guthrie, Councillor Bell, Councillor Billings, Councillor Gibson, Councillor Goller, Councillor Salisbury, Councillor MacKinnon, and Councillor O'Rourke

Voting Against: (5): Councillor Allt, Councillor Caron, Councillor Downer, Councillor Gordon, and Councillor Hofland

Carried (8 to 5)

7. Budget Impacts per Ontario Regulations 284-09 and Budget Public Sector Accounting Standards Reconciliation - 2020-204

Moved By Councillor O'Rourke

Seconded By Councillor Gibson

That the Budget Impacts per Ontario Regulation 284/09 and Budget - Public Sector Accounting Standards Reconciliation be approved.

Voting in Favour: (13): Mayor Guthrie, Councillor Allt, Councillor Bell, Councillor Caron, Councillor Billings, Councillor Downer, Councillor Gibson, Councillor Goller, Councillor Gordon, Councillor Hofland, Councillor Salisbury, Councillor MacKinnon, and Councillor O'Rourke

Carried (13 to 0)

8. Presentation

Tara Baker, General Manager, Finance/City Treasurer, provided a summary of 2021 Proposed City of Guelph Budget.

9. 2021 City of Guelph Budget, 2020-212

Main Motion

Moved By Councillor Hofland

Seconded By Councillor Goller

1. That the 2021 operating budget be approved at a gross expenditure budget of \$462,418,252 with a property tax and payment-in-lieu of taxes levy requirement of \$266,841,476 or 3.29 per cent over the 2020 levy inclusive of the following:

- a. 2021 fees, rates and charges guide posted at including water and wastewater fees and services, stormwater fees, building permit fees, parking fees, business license fees, and general user fees, and inclusive of:
 - i. A stormwater base charge of \$6.40 per month equivalent residential unit or 10.3 per cent increase over 2020
 - ii. A water and wastewater basic service charge equivalent to 2020 rates
 - iii. A water volume charge of \$1.82 per cubic meter, or 2.80 per cent increase over 2020
 - iv. A wastewater volume charge of \$1.94 per cubic meter or 1.0 per cent increase over 2020
- b. City service budget requests totaling an increased net levy requirement of \$1,474,700 or 0.58 per cent and seven new positions
- c. local boards and shared services budget requirement, net of proportionate share of assessment growth, totaling an increased net levy requirement of \$3,640,264 or 1.42 per cent
- d. total transfers to/from Reserve and Reserve Funds
- e. a one-time transfer of \$465,300 to The Elliott, restricted for the purpose of compensation parity increases for nursing and personal support positions.

2. That the Guelph General Hospital levy in the amount of \$750,000 be maintained for the second of six years as approved on December 3, 2019,

resulting in no net levy change.

3. That the 2022–2024 operating budget forecast be received for information.

4. That the 2021 Capital Budget in the gross expenditure amount of \$263,170,406 and the required operating budget resulting from these projects totaling \$9,455,897 be approved inclusive of the following:

2. funding transfers from capital reserve funds and other sources including partnerships and grants

3. planned use of \$101.1 million of debt as a financing strategy

5. That the 2022-2030 Capital Forecast in the gross amount of \$1,654,571,109, be received for information with the following implications:

a. Operating budget net increase totaling \$27,221,403

b. An unfunded City Building Reserve Fund position of \$42.4 million by 2030

c. A debt forecast that fully leverages the City's available capacity in the nine-year period

6. That the Downtown Guelph Business Association budget with gross expenditures of \$698,780 and a total levy of \$660,000 be approved.

7. That all carbon credit revenues generated by the City be directed towards the 100RE Reserve Fund as a source of funding for the implementation of the 100RE strategy.

8. That further to the November 10, 2020 Transit Strategy and Operations Campus Workshop:

d. That staff be directed to develop an affordable long-term Transit Strategy of not more than one per cent annual net levy increase inclusive of operating and capital funding and addresses COVID ridership and revenue loss impacts

e. That staff be directed to renegotiate the Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program Transit Stream project priorities with the primary focus of electrification of Transit fleet and related infrastructure.

- f. That staff be directed to develop a comprehensive performance metric framework that considers the varying services and routes within Guelph Transit.
9. That staff be directed to develop options to address the City Building Reserve Fund projected deficit position and report back to Council in advance of the 2022-2031 Capital Budget and Forecast.

First Amendment

Moved By Councillor Salisbury
Seconded By Councillor Gibson

That staff be directed to undertake detail design, planning and consultation for the bicycle skills facility in 2021 and for construction to be completed no later than 2023.

Amendment to First Amendment

Moved By Councillor Salisbury
Seconded By Councillor Gibson

That staff be directed to undertake detail design, planning and consultation for the bicycle skills facility in 2021 **in the amount of \$100,000** and for construction to be completed no later than 2023

Voting in Favour: (13): Mayor Guthrie, Councillor Allt, Councillor Bell, Councillor Caron, Councillor Billings, Councillor Downer, Councillor Gibson, Councillor Goller, Councillor Gordon, Councillor Hofland, Councillor Salisbury, Councillor MacKinnon, and Councillor O'Rourke

Carried (13 to 0)

First Amendment

Moved By Councillor Salisbury
Seconded By Councillor Gibson

That staff be directed to undertake detail design, planning and consultation for the bicycle skills facility in 2021 in the amount of \$100,000 and for construction to be completed no later than 2023.

Voting in Favour: (9): Mayor Guthrie, Councillor Allt, Councillor Bell, Councillor Caron, Councillor Downer, Councillor Gibson, Councillor Goller, Councillor Gordon, and Councillor Salisbury

Voting Against: (4): Councillor Billings, Councillor Hofland, Councillor MacKinnon, and Councillor O'Rourke

Carried (9 to 4)

Second Amendment

Moved By Councillor Downer

Seconded By Councillor Goller

1. That the Guelph Neighbourhood Support Coalition be granted of \$170,000 one-time funding for community emergency support and anti-racism, equity and inclusion programs
2. That the \$170,000 one-time funding for the Guelph Neighbourhood Support Coalition come from the Tax Rate Operating Contingency Reserve.

Amendment to Second Amendment

Moved By Councillor Gibson

Seconded By Councillor MacKinnon

1. That the Guelph Neighbourhood Support Coalition be granted of **\$100,000** in one-time funding .
2. That the **\$100,000** one-time funding for the Guelph Neighbourhood Support Coalition come from the Tax Rate Operating Contingency Reserve.

Voting in Favour: (5): Mayor Guthrie, Councillor Bell, Councillor Billings, Councillor Gibson, and Councillor O'Rourke

Voting Against: (8): Councillor Allt, Councillor Caron, Councillor Downer, Councillor Goller, Councillor Gordon, Councillor Hofland, Councillor Salisbury, and Councillor MacKinnon

Defeated (5 to 8)

Second Amendment

Moved By Councillor Downer

Seconded By Councillor Goller

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2. That the \$170,000 one-time funding for the Guelph Neighbourhood Support Coalition come from the Tax Rate Operating Contingency Reserve.

Voting in Favour: (13): Mayor Guthrie, Councillor Allt, Councillor Bell, Councillor Caron, Councillor Billings, Councillor Downer, Councillor Gibson, Councillor Goller, Councillor Gordon, Councillor Hofland, Councillor Salisbury, Councillor MacKinnon, and Councillor O'Rourke

Carried (13 to 0)

Third Amendment

Moved By Councillor Downer

Seconded By Councillor Allt

That staff be directed to adjust the 2021 allocation funding of \$300,000 from the GMHI dividend through the Community Investment Strategy to focus on the Emergency and Resiliency Funding streams, to permit funding to Community Benefit organizations that are struggling to recover from the impacts of COVID-19

Voting in Favour: (13): Mayor Guthrie, Councillor Allt, Councillor Bell, Councillor Caron, Councillor Billings, Councillor Downer, Councillor Gibson, Councillor Goller, Councillor Gordon, Councillor Hofland, Councillor Salisbury, Councillor MacKinnon, and Councillor O'Rourke

Carried (13 to 0)

Fourth Amendment

Moved By Councillor Gibson

Seconded By Councillor Goller

That a one-time transfer of \$305,000 from the tax operating contingency reserve to the 2021 operating budget be completed in order to increase the youth and disability subsidy for youth nonprofit facility rentals by 25% in 2021.

Voting in Favour: (6): Mayor Guthrie, Councillor Bell, Councillor Billings, Councillor Gibson, Councillor Goller, and Councillor O'Rourke

Voting Against: (7): Councillor Allt, Councillor Caron, Councillor Downer, Councillor Gordon, Councillor Hofland, Councillor Salisbury, and Councillor MacKinnon

Defeated (6 to 7)

Council recessed at 4:10 p.m. and resumed at 4:18 p.m.

Fifth Amendment

Moved By Councillor Goller

Seconded By Councillor Downer

That an allocation of no more than \$150,000 from the Affordable Housing Reserve, be approved towards contract staffing to develop and implement an Affordable Housing Financial Incentive Program pending the outcome of the discussions with the County of Wellington.

Voting in Favour: (12): Mayor Guthrie, Councillor Allt, Councillor Bell, Councillor Caron, Councillor Billings, Councillor Downer, Councillor Gibson, Councillor Goller, Councillor Gordon, Councillor Hofland, Councillor Salisbury, and Councillor O'Rourke

Voting Against: (1): Councillor MacKinnon

Carried (12 to 1)

Sixth Amendment

Moved By Councillor Goller

Seconded By Councillor O'Rourke

That an amount up to \$25,000 be allocated from the Tax Operating Contingency Reserve to fund the investigation and preparation of property tax deferral program options, to be brought back to Council for consideration as part of 2021 property tax policy decisions.

Voting in Favour: (13): Mayor Guthrie, Councillor Allt, Councillor Bell, Councillor Caron, Councillor Billings, Councillor Downer, Councillor Gibson, Councillor Goller, Councillor Gordon, Councillor Hofland, Councillor Salisbury, Councillor MacKinnon, and Councillor O'Rourke

Carried (13 to 0)

Seventh Amendment

That staff be directed to use the upcoming 2021 Audit and Accountability funding from the Province of Ontario, along with funds up to \$300,000 from the Tax Operating Contingency Reserve, to initiate an internal service rationalization review for the Corporation of the City of Guelph.

Amendment to the Seventh Amendment

That staff be directed to use the upcoming 2021 Audit and Accountability funding from the Province of Ontario, along with funds up to \$300,000 from

the Tax Operating Contingency Reserve, to initiate **targeted service level reviews** for the Corporation of the City of Guelph.

Voting in Favour: (6): Councillor Allt, Councillor Caron, Councillor Downer, Councillor Gordon, Councillor Hofland, and Councillor Salisbury

Voting Against: (7): Mayor Guthrie, Councillor Bell, Councillor Billings, Councillor Gibson, Councillor Goller, Councillor MacKinnon, and Councillor O'Rourke

Defeated (6 to 7)

Seventh Amendment

That staff be directed to use the upcoming 2021 Audit and Accountability funding from the Province of Ontario, along with funds up to \$300,000 from the Tax Operating Contingency Reserve, to initiate an internal service rationalization review for the Corporation of the City of Guelph.

Voting in Favour: (7): Mayor Guthrie, Councillor Bell, Councillor Billings, Councillor Gibson, Councillor Goller, Councillor MacKinnon, and Councillor O'Rourke

Voting Against: (6): Councillor Allt, Councillor Caron, Councillor Downer, Councillor Gordon, Councillor Hofland, and Councillor Salisbury

Carried (7 to 6)

Councillor Allt declared a conflict of interest as he is a Board member of Stonehenge an organization that receives funding from the City. Councillor Allt did not participate in discussion or vote on this item.

Eighth Amendment

That the welcoming streets program funding in the amount of \$91,000 and the funding of \$61,200 for the continuation of the addictions court support worker be approved with one-time funding for the 2021 year through the tax operating contingency reserve.

Amendment to the Eighth Amendment

That staff report back in Q3 2021 on the long-term potential and need for these programming opportunities.

Voting in Favour: (12): Mayor Guthrie, Councillor Bell, Councillor Caron, Councillor Billings, Councillor Downer, Councillor Gibson, Councillor Goller, Councillor Gordon, Councillor Hofland, Councillor Salisbury, Councillor MacKinnon, and Councillor O'Rourke

Carried (12 to 0)

It was requested that the causes be voted on separately.

Clause 1 - Eighth Amendment

That the welcoming streets program funding in the amount of \$91,000 with one-time funding for the 2021 year through the tax operating contingency reserve.

Voting in Favour: (12): Mayor Guthrie, Councillor Bell, Councillor Caron, Councillor Billings, Councillor Downer, Councillor Gibson, Councillor Goller, Councillor Gordon, Councillor Hofland, Councillor Salisbury, Councillor MacKinnon, and Councillor O'Rourke

Carried (12 to 0)

Clause 2 - Eighth Amendment

The funding of \$61,200 for the continuation of the addictions court support worker be approved with one-time funding for the 2021 year through the tax operating contingency reserve.

Voting in Favour: (10): Mayor Guthrie, Councillor Bell, Councillor Caron, Councillor Billings, Councillor Downer, Councillor Gibson, Councillor Goller, Councillor Gordon, Councillor Salisbury, and Councillor MacKinnon

Voting Against: (2): Councillor Hofland, and Councillor O'Rourke

Carried (10 to 2)

Nineth Amendment

Moved By Councillor Billings

Seconded By Councillor Bell

That the 2021 budget increase of \$465,300 for the Elliott be treated as a one-time request and funded from the Tax Operating Contingency Reserve in 2021.

Voting in Favour: (13): Mayor Guthrie, Councillor Allt, Councillor Bell, Councillor Caron, Councillor Billings, Councillor Downer, Councillor Gibson, Councillor Goller, Councillor Gordon, Councillor Hofland, Councillor Salisbury, Councillor MacKinnon, and Councillor O'Rourke

Carried (13 to 0)

Tenth Amendment

Moved By Councillor Billings

Seconded By Councillor O'Rourke

That the transfer to the 100RE reserve of \$500,000 be removed from the 2021 operating budget.

Councillor Hofland raised a point of order regarding comments being subjective.

Amendment to the Tenth Amendment

Moved By Councillor O'Rourke

Seconded By Councillor Billings

That the transfer to the 100RE reserve of \$500,000 be removed from the 2021 operating budget and **that this amount be transferred from the Redevelopment Incentive Reserve Fund.**

Voting in Favour: (12): Mayor Guthrie, Councillor Allt, Councillor Caron, Councillor Billings, Councillor Downer, Councillor Gibson, Councillor Goller, Councillor Gordon, Councillor Hofland, Councillor Salisbury, Councillor MacKinnon, and Councillor O'Rourke

Voting Against: (1): Councillor Bell

Carried (12 to 1)

Tenth Amendment

Moved By Councillor Billings

Seconded By Councillor O'Rourke

That the transfer to the 100RE reserve of \$500,000 be removed from the 2021 operating budget and that this amount be transferred from the Redevelopment Incentive Reserve Fund.

Voting in Favour: (10): Mayor Guthrie, Councillor Bell, Councillor Billings, Councillor Downer, Councillor Gibson, Councillor Goller, Councillor Hofland, Councillor Salisbury, Councillor MacKinnon, and Councillor O'Rourke

Voting Against: (3): Councillor Allt, Councillor Caron, and Councillor Gordon

Carried (10 to 3)

Council recessed at 6:15 p.m. and resumed at 6:49 p.m.

Eleventh Amendment

Moved By Councillor Billings

Seconded By Councillor Gibson

That budget request 813 in the amount of \$115,300 for the new planner position be removed.

Voting in Favour: (6): Mayor Guthrie, Councillor Bell, Councillor Billings, Councillor Gibson, Councillor MacKinnon, and Councillor O'Rourke

Voting Against: (7): Councillor Allt, Councillor Caron, Councillor Downer, Councillor Goller, Councillor Gordon, Councillor Hofland, and Councillor Salisbury

Defeated (6 to 7)

Twelfth Amendment

Moved By Councillor Caron

Seconded By Councillor Gordon

That \$90,350 be added to the Mayor and Council budget for the hiring of a Constituency Assistant.

Voting in Favour: (4): Councillor Allt, Councillor Caron, Councillor Gordon, and Councillor Hofland

Voting Against: (9): Mayor Guthrie, Councillor Bell, Councillor Billings, Councillor Downer, Councillor Gibson, Councillor Goller, Councillor Salisbury, Councillor MacKinnon, and Councillor O'Rourke

Defeated (4 to 9)

Thirteenth Amendment

Moved By Councillor Hofland

Seconded By Councillor Gibson

That the amount of \$150,000 for one-time funding to cover police records checks be allocated from the tax operating contingency reserve and the funding to the 2021 Police Services Budget.

First Amendment to the Thirteenth Amendment

Moved By Councillor O'Rourke

Seconded By Councillor Hofland

That the amount **up to** \$150,000 for one-time funding to cover police records checks be allocated from the tax operating contingency reserve and the funding to the 2021 Police Services Budget.

Voting in Favour: (13): Mayor Guthrie, Councillor Allt, Councillor Bell, Councillor Caron, Councillor Billings, Councillor Downer, Councillor Gibson, Councillor Goller, Councillor Gordon, Councillor Hofland, Councillor Salisbury, Councillor MacKinnon, and Councillor O'Rourke

Carried (13 to 0)

Second Amendment to the Thirteenth Amendment

Moved By Councillor Goller

Seconded By Councillor Bell

That the amount up to \$150,000 for one-time funding to cover **volunteer** police records checks be allocated from the tax operating contingency reserve and the funding to the 2021 Police Services Budget.

Voting in Favour: (13): Mayor Guthrie, Councillor Allt, Councillor Bell, Councillor Caron, Councillor Billings, Councillor Downer, Councillor Gibson, Councillor Goller, Councillor Gordon, Councillor Hofland, Councillor Salisbury, Councillor MacKinnon, and Councillor O'Rourke

Carried (13 to 0)

Thirteenth Amendment as Amended

Moved By Councillor Hofland

Seconded By Councillor Gibson

That the amount up to \$150,000 for one-time funding to cover volunteer police records checks be allocated from the tax operating contingency reserve and the funding to the 2021 Police Services Budget.

Voting in Favour: (12): Mayor Guthrie, Councillor Allt, Councillor Bell, Councillor Caron, Councillor Billings, Councillor Downer, Councillor Gibson, Councillor Goller, Councillor Gordon, Councillor Hofland, Councillor Salisbury, and Councillor O'Rourke

Voting Against: (1): Councillor MacKinnon

Fourteenth Amendment

Moved By Councillor MacKinnon

Seconded By Councillor Gibson

1. That staff be directed to increase the hourly parking rate from \$2.25 to \$2.50 per hour and to increase the flat fee on Saturdays from \$2.00 to \$3.00 effective January 1, 2021, resulting in an anticipated additional \$144,023 in revenue in 2021. The rise in transient fees will be offset with a reduction in the transfer from property taxation supporting the Downtown Parking Master Plan financial model to move the parking operation off the tax base. and
2. That staff be directed to increase the monthly permit fees to \$150.00 per month for all parkades and surface lots in the proposed 2021 budget effective January 1, 2021, resulting in an anticipated additional \$215,880 in revenue in 2021. The rise in monthly permit fees will be offset with a reduction in the transfer from property taxation supporting the Downtown Parking Master Plan financial model to move the parking operation off the tax base. and
3. That staff be directed to increase monthly street permits, all administrative fees and advertising fees by 2% in the proposed 2021 budget effective January 1, 2021, resulting in an anticipated additional \$6,540 in revenue in 2021. The rise in street, administrative and advertising fees will be offset with a reduction in the transfer from property taxation supporting the Downtown Parking Master Plan financial model to move the parking operation off the tax base.
4. That staff be directed to examine further opportunities to reduce the tax support to the parking operation and report to Council recommendations in advance of the 2022 budget deliberations.

First Amendment to Fourteenth Amendment

Moved By Councillor Goller

Seconded By Councillor Downer

That clause 2 be amended as follows:

2. That staff be directed to increase the monthly permit fees to \$150.00 per month for all parkades and an increase of **\$10 per month** for surface lots in the proposed 2021 budget effective January 1, 2021, resulting in an anticipated additional \$215,880 in revenue in 2021. The rise in monthly permit fees will be offset with a reduction in the transfer from property

taxation supporting the Downtown Parking Master Plan financial model to move the parking operation off the tax base.

Voting in Favour: (5): Councillor Allt, Councillor Bell, Councillor Billings, Councillor Downer, and Councillor Goller

Voting Against: (8): Mayor Guthrie, Councillor Caron, Councillor Gibson, Councillor Gordon, Councillor Hofland, Councillor Salisbury, Councillor MacKinnon, and Councillor O'Rourke

Defeated (5 to 8)

Second Amendment to the Fourteenth Amendment

Moved By Councillor Gibson

Seconded By Councillor Bell

That clause 2 be amended as follows:

2. That staff be directed to increase the monthly permit fees by **5 percent** per month for all parkades and surface lots in the proposed 2021 budget effective January 1, 2021, resulting in an anticipated additional \$215,880 in revenue in 2021. The rise in monthly permit fees will be offset with a reduction in the transfer from property taxation supporting the Downtown Parking Master Plan financial model to move the parking operation off the tax base.

Voting in Favour: (5): Mayor Guthrie, Councillor Bell, Councillor Gibson, Councillor Goller, and Councillor MacKinnon

Voting Against: (8): Councillor Allt, Councillor Caron, Councillor Billings, Councillor Downer, Councillor Gordon, Councillor Hofland, Councillor Salisbury, and Councillor O'Rourke

Defeated (5 to 8)

It was requested that the clauses be voted on separately.

Clause 1 - Fourteenth Amendment

Moved By Councillor MacKinnon

Seconded By Councillor Gibson

That staff be directed to increase the hourly parking rate from \$2.25 to \$2.50 per hour and to increase the flat fee on Saturdays from \$2.00 to \$3.00 effective January 1, 2021, resulting in an anticipated additional \$144,023 in revenue in 2021. The rise in transient fees will be offset with a reduction in the transfer from property taxation supporting the Downtown Parking Master Plan financial model to move the parking operation off the tax base

Voting in Favour: (7): Mayor Guthrie, Councillor Bell, Councillor Billings, Councillor Gibson, Councillor Goller, Councillor MacKinnon, and Councillor O'Rourke

Voting Against: (6): Councillor Allt, Councillor Caron, Councillor Downer, Councillor Gordon, Councillor Hofland, and Councillor Salisbury

Carried (7 to 6)

Clause 2 - Fourteenth Amendment

Moved By Councillor MacKinnon

Seconded By Councillor Gibson

That staff be directed to increase the monthly permit fees to \$150.00 per month for all parkades and surface lots in the proposed 2021 budget effective January 1, 2021, resulting in an anticipated additional \$215,880 in revenue in 2021. The rise in monthly permit fees will be offset with a reduction in the transfer from property taxation supporting the Downtown Parking Master Plan financial model to move the parking operation off the tax base

Voting in Favour: (2): Councillor Bell, and Councillor MacKinnon

Voting Against: (11): Mayor Guthrie, Councillor Allt, Councillor Caron, Councillor Billings, Councillor Downer, Councillor Gibson, Councillor Goller, Councillor Gordon, Councillor Hofland, Councillor Salisbury, and Councillor O'Rourke

Defeated (2 to 11)

Clause 3 - Fourteenth Amendment

That staff be directed to increase monthly street permits, all administrative fees and advertising fees by 2% in the proposed 2021 budget effective January 1, 2021, resulting in an anticipated additional \$6,540 in revenue in 2021. The rise in street, administrative and advertising fees will be offset with a reduction in the transfer from property taxation supporting the Downtown Parking Master Plan financial model to move the parking operation off the tax base.

Voting in Favour: (7): Mayor Guthrie, Councillor Bell, Councillor Billings, Councillor Gibson, Councillor Goller, Councillor MacKinnon, and Councillor O'Rourke

Voting Against: (6): Councillor Allt, Councillor Caron, Councillor Downer, Councillor Gordon, Councillor Hofland, and Councillor Salisbury

Carried (7 to 6)

Clause 4 - Fourteenth Amendment

Moved By Councillor MacKinnon

Seconded By Councillor Gibson

That staff be directed to examine further opportunities to reduce the tax support to the parking operation and report to Council recommendations in advance of the 2022 budget deliberations.

Voting in Favour: (11): Mayor Guthrie, Councillor Bell, Councillor Caron, Councillor Billings, Councillor Downer, Councillor Gibson, Councillor Goller, Councillor Gordon, Councillor Salisbury, Councillor MacKinnon, and Councillor O'Rourke

Voting Against: (2): Councillor Allt, and Councillor Hofland

Carried (11 to 2)

Fifteenth Amendment

Moved By Councillor O'Rourke

Seconded By Councillor Gibson

That \$1,500,000 be reallocated one-time, from a transfer to the Redevelopment Incentive Reserve Fund to a transfer to the City Building Reserve Fund, resulting in a 2023 start date and the shortening of the phase-in period of the now 18-year capital levy requirement of 0.39%, as approved for the Baker District Redevelopment project at the October 7, 2020 Baker District Project Update meeting.

Voting in Favour: (11): Mayor Guthrie, Councillor Allt, Councillor Bell, Councillor Caron, Councillor Billings, Councillor Downer, Councillor Gibson, Councillor Goller, Councillor Hofland, Councillor Salisbury, and Councillor O'Rourke

Voting Against: (2): Councillor Gordon, and Councillor MacKinnon

Carried (11 to 2)

Sixteenth Amendment

Moved By Councillor Billings

Seconded By Councillor Bell

That the Guelph General Hospital levy in the amount of \$750,000 be paused for the year 2021 and the remaining five-year commitment be paid annually from 2022 to 2026.

Voting in Favour: (8): Mayor Guthrie, Councillor Bell, Councillor Billings, Councillor Gibson, Councillor Goller, Councillor Salisbury, Councillor MacKinnon, and Councillor O'Rourke

Voting Against: (5): Councillor Allt, Councillor Caron, Councillor Downer, Councillor Gordon, and Councillor Hofland

Carried (8 to 5)

Seventeenth Amendment

Moved By Councillor Gibson

Seconded By Councillor O'Rourke

That staff be granted delegated authority to begin implementation of a financially net-positive plan for micro transit service to the Hanlon Creek Business Park, as well as other qualified routes in the city as identified by transit staff in January 2021.

Voting in Favour: (13): Mayor Guthrie, Councillor Allt, Councillor Bell, Councillor Caron, Councillor Billings, Councillor Downer, Councillor Gibson, Councillor Goller, Councillor Gordon, Councillor Hofland, Councillor Salisbury, Councillor MacKinnon, and Councillor O'Rourke

Carried (13 to 0)

Eighteenth Amendment

Moved By Councillor Billings

Seconded By Councillor Gibson

That the first-year phase-in of the Baker District (Library and Open Space) operating budget of \$525,000 included as an increase in transfer to the Tax Rate Operating Contingency Reserve be removed from the 2021 budget.

Voting in Favour: (6): Mayor Guthrie, Councillor Bell, Councillor Billings, Councillor Gibson, Councillor Goller, and Councillor MacKinnon

Voting Against: (7): Councillor Allt, Councillor Caron, Councillor Downer, Councillor Gordon, Councillor Hofland, Councillor Salisbury, and Councillor O'Rourke

Defeated (6 to 7)

Nineteenth Amendment

Moved By Councillor Gibson

Seconded By Councillor Billings

That the first-year phase-in of the Baker District (Library and Open Space) operating budget of \$300,000 included as an increase in transfer to the tax rate operating contingency reserve be removed from the 2021 budget.

Voting in Favour: (7): Mayor Guthrie, Councillor Bell, Councillor Billings, Councillor Gibson, Councillor Goller, Councillor MacKinnon, and Councillor O'Rourke

Voting Against: (6): Councillor Allt, Councillor Caron, Councillor Downer, Councillor Gordon, Councillor Hofland, and Councillor Salisbury

Carried (7 to 6)

Twentieth Amendment

Moved By Councillor Salisbury

Seconded By Councillor Bell

That business licensing fees be reduced by 50%, or \$166,000 in 2021 as a one-time relief for all businesses within the City of Guelph.

That the reduction in revenue be offset by the use, one time, from the tax operations contingency reserve.

Voting in Favour: (11): Mayor Guthrie, Councillor Bell, Councillor Caron, Councillor Billings, Councillor Downer, Councillor Gibson, Councillor Goller, Councillor Gordon, Councillor Hofland, Councillor Salisbury, and Councillor O'Rourke

Voting Against: (2): Councillor Allt, and Councillor MacKinnon

Carried (11 to 2)

Twenty-First Amendment

Moved By Councillor Gibson

Seconded By Councillor Bell

That the recommended transfer to the Infrastructure Renewal Reserve Fund be reduced by \$1,211,000, equivalent to half of the 2021 anticipated contribution the long-term Infrastructure Renewal Strategy.

Voting in Favour: (4): Mayor Guthrie, Councillor Bell, Councillor Billings, and Councillor Gibson

Voting Against: (9): Councillor Allt, Councillor Caron, Councillor Downer, Councillor Goller, Councillor Gordon, Councillor Hofland, Councillor Salisbury, Councillor MacKinnon, and Councillor O'Rourke

Defeated (4 to 9)

Council recessed at 9:24 p.m. and resumed at 9:31 p.m.

Main Motion as Amended

1. That the 2021 operating budget be approved at a gross expenditure budget of \$462,178,689 with a property tax and payment-in-lieu of taxes levy requirement of 265,092,613 or 2.55 per cent over the 2020 levy inclusive of the following:

- a. 2021 fees, rates and charges guide posted at including water and wastewater fees and services, stormwater fees, building permit fees, parking fees, business license fees, and general user fees, and inclusive of:
 - i. A stormwater base charge of \$6.40 per month equivalent residential unit or 10.3 per cent increase over 2020.
 - ii. water and wastewater basic service charge equivalent to 2020 rates.
 - iii. A water volume charge of \$1.82 per cubic meter, or 2.80 per cent increase over 2020.
 - iv. wastewater volume charge of \$1.94 per cubic meter or 1.0 per cent increase over 2020
- b. City service budget requests totaling an increased net levy requirement of \$1,474,700 or 0.58 per cent and seven new positions
- c. local boards and shared services budget requirement, net of proportionate share of assessment growth, totaling an increased net levy requirement of \$3,175,264 or 1.24 per cent
- d. total transfers to/from Reserve and Reserve Funds
- e. a one-time transfer of \$465,300 to The Elliott, from the Tax Rate Operating Contingency Reserve restricted for the purpose of compensation parity increases for nursing and personal support positions.

2. That the Guelph General Hospital levy in the amount of \$750,000 be paused for 2021 the second of six years as approved on December 3, 2019, resulting in a net levy decrease of 0.29 per cent.
3. That the 2022–2024 operating budget forecast be received for information.
4. That the 2021 Capital Budget in the gross expenditure amount of \$263,270,406 and the required operating budget resulting from these projects totaling \$9,455,897 be approved inclusive of the following:
 - a. funding transfers from capital reserve funds and other sources including partnerships and grants.
 - b. planned use of \$101.1 million of debt as a financing strategy.
5. That the 2022-2030 Capital Forecast in the gross amount of \$1,654,471,109, be received for information with the following implications:
 - a. Operating budget net increase totaling \$27,221,403
 - b. An unfunded City Building Reserve Fund position of \$42.4 million by 2030
 - c. A debt forecast that fully leverages the City's available capacity in the nine-year period
6. That the Downtown Guelph Business Association budget with gross expenditures of \$698,780 and a total levy of \$660,000 be approved.
7. That all carbon credit revenues generated by the City be directed towards the 100RE Reserve Fund as a source of funding for the implementation of the 100RE strategy.
8. That further to the November 10, 2020 Transit Strategy and Operations Campus Workshop:
 - a. That staff be directed to develop an affordable long-term Transit Strategy of not more than one per cent annual net levy increase inclusive of operating and capital funding and addresses COVID ridership and revenue loss impacts.
 - b. That staff be directed to renegotiate the Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program Transit Stream project priorities with the primary focus of electrification of Transit fleet and related infrastructure.

- c. That staff be directed to develop a comprehensive performance metric framework that considers the varying services and routes within Guelph Transit.

9. That staff be directed to develop options to address the City Building Reserve Fund projected deficit position and report back to Council in advance of the 2022-2031 Capital Budget and Forecast.

Voting in Favour: (10): Mayor Guthrie, Councillor Caron, Councillor Downer, Councillor Gibson, Councillor Goller, Councillor Gordon, Councillor Hofland, Councillor Salisbury, Councillor MacKinnon, and Councillor O'Rourke

Voting Against: (3): Councillor Allt, Councillor Bell, and Councillor Billings

Carried (10 to 3)

New Motion

Moved By Councillor Downer

Seconded By Councillor Goller

That staff be directed to consider city growth as part of the criteria for Community Benefit Agreements.

Voting in Favour: (13): Mayor Guthrie, Councillor Allt, Councillor Bell, Councillor Caron, Councillor Billings, Councillor Downer, Councillor Gibson, Councillor Goller, Councillor Gordon, Councillor Hofland, Councillor Salisbury, Councillor MacKinnon, and Councillor O'Rourke

Carried (13 to 0)

New Motion

Moved By Councillor Goller

Seconded By Councillor Downer

That staff be directed to work with the People Information Centre and Guelph Police Services to explore ways to:

- (a) target the subsidy of volunteer Police record checks; and
- (b) bring the cost and turn-around time of volunteer Police record checks in line with neighbouring municipalities.

Voting in Favour: (13): Mayor Guthrie, Councillor Allt, Councillor Bell, Councillor Caron, Councillor Billings, Councillor Downer, Councillor Gibson, Councillor Goller, Councillor Gordon, Councillor Hofland, Councillor Salisbury, Councillor MacKinnon, and Councillor O'Rourke

Carried (13 to 0)

New Motion

Moved By Councillor O'Rourke

Seconded By Councillor Downer

That staff be directed to work with the leadership team at The Elliott to re-examine the agreement regarding that organization's capital needs for the long-term care portion of the operations and go forward implications and costing.

That this information be considered by Council before the 2022 budget.

Voting in Favour: (13): Mayor Guthrie, Councillor Allt, Councillor Bell, Councillor Caron, Councillor Billings, Councillor Downer, Councillor Gibson, Councillor Goller, Councillor Gordon, Councillor Hofland, Councillor Salisbury, Councillor MacKinnon, and Councillor O'Rourke

Carried (13 to 0)

11. By-laws

Moved By Councillor Caron

Seconded By Councillor Hofland

That by-laws number (2020)-20546 to (2020)-20552, as amended are hereby passed.

Voting in Favour: (13): Mayor Guthrie, Councillor Allt, Councillor Bell, Councillor Caron, Councillor Billings, Councillor Downer, Councillor Gibson, Councillor Goller, Councillor Gordon, Councillor Hofland, Councillor Salisbury, Councillor MacKinnon, and Councillor O'Rourke

Carried (13 to 0)

12. Mayor's Announcements

Mayor Guthrie provided thanks to staff for their work on the 2021 Budget.

13. Adjournment

Moved By Councillor Gibson

Seconded By Councillor Billings

That the meeting be adjourned (9:43 p.m.)

Voting in Favour: (13): Mayor Guthrie, Councillor Allt, Councillor Bell, Councillor Caron, Councillor Billings, Councillor Downer, Councillor Gibson, Councillor Goller, Councillor Gordon, Councillor Hofland, Councillor Salisbury, Councillor MacKinnon, and Councillor O'Rourke

Carried (13 to 0)

Mayor Guthrie

Stephen O'Brien - City Clerk



Minutes of Guelph City Council

**December 14, 2020, 4:00 p.m.
Remote meeting live streamed
on guelph.ca/live**

Council:

Mayor C. Guthrie
Councillor P. Allt
Councillor B. Bell
Councillor C. Billings
Councillor L. Caron
Councillor C. Downer
Councillor D. Gibson
Councillor R. Goller
Councillor J. Gordon
Councillor J. Hofland
Councillor M. Salisbury
Councillor M. MacKinnon
Councillor D. O'Rourke

Staff:

S. Stewart, Chief Administrative Officer
C. Clack, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer, Public Services
K. Dedman, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer,
Infrastructure, Development and Enterprise Services
T. Lee, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer, Corporate
Services
M. Ellis, General Manager, Human Resources
J. Sales, General Manager, Strategy, Innovation and
Intergovernmental Services
A. Vilkkko, General Manager, Facilities and Energy
Management
S. O'Brien, General Manager, City Clerk's Office/City Clerk
I. Scott, Manager, Facility Design and Construction
L. Munoz, Manager, Policy and Intergovernmental Relations
B. Stewart, Manager, Procurement
D. McMahon, Manager, Legislative Services / Deputy City

Clerk
L. Cline, Council and Committee Coordinator
D. Tremblay, Council and Committee Coordinator

Also Present: John Mascarin, Aird and Berlis, LLP

2. Call to Order - 4:00 p.m.

Mayor Guthrie called the meeting to order. (4:00 p.m.)

3. Authority to move into closed meeting

Moved By Councillor Hofland
Seconded By Councillor Allt

That the Council of the City of Guelph now hold a meeting that is closed to the public, pursuant to Section 239 (2)(b) and (d) the Municipal Act, related to personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees and labour relations or employee negotiations.

Voting in Favour: (12): Mayor Guthrie, Councillor Allt, Councillor Bell, Councillor Billings, Councillor Caron, Councillor Downer, Councillor Gibson, Councillor Goller, Councillor Gordon, Councillor Hofland, Councillor MacKinnon, and Councillor O'Rourke

Carried (12 to 0)

The following matters were considered:

3.1 Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and General Nature Thereof

3.2 Confirmation of Minutes for the closed Council meetings held November 23, 2020.

3.3 December 2020 Public Appointments - Community Grant Allocation Panel - 2020-209

3.4 Chief Administrative Officer Sub-committee Performance Evaluation for 2020 and Performance Objectives Setting for 2021

4. Rise and Recess from Closed Meeting

Council recessed. (4:23 p.m.)

5. Open Meeting – 4:30 p.m.

Mayor Guthrie called the meeting to order. (4:30 p.m.)

5.1 Closed Meeting Summary

Mayor Guthrie spoke regarding the matters discussed in closed session and identified the following:

Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and General Nature Thereof:

There were no disclosures.

Confirmation of Minutes for the closed Council meeting held November 23, 2020.

These minutes were adopted by Council.

December 2020 Public Appointments - Community Grant Allocation Panel - 2020-209

The Mayor advised that information was received and Council will report on this matter as part of the next item.

Chief Administrative Officer Sub-committee Performance Evaluation for 2020 and Performance Objective Setting for 2021.

The Mayor advised that Council received information and Council will report on this matter as part of the next item.

5.5 Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and General Nature Thereof

Councillor Gibson disclosed a pecuniary interest with respect to Item 8.1 Motion to Phase Out Gas Plants as he is employed by the provincially owned power generator in Ontario and did not believe it was appropriate to participate in provincial energy discussions as part of Guelph City Council.

6. Special Resolutions

6.1 December 2020 Public Appointments - Community Grant Allocation Panel - 2020-226

Moved By Councillor Allt

Seconded By Councillor Hofland

That Jill Cockburn, Kris Cummings, Daniella Johnson, Vanessa Lodge and Chidi Nwene be appointed to the Community Grant Allocation Panel, for a term ending December, 2021.

Voting in Favour: (12): Mayor Guthrie, Councillor Allt, Councillor Bell, Councillor Billings, Councillor Caron, Councillor Downer, Councillor Gibson, Councillor Goller, Councillor Gordon, Councillor Hofland, Councillor MacKinnon, and Councillor O'Rourke

Carried (12 to 0)

6.2 Chief Administrative Officer Sub-committee Performance Evaluation for 2020 and Performance Objectives Setting for 2021

Moved By Councillor Allt

Seconded By Councillor Hofland

1. That the 2020 Chief Administrative Officer 2020 performance evaluation from November 23, 2020 be approved; and
2. That the 2021 Chief Administrative Officer Performance Objectives, from December 7, 2020, be approved.

Voting in Favour: (12): Mayor Guthrie, Councillor Allt, Councillor Bell, Councillor Billings, Councillor Caron, Councillor Downer, Councillor Gibson, Councillor Goller, Councillor Gordon, Councillor Hofland, Councillor MacKinnon, and Councillor O'Rourke

Carried (12 to 0)

7. Confirmation of Open Minutes

Moved By Councillor Bell

Seconded By Councillor O'Rourke

That the minutes of the open Council Meetings held November 9 and 23, 2020 and Special Council Meetings held November 5, 17 and 25, 2020 and Committee of the Whole meeting held November 2, 2020 be confirmed as recorded and without being read.

Voting in Favour: (12): Mayor Guthrie, Councillor Allt, Councillor Bell, Councillor Billings, Councillor Caron, Councillor Downer, Councillor Gibson, Councillor Goller, Councillor Gordon, Councillor Hofland, Councillor MacKinnon, and Councillor O'Rourke

Carried (12 to 0)

8. Committee of the Whole Consent Report

The following reports from the December 14, 2020 Committee of the Whole and Council Consent Agenda were extracted:

Intergovernmental Relations Strategic Framework and 2021 Advocacy Plan, 2020-228 Appointment of Integrity Commissioner, 2020-230

Moved By Councillor Hofland
Seconded By Councillor Billings

The balance of the Committee of the Whole Consent Agenda as identified below be adopted:

8.1 Transition of Blue Box and Electrical and Electronic Equipment Programs to Individual Producer Responsibility, 2020-216

1. That the City of Guelph request that the Ontario Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks accommodate the City's original request to transition its Blue Box program to full producer responsibility at the earliest transition date, January 1, 2023, or, in the event that this is not possible, that the City of Guelph receive full funding for the operation of the City's Blue Box program based on 100% of reported costs until such time as the program is transitioned to producer responsibility.
2. That the City's preceding resolution be forwarded to the Ontario Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks.
3. That staff be authorized to enter into negotiations with producers or producer responsibility organizations for the purposes of developing transition strategies with respect to Blue Box services to be transitioned under the proposed Blue Box Transition regulation of the Waste Free Ontario Act once it is enacted.
4. That the City continue to provide a waste collection service for Electrical and Electronic Equipment at the Public Drop-off depot and analyze the program's performance during the first year to determine direction with respect to future program offerings.

Voting in Favour: (12): Mayor Guthrie, Councillor Allt, Councillor Bell, Councillor Billings, Councillor Caron, Councillor Downer, Councillor Gibson, Councillor Goller, Councillor Gordon, Councillor Hofland, Councillor MacKinnon, and Councillor O'Rourke

Carried (12 to 0)

10. Items for Discussion

10.1 Appointment of Integrity Commissioner - 2020-230

Moved By Councillor Goller
Seconded By Councillor Hofland

1. That Aird & Berlis LLP be appointed as the City of Guelph's Integrity Commissioner.
2. That the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to execute an agreement to contract the services of Aird & Berlis LLP as the City of Guelph Integrity Commissioner.

Voting in Favour: (12): Mayor Guthrie, Councillor Allt, Councillor Bell, Councillor Billings, Councillor Caron, Councillor Downer, Councillor Gibson, Councillor Goller, Councillor Gordon, Councillor Hofland, Councillor MacKinnon, and Councillor O'Rourke

Carried (12 to 0)

10.2 Intergovernmental Relations Strategic Framework and 2021 Advocacy Plan, 2020-228

Moved By Councillor O'Rourke
Seconded By Councillor Billings

1. That Council approve the Intergovernmental Relations Strategic Framework to guide intergovernmental and advocacy activities for the rest of Council's term.
2. That Council approve the 2021 Advocacy Priorities as amended.
3. That Staff report back to Council in Q4 2021 to provide an update on intergovernmental activities in 2021 and to propose advocacy priorities for 2022.

Voting in Favour: (12): Mayor Guthrie, Councillor Allt, Councillor Bell, Councillor Billings, Councillor Caron, Councillor Downer, Councillor Gibson, Councillor Goller, Councillor Gordon, Councillor Hofland, Councillor MacKinnon, and Councillor O'Rourke

Carried (12 to 0)

10.3 Motion to Phase Out Gas Plants

Councillor Gibson did not participate in the discussion or vote on the matter.

The following delegations spoke:

Evan Ferrari
Alex Chapman, Our Energy Guelph
Jack Gibbons
Andrea Baker
Morgan Dandie-Hannah
Elizabeth Snell
Paloma Thompson
Lin Grist
Kellie Elrick
Indigo Kim
Eli Shifflett
Thomas McIlwraith

Main Motion

Moved By Councillor Gordon
Seconded By Councillor Caron

The City of Guelph moves that the Province of Ontario:

1. Establish an interim cap of 2.5 Megatonnes per year on our gas plant's greenhouse gas pollution and develop a plan to phase out all gas-fired electricity generation by 2030 to ensure Ontario meets its climate targets, and
2. That a copy of this resolution be sent to the Premier of Ontario, MPP Mike Schreiner, and AMO.

First Amendment

Moved By Councillor MacKinnon
Seconded By Councillor Billings

1. **Develop a plan to phase out carbon-generating electricity generation to ensure Ontario meets its deadlines for its climate targets; and**
2. That a copy of this resolution be sent to the Premier of Ontario, MPP Mike Schreiner, and AMO.

Point of Order

Councillor Allt raised a point of order stating that the motion was contrary to the main motion.

The Mayor ruled that the amendment was in order.

Councillor Allt appealed the Mayor's ruling.

Challenge to Chairs Ruling

That the Mayor's procedural ruling with regard to the amendment be upheld.

Voting in Favour: (6): Mayor Guthrie, Councillor Bell, Councillor Billings, Councillor Goller, Councillor MacKinnon, and Councillor O'Rourke

Voting Against: (6): Councillor Allt, Councillor Caron, Councillor Downer, Councillor Gordon, Councillor Hofland, and Councillor Salisbury

Defeated (6 to 6)

First Amendment

Moved By Councillor MacKinnon

Seconded By Councillor Billings

1. **Develop a plan to phase out carbon-generating electricity generation to ensure Ontario meets its deadlines for its climate targets; and**
2. That a copy of this resolution be sent to the Premier of Ontario, MPP Mike Schreiner, and AMO.

Voting in Favour: (4): Mayor Guthrie, Councillor Billings, Councillor MacKinnon, and Councillor O'Rourke

Voting Against: (8): Councillor Allt, Councillor Bell, Councillor Caron, Councillor Downer, Councillor Goller, Councillor Gordon, Councillor Hofland, and Councillor Salisbury

Defeated (4 to 8)

Second Amendment

Moved By Councillor Billings

Seconded By Councillor Bell

The City of Guelph moves that the Province of Ontario:

1. Establish an interim cap of 2.5 Megatonnes per year on our gas plant's greenhouse gas pollution **as soon as possible** and develop a plan to phase out all gas-fired electricity generation by 2030 to ensure Ontario meets its climate targets, and
2. That a copy of this resolution be sent to the Premier of Ontario, MPP Mike Schreiner, and AMO.

Voting in Favour: (12): Mayor Guthrie, Councillor Allt, Councillor Bell, Councillor Billings, Councillor Caron, Councillor Downer, Councillor Goller, Councillor Gordon, Councillor Hofland, Councillor Salisbury, Councillor MacKinnon, and Councillor O'Rourke

Carried (12 to 0)

Main Motion as Amended

Moved By Councillor Gordon

Seconded By Councillor Caron

The City of Guelph moves that the Province of Ontario:

1. Establish an interim cap of 2.5 Megatonnes per year on our gas plant's greenhouse gas pollution as soon as possible and develop a plan to phase out all gas-fired electricity generation by 2030 to ensure Ontario meets its climate targets, and
2. That a copy of this resolution be sent to the Premier of Ontario, MPP Mike Schreiner, and AMO.

Voting in Favour: (11): Mayor Guthrie, Councillor Allt, Councillor Bell, Councillor Billings, Councillor Caron, Councillor Downer, Councillor Goller, Councillor Gordon, Councillor Hofland, Councillor Salisbury, and Councillor O'Rourke

Voting Against: (1): Councillor MacKinnon

Carried (11 to 1)

10.4 Real Estate Assets Update, 2020-208

The following delegations spoke:

Morgan Dandie-Hannah

James Smith

Main Motion

Moved By Councillor Caron

Seconded By Councillor Hofland

1. That the property at 65 Delhi Street be deemed a surplus asset and be put up for sale.
2. That a market sounding study to determine potential uses for the Drill Hall be completed by 2022, to coincide with the completion of the building stabilization efforts.
3. That the porch at 341 Forestell Road be removed and catalogue for future restoration under the Ontario Heritage Act.
4. That staff report back to City Council in Q4 2021 to provide an update on the listed properties of interest.

First Amendment

Moved By Councillor Caron

Seconded By Councillor Downer

That paragraph 3 be amended as follows:

3. That the porch at 341 Forestell Road be removed and catalogued for future restoration under the Ontario Heritage Act; and **that the cost of reconstruction of the porch be forwarded to the 2022 budget process.**

Voting in Favour: (12): Mayor Guthrie, Councillor Allt, Councillor Billings, Councillor Caron, Councillor Downer, Councillor Gibson, Councillor Goller, Councillor Gordon, Councillor Hofland, Councillor Salisbury, Councillor MacKinnon, and Councillor O'Rourke

Voting Against: (1): Councillor Bell

Carried (12 to 1)

Main Motion as Amended

Moved By Councillor Caron

Seconded By Councillor Hofland

1. That the property at 65 Delhi Street be deemed a surplus asset and be put up for sale.
2. That a market sounding study to determine potential uses for the Drill Hall be completed by 2022, to coincide with the completion of the building stabilization efforts.
3. That the porch at 341 Forestell Road be removed and catalogue for future restoration under the Ontario Heritage Act and that the cost of reconstruction of the porch be forwarded to the 2022 budget process.
4. That staff report back to City Council in Q4 2021 to provide an update on the listed properties of interest.

Voting in Favour: (13): Mayor Guthrie, Councillor Allt, Councillor Bell, Councillor Billings, Councillor Caron, Councillor Downer, Councillor Gibson, Councillor Goller, Councillor Gordon, Councillor Hofland, Councillor Salisbury, Councillor MacKinnon, and Councillor O'Rourke

Carried (13 to 0)

New Motion

Moved By Councillor Downer

Seconded By Councillor Caron

That staff be directed to prepare a stabilization plan by Q3 2021 for any stranded or under-utilized City owned heritage assets and that it include a review of the condition of the building, identify maintenance measures to be undertaken and provide a schedule and budget for ongoing monitoring, inspection and maintenance.

Voting in Favour: (13): Mayor Guthrie, Councillor Allt, Councillor Bell, Councillor Billings, Councillor Caron, Councillor Downer, Councillor Gibson, Councillor Goller, Councillor Gordon, Councillor Hofland, Councillor Salisbury, Councillor MacKinnon, and Councillor O'Rourke

Carried (13 to 0)

12. By-laws

Moved By Councillor Downer
Seconded By Councillor Caron

That by-laws numbered (2020)-20553 and (2020)-20559 are hereby passed.

Voting in Favour: (13): Mayor Guthrie, Councillor Allt, Councillor Bell, Councillor Billings, Councillor Caron, Councillor Downer, Councillor Gibson, Councillor Goller, Councillor Gordon, Councillor Hofland, Councillor Salisbury, Councillor MacKinnon, and Councillor O'Rourke

Carried (13 to 0)

14. Adjournment

Moved By Councillor Allt
Seconded By Councillor Caron

That the meeting be adjourned. (7:02 p.m.)

Voting in Favour: (13): Mayor Guthrie, Councillor Allt, Councillor Bell, Councillor Billings, Councillor Caron, Councillor Downer, Councillor Gibson, Councillor Goller, Councillor Gordon, Councillor Hofland, Councillor Salisbury, Councillor MacKinnon, and Councillor O'Rourke

Carried (13 to 0)

Mayor Guthrie

Dylan McMahon - Deputy City Clerk

Staff Report



To	Committee of the Whole
Service Area	Infrastructure, Development and Enterprise Services
Date	Monday, January 11, 2021
Subject	Sign By-law Variance for 225-245 Westwood Road

Recommendation

1. That the request for variance from Table 2, Row 8 of Sign By-law Number (1996)-15245, as amended, to permit a non-illuminated freestanding sign with a setback of 1m and an area of 1.73m² to be a height of 2.87m above the adjacent roadway at 225-245 Westwood Drive, be approved.
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Executive Summary

Purpose of Report

This report is to seek approval for a sign by-law variance for 225-245 Westwood Drive.

Key Findings

Table 2, Row 8 of Sign By-law Number (1996)-15245, as amended restricts freestanding signs to a height of 1.8m above and adjacent roadway in an R.4 Residential Zone.

Fast Signs of London has submitted a sign by-law variance application on behalf of Homestead Land Holdings Inc. to permit a non-illuminated freestanding sign with a setback of 1m and an area of 1.73m² to be a height of 2.87m above the adjacent roadway at 225-245 Westwood Drive

The request for variance is recommended for approval for the following reasons:

- The request is reasonable given that the sign is a height of 1.78m and it is the grade of the property that elevates the height of sign to 2.87m above the adjacent roadway;
- The Applicant reduced their original proposal of 2.15m above grade to 1.78m above grade;
- The proposed sign is replacing a larger existing sign on the property;
- The proposed sign will comply with all other provisions of the Sign By-law; and
- The proposed sign will not have a negative impact on the streetscape or surrounding area.

Financial Implications

Not applicable.

Report

Table 2, Row 8 of Sign By-law Number (1996)-15245, as amended restricts freestanding signs to a height of 1.8m above an adjacent roadway in an R.4 Residential Zone.

Fast Signs of London has submitted a sign by-law variance application on behalf of Homestead Land Holdings Inc. to permit a non-illuminated freestanding sign at a setback of 1m and an area of 1.73m² to be a height of 2.87m above the adjacent roadway at 225-245 Westwood Drive (see "Attachment 1 – Location Map").

Table 1 - the requested variance is as follows:

	By-law Requirements	Request
Permitted height above the adjacent roadway	1.8m	2.87m

Please see "Attachment-2 Sign Variance Drawings".

The request for variance is recommended for approval for the following reasons:

- The request is reasonable given that the sign is a height of 1.78m and it is the grade of the property that elevates the height of sign to 2.87m above the adjacent roadway;
- The Applicant reduced their original proposal of 2.15m above grade to 1.78m above grade;
- The proposed sign will be replacing a larger existing sign;
- The proposed sign will comply with all other provisions of the Sign By-law; and
- The proposed sign will not have a negative impact on the streetscape or surrounding area.

Financial Implications

Not applicable.

Consultations

Internal consultation with Planning Services.

External communication with the Applicant. A public notice will also be circulated to inform the public.

Strategic Plan Alignment

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Attachments

Attachment-1 Location Map

Attachment-2 Sign Variance Drawings

Departmental Approval

Patrick Sheehy, Program Manager, Zoning

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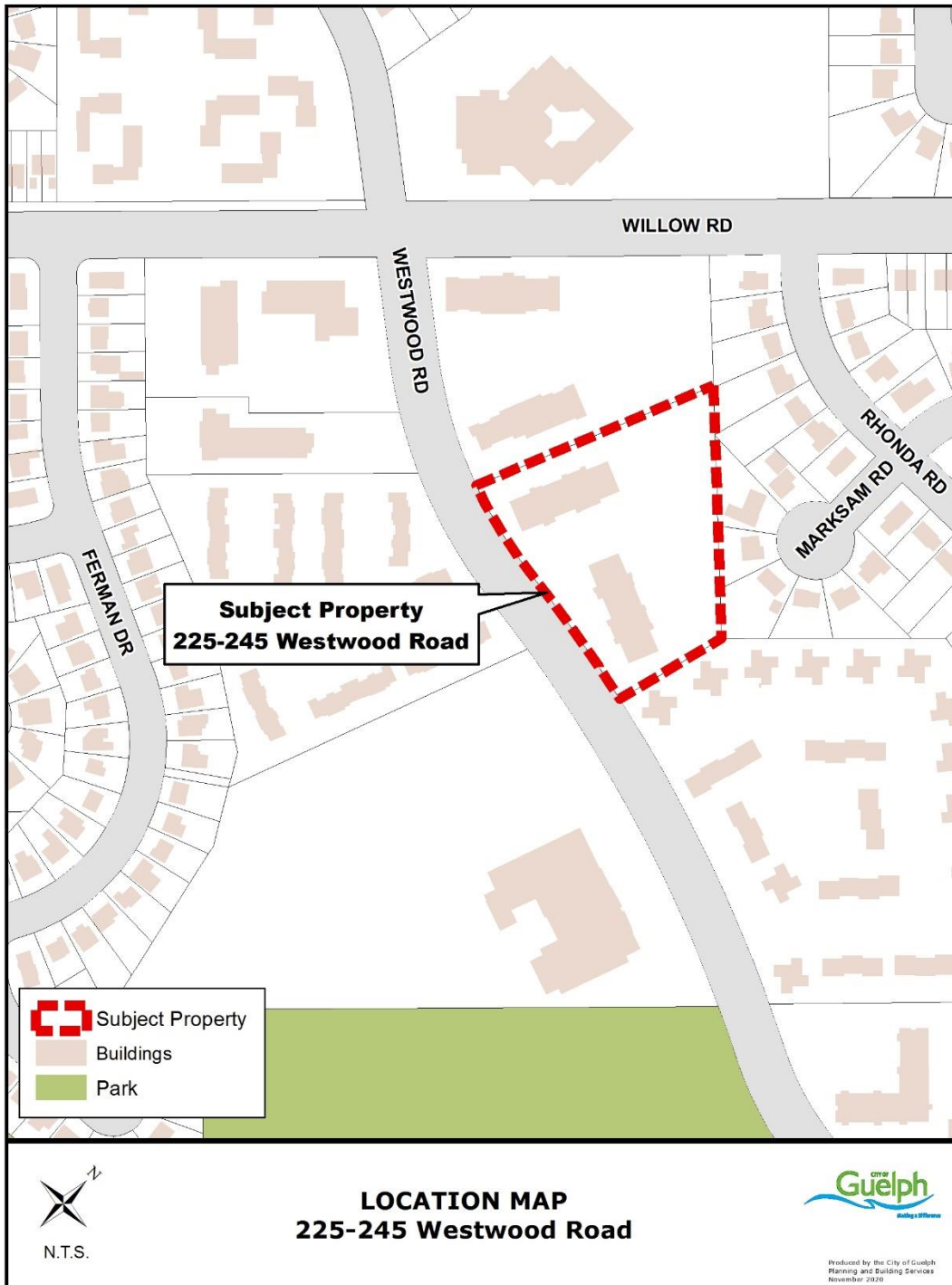
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Attachment 1 – Location Map



Attachment 2 - Sign Variance Drawings (provided by the Applicant)

Sample of the proposed non-illuminated freestanding sign with a height of 1.78m above grade and a height of 2.87m above the adjacent roadway.



Proposed location on the property

Note: The Applicant will be required to identify the property line and compliance with the required setback prior to the issuance of a sign permit.



Staff Report



To	Committee of the Whole
Service Area	Infrastructure, Development and Enterprise Services
Date	Monday, January 11, 2021
Subject	Sign By-law Variance for 244-246 Willow Road

Recommendation

1. That the request for variance from Table 2, Row 8 of Sign By-law Number (1996)-15245, as amended, to permit a non-illuminated freestanding sign with a setback of 1m and an area of 1.73m² to be a height of 1.92m above the adjacent roadway at 244-246 Willow Road, be approved.
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Executive Summary

Purpose of Report

This report is to seek approval of a sign by-law variance for 244-246 Willow Road.

Key Findings

Table 2, Row 8 of Sign By-law Number (1996)-15245, as amended restricts freestanding signs to a height of 1.8m above an adjacent roadway in an R.4 Residential Zone.

Fast Signs of London has submitted a sign by-law variance application on behalf of Homestead Land Holdings Inc. to permit a non-illuminated freestanding sign with a setback of 1m and an area of 1.73m² to be a height of 1.92m above the adjacent roadway at 244-246 Willow Road.

The request for variance is recommended for approval for the following reasons:

- The request is reasonable given that the sign is a height of 1.78m and it is the grade of the property that elevates the height of sign to 1.92m above the adjacent roadway;
- The Applicant reduced their original proposal of 2.15m above grade to 1.78m above grade;
- The proposed sign is replacing a larger existing sign on the property;
- The proposed sign will comply with all other provisions of the Sign By-law; and
- The proposed sign will not have a negative impact on the streetscape or surrounding area.

Financial Implications

Not applicable.

Report

Table 2, Row 8 of Sign By-law Number (1996)-15245, as amended restricts freestanding signs to a height of 1.8m above an adjacent roadway in an R.4 Residential Zone.

Fast Signs of London has submitted a sign by-law variance application on behalf of Homestead Land Holdings Inc. to permit a non-illuminated freestanding sign with a setback of 1m and an area of 1.73m² to be a height of 1.92m above the adjacent roadway at 244-246 Willow Road (see "Attachment 1 – Location Map").

Table 1 - the requested variance is as follows:

	By-law Requirements	Request
Permitted height above the adjacent roadway	1.8m	1.92

Please see "Attachment-2 Sign Variance Drawings".

The request for variance is recommended for approval for the following reasons:

- The request is reasonable given that the sign is a height of 1.78m and it is the grade of the property that elevates the height of sign to 1.92m above the adjacent roadway;
- The Applicant reduced their original proposal of 2.15m above grade to 1.78m above grade;
- The proposed sign will be replacing a larger existing sign;
- The proposed sign will comply with all other provisions of the Sign By-law; and
- The proposed sign will not have a negative impact on the streetscape or surrounding area.

Financial Implications

Not applicable.

Consultations

Internal consultation with Planning Services.

External communication with the Applicant. A public notice will also be circulated to inform the public.

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Attachments

Attachment-1 Location Map

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Departmental Approval

Patrick Sheehy, Program Manager, Zoning

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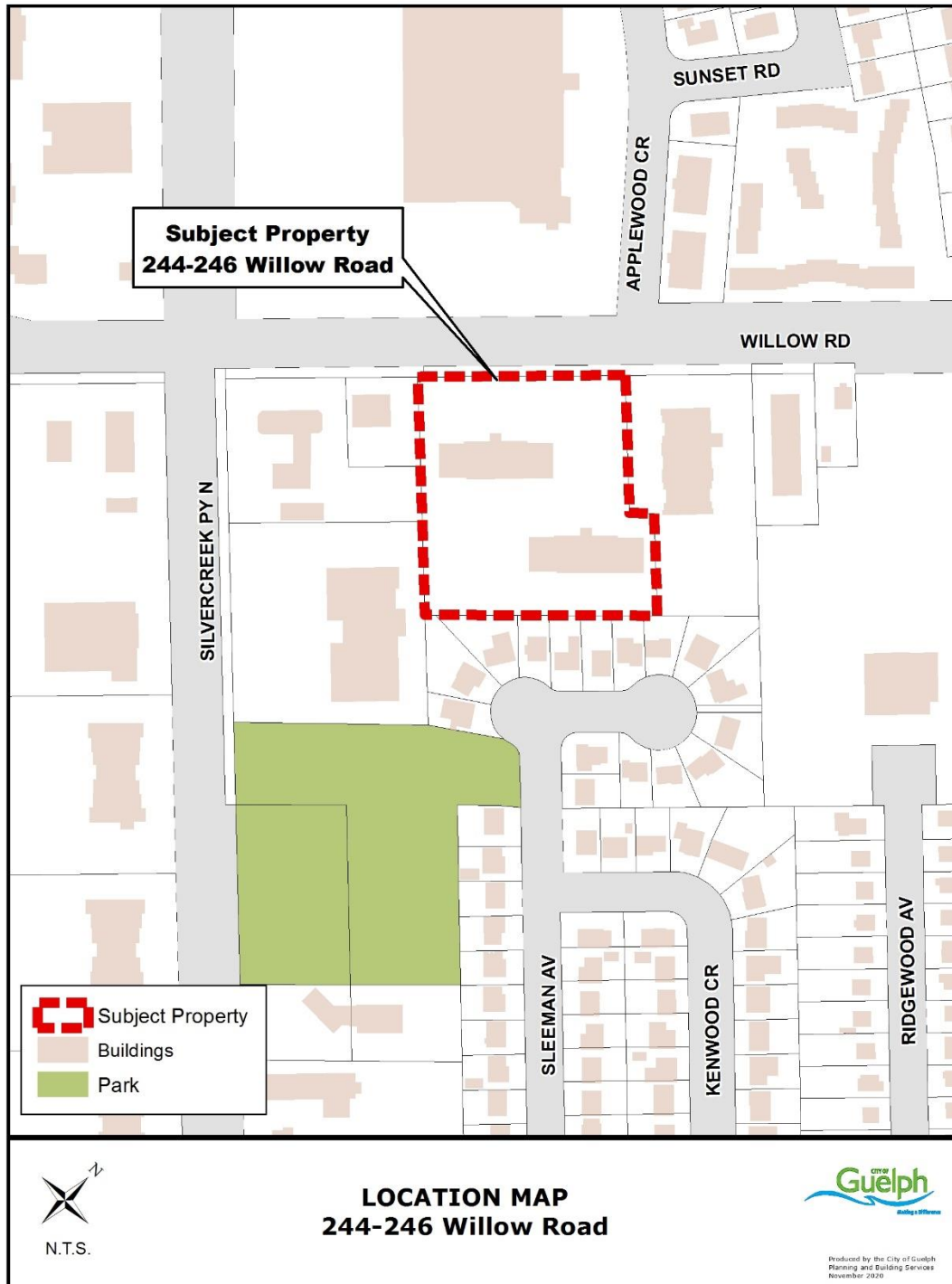
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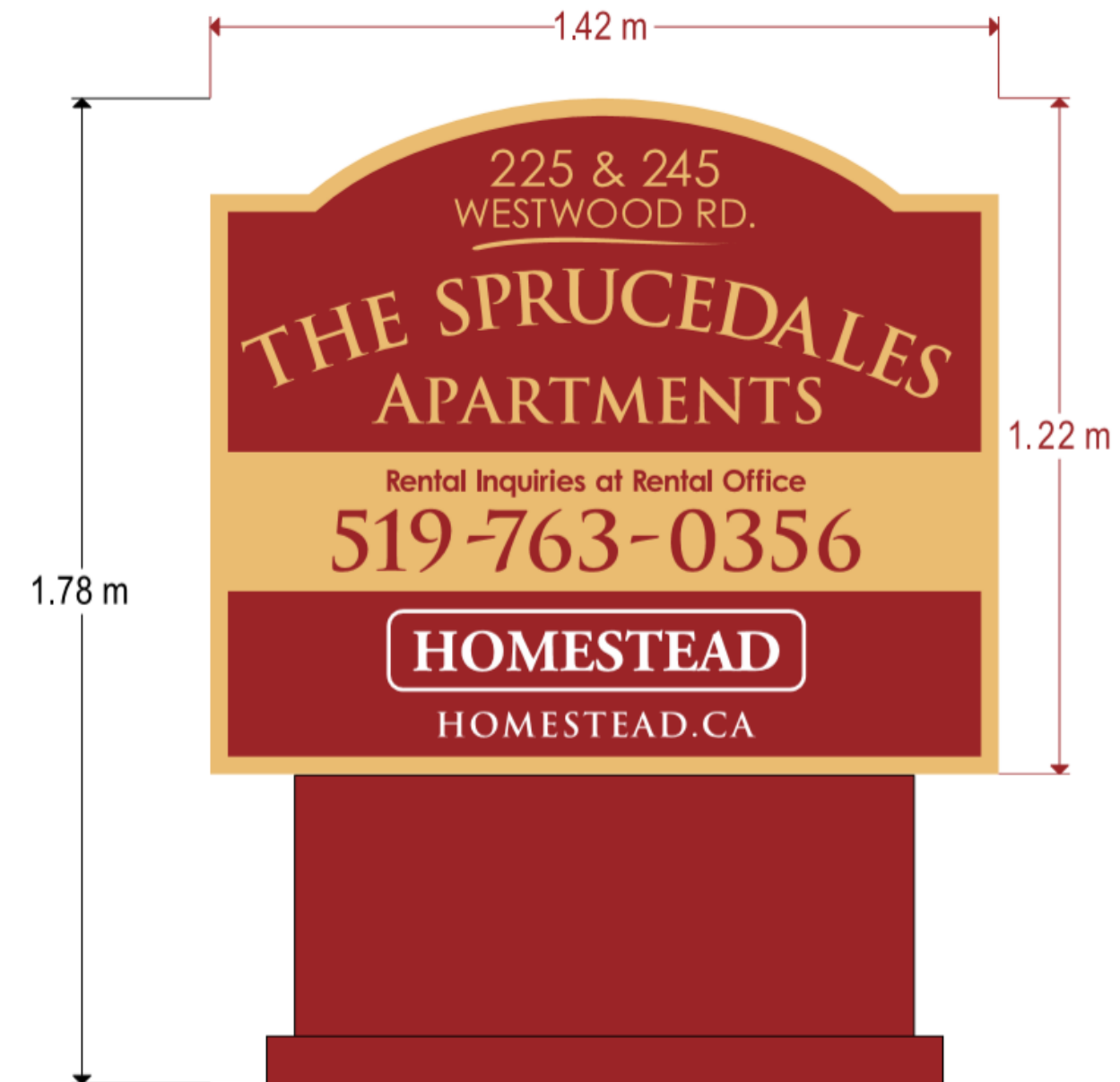
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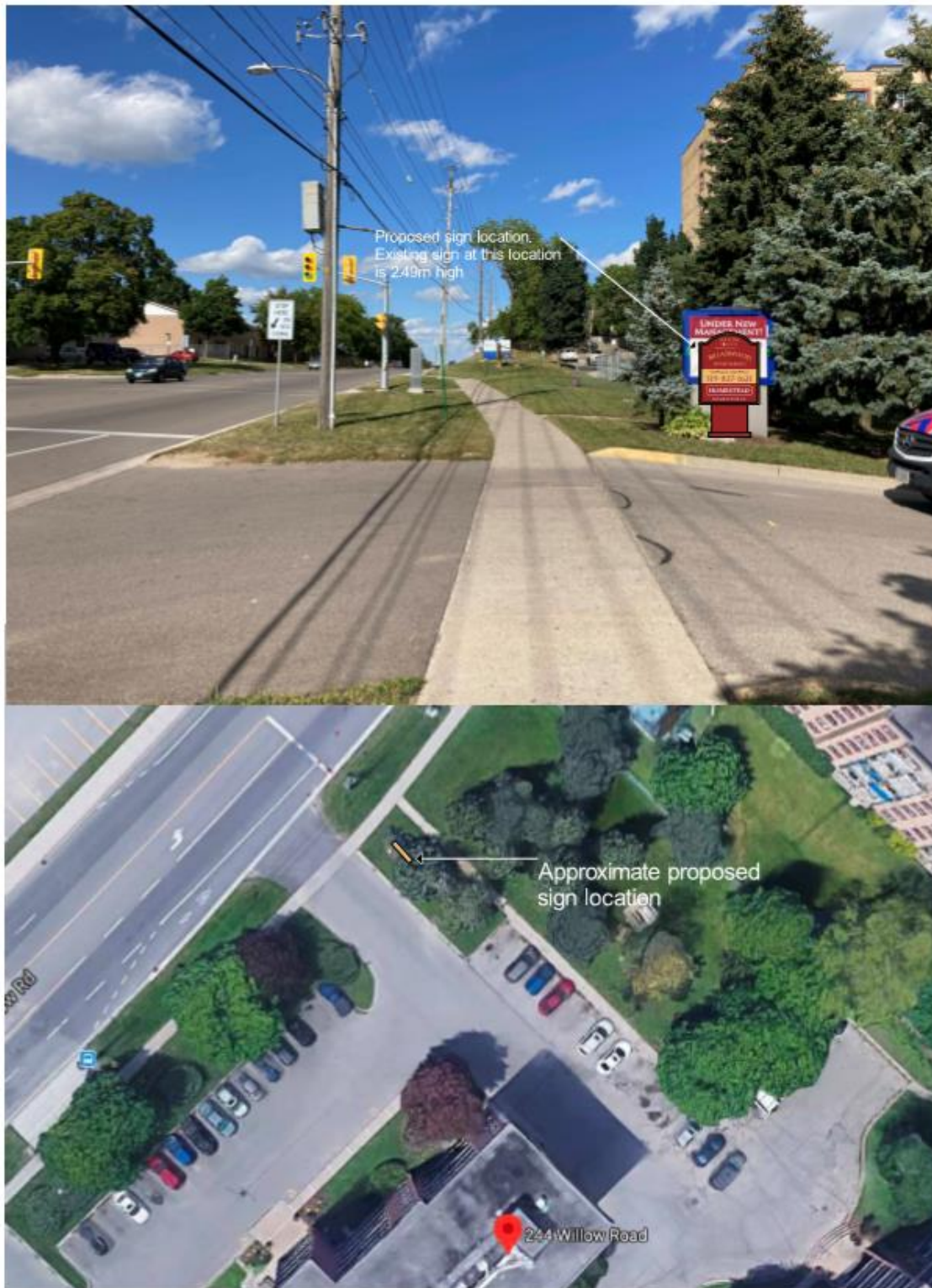
Attachment 2 - Sign Variance Drawings (provided by the Applicant)

Sample of the proposed non-illuminated freestanding sign with a height of 1.78m above grade and a height of 1.92m above the adjacent roadway.



Proposed location on the property

Note: The Applicant will be required to identify the property line and compliance with the required setback (including the driveway sightline triangle) prior to issuance of a sign permit.



Staff Report



To	Committee of the Whole
Service Area	Infrastructure, Development and Enterprise Services
Date	Monday, January 11, 2021
Subject	Sign By-law Variance for 85-87 Westwood Road

Recommendation

1. That the request for variance from Table 2, Row 8 of Sign By-law Number (1996)-15245, as amended, to permit a non-illuminated freestanding sign with a setback of 1m and an area of 1.73m² to be a height of 2.23m above the adjacent roadway at 85-87 Westwood Drive, be approved.
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Executive Summary

Purpose of Report

This report is to advise Council of a sign by-law variance for 85-87 Westwood Drive.

Key Findings

Table 2, Row 8 of Sign By-law Number (1996)-15245, as amended restricts freestanding signs to a height of 1.8m above an adjacent roadway in an R.4 Residential Zone.

Fast Signs of London has submitted a sign by-law variance application on behalf of Homestead Land Holdings Inc. to permit a non-illuminated freestanding sign with a setback of 1m and an area of 1.73m² to be a height of 2.23m above the adjacent roadway at 85-87 Westwood Drive

The request for variance is recommended for approval for the following reasons:

- The request is reasonable given that the sign is a height of 1.78m and it is the grade of the property that elevates the height of sign to 2.23m above the adjacent roadway;
- The Applicant reduced their original proposal of 2.15m above grade to 1.78m above grade;
- The proposed sign will comply with all other provisions of the Sign By-law; and
- The proposed sign will not have a negative impact on the streetscape or surrounding area.

Financial Implications

Not applicable.

Report

Table 2, Row 8 of Sign By-law Number (1996)-15245, as amended restricts freestanding signs to a height of 1.8m above an adjacent roadway in an R.4 Residential Zone.

Fast Signs of London has submitted a sign by-law variance application on behalf of Homestead Land Holdings Inc. to permit a non-illuminated freestanding sign with a setback of 1m and an area of 1.73m² to be a height of 2.23m above the adjacent roadway at 85-87 Westwood Drive (see "Attachment 1 – Location Map").

Table 1 - the requested variance is as follows:

	By-law Requirements	Request
Permitted height above the adjacent roadway	1.8m	2.23m

Please see "Attachment-2 Sign Variance Drawings".

The request for variance is recommended for approval for the following reasons:

- The request is reasonable given that the sign is a height of 1.78m and it is the grade of the property that elevates the height of sign to 2.23m above the adjacent roadway;
- The Applicant reduced their original proposal of 2.15m above grade to 1.78m above grade;
- The proposed sign will be replacing a larger existing sign;
- The proposed sign will comply with all other provisions of the Sign By-law; and
- The proposed sign will not have a negative impact on the streetscape or surrounding area.

Financial Implications

Not applicable.

Consultations

Internal consultation with Planning Services.

External communication with the Applicant. A public notice will also be circulated to inform the public.

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Attachments

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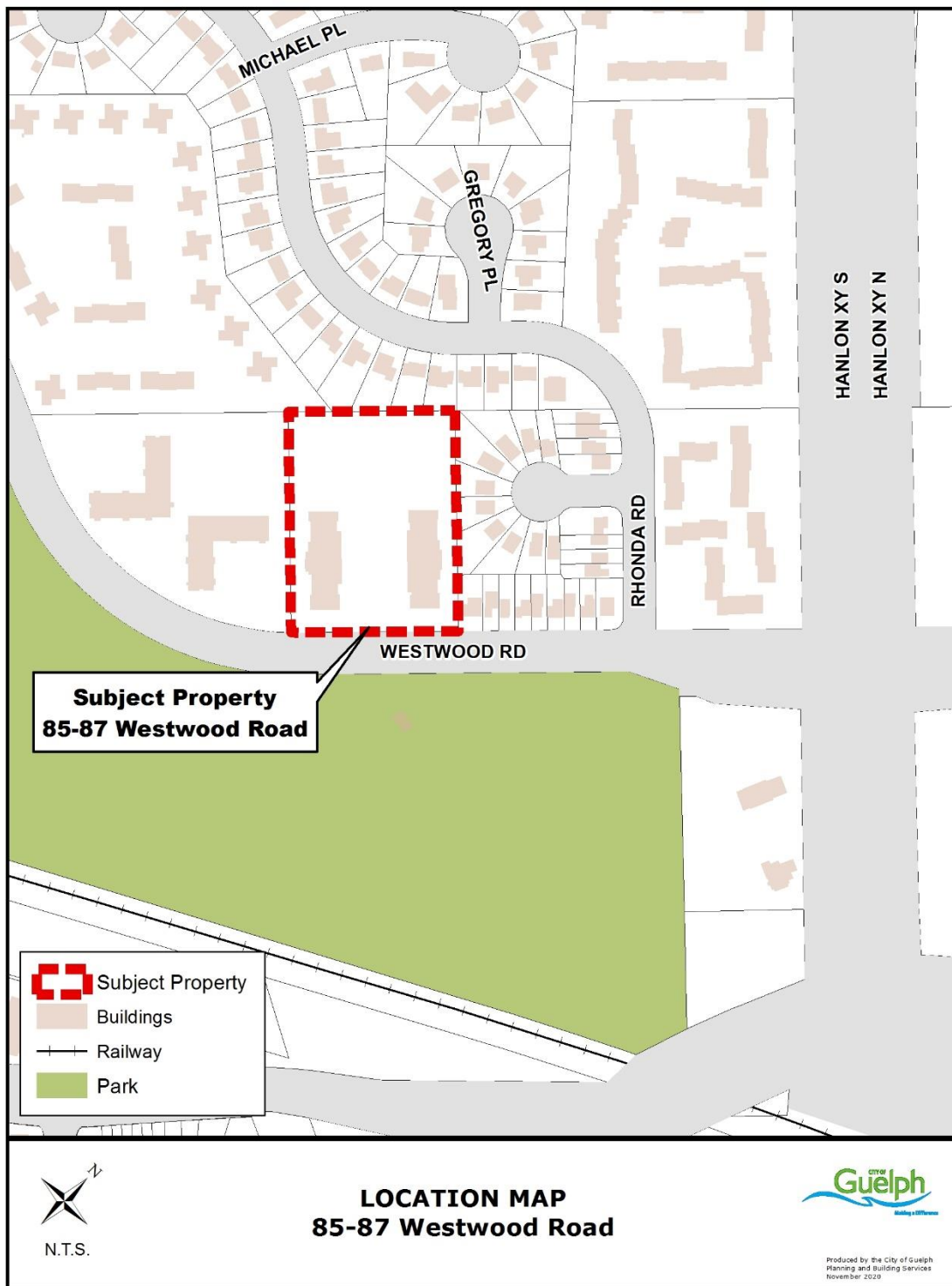
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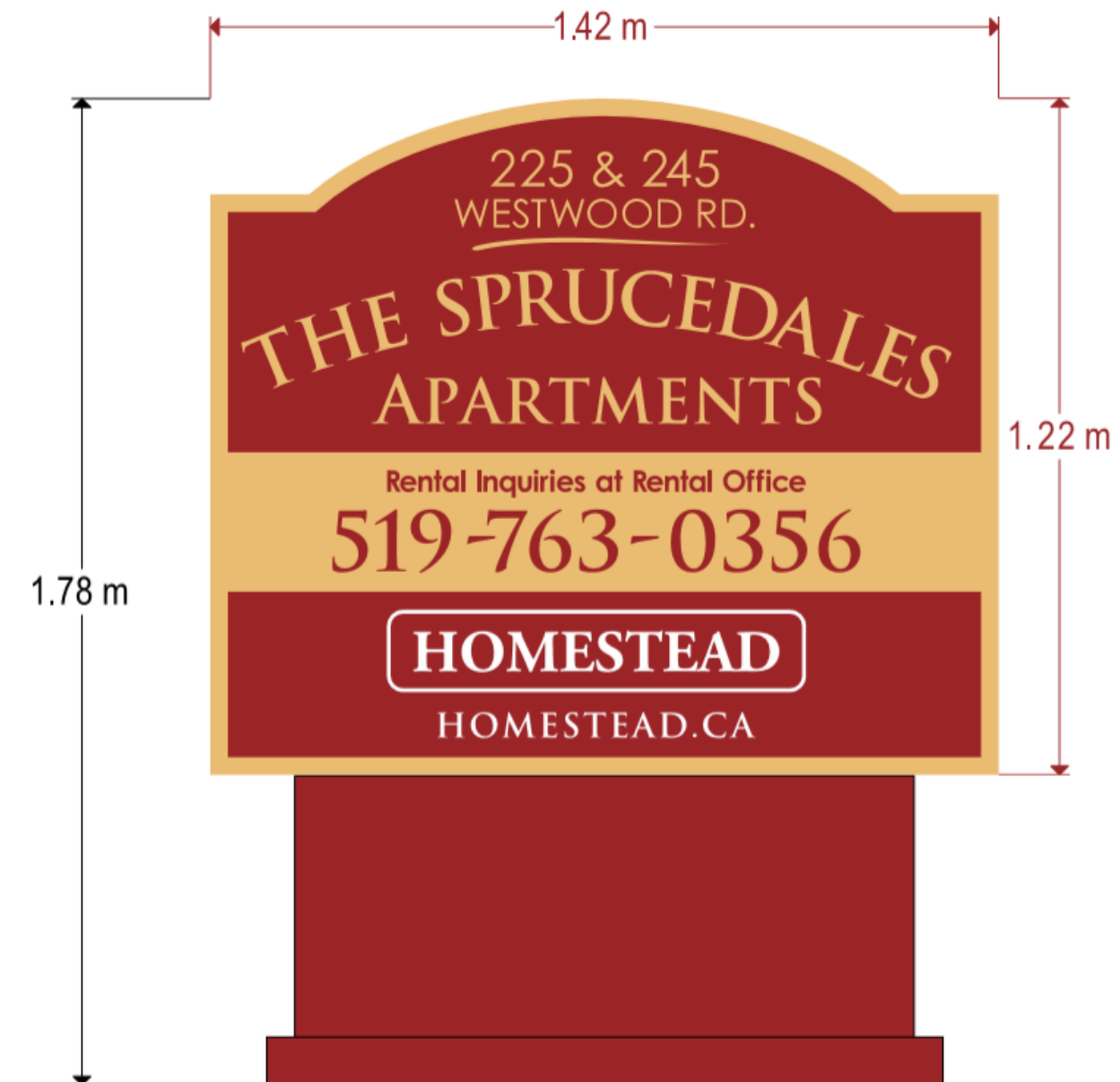
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(provided by the Applicant)

Sample of the proposed non-illuminated freestanding sign with a height of 1.78m above grade and a height of 2.23m above the adjacent roadway.



Proposed location on the property

Note: The Applicant will be required to identify the property line and compliance with the required setback prior to the issuance of a sign permit.



Staff Report



To	Committee of the Whole
Service Area	Office of the Chief Administrative Officer
Date	Monday, January 11, 2021
Subject	Coalition of Inclusive Municipalities

Recommendation

1. That City Council requests to join the Coalition of Inclusive Municipalities and endorses the Coalition of Inclusive Municipalities' 10 Common Commitments.
 2. That staff be directed to facilitate the Mayor's signing of a formal declaration to join the Coalition.
 3. That staff be directed to take any additional measures necessary to join the Coalition of Inclusive Municipalities, including the development of a plan of action.
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Executive Summary

Purpose of Report

To recommend to Council and seek approval for the City of Guelph to join the Coalition of Inclusive Municipalities.

Key Findings

The Coalition of Inclusive Municipalities is a network of Canadian local governments committed to diversity and inclusion that is coordinated by the Canadian Commission for the United Nations Educational Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO). The Coalition is also a member of UNESCO's International Coalition of Inclusive and Sustainable Cities (ICCAR), enabling participating municipalities to engage in inclusion and diversity efforts at an international scale.

The City of Guelph is well positioned to make a case to join the Coalition and in addition to a long-standing commitment to inclusion, has embarked upon three streams of action to support anti-racism, inclusion, diversity and equity efforts within the municipality.

Joining the Coalition requires a formal resolution from Council and the signing of a formal declaration (Attachment 1). It also requires that the City endorse the Coalition's 10 Common Commitments and formalize a plan of action to foster change. The City has already commenced work that aligns with the Coalition approach prior to this request as documented in several information reports.

Joining will bring forward several important benefits including providing the opportunity to learn from 82 other municipalities across Canada who are members of the Coalition, as well as from international best practices. It will allow us to access key resources and networks to help support the City in its work and provide

a good platform for the City to share what it learns over the coming years. Joining the coalition will also support the formalization of a plan of action and reinforce public accountability for this critical program of work.

Financial Implications

The Community Plan and Employee Diversity and Inclusion Plan initiatives are funded through existing budget. Any additional initiatives that require funding would come forward as part of the normal budgeting processes.

Report

Background

Formerly known as the Canadian Coalition of Municipalities Against Racism and Discrimination, the [Coalition of Inclusive Municipalities](#) is a network of 82+ municipal governments across Canada that is coordinated by the Canadian Commission for UNESCO.

The Coalition is also part of UNESCO's International Coalition of Inclusive and Sustainable Cities (ICCAR network).

In Canada, the Coalition seeks to:

- Improve municipal practices to advance social inclusion;
- Establish policies to eradicate all forms of racism and discrimination; and
- Promote human rights and diversity.

The Coalition is actively seeking new members, and staff believe that joining the coalition will support the City's inclusion, diversity and anti-racism efforts that it continues to action in partnership with the broader community and other local organizations and groups.

Alignment to Our Existing Work—Our Case to Join

Joining the Coalition is a clear next step for the City given our existing commitments and action in this area. There are several reports that summarize the City's current efforts to combat discrimination of all kinds and promote equity for everyone. The organization is working proactively in three main streams of work:

1. Supporting community-driven systemic action through the Community Plan.
2. Creating and maintaining an inclusive workplace through the launch of the Employee Diversity and Inclusion Plan.
3. Acting on Strategic Plan opportunities to embed anti-racism and inclusion practices and principles into our services, service delivery, policies and decision-making processes.

The following Council reports summarize the key actions moving forward under these three streams. These reports demonstrate that the municipality is aligned with the Coalition and the 10 Common Commitments listed further on below. In addition to the reports below, the City has for many years championed inclusion, diversity and anti-discrimination.

[Council Information Report, July 24, 2020](#)

[Council Information Report, November 27, 2020](#)

What Does Membership Entail?

Membership in the Coalition requires participation as outlined below. Notably, the Ontario Human Rights Commission promotes the Coalition and has resources that encourage municipalities in the province to get involved.

- The Coalition meets 1-2 times a year.
- The Coalition has a working group consisting of member municipalities and civil society groups that meets more regularly to coordinate the Coalition's activities and direction.
- Members are encouraged to develop Action Plans to advance inclusivity locally and the Coalition can offer guidance and support for these initiatives.
- Member municipalities can also plug into international work coordinated by UNESCO's ICCAR network.

The Common Commitments

Members of the Coalition endorse the following 10 commitments as a condition of membership.

The municipality as a guardian that respects the public interest

1. Increasing vigilance against systemic and individual discrimination.
2. Monitoring discrimination in the municipality and taking action to address it.
3. Supporting individuals who experience discrimination.
4. Providing police services that are exemplary institutions for fighting discrimination.

The municipality as an organization that upholds human rights

5. Providing equal opportunities as a municipal employer, service provider, and contractor.
6. Supporting measures that promote equity in the labour market.
7. Challenging discrimination and promoting diversity and equal opportunities in housing.

The municipality as a community that promotes diversity

8. Involving citizens by giving them a voice in anti-racism initiatives and decision-making.
9. Challenging discrimination and promoting diversity and equal opportunities in education and other forms of learning.
10. Promoting the respect, knowledge, and appreciation of cultural diversity and the inclusion of Indigenous and racialized communities in the cultural fabric of the municipality.

Benefits of Joining

The Coalition will provide the City with a key opportunity for networking and best practice sharing with other Canadian municipalities prioritizing diversity and inclusion.

The Coalition works collaboratively with member municipalities to develop one or two resources a year. If the City joins, Guelph can also share its learning with others and take part in the development of these resources.

Joining the Coalition would also allow the City to publicly signal its commitment to diversity and inclusion while contributing to the work of Coalition. It will also

provide the opportunity to consolidate its actions both those underway and those planned into one coherent action plan, informed by the community and partners.

To join the Coalition, the City requires a formal resolution from Council as recommended in this report and following that a formal signing of a declaration to join (see attachment 1-Declaration to join Coalition of Inclusive Municipalities). As part of the application process, passing the resolution and signing the declaration would demonstrate the municipality's support of the Coalition's Common Commitments.

Next Steps

Following the Council resolution to seek membership in the Coalition, staff will work with the Canadian Commission for UNESCO to formalize the application. Staff will also organize communications and the official signing of the declaration along with any other steps necessary to join the Coalition

Additionally, staff will continue its workplan as outlined in the recent [information report](#) and formalize this significant body of work, which forms the basis of an action plan. The Anti-racism, Inclusion and Diversity staff working group will continue to play a coordinating role in the formalization of the action plan and its implementation.

Financial Implications

The Community Plan and Employee Diversity and Inclusion Plan initiatives are funded through existing budget. Any additional initiatives that require funding would come forward as part of the normal budget processes.

Consultations

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Strategic Plan Alignment

The work identified in this report directly aligns to the Strategic Plan. Through the Working Together for our Future priority, this work will improve our ability to attract and develop accountable employees who work collaboratively and creatively to

deliver services, as well as improve how the City communicates with residents and delivers services. In addition, this work aligns with the Powering our Future priority. Specifically, to help businesses succeed and add value to the community.

Attachments

Attachment-1 Declaration to join Coalition of Inclusive Municipalities

Departmental Approval

None.

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Declaration to Join the Coalition of Inclusive Municipalities

Given that:

- 1 The Canadian Commission for UNESCO (United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization) is calling on municipalities to join a Coalition of Inclusive Municipalities and to be part of UNESCO's international Coalition launched in 2004; and
- 2 The Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) endorses the Call for a Coalition of Inclusive Municipalities and encourages its members to join; and

Whereas:

- 3 Municipal governments in Canada, along with other levels of government, have responsibilities under Canada's *Charter of Rights and Freedoms* as well as federal, provincial and territorial human rights codes, and therefore have an important role to play in combating racism and discrimination and fostering equality and respect for all citizens;

Be it resolved that:

- 4 The **insert the name of the municipality** agrees to join the Coalition of Inclusive Municipalities and, in joining the Coalition, endorses the Common Commitments and agrees to develop or adapt its own unique Plan of Action accordingly.
- 5 These Common Commitments and the Municipality's unique Plan of Action will be an integral part of the Municipality's vision, strategies and policies.
- 6 In developing or adapting and implementing its own unique Plan of Action toward progressive realization of the Common Commitments, the Municipality will cooperate with other organizations and jurisdictions, including other levels of government, Indigenous peoples, public and private sector institutions, and civil society organizations, all of whom have responsibilities in the area of human rights.
- 7 The Municipality will set its priorities, actions and timelines and allocate resources according to its unique circumstances, and within its means and jurisdiction. The Municipality will exchange its expertise and share best practices with other municipalities involved in the Coalition and will report publicly on an annual basis on actions undertaken toward the realization of these Common Commitments.

Insert name of the Municipality, insert date (month day, year)

His/Her Worship **insert name of the mayor**

SIGNATURE OF THE MAYOR



Staff Report



To	City Council
Service Area	Corporate Services
Date	Monday, January 25, 2021
Subject	City Council Appointment to the Grand River Conservation Authority Board of Directors

Recommendation

1. That Councillor Goller's appointment to the Grand River Conservation Authority Board of Directors be rescinded.
 2. That Councillor _____ be appointed to the Grand River Conservation Authority Board of Directors for a term ending November 15, 2022.
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Executive Summary

Purpose of Report

To appoint a member of City Council to fill a vacancy on the Grand River Conservation Authority (GRCA) Board of Directors (the Board) for a term ending November 15, 2022.

Key Findings

Councillor Goller has notified the GRCA of his intention to resign from his position on the Board pending the appointment of another member of City Council to fill the vacancy. Previously, Councillor Goller had been appointed by City Council to serve on the Board for a term ending November 15, 2022.

As a result, a vacancy on the Board for the remainder of the 2018-2022 term of City Council has been created.

Financial Implications

None.

Report

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As a result, a vacancy on the Board for the remainder of the 2018-2022 term of City Council has been created.

On November 23, 2020, City Council approved the [City Council Appointment Procedures](#). The appointment of a member of City Council to fill the vacancy on the Board should proceed in accordance with the approved procedures.

Financial Implications

None.

Consultations

The GRCA was notified by Councillor Goller of his intention to resign from his position on the Board pending the appointment of another member of City Council to fill the vacancy.

Strategic Plan Alignment

City Council appointments support the Strategic Plan – Working Together for Our Future priority, by ensuring effective representation of Guelph’s elected officials on various committees.

Departmental Approval

N/A

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Staff Report



To	City Council
Service Area	Corporate Services
Date	Monday, January 25, 2021
Subject	January 2021 Director Appointments to the Downtown Guelph Business Association Board of Management

Recommendation

1. That _____, _____ and _____ be appointed as directors to the Downtown Guelph Business Association Board of Management for a term ending November 30, 2022, or until such time as a success is appointed.
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Executive Summary

Purpose of Report

To appoint persons to vacant director seats on the Downtown Guelph Business Association (DBGA) Board of Management (Board).

Key Findings

In 2020, three directors resigned from the DBGA Board.

Upon receipt of the resignations, the Board put out a call to the DBGA membership to fill the vacant positions. Seven nominations were received and a vote of the DBGA membership was held.

Three individuals were elected by the DBGA membership to fill the vacant positions.

Appointments are made by City Council in accordance with section 6.7 of the City's Downtown Business Improvement Area Board of Management By-law being By-law Number (2014)-19694 (the By-Law).

Financial Implications

None.

Report

The current vacancies are a result of recent director resignations from the Board.

Downtown Guelph Business Association Board of Management

Meetings: the third Tuesday of every month.

The role of the [Downtown Guelph Business Association Board of Management](#) is to ensure that downtown is a vibrant urban center for the community and remains the community's civic, cultural, social and economic center. It also improves business

through the creation of a unique environment downtown and the promotion and advertising of the varied businesses.

Board Composition

Section 6.2 of the By-law sets out the composition of the Board of Management to consists of 12 members as follows:

- a) four directors appointed by Council, as follows:
 - i. Two members of Council, one of which represents Ward 1 and the other representing a Ward other than Ward 1; and,
 - ii. A representative of each of the two members of the Downtown Business Improvement Area who are the property owners assessed the highest levy on an individual rateable property in the Downtown Business Improvement Area; and,
- b) The remaining eight directors selected by a vote of the members and appointed by Council with a minimum of six of such directors to be members or a representative of a corporate member nominated in accordance with subsection 5.2. of By-law (2014)-19694.

The liaison is the Executive Director, Downtown Guelph Business Association.

Director Appointments

Section 6.7 of the By-law sets out the appointment of vacant director seats as follows:

- 6.7 If the seat of a director becomes vacant for any reason, Council may appoint a person to fill the vacancy for the remainder of the vacant director's term. The Board shall make a recommendation to Council regarding the person or person to be appointment.

Upon receipt of the resignations, the Board put out a call to the DGBA membership to fill the three vacant director seats. Seven nominations were received and a vote of the DGBA membership was held in accordance with section 6.2(b) of the By-law.

Three individuals were elected by the DGBA membership to fill the vacant positions.

The Board has provided the names of the successful nominees for City Council appointment through Closed Report January 2021 Director Appointments to Downtown Guelph Business Association Board of Management dated January 25, 2021.

Financial Implications

None.

Consultations

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Strategic Plan Alignment

This report supports the Strategic Plan – Working Together for our Future priority, by improving how the City communicates with residents and delivers services.

In addition, local boards are an important community engagement tool. Ensuring that public appointments are made to these groups enables them to continue their work.

Attachments

None.

Departmental Approval

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