



Minutes of Guelph City Council Emergency Meeting

April 16, 2020, 6:00 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 Piper
Councillor C. Downer
Councillor D. Gibson
Councillor R. Goller
Councillor J. Gordon
Councillor J. Hofland
Councillor M. MacKinnon
Councillor D. O'Rourke
Councillor M. Salisbury

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
T. Sprigg, General Manager, Corporate Communications and
Customer Service
S. O'Brien, General Manager, City Clerk's Office/City Clerk
D. McMahon, Manager, Legislative Service /Deputy City Clerk
J. da Silva, Council and Committee Assistant
D. Tremblay, Council and Committee Coordinator

2. Call to Order - 6:09 p.m.

Mayor Guthrie called the meeting to order.

2.4 Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and the General Nature Thereof

Councillor Downer declared a pecuniary interest with respect to item 6.2 COVID-19 Response - Staff Considerations as she has a family member who is employed by the City of Guelph.

3. Presentations

3.1 COVID-19 Updates

Mayor Guthrie and Scott Stewart, Chief Administrative Officer provided an update on the community and City response to the COVID-19 pandemic including video messages from Mike Schreiner, Member of Provincial Parliament and Lloyd Longfield, Member of Parliament.

4. Council Consent Agenda

The following items were extracted:

2020 Property Tax Policy report - 2020-02

Temporary Borrowing Policy - 2020-03

5. Items for Discussions

5.1 2020 Property Tax Policy Report - 2020-02

Moved By Councillor Gibson

Seconded By Councillor Allt

1. That the 2020 Property Tax Policy, dated April 16, 2020, be referred to the next meeting of City Council.

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

Voting Against: (2): Councillor Bell, and Councillor Goller

Carried (11 to 2)

5.2 Temporary Borrowing Policy - 2020-33

Moved By Councillor Gibson
Seconded By Councillor Billings

1. That the Temporary Borrowing Policy as recommended through report 2020-33, titled Temporary Borrowing Policy dated April 16, 2020, be approved with a maximum amount of temporary borrowing not to exceed \$50 million.

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

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

Carried (11 to 2)

5.3 Managing the Impacts of COVID-19 -2020-36

Scott Stewart, Chief Administrative Officer provided a summary of the efforts the City has undertaken to manage the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic.

The following delegations spoke via telephone:

Yvette Tendick

Pat Fung

Mike Darmon

Martin Collier

Moved By Councillor Downer
Seconded By Councillor Billings

1. That the expanded fiscal relief measures for businesses and residents as outlined in report "Managing the Impacts of COVID-19" dated April 16, 2020 be approved.
2. That staff continue to explore ways to assist Guelph residents and businesses as they experience the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic; and that staff continue to pursue advocacy with various levels of government.
3. That report "Managing the Impacts of COVID-19" dated April 16, 2020 be forwarded to the local MP and MPP, FCM, AMO, LUMCO 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 Piper, Councillor Downer, Councillor Gibson, Councillor Goller, Councillor Gordon, Councillor Hofland, Councillor MacKinnon, Councillor O'Rourke, and Councillor Salisbury

Carried (13 to 0)

5.4 Procedural By-law Update - 2020-34

The following delegates spoke via telephone:

Susan Watson

Lin Grist

Moved By Councillor O'Rourke

Seconded By Councillor Gibson

1. That the proposed Procedural By-law, included as Attachment-1 to the report titled Procedural By-law Update, dated April 16, 2020, be approved and that By-law (2019)-20432 be repealed.

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

Voting Against: (1): Councillor Salisbury

Carried (12 to 1)

Councillor Downer left the meeting at 8:38 p.m.

6. Authority to move into closed meeting

Moved By Councillor Salisbury

Seconded By Councillor Billings

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:

COVID-19 Response - Staff Considerations

Section 239 (2)(b) and (d) of the Municipal Act relating 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 Piper, Councillor Gibson, Councillor Goller, Councillor Gordon, Councillor Hofland, Councillor MacKinnon, Councillor O'Rourke, and Councillor Salisbury

Carried (12 to 0)

7. Open Meeting

Mayor Guthrie called the meeting to order at 9:41 p.m.

7.1 Closed Meeting Summary

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

COVID-19 Response - Staff Considerations

City Council received information and staff were given direction on this matter.

8. By-laws

Moved By Councillor Bell

Seconded By Councillor Billings

That By-law Numbers (2020)-20489, as amended, (2020)-20490 and (2020)-20495 are hereby passed.

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

Carried (12 to 0)

10. Adjournment

Moved By Councillor Salisbury

Seconded By Councillor Goller

That the meeting is adjourned at 9:41 p.m.

Mayor Guthrie

Stephen O'Brien - City Clerk