



## **Minutes of Guelph City Council**

**January 25, 2021, 5:30 p.m.  
Remote meeting live streamed  
on [guelph.ca/live](https://guelph.ca/live)**

Council:	Mayor C. Guthrie Councillor P. Allt Councillor B. Bell Councillor C. Billings Councillor L. Caron Councillor C. Downer Councillor R. Goller Councillor J. Gordon Councillor J. Hofland Councillor M. MacKinnon Councillor D. O'Rourke Councillor M. Salisbury
Absent:	Councillor D. Gibson
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 C. Cooper, General Manager, Legal Realty and Court Services/City Solicitor D. Evans, General Manager, Tourism and Community Investment J. Regan, General Manager, Business Development and Enterprise A. Vilko, General Manager, Facilities and Energy

Management

K. Walkey, General Manager, Planning and Building Services

D. McMahon, Manager, Legislative Services / Deputy City Clerk

T. Di Lullo, Council and Committee Coordinator

D. Tremblay, Council and Committee Coordinator

Also Present: Marty Williams, Executive Director, Downtown Guelph Business Association  
Andrew Biggart, Solicitor, Ritchie Ketcheson, Hart and Biggart

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

Mayor Guthrie called the meeting to order. (5:31 p.m.)

**3. Authority to move into closed meeting**

Moved By Councillor Caron

Seconded By Councillor Allt

That the Council of the City of Guelph now hold a meeting that is closed to the public, pursuant to Sections 239(2)(b)(c)(e) and (f) of the Municipal Act, related to personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees, matters relating to litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the municipality or local board and advise that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose, a proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local board:

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

Carried (12 to 0)

The following matters were considered:

**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**

**3.5 65 Delhi Street - Update - 2021-32**

**3.4 361 Whitelaw Road Local Planning Appeal Tribunal Update**

**4. Rise from Closed Meeting**

Council rose from its closed meeting. (6:44 p.m.)

**5. Call to Order and Recess**

Mayor Guthrie called the meeting to order and recessed the meeting. (6:47 p.m.)

**6. Call to Order - Resume Meeting**

Mayor Guthrie called the meeting to order and the meeting resumed. (9:31 p.m.)

**6.1 Closed Meeting Summary**

Mayor Guthrie spoke regarding 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 December 14, 2020.**

The minutes were adopted by Council.

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

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

**361 Whitelaw Road Local Planning Appeal Tribunal Update**

The Mayor advised that information was received and no direction was given.

The Mayor advised that Council recessed closed session before completion of the following item:

## **65 Delhi Street - Update - 2021-32**

Council will resume closed session upon completion of the open portion of the January 25, 2021 Council Agenda.

### **6.5 Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and General Nature Thereof**

There were no disclosures.

## **7. Special Resolutions**

Moved By Councillor Caron

Seconded By Councillor Hofland

That Sandy Clipsham, Nicole Hogg and Tim Plunkett be appointed as Directors of the Downtown Guelph Business Association Board of Management for a term ending November 30, 2022 or until such time as a successor is appointed.

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

Carried (12 to 0)

## **9. Committee of the Whole Consent Report**

Moved By Councillor Hofland

Seconded By Councillor Downer

That the January 25, 2021, Committee of the Whole Consent Agenda be adopted:

### **9.1 Sign By-law Variance for 225-245 Westwood Road-2021-05**

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 1.73m<sup>2</sup> to be a height of 2.87m above the adjacent roadway at 225-245 Westwood Drive, be approved.

### **9.2 Sign By-law Variance for 244-246 Willow Road-2021-06**

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 1.73m<sup>2</sup> to be a height of 1.92m above the adjacent roadway at 244-246 Willow Road, be approved.

### **9.3 Sign By-law Variance for 85-87 Westwood Road-2021-04**

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 1.73m<sup>2</sup> to be a height of 2.23m above the adjacent roadway at 85-87 Westwood Drive, be approved.

### **9.4 Coalition of Inclusive Municipalities-2021-08**

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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Carried (12 to 0)

## **8. Confirmation of Open Minutes**

Moved By Councillor Hofland  
Seconded By Councillor Caron

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.

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

Carried (12 to 0)

## **10. Items for Discussion**

### **10.1 City Council Appointment to the Grand River Conservation Authority Board of Directors - 2021-17**

The Mayor called for nominations from Members of Council for a Councillor to be appointed to the Grand River Conservation Authority Board of Directors.

Councillor Caron nominated Councillor Downer for appointment to the Grand River Conservation Authority Board of Directors. Councillor Hofland seconded the nomination.  
Councillor Downer accepted the nomination.

Moved By Councillor Caron  
Seconded By Councillor Hofland

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

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

Carried (12 to 0)

## **12. Authority to move into closed session**

Moved By Councillor Allt  
Seconded By Councillor Hofland

That Council of the City of Guelph now hold a meeting that is closed to the public, pursuant to section 239(2)(c) and (f) of the Municipal Act related 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.

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Carried (12 to 0)

The following item was discussed:

### **65 Delhi Street - Update - 2020-32**

#### **13. Open Meeting**

Mayor Guthrie called the meeting to Order. (10:50 p.m.)

#### **Closed Meeting Summary**

Mayor Guthrie spoke regarding the following item:

### **65 Delhi Street - Update - 2021-32**

The Mayor advised that Council received information and provided direction to staff.

#### **14. By-laws**

Moved By Councillor Gordon  
Seconded By Councillor Goller

That by-laws number (2021)-20560 to (2021)-20565 are hereby passed.

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Carried (12 to 0)

#### **16. Adjournment**

Moved By Councillor Salisbury  
Seconded By Councillor Billings

That the meeting be adjourned. (10:52 p.m.)

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

Carried (12 to 0)

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Mayor Guthrie

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Dylan McMahon - Deputy City Clerk