

# **Minutes of Guelph City Council**

# November 15, 2021, 6:00 p.m. Remote meeting live streamed on guelph.ca/live

| Council:      | Mayor C. Guthrie  |
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|               | 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. MacKinnon   |
|               | Councillor D. O'Rourke  |
|               | Councillor M. Salisbury   |
| Staff:        | S. Stewart, Chief Administrative Officer                        |
|               | C. Clack-Bush, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer, Public      |
|               | Services  |
|               | J. Holmes, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer,                 |
|               | Infrastructure, Development and Enterprise Services             |
|               | T. Lee, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer, Corporate Services |
|               | T. Baker, General Manager, Finance/City Treasurer               |
|               | R. Gerus, General Manager, Transit Services                     |
|               | C. McDonald, Manager, Transit Business Services                 |
|               | A. Mikkila, Supervisor, Scheduling and Service Planning         |
|               | J. Simmons, Manager, Transit Operations                         |
|               | D. McMahon, Manager, Legislative Services/Deputy Clerk          |
|               | J. da Silva, Council and Committee Assistant                    |
|               | T. Di Lullo, Council and Committee Coordinator                  |
| Also Present: | S. Carey, Chair, Transit Advisory Committee                     |
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# 2. Call to Order

Mayor Guthrie called the meeting to order (6:10 p.m.).

#### 2.4 Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and General Nature Thereof

There were no disclosures.

# 3. Guelph Transit Action Plan – Route Review Recommended Plan – 2021-335

C. Clack-Bush, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer, Public Services, provided opening remarks regarding the Guelph Transit Action Plan - Route Review.

R. Gerus, General Manager, Guelph Transit, presented a roadmap of milestones and future goals of the Guelph Transit Action Plan.

A. Mikkila, Supervisor, Scheduling and Service Planning, explained the route review process, its alignment with the Guelph Strategic Plan, and financial implications.

C. Clack-Bush, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer, Public Services, provided closing remarks and thanked staff for the work done.

S. Carey, Chair, Transit Advisory Committee, outlined benefits of the recommended option presented by staff.

The following delegates spoke regarding this item: Shilik Hamad, VP External, Central Student Association Amelia Meister Christopher Greyson-Gaito Adam A. Donaldson Barbara A. Sim Eleanor Ross Scott Frederick Ali Versluis Steven Petric, Chair, Transit Action Alliance of Guelph

#### Main Motion:

Moved By Councillor Allt Seconded By Councillor Hofland

- 1. That the financial implications resulting from PS-2021-335 titled Guelph Transit Action Plan – Route Review Recommended Plan be referred to the 2022 and 2023 budget deliberations on December 2, 2021.
- 2. That Council approve staff's recommendation to proceed with the Future Ready Plan (Staff Recommended Plan) as outlined in Attachment 1, to begin implementation in spring 2022, pending budget approval.
- 3. That Council approve the Guelph Transit Service Guidelines as outlined in Attachment 1, Section 6.
- 4. That the Revenue to Cost (R/C) ratio targets for fare increases from the 2019 Transit Business Service Review be paused until the completion of the upcoming Transit Fare Strategy.
- 5. That staff execute the Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program (ICIP): Public Transit Stream Transfer Payment Agreement (TPA) with the Province of Ontario in alignment with the above Route Review Recommended Plan.

# **Referral Motion:**

Moved By Councillor Goller Seconded By Councillor Bell

That clauses 2 and 5 be referred to the December 2, 2021 Special City Council meeting.

Councillor O'Rourke raised a point of order. Councillor O'Rourke wanted to confirm that the motion was moved as an amendment to the motion in discussion.

Mayor Guthrie confirmed that this was an amendment to refer the motion.

Councillor O'Rourke raised a point of order. Councillor O'Rourke requested clarification on the motion.

Councillor Goller, mover of the referral, confirmed the intention of the referral.

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

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

# Amendment:

Moved By Councillor MacKinnon Seconded By Councillor O'Rourke

3. That Council approve the Guelph Transit Service Guidelines as outlined in Attachment 1, Section **6.1**.

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 MacKinnon, Councillor O'Rourke, and Councillor Salisbury

Carried (13 to 0)

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Carried (13 to 0)

# Additional Motion:

Moved By Councillor O'Rourke Seconded By Councillor Allt

That staff be directed to explore potential partnerships and/or secure grants to help fund interregional transit and report back to City Council with the findings prior to the design and implementation of interregional transit.

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 MacKinnon, Councillor O'Rourke, and Councillor Salisbury

Carried (13 to 0)

# 4. By-laws

Moved By Councillor O'Rourke Seconded By Councillor Allt

That By-laws numbered (2021)-20646 and (2021)-20647 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 MacKinnon, Councillor O'Rourke, and Councillor Salisbury

Carried (13 to 0)

# 5. Adjournment

That the Council meeting be adjourned (6:10 p.m.).

Mayor Guthrie

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Dylan McMahon - Deputy City Clerk