



Minutes of Guelph City Council

January 25, 2023

9:00 a.m.

Council Chambers

Guelph City Hall, 1 Carden Street

Council:

- Mayor C. Guthrie
- Councillor P. Allt
- Councillor C. Billings
- Councillor L. Busuttil
- Councillor L. Caron
- Councillor E. Caton
- Councillor K. Chew
- Councillor C. Downer
- Councillor D. Gibson
- Councillor R. Goller
- Councillor C. Klassen
- Councillor D. O'Rourke
- Councillor M. Richardson

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, Acting General Manager, Information Technology
- Shanna O'Dwyer, Acting General Manager Finance/City Treasurer
- J. Regan, General Manager, Economic Development and Tourism
- Greg Clark, Manager, Special Projects
- Karen Newland, Manager, Financial Client Services and Budget

S. O'Brien, General Manager, City Clerk's Office/City Clerk
D. McMahon, Manager, Legislative Services/Deputy Clerk
J. da Silva, Council and Committee Coordinator
G. Meades, Council and Committee Coordinator
C. Murray-Sprague, Council and Committee Coordinator
A. Sandor, Council and Committee Assistant
Joey Tang, Legislative Coordinator

1. Call to Order

Mayor Guthrie called the meeting to order (9:01 a.m.)

3. Authority to move into closed meeting

Moved By Councillor Caron
Seconded By Councillor Chew

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:

Voting in Favour: (13): Mayor Guthrie, Councillor Allt, Councillor Billings, Councillor Busuttill, Councillor Caron, Councillor Caton, Councillor Chew, Councillor Downer, Councillor Gibson, Councillor Goller, Councillor Klassen, Councillor O'Rourke, and Councillor Richardson

Carried (13 to 0)

3.1 Call to Order (closed meeting)

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

3.3 Non-Union Municipal Employee Group Compensation Increase 2023 - 2023-09

4. Closed Meeting Summary

Mayor Guthrie noted there is a motion from closed session that will be voted on during the open session when it begins at 9:30 a.m.

5. Open Meeting - 9:30 a.m.

Mayor Guthrie called the meeting to order (9:30 a.m.)

5.4 Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and General Nature Thereof

There were no disclosures.

6. 2023 City Budget Confirmation, 2023-25

Scott Stewart, Chief Administrative Officer provided introductory remarks as it relates to the 2023 City Budget Confirmation. Trevor Lee, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer Corporate Services provided information regarding the 2023 City Budget Confirmation. Shanna O'Dwyer, Acting General Manager Finance/City Treasurer provided additional details as it relates to the 2023 City Budget Confirmation. Tara Baker, Acting General Manager, Information Technology also provided additional details as it relates to the 2023 City Budget Confirmation.

The following delegates spoke:

Pat Gage on behalf of Linda Jeffrey

Shakiba Shayani

Helen Fishburn

Sarah Haanstra

Council recessed 11:13 a.m.

Council resumed 11:19 a.m.

Dominica McPherson

Kristel Manes

Alison Crumblehulme

David J. A. Douglas

Elden Morais

Council recessed 12:10 p.m.

Council resumed 12:41 p.m.

The following delegates did not speak

Barbara McPhee

Main Motion

Moved By Councillor Goller

Seconded By Councillor Allt

That the following recommendations be approved:

1. That the 2023 operating budget be readopted as amended at a gross expenditure budget of \$508,599,380 with a 2023 property tax and payment-in-lieu of taxes levy requirement of \$297,280,030 or 4.96 per cent over 2022 inclusive of the following:

- a. City service budget requirement, net of the proportionate share of assessment growth, totalling an increased net levy requirement in 2023 of \$9,083,317 or 3.25 per cent inclusive of the following:
 - i. Increase of \$2,413,429 for in-year Council decisions related to Mayor and Council compensation, Property and Assessed Clean Energy Program, Municipal Accommodations Tax, Farmer's Market transition to 10C and costs to implement Bill 109.
 - ii. Increase of \$1,980,000 for new legislation requirements including increased capital transfers of \$1,000,000 to fund preliminary impacts of Bill 23 and an increased benefit of \$980,000 related to changing eligibility for the Ontario Municipal Employees Retirement System.
 - iii. Elimination of the \$500,000 transfer to the Affordable Housing reserve in response to exemptions outlined in Bill 23.
 - iv. Reduction of \$469,000 for phase-in of South End Community Centre and Baker District Redevelopment.
 - v. Increased funding of \$1,255,830 through other revenues and grants associated with the Property and Assessed Clean Energy Program and Municipal Accommodations Tax.
 - vi. Additional assessment growth revenue of \$594,831.
 - vii. Transfers from the Tourism Municipal Accommodation Tax reserve of \$171,910 to support the Municipal Accommodations Tax program.
 - viii. Increased transfers from contingency reserves of \$1,692,109.
- b. Rates, fees and charges totalling an increased requirement of \$2,517,346 or 2.73 per cent over 2022 inclusive of the following:
 - i. Increased investment of \$600,000 to fund preliminary impacts of Bill 23 including a \$300,000 transfer to the Water Capital reserve and a \$300,000 transfer to the Wastewater Capital reserve.
 - ii. Increased transfers from rate-specific contingency reserves of \$600,000.
- c. Local Boards and Shared Services budget requirement, net of the proportionate share of assessment growth, totaling an increased

net levy requirement and in 2023 of \$4,792,488 or 1.71 per cent inclusive of the following:

- i. Additional assessment growth revenue of \$292,977.
 - d. Total transfers to/from Reserve and Reserve Funds in 2023 in accordance with the Reserve and Reserve Fund summary.
 2. That the temporary pressures of inflation and increasing expenses resulting from supply chain challenges be offset by temporary operating surpluses experienced from tight labour markets and increased investment income, and that any shortfall be funded through the City's Tax Rate Operating Contingency reserve in 2023.
 3. That the 2024-2025 operating budget forecast and the 2026 inflationary budget forecast be received for information, with a full four-year multi-year budget planned for 2024-2027.
 4. That the 2023 approved capital budget be amended with a net reduction of \$38,751,650 resulting in the gross 2023 capital expenditure budget of \$123,155,500 and the associated operating budget required upon completion of these projects totalling \$1,182,700, be readopted inclusive of the following:
 - a. Funding transfers from capital reserve funds and other sources including partnerships and grants.
 5. That the 2024-2031 capital forecast in the gross amount of \$1,736,763,840, be received unchanged as presented in December 2021, with a full 10-year budget and forecast update to be prepared for the 2024-2027 multi-year budget.
 6. That the Guelph General Hospital levy in the amount of \$750,000 be budgeted for the third of six years as approved on December 3, 2019 and be funded from the Tax Rate Operating Contingency reserve.
 7. That the Downtown Guelph Business Association 2023 budget with gross expenditures of \$719,512, and a total levy of \$679,800 be confirmed as presented on Dec 2, 2021.

First Amendment

Moved By Councillor Klassen

Seconded By Councillor Gibson

1. That non-union compensation adjustment in the amount of \$1,097,000 be approved for 2023; representing a 1.95 percent adjustment and the associated employee benefits.

Voting in Favour: (13): Mayor Guthrie, Councillor Allt, Councillor Billings, Councillor Busuttil, Councillor Caron, Councillor Caton, Councillor Chew, Councillor Downer, Councillor Gibson, Councillor Goller, Councillor Klassen, Councillor O'Rourke, and Councillor Richardson

Carried (13 to 0)

Second Amendment

Moved By Councillor Goller

Seconded By Councillor Downer

1. To remove staff recommendation 1.a.iii. to remove the elimination of the Affordable Housing reserve transfer adding a levy impact of 0.18 per cent in 2023

Councillor Billings raised a point of order. Councillor Billings asked for confirmation on process of amendments as it relates to budget. Mayor Guthrie ruled to allow the motion.

Amendment to the Second Amendment

Moved By Councillor Downer

Seconded By Councillor O'Rourke

1. To remove staff recommendation 1.a.iii. to remove the elimination of the Affordable Housing reserve transfer **and that a transfer be allocated from Tax Rate Operating Contingency Reserve to the Affordable Housing reserve in 2023.**

Amendment to the Second Amendment was withdrawn by the mover.

The Second Amendment to the Main Motion was withdrawn by the mover.

Third Amendment

Moved By Councillor Goller

Seconded By Councillor Caron

1. To remove clause 1. a. iii. from the Main Motion.

Voting in Favour: (13): Mayor Guthrie, Councillor Allt, Councillor Billings, Councillor Busuttil, Councillor Caron, Councillor Caton, Councillor Chew, Councillor Downer, Councillor Gibson, Councillor Goller, Councillor Klassen, Councillor O'Rourke, and Councillor Richardson

Carried (13 to 0)

Fourth Amendment

Moved By Councillor Goller

Seconded By Councillor Klassen

1. That a transfer be allocated from Tax Rate Operating Contingency Reserve to the Affordable Housing Reserve of \$500,000 in 2023

Voting in Favour: (13): Mayor Guthrie, Councillor Allt, Councillor Billings, Councillor Busuttil, Councillor Caron, Councillor Caton, Councillor Chew, Councillor Downer, Councillor Gibson, Councillor Goller, Councillor Klassen, Councillor O'Rourke, and Councillor Richardson

Carried (13 to 0)

Fifth Amendment

Moved By Councillor Goller

Seconded By Councillor Caron

1. To temporarily extend the Kids Ride Free Pilot Program, in 2023, until the upcoming Transit Fare Strategy is approved by Council, at a maximum cost of \$138,911, funded from the Tax Rate Operating Contingency Reserve. If the Kids Ride Free Program is not approved by Council as part of the Transit Fare Strategy, a wind down period of up to 4 months is recommended and would be funded through this allocation.

The Fifth Amendment was withdrawn by the mover.

Sixth Amendment

Moved By Councillor Goller

Seconded By Councillor Caron

1. To temporarily extend the Kids Ride Free Pilot Program, in 2023, until the upcoming Transit Fare Strategy is approved by Council, at a maximum cost of \$138,911, funded from the Tax Rate Operating Contingency Reserve.

Voting in Favour: (13): Mayor Guthrie, Councillor Allt, Councillor Billings, Councillor Busuttil, Councillor Caron, Councillor Caton, Councillor Chew, Councillor Downer, Councillor Gibson, Councillor Goller, Councillor Klassen, Councillor O'Rourke, and Councillor Richardson

Carried (13 to 0)

Seventh Amendment

Moved By Councillor Goller

Seconded By Councillor O'Rourke

1. To approve the Affordable Bus Pass – Sliding Scale Pilot Program to be continued on an ongoing basis at an annual cost of \$458,000 to be added to the base budget in 2024, and to fund 2023 costs totaling \$558,000, including one-time capital costs of \$100,000 and operating costs of \$458,000 from the Tax Rate Operating Contingency Reserve.

Voting in Favour: (13): Mayor Guthrie, Councillor Allt, Councillor Billings, Councillor Busuttil, Councillor Caron, Councillor Caton, Councillor Chew, Councillor Downer, Councillor Gibson, Councillor Goller, Councillor Klassen, Councillor O'Rourke, and Councillor Richardson

Carried (13 to 0)

Eighth Amendment

Moved By Councillor Goller

Seconded By Councillor Richardson

1. To provide an ongoing annual contribution to the Welcoming Streets initiative at a cost of \$202,500 in 2023, with increases considered annually as part of the Community Benefits Agreement process, adding a tax levy impact of 0.07 per cent in 2023.

Amendment to the Eighth Amendment

Moved By Councillor O'Rourke

Seconded By Councillor Billings

1. To provide an ongoing annual contribution to the Welcoming Streets initiative at a cost of \$202,500 in 2023, adding a tax levy impact of 0.07 per cent in 2023.

Voting in Favour: (13): Mayor Guthrie, Councillor Allt, Councillor Billings, Councillor Busuttil, Councillor Caron, Councillor Caton, Councillor Chew, Councillor Downer, Councillor Gibson, Councillor Goller, Councillor Klassen, Councillor O'Rourke, and Councillor Richardson

Carried (13 to 0)

Eighth Amendment as Amended

Moved By Councillor Goller

Seconded By Councillor Richardson

1. To provide an ongoing annual contribution to the Welcoming Streets initiative at a cost of \$202,500 in 2023, adding a tax levy impact of 0.07 per cent in 2023.

Voting in Favour: (13): Mayor Guthrie, Councillor Allt, Councillor Billings, Councillor Busuttil, Councillor Caron, Councillor Caton, Councillor Chew, Councillor Downer, Councillor Gibson, Councillor Goller, Councillor Klassen, Councillor O'Rourke, and Councillor Richardson

Carried (13 to 0)

Ninth Amendment

Moved By Councillor O'Rourke

Seconded By Councillor Klassen

1. To add \$300,000 for City Building investment: Business Service Agencies Agreements to address the current under-funding of Guelph's business service agencies and help fund services that include consulting, market research, referrals, mentorship for female, BIPOC, student, circular economy, small businesses, and more, with a tax levy impact of 0.11% in 2023.

The Ninth Amendment was withdrawn by the mover.

Tenth Amendment

Moved By Councillor O'Rourke

Seconded By Councillor Klassen

1. To add \$300,000 for City Building investment to fund Business Service Agencies Agreements that include consulting, market research, referrals, and mentorship with a tax levy impact of 0.11% in 2023.

Voting in Favour: (11): Mayor Guthrie, Councillor Allt, Councillor Busuttil, Councillor Caron, Councillor Caton, Councillor Chew, Councillor Downer, Councillor Goller, Councillor Klassen, Councillor O'Rourke, and Councillor Richardson

Voting Against: (2): Councillor Billings, and Councillor Gibson

Carried (11 to 2)

Eleventh Amendment

Moved By Councillor Goller

Seconded By Councillor Downer

1. That given the financial impacts expected as a result of changing provincial housing legislation, and the increasingly urgent homelessness, addictions and mental health crisis being felt in our community, staff be directed to assess any identified gaps, while considering the multi-agency and multi-governmental responsibility for these services, and to monitor and report on such impacts before the implementation of the multi-year budget in a stand-alone report outlining any emerging provincial funding opportunities or recommend any potential local governance and service delivery mechanisms for council consideration. And, to help facilitate this work, that staff be authorized to use one time funding in the amount of up to \$150,000 from the Tax Rate Contingency Reserve for expertise in this field to help inform next steps. And that staff respectfully request outside agencies, boards and stakeholders involved in this work to collaborate throughout this process.

Voting in Favour: (13): Mayor Guthrie, Councillor Allt, Councillor Billings, Councillor Busuttil, Councillor Caron, Councillor Caton, Councillor Chew, Councillor Downer, Councillor Gibson, Councillor Goller, Councillor Klassen, Councillor O'Rourke, and Councillor Richardson

Carried (13 to 0)

Council recessed 3:37 p.m.

Council resumed 3:46 p.m.

Twelfth Amendment

Moved By Councillor Billings

Seconded By Councillor Richardson

1. That the financial impacts of Bill 23 for 2023 be funded by the Tax Rate Operating Contingency Reserve.

Amendment to the Twelfth Amendment

Moved By Councillor Gibson

Seconded By Councillor Billings

1. That the financial impacts of Bill 23 for 2023 be funded by the Tax Rate Operating Contingency Reserve **in the amount of \$500,000.**

Voting in Favour: (13): Mayor Guthrie, Councillor Allt, Councillor Billings, Councillor Busuttil, Councillor Caron, Councillor Caton, Councillor Chew, Councillor Downer, Councillor Gibson, Councillor Goller, Councillor Klassen, Councillor O'Rourke, and Councillor Richardson

Carried (13 to 0)

Twelfth Amendment as Amended

Moved By Councillor Billings

Seconded By Councillor Richardson

1. That the financial impacts of Bill 23 for 2023 be funded by the Tax Rate Operating Contingency Reserve in the amount of \$500,000.

Voting in Favour: (9): Mayor Guthrie, Councillor Billings, Councillor Busuttil, Councillor Chew, Councillor Gibson, Councillor Goller, Councillor Klassen, Councillor O'Rourke, and Councillor Richardson

Voting Against: (4): Councillor Allt, Councillor Caron, Councillor Caton, and Councillor Downer

Carried (9 to 4)

Thirteenth Amendment

Moved By Councillor Gibson

Seconded By Councillor Billings

1. That Council remove \$938,000 phase-in costs for the south end recreation center and new central library from the 2023 operating budget increase. Reducing the 2023 budget increase by 0.34%.

Voting in Favour: (5): Mayor Guthrie, Councillor Billings, Councillor Gibson, Councillor Goller, and Councillor Klassen

Voting Against: (8): Councillor Allt, Councillor Busuttil, Councillor Caron, Councillor Caton, Councillor Chew, Councillor Downer, Councillor O'Rourke, and Councillor Richardson

Defeated (5 to 8)

Fourteenth Amendment

Moved By Councillor Gibson

Seconded By Councillor Billings

1. That Council remove \$469,000 phase-in costs for the south end recreation center and new central library from the 2023 operating budget increase. Reducing the 2023 budget increase by 0.17%.

Voting in Favour: (5): Mayor Guthrie, Councillor Billings, Councillor Gibson, Councillor Goller, and Councillor Klassen

Voting Against: (8): Councillor Allt, Councillor Busuttil, Councillor Caron, Councillor Caton, Councillor Chew, Councillor Downer, Councillor O'Rourke, and Councillor Richardson

Defeated (5 to 8)

Fifteenth Amendment

Moved By Councillor Gibson

Seconded By Councillor Billings

1. That council reduce the infrastructure renewal transfer by \$2.8 million in 2023 representing a 1.00% reduction to the overall budget increase.

Amendment to the Fifteenth Amendment

Moved By Councillor Billings

Seconded By Councillor Klassen

1. That council reduce the infrastructure renewal transfer by **\$1.4 million** in 2023 representing a **0.50%** reduction to the overall budget increase.

Voting in Favour: (10): Mayor Guthrie, Councillor Billings, Councillor Busuttil, Councillor Caton, Councillor Chew, Councillor Gibson, Councillor Goller, Councillor Klassen, Councillor O'Rourke, and Councillor Richardson

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

Carried (10 to 3)

Fifteenth Amendment as Amended

Moved By Councillor Gibson

Seconded By Councillor Billings

1. That council reduce the infrastructure renewal transfer by \$1.4 million in 2023 representing a .50% reduction to the overall budget increase.

Voting in Favour: (8): Mayor Guthrie, Councillor Billings, Councillor Chew, Councillor Gibson, Councillor Goller, Councillor Klassen, Councillor O'Rourke, and Councillor Richardson

Voting Against: (5): Councillor Allt, Councillor Busuttil, Councillor Caron, Councillor Caton, and Councillor Downer

Carried (8 to 5)

Main Motion as Amended

Moved By Councillor Goller

Seconded By Councillor Allt

That the following recommendations be approved:

1. That the 2023 operating budget be readopted as amended at a gross expenditure budget of \$509,152,141 with a 2023 property tax and payment-in-lieu of taxes levy requirement of \$295,822,530 or 4.46 per cent over 2022 inclusive of the following:
 - a. City service budget requirement, net of the proportionate share of assessment growth, totalling an increased net levy requirement in 2023 of \$7,685,816 or 2.75 per cent inclusive of the following:
 - i. Increase of \$2,413,429 for in-year Council decisions related to Mayor and Council compensation, Property and Assessed Clean Energy Program, Municipal Accommodations Tax, Farmer's Market transition to 10C and costs to implement Bill 109.
 - ii. Increase of \$1,980,000 for new legislation requirements including increased capital transfers of \$1,000,000 to fund preliminary impacts of Bill 23 and an increased benefit of \$980,000 related to changing eligibility for the Ontario Municipal Employees Retirement System.
 - iii. Increase of \$388,911 for one-time investments related to the Kids Ride Free Pilot Program extension, Affordable Bus Pass – Sliding Scale Program and resources to address homelessness, addictions and mental health crisis in the community.
 - iv. Increase of \$1,050,810 for on-going annual investments related to Affordable Bus Pass – Sliding Scale Program, Welcoming Streets Program and Business Service Agencies Agreements.
 - v. Reduction of \$496,000 for phase-in of South End Community Centre and Baker District Redevelopment.
 - vi. Increased funding of \$1,255,830 through other revenues and grants associated with the Property and Assessed Clean Energy Program and Municipal Accommodations Tax.

- vii. Additional assessment growth revenue of \$594,831.
 - viii. Transfers from the Tourism Municipal Accommodation Tax reserve of \$171,910 to support the Municipal Accommodations Tax program.
 - ix. Reduction of the infrastructure renewal transfer of \$1,400,000.
 - x. Increased transfers from contingency reserves of \$3,629,330
- b. Rates, fees and charges totalling an increased requirement of \$2,517,346 or 2.73 per cent over 2022 inclusive of the following:
- i. Increased investment of \$600,000 to fund preliminary impacts of Bill 23 including a \$300,000 transfer to the Water Capital reserve and a \$300,000 transfer to the Wastewater Capital reserve.
 - ii. Increase of \$12,560 for on-going annual investments related to NUME compensation.
 - iii. Increased transfers from rate-specific contingency reserves of \$612,560.
- c. Local Boards and Shared Services budget requirement, net of the proportionate share of assessment growth, totaling an increased net levy requirement and in 2023 of \$4,792,488 or 1.71 per cent inclusive of the following:
- i. Additional assessment growth revenue of \$292,977.
- d. Total transfers to/from Reserve and Reserve Funds in 2023 in accordance with the Reserve and Reserve Fund summary.
2. That the temporary pressures of inflation and increasing expenses resulting from supply chain challenges be offset by temporary operating surpluses experienced from tight labour markets and increased investment income, and that any shortfall be funded through the City's Tax Rate Operating Contingency reserve in 2023.
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budget required upon completion of these projects totalling \$1,182,700, be readopted inclusive of the following:

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5. That the 2024-2031 capital forecast in the gross amount of \$1,736,763,840, be received unchanged as presented in December 2021, with a full 10-year budget and forecast update to be prepared for the 2024-2027 multi-year budget.
6. That the Guelph General Hospital levy in the amount of \$750,000 be budgeted for the third of six years as approved on December 3, 2019 and be funded from the Tax Rate Operating Contingency reserve.
7. That the Downtown Guelph Business Association 2023 budget with gross expenditures of \$719,512, and a total levy of \$679,800 be confirmed as presented on Dec 2, 2021

Voting in Favour: (11): Mayor Guthrie, Councillor Allt, Councillor Busuttil, Councillor Caron, Councillor Caton, Councillor Chew, Councillor Downer, Councillor Goller, Councillor Klassen, Councillor O'Rourke, and Councillor Richardson

Voting Against: (2): Councillor Billings, and Councillor Gibson

Carried (11 to 2)

7. Budget Impacts per Ontario Regulation 284-09 and Budget - Public Sector Accounting Standards Reconciliation 2023, 2023-27

Moved By Councillor Busuttil
Seconded By Councillor Downer

1. That the Budget Impacts per Ontario Regulation 284/09 and Budget - Public Sector Accounting Standards Reconciliation for the 2023 budget be approved.

Voting in Favour: (13): Mayor Guthrie, Councillor Allt, Councillor Billings, Councillor Busuttil, Councillor Caron, Councillor Caton, Councillor Chew, Councillor Downer, Councillor Gibson, Councillor Goller, Councillor Klassen, Councillor O'Rourke, and Councillor Richardson

Carried (13 to 0)

8. Additional Motions

First Motion

Moved By Councillor Caton

Seconded By Councillor Allt

1. That the Council of the City of Guelph repeat the request for help with the urgent crisis on mental health, addiction, and housing in the City of Guelph.
2. That Council call on the Provincial and Federal governments to assist by providing the City with an immediate increase in emergency funding or long-term financial supports to meet the needs of the community.
3. That this resolution be shared with the provincial Minister of Children, Community and Social Services; the provincial Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing; the provincial Minister of Health; the federal Minister of Housing and Diversity and Inclusion; the federal Minister of Employment, Workforce Development and Disability Inclusion; MP Lloyd Longfield; MPP Mike Schreiner; the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO); the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM); the Ontario Big City Mayor's Caucus (OBCM); and, the County of Wellington.

Voting in Favour: (13): Mayor Guthrie, Councillor Allt, Councillor Billings, Councillor Busuttil, Councillor Caron, Councillor Caton, Councillor Chew, Councillor Downer, Councillor Gibson, Councillor Goller, Councillor Klassen, Councillor O'Rourke, and Councillor Richardson

Carried (13 to 0)

Second Motion

Moved By Councillor Downer

Seconded By Councillor Caron

1. That the matter of indoor and outdoor pickleball facilities be referred to staff for consideration in the 2024 budget process.

Voting in Favour: (13): Mayor Guthrie, Councillor Allt, Councillor Billings, Councillor Busuttil, Councillor Caron, Councillor Caton, Councillor Chew, Councillor Downer, Councillor Gibson, Councillor Goller, Councillor Klassen, Councillor O'Rourke, and Councillor Richardson

Carried (13 to 0)

Third Motion

Moved By Councillor Downer

Seconded By Councillor Caron

1. That the matter of Park Master Plan for Dovercliffe Park be referred to staff for consideration in the 2024 Budget process.

Voting in Favour: (13): Mayor Guthrie, Councillor Allt, Councillor Billings, Councillor Busuttil, Councillor Caron, Councillor Caton, Councillor Chew, Councillor Downer, Councillor Gibson, Councillor Goller, Councillor Klassen, Councillor O'Rourke, and Councillor Richardson

Carried (13 to 0)

9. By-Laws

Moved By Councillor Chew

Seconded By Councillor O'Rourke

That By-laws numbered (2023) - 20758 and (2023) - 20770 are hereby passed as amended.

Voting in Favour: (13): Mayor Guthrie, Councillor Allt, Councillor Billings, Councillor Busuttil, Councillor Caron, Councillor Caton, Councillor Chew, Councillor Downer, Councillor Gibson, Councillor Goller, Councillor Klassen, Councillor O'Rourke, and Councillor Richardson

Carried (13 to 0)

10. Adjournment

Moved By Councillor Billings

Seconded By Councillor Caton

That the meeting be adjourned (5:50 p.m.).

Voting in Favour: (13): Mayor Guthrie, Councillor Allt, Councillor Billings, Councillor Busuttil, Councillor Caron, Councillor Caton, Councillor Chew, Councillor Downer, Councillor Gibson, Councillor Goller, Councillor Klassen, Councillor O'Rourke, and Councillor Richardson

Carried (13 to 0)

Mayor Guthrie

Stephen O'Brien - City Clerk