



Minutes of Guelph City Council

March 28, 2023, 10:00 a.m.
Council Chambers
Guelph City Hall, 1 Carden Street

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

Absent: Councillor L. Caron
Councillor D. Gibson

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
D. Godfrey, General Manager, Operations
S. Green, Manager, Corporate and Community Safety
S. O'Brien, General Manager, City Clerk's Office/City Clerk
J. da Silva, Council and Committee Coordinator
G. Meades, Council and Committee Coordinator
C. Murray-Sprague, Council and Committee Coordinator
J. Tang, Legislative Coordinator

2. Call to Order

Mayor Guthrie called the meeting to order at 10:06 a.m..

2.4 Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and General Nature Thereof

There were no disclosures.

3. Confirmation of Open Minutes

Moved By Councillor Klassen

Seconded By Councillor Allt

That the minutes of the open Council Meetings held November 12 and 13, 2022, February 7, 8, 14, 15, 22 and 28, 2023, and Committee of the Whole held February 7, 2023 be confirmed as recorded and without being read.

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

Carried (11 to 0)

4. Committee of the Whole Consent Report

Moved By Councillor O'Rourke

Seconded By Councillor Richardson

That the March 28, 2023, Committee of the Whole Consent Agenda be adopted:

4.1 2023 Property Tax Policy, 2023-89

1. That the 2023 City of Guelph property tax ratios and corresponding tax rates, as set out in Attachment-2 to the report 2023-89 titled 2023 Property Tax Policy dated March 7, 2023, be approved.

4.2 Revenue Budgeting Policy, 2023-84

1. That the Revenue Budgeting Policy attached to Report 2023-84 – Revenue Budgeting Policy, be approved.

4.2.1 Council Memo - Revenue Budgeting Policy Update - 2023-123

4.3 Transit Advisory Committee – Terms of Reference, 2023-40

1. That the Terms of Reference for the Transit Advisory Committee dated January 19, 2023 be approved.

4.4 One Canopy Tree Planting Strategy, 2023-61

1. That the One Canopy Tree Planting Strategy (TPS) dated January 2023, included as Attachment-1 to this report, and the proposed actions and recommendations noted within the plan be approved.
2. That the funding requirements for the One Canopy Tree Planting Strategy be considered in future operating and capital budgets in order to implement the recommendations of the strategy.

4.5 Implementation Strategy Report: South End Community Centre, 2023-64

1. That the construction of the South End Community Centre be approved for a project cost of \$115.5 million, with the project scope as approved under the October 7, 2020 report.
2. That additional budget of \$35.5 million be approved for project RF0092 South End Community Centre Construction, funded \$33,725,000 from Parks and Recreation Development Charge Reserve Fund (#319) and \$1,775,000 from tax supported debt funded from the Infrastructure Renewal Reserve Fund (#150).

4.6 Internal Audit Work Plan 2023 – 2025, 2023-60

1. That report titled 'Internal Audit Work Plan 2023- 2025' dated March 7, 2023 be approved.

4.7 COVID-19 General and Vaccine Expenses Grant - Paramedic Services - 2023-104

That the 2022 and 2023 operating budget for Paramedic Services be updated and approved by Council as shown in Table 1 in CS-2023-104 COVID-19 General and Vaccine Expense Grant - Paramedic Services.

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Carried (11 to 0)

5. Items for Discussion

5.1 Business Licensing – Short-Term Rental Accommodations, 2023-70

The following delegate spoke:
Morgan Dandie.

A Point of Privilege was raised by Councillor Allt in regards to alternative points of view of various members of council. Mayor Guthrie deemed that this was not a Point of Privilege.

Moved By Councillor Downer
Seconded By Councillor Allt

1. That staff be directed to create a new schedule under the City's Business Licensing By-law (2009)-18855 to regulate the licensing of short-term rental accommodations that incorporates the recommendations contained within this report.

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Carried (11 to 0)

6. By-laws

Moved By Councillor O'Rourke
Seconded By Councillor Billings

That By-laws numbered (2023) - 20782, (2023) - 20785 through (2023) - 20789 are hereby passed.

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Carried (11 to 0)

7. Mayor's Announcements

Councillor Downer and Councillor Caron are having a Town Hall meeting at Kortright Presbyterian Church, 55 Devere Drive on Wednesday, April 5 at 5 pm. For more details visit www.ward5.ca.

8. Adjournment

Moved By Councillor Caton

Seconded By Councillor Busuttil

That the meeting be adjourned (10:25)

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Carried (11 to 0)

Mayor Guthrie

Stephen O'Brien - City Clerk