



Minutes of Guelph City Council

**June 27, 2023, 6:30 p.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
J. Sales, General Manager, Strategy, Innovation and Intergovernmental Services
S. O'Brien, General Manager, City Clerk's Office/City Clerk
D. McMahon, Manager, Legislative Services/Deputy Clerk
E. Barber, Board and Committee Coordinator
G. Meades, Council and Committee Coordinator
C. Murray-Sprague, Council and Committee Coordinator

2. Call to Order

Mayor Guthrie called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

2.4 Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and General Nature Thereof

There were no disclosures.

3. Confirmation of Open Minutes

Moved By Councillor Allt

Seconded By Councillor Klassen

That the minutes of the open Committee of the Whole Meeting held May 2, 2023, Council Planning Meeting held May 9, 2023, Council Orientation and Education Workshop held May 17, 2023 and Council Meeting held May 31, 2023, be confirmed as recorded and without being read.

Voting in Favour: (12): Mayor Guthrie, Councillor Allt, Councillor Billings, Councillor Busuttil, Councillor Caron, Councillor Caton, Councillor Chew, Councillor Downer, Councillor Gibson, Councillor Goller, Councillor Klassen, and Councillor O'Rourke

Carried (12 to 0)

4. Committee of the Whole Consent Report

Moved By Councillor Caron

Seconded By Councillor Goller

That the June 27, 2023 Committee of the Whole Consent Report identified below, be adopted:

4.1 Water Services' Updated Operational Plan Endorsement, 2023-207

1. That the City of Guelph Council endorse the Water Services' Operational Plan, as required as part of the Ontario Municipal Drinking Water Licensing Program.

4.2 Ontario Health – Multi-Sectoral Accountability Agreement, Declaration of Compliance, 2023-189

1. That the Mayor be authorized to sign the declaration of compliance for the Ontario Health Multi-Sectoral Accountability Agreement for the period of April 1, 2022 to March 31, 2023

4.3 2022 Guelph. Future Ready Progress Report, 2023-180

1. That the Guelph. Future Ready Progress Report, dated June 6, 2023, be received.
2. That City Council respectfully requests its local boards and shared services (Guelph Public Library, Wellington-Dufferin-Guelph Public Health, County of Wellington, the Elliott Community, Downtown Guelph Business Association, Grand River Conservation Authority, and Guelph Police Service) to provide annual performance updates in conjunction with the annual Strategic Plan progress reporting, beginning June 2024.

4.4 Smart Cities Update – Our Food Future and Circular Opportunity Launchpad, 2023-194

1. That the report “Smart Cities Update – Our Food Future and Circular Opportunity Launchpad” dated June 6, 2023, be received.
2. That the City encourages Wellington-Dufferin-Guelph Public Health to continue their work in food security and food access and to incorporate the lessons learned from Our Food Future in their ongoing health promotion work in the community.

4.5 Municipality of Trent Lakes Resolution: Oath of Office

1. That Council request that the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing amend clause 4 of the municipal declaration of office to read : I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to His Majesty King Charles III and I will faithfully observe the laws of Canada including the Constitution, which recognizes and affirms the Indigenous and treaty rights of First Nations, Inuit and Metis peoples;
2. And that this resolution be forwarded to the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), MPP Mike Schreiner, MP Lloyd Longfield, Premier Doug Ford, Minister Greg Rickford, Minister Steve Clark, Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation, Six Nations of the Grand River, and Grand River Metis Council.

Voting in Favour: (12): Mayor Guthrie, Councillor Allt, Councillor Billings, Councillor Busuttil, Councillor Caron, Councillor Caton, Councillor Chew, Councillor Downer, Councillor Gibson, Councillor Goller, Councillor Klassen, and Councillor O'Rourke

Carried (12 to 0)

4.6 Components of the new Community Engagement Framework, 2023-184

Moved By Councillor Allt

Seconded By Councillor Klassen

1. That the revised Community Engagement Policy be approved, formally replacing the 2019 version of the Policy, and that staff be directed to apply the Policy when designing and implementing community engagement.
2. That the draft Community Engagement Charter be approved, formally replacing the 2015 Community Engagement Framework, and staff be directed to develop necessary plans and initiatives for operationalizing the Charter.

Voting in Favour: (12): Mayor Guthrie, Councillor Allt, Councillor Billings, Councillor Busuttil, Councillor Caron, Councillor Caton, Councillor Chew, Councillor Downer, Councillor Gibson, Councillor Goller, Councillor Klassen, and Councillor O'Rourke

Carried (12 to 0)

5. Item for Discussion

5.1 2023 Governance Review, 2023-141, 2023-281, 2023-285

Mayor Guthrie provided opening remarks regarding the scope of the 2023 Governance Review.

The following delegates spoke:

David Douglas

Kevin Bowman

Susan Watson

Lin Grist

Werner Zimmermann

Scott Frederick

John Fisher

Stan Kozak

Pia Muchaal

Diane Hurst

Tanya Gavaert

John Farley
Harry Lane
Mathew Glass
Anne Gajerski-Cauley
Ron East
Barbara Mann

Moved By Councillor Allt
Seconded By Councillor Goller

1. That the amended Procedure By-law, included as Attachment-1 to the 2023 Governance Review dated June 6, 2023, be approved, as amended at the Committee of the Whole meeting held on June 6, 2023.
2. That the amended Closed Meeting Protocol, included as Attachment-2 to the 2023 Governance Review dated June 6, 2023, be approved.
3. That recommendations three, four, five and six, approved at the June 6, 2023 Committee of the Whole meeting regarding the 2023 Governance Review dated June 6, 2023, be deferred and that the City Clerk, and Strategy, Innovation and Intergovernmental Services staff report back to City Council.
4. That the City Clerk and Mayor be directed to review the current governance framework for the Strategic Advisory Group on Downtown Guelph to ensure compliance with all applicable legislation and report back to City Council as required.
5. That the Delegation of Authority By-law be amended as outlined in Attachment-7 to the 2023 Governance Review dated June 6, 2023 and the Delegation of Authority Noise Exemption Correction Council Memo dated June 27, 2023.

Additional Motion

Moved By Councillor Allt
Seconded By Councillor Caron

1. That, in order to continue ten (10) minute delegation times at Council Planning, an additional clause be added to section 4.8 of the proposed Procedure By-law as follows:

4.8 (u) - Notwithstanding Section 4.8 (a), the time limitation for delegations speaking at a public meeting to hear applications under the Planning Act, shall not exceed ten

minutes. Council may extend the ten minute time period by a majority vote of the Council Members present without debate.

Voting in Favour: (9): Councillor Allt, Councillor Caron, Councillor Caton, Councillor Chew, Councillor Downer, Councillor Goller, Councillor Klassen, Councillor O'Rourke, and Councillor Richardson

Voting Against: (3): Mayor Guthrie, Councillor Billings, and Councillor Gibson

Carried (9 to 3)

Additional Motion

Moved By Councillor O'Rourke

Seconded By Councillor Allt

1. That the Procedural Bylaw, included as Attachment-1 to the 2023 Governance Review dated June 6, 2023, be amended to add the singing of O Canada, silent reflection and First Nations acknowledgement to all meeting types.

Voting in Favour: (12): Mayor Guthrie, Councillor Allt, Councillor Billings, Councillor Busuttil, Councillor Caron, Councillor Caton, Councillor Chew, Councillor Downer, Councillor Gibson, Councillor Goller, Councillor Klassen, and Councillor O'Rourke

Carried (12 to 0)

Additional Motion

Moved By Councillor O'Rourke

Seconded By Councillor Goller

1. That Section 4.10 Motions and Order of Voting c) be amended to include "and that it be read aloud" so the new clause reads:

"When a Councillor moves a motion or an amendment to a motion that is not included as part of the agenda package, that Councillor shall provide a copy of the motion to the Mayor or chair, and that it be read aloud, prior to the vote being taken."

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)

Additional Motion

Moved By Councillor O'Rourke

Seconded By Councillor Chew

1. That Table 3, row 1.2 of the Delegation of Authority By-law, included at Attachment-7 to the 2023 Governance Review dated June 6, 2023, be amended to return the noted limitation to five years.

Voting in Favour: (8): Councillor Allt, Councillor Busuttil, Councillor Caron, Councillor Caton, Councillor Chew, Councillor Gibson, Councillor O'Rourke, and Councillor Richardson

Voting Against: (5): Mayor Guthrie, Councillor Billings, Councillor Downer, Councillor Goller, and Councillor Klassen

Carried (8 to 5)

Main motion as amended

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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)

6. By-laws

Moved By Councillor Caron
Seconded By Councillor Downer

That By-laws numbered (2023)-20791, (2023)-20805, (2023)-20807, (2023)-20808 and (2023)-20809, are hereby passed.

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Carried (13 to 0)

7. Mayor's Announcements

Mayor Guthrie thanked Councillor Caton for bringing Bill C22 to the attention of Council and noted that the Bill has passed.

8. Adjournment

Moved By Councillor Billings
Seconded By Councillor Richardson

That the meeting be adjourned. (9:18 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

Dylan McMahon - Deputy City Clerk