



## **Minutes of Guelph City Council**

**July 25, 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  
D. Godfrey, General Manager, Operations  
S. Dunnigan, Acting General Manager, Economic Development and Tourism  
J. Sales, General Manager, Strategy, Innovation and Intergovernmental Services  
A. Jaworiwsky, Manager, Tourism and Destination Development  
D. Gronc, Manager, Corporate and Community Safety  
S. O'Brien, General Manager, City Clerk's Office/City Clerk

E. Barber, Board and Committee Coordinator  
G. Meades, Council and Committee Coordinator  
C. Murray-Sprague, Council and Committee Coordinator

Also Present: Glenna Banda, Executive Director, United Way Guelph  
Wellington Dufferin  
Chris Willard, Executive Director, The Guelph Community  
Foundation  
Daria Allan-Ebron, Chief Executive Officer, Kindle  
Communities

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## **2. Call to Order**

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

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

There were no disclosures.

## **3. Recognition**

### **3.1 Special Olympics World Games - Berlin, Germany: June 17-25, 2023**

Mayor Guthrie recognized Marc Richardson and Jennifer Allen for their achievements.

## **4. Confirmation of Open Minutes**

Moved By Councillor Gibson  
Seconded By Councillor Billings

That the minutes of the open Council meetings held June 1, 13 and 14, 2023, and the open Committee of the Whole meeting held June 6, 2023, be confirmed as recorded and without being read.

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)

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

The following item was extracted from the Committee of the Whole Consent Report:

**E-scooter By-law - 2023-276**

Moved By Councillor Allt

Seconded By Councillor Downer

That the remainder of the July 25, 2023 Committee of the Whole Consent Report identified below be adopted.

**5.1 Future Guelph Strategic Plan 2024-2027 - 2023-182**

1. That Future Guelph: Strategic Plan 2024-2027 be approved.
2. That the costs associated with the implementation of Future Guelph: Strategic Plan 2024-2027 be referred to the 2024-2027 multi-year budget planning process in Fourth Quarter 2023.
3. That staff be directed to share the final key performance indicators for Future Guelph: Strategic Plan 2024-2027 in an information report in fall 2023.

**5.3 Paramedic Services Response Time 2022 and Performance Plan 2024 - 2023-265**

1. That the Response Time Performance Plan for 2024 is set as recommended by staff.
2. That Council receives for information the report on the Response Time Performance of Guelph Wellington Paramedic Service in 2022.

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. Items for Discussion**

**6.1 Permanent Seasonal Patio Program - 2023-236**

Moved By Councillor Goller

Seconded By Councillor Klassen

1. That the Seasonal Patio Program as described in the Permanent Seasonal Patio Program report dated July 5, 2023 be approved pending budget approval as part of the 2024-2027 multi-year budget.

**Amendment to the Main Motion**

Moved By Councillor O'Rourke

Seconded By Councillor Richardson

That the Seasonal Patio Program, as described in the Permanent Seasonal Patio Program report dated July 5, 2023, **be amended to reflect a revenue neutral service level with a \$10 per square meter per month seasonal patio fee with any additional funding coming from the general tax levy in the case that fees do not fully cover the cost of the program.**

The following delegate spoke on this item:

Bryan Steele

The amendment was withdrawn by the mover and seconder.

**Amendment to the Main Motion**

Moved By Councillor O'Rourke

Seconded By Councillor Richardson

That the Seasonal Patio Program, as described in the Permanent Seasonal Patio Program report dated July 5, 2023, be amended to reflect a revenue neutral service level with a \$10 per square meter per month for an **on-street fee** with any additional funding coming from the general tax levy in the case that fees do not fully cover the cost of the program.

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

Carried (12 to 0)

**Main Motion as amended**

Moved By Councillor O'Rourke

Seconded By Councillor Richardson

That the Seasonal Patio Program, as described in the Permanent Seasonal Patio Program report dated July 5, 2023, be amended to reflect a revenue neutral service level with a \$10 per square meter per

month for an on-street fee with any additional funding coming from the general tax levy in the case that fees do not fully cover the cost of the program.

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

Carried (12 to 0)

### **Additional Motion**

Moved By Councillor Klassen  
Seconded By Councillor Chew

That staff come back to Council on an annual basis with a report on the permanent patio program.

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

Carried (12 to 0)

## **6.3 By-law Review Update - 2023-256**

### **Main Motion**

Moved By Councillor Goller  
Seconded By Councillor Klassen

1. That staff report back by October 2023 with additional information on the current workplan of by-law reviews being undertaken by the Operations Department, so that Council can consider any potential deletions or deferrals from the workplan.
2. That staff report back by October 2023 on potential timelines and resources required to undertake a review of the existing noise by-law as it pertains to vehicle noise and the use of noise cameras.
3. That staff report back by October 2023 on the potential timelines and resources required to undertake a review of a potential outdoor recreational fire by-law.

4. That staff report back by October 2023 on potential timelines and resources required to undertake a review of the existing by-law to regulate the display, sale, and setting off of fireworks.

Mayor Guthrie requested for the clauses to be voted on separately.

**Clause 1 of the Main Motion**

Moved By Councillor Goller

Seconded By Councillor Klassen

1. That staff report back by October 2023 with additional information on the current workplan of by-law reviews being undertaken by the Operations Department, so that Council can consider any potential deletions or deferrals from the workplan.

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

Carried (12 to 0)

The following delegate spoke to this item:

Donna Jennison

**Clause 2 of the Main Motion**

Moved By Councillor Goller

Seconded By Councillor Klassen

2. That staff report back by October 2023 on potential timelines and resources required to undertake a review of the existing noise by-law as it pertains to vehicle noise and the use of noise cameras.

**Amendment to Clause 2 of the Main Motion**

Moved By Councillor Allt

Seconded By Councillor Richardson

That Council direct staff to report back to Council for further consideration when noise enforcement cameras become available in the Province of Ontario.

**Amendment to the amendment of Clause 2 of the Main Motion**

Moved By Councillor Goller

Seconded By Councillor Allt

And that Council direct the Mayor and Staff to advocate for noise vehicle camera technology to be legislated in Ontario when opportunities arise.

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

Carried (12 to 0)

**Amendment to Clause 2 of the Main Motion**

Moved By Councillor Allt

Seconded By Councillor Richardson

That Council direct staff to report back to Council for further consideration when noise enforcement cameras become available in the Province of Ontario and that Council direct the Mayor and Staff to advocate for noise vehicle camera technology to be legislated in Ontario when opportunities arise.

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

Voting Against: (1): Councillor Goller

Carried (11 to 1)

**Clause 2 as Amended**

Moved By Councillor Goller

Seconded By Councillor Klassen

2. That Council direct staff to report back to Council for further consideration when noise enforcement cameras become available in the Province of Ontario and that Council direct the Mayor and Staff to advocate for noise vehicle camera technology to be legislated in Ontario when opportunities arise.

Mayor Guthrie raised a point of privilege to clarify the intent of his comments.

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

Voting Against: (1): Councillor Goller

Carried (11 to 1)

**Clause 3 of the Main Motion**

Moved By Councillor Goller

Seconded By Councillor Klassen

3. That staff report back by October 2023 on the potential timelines and resources required to undertake a review of a potential outdoor recreational fire by-law.

Voting in Favour: (3): Councillor Chew, Councillor Gibson, and Councillor Goller

Voting Against: (9): Mayor Guthrie, Councillor Allt, Councillor Busuttil, Councillor Caron, Councillor Caton, Councillor Downer, Councillor Klassen, Councillor O'Rourke, and Councillor Richardson

Defeated (3 to 9)

**Clause 4 of the Main Motion**

Moved By Councillor Goller

Seconded By Councillor Klassen

4. That staff report back by October 2023 on potential timelines and resources required to undertake a review of the existing by-law to regulate the display, sale, and setting off of fireworks.

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

Carried (12 to 0)

**Motion as Carried**

1. That staff report back by October 2023 with additional information on the current workplan of by-law reviews being undertaken by the Operations Department, so that Council can consider any potential deletions or deferrals from the workplan.
2. That Council direct staff to report back to Council for further consideration when noise enforcement cameras become available in the Province of Ontario and that Council direct the Mayor and Staff to advocate for noise vehicle camera technology to be legislated in Ontario when opportunities arise.
3. That staff report back by October 2023 on potential timelines and resources required to undertake a review of the existing by-law to regulate the display, sale, and setting off of fireworks.

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

### **5.2 E-scooter By-law - 2023-276**

Moved By Councillor Goller

Seconded By Councillor Busuttil

1. That Council approve the draft by-law and any required amendments to the Traffic By-law Number (2022) - 20698 to permit the operation of personal use e-scooters effective July 25, 2023.

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

Carried (12 to 0)

Council recessed (8:08 p.m.)

Council reconvened (8:16 p.m.)

## **6. Items for Discussion**

### **6.4 Home for Good Campaign - Supportive Housing**

Moved By Councillor Goller

Seconded By Councillor Klassen

That, in alignment with the "Building Our Future" pillar of the Strategic Plan, staff be directed to partner with the Home for Good Campaign, to the satisfaction of the DCAO of Corporate Services, to leverage up to \$500,000 from the Affordable Housing Reserve for a matching funds

program alongside the Home for Good Campaign with a start date of August 1, 2023, and an end date of March 31, 2024, and that the City's contribution be front-ended with a requirement for any matching funds not realized by March 31, 2024 to be paid back to the City by May 31, 2024 and that staff report back in June 2024 on the results of the City's contribution to the campaign through 2022 to 2024, informing City Council of the outcomes, lessons learned or other relevant information.

Moved By Councillor O'Rourke  
Seconded By Councillor Busuttil

Motion to refer the matter to staff for urgent consideration resulting in an emergency meeting of council in the coming weeks.

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

Carried (12 to 0)

Councillor Goller raised a point of order regarding the timeline of when the item needs to come back to Council.

Mayor Guthrie provided clarity surrounding the urgency of the item and timeline.

## **7. By-laws**

Moved By Councillor Chew  
Seconded By Councillor O'Rourke

That By-laws numbered (2023)-20804, (2023)-20814 to (2023)-20816, (2023)-20818 and (2023)-20819, are hereby passed.

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

Carried (12 to 0)

## **9. Adjournment**

Moved By Councillor Klassen  
Seconded By Councillor Goller

That the meeting be adjourned. (9:56 p.m.)

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

Carried (12 to 0)

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Mayor Guthrie

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Stephen O'Brien - City Clerk