

Presentations/Delegations

- ❖ Shashi Bhatia, Chair of the Indo-Canadian Cultural Association of Durham Inc., appeared before Council to describe the associations support for the Adopt a Park Environmental Stewardship Program.
- ❖ Members of the Steering Committee for the Pickering Ribfest appeared before Council to thank the City for supporting this event, and that the event raised \$35,000 for the community. The Committee hopes to obtain the City's support for the 2009 Ribfest event.
- ❖ Jim Simpson, Vice-Chair for the Heritage Pickering Advisory Committee appeared before Council to provide an overview of the 2007 Annual Report and the 2008 Workplan of the Heritage Pickering Advisory Committee.
- ❖ Gregory M. Vogt, President of PEC Farms and Robert Hunter from PEC Farms appeared before Council to explain the potential opportunities of bio mass, harvesting energy from the sun on land that is not viable to grow on. They also provided a farmer's perspective on the issue.
- ❖ Diana Hills-Milligan, Chair of the Ajax-Pickering Board of Trade appeared before Council to provide her support for the Mayor's Task Force on Accountability & Transparency, believing this to be a proactive approach.
- ❖ Nicole Scarlett appeared before Council in support of a Leash Free Area within the City of Pickering. Nicole noted that the Leash Free Area Committee are willing to assist the City in bringing this project to a conclusion.
- ❖ Jacqueline Lappin appeared before Council to discuss her concerns related to the proposed location of the Leash Free Area. Ms. Lappin feels as though this area would contribute to more crime, would negatively affect the wildlife and marsh lands, and would encourage more garbage and traffic in the area.
- ❖ Mr. John McDermid appeared before Council on behalf of his client, Mr. Lee Gray. He requested that Report PD 25-08 be referred back to staff in order for his client to work out some concerns he had with the Planning & Development Department.
- ❖ Robert Truman, a planning consultant appeared before Council on behalf of Pentans Development Limited, the owner of lands known municipally as 1167-1191 Kingston

Road. He expressed concern with the Notice of Motion being presented concerning Brookdale Centre, and from his clients perspective, the road change would have a negative impact on his property.

- ❖ Representatives, Carl Pearce and Shelly Augustin from the Pickering Soccer Club appeared before Council in support of Report OES 23-08. They thanked the City of Pickering for their continued support.
- ❖ Wendy Nott, Senior Principal and Walker Nott of Dragicevic Associates Ltd. appeared before Council on behalf of Tribute Communities Inc. and Runnymede Development Corporation with respect to Report PD 32-08. She requested that Council consider that the new development areas not be viewed to be competing with Seaton, but rather to reflect growth of Pickering and recommendation 2a) of the report be amended to reflect an increase in the depth of employment lands along Hwy 407 east of Westney Road to 1000 metres south of Highway 407 between the Greenwood and Kinsale areas and in the vicinity of Lakeridge Road and the connector to Highway 401 only.

Standing Committee Reports

PD 04-08 – Sidewalk Installation on Wharf Street

- ❖ Council authorized the construction of a sidewalk on the north side of Wharf Street, which will be funded through Account 5321-Development Projects as provided by the Council Approved 2007 Capital Budget.

PD 19-08 – Thickson Developments Ltd., 40M-1703, 40M-1704, 40M-1710, 40M-1711

- ❖ Council approved the following;
- ❖ Aspen Road and Pebble Court were assumed for public use.
- ❖ Services required by Plans of Subdivision 40M-1703, 40M-1704, 40M-1710, 40M-1711, were accepted and assumed for maintenance, save and except from Block 8, Plan 40M-1703, Blocks 8 and 9, Plan 40M-1704, Blocks 9 and 12, Plan 40M-1710 and Block 16, Plan 40M-1711.
- ❖ Subdivision Agreements relating to Plans 40M-1703, 40M-1704, 40M-1710, and 40M-1711, save and except Block 9, Plan 40M-1710 were released and removed from title.
- ❖ Council to enact a By-law to dedicate Block 6, Plan 40M-1703, Block 11, Plan 40M-

1710 and Blocks 14 and 15, Plan 40M-1711 as public highways.

PD 22-08 – Rockwood Drive Extension

- ❖ Council enacted By-laws to dedicate and name certain parts of Lots 3 & 4 as Rockwood Drive in accordance with Land Division Applications LD 109/07, LD 040-041/08 and LD 056-058/08.

PD 23-08 – Proposed Size & Location of Urban Growth Centres in the Greater Golden Horseshoe

- ❖ Council requested that the Minister of Public Infrastructure Renewal finalize the size and location of the Pickering Downtown Urban Growth Centre as set out in the Technical Paper, revise the method of calculating the density to allow exclusion of the controlled access freeway and railway corridor, and revise the profile to more accurately reflect its current mix of uses, and locations.
- ❖ Council also requested that the Ministry identify a predictable funding program to provide needed infrastructure and related municipal facilities to foster the growth of Urban Growth Centres, including Downtown Pickering.

PD 24-08 – White Paper 1 Vision, Goals and Objectives & White Paper 2 Preliminary Directions and Concepts, May 2008

- ❖ Council received the draft White Papers 1 & 2, prepared by Metrolinx, for information.

CS 30-08 – Audit Matters – Update

- ❖ Council adopted the recommendation contained in Confidential Report CS 30-08.

CS 27-08 – 2007 Year End Audit

- ❖ Council received the Audit Results Report as submitted by Deloitte & Touche LLP for information, and approved the 2007 draft Audited Consolidated Financial Statements.

CS 20-08 – Hiring of Consultant to Implement Public Sector Accounting Board 3150 Reporting Requirements

- ❖ Council approved the engagement of the firm of TCA Consulting Ltd., to assist the municipality in implementing the reporting requirements of Public Sector Accounting

Board 3150, as provided in the 2008 Current Budget.

CS 24-08 – 2007 Pre-Audit Balances of Reserves & Reserve Funds

- ❖ Report CS 24-08 was received for information.

CS 26-08 – Investment Portfolio Activity for the Year End

- ❖ Report CS 26-08 was received for information.

CS 28-08 – Development Charges – Annual Indexing

- ❖ Council approved that effective July 1, 2008, the Development Charges referred to in Sections 6 and 11 of By-law 6349/04 be increased by 7.2 percent. This being the annual increase in the Construction Price Statistics for the Non-Residential Building Construction Price Index as reported by Statistics Canada for the year ended March 31, 2008.

CS 29-08 – 2008/2009 Property & Liability Insurance Renewal

- ❖ Council renewed its property, liability and other covered items through the Frank Cowan Company for the period of July 1, 2008 to June 30, 2009, including the Reimbursable Deductible Program, and authorized settlement of any claims including any adjusting and legal fees where it is in the City's best interest to do so.
- ❖ Council also authorized the purchase of additional insurance and changes to deductibles and existing coverages including terms and conditions as it becomes desirable or necessary to limit potential liability or to protect the assets of the City.

CS 31-08 – 2008 Assessment Appeals

- ❖ Council approved the filing of the assessment appeals by Municipal Tax Equity for roll numbers 18-01-020-016-146-00, 18-01-030-020-189-35, 18-01-030-020-189-90 and 18-01-030-020-202-00 and authorized the engagement of the firm of Municipal Tax Equity and/or Walker Poole Nixon LLP to represent the City for these assessment appeals.

OES 18-08 – Single Sourcing the Purchase of a Vehicle Exhaust Extractor System Apparatus

- ❖ Council approved a fixed mounted vehicle exhaust extraction system for Fire Station #6, and approved Nederman Canada to act as the single source provider of the unit.

CS 32-08 – Leash Free Area within the City of Pickering

- ❖ Report CS 32-08 was referred back to staff for further investigation into leash free areas. Staff are to report back to Council no later than October 2008.

PD 21-08 – Plan of Subdivision 40M-1706, 40M-1713, 40M-1719, 40M-1727, 40M-1728

- ❖ Council approved that the highways being Windgrove Square within Plan 40M-1706, Amberwood Crescent within Plan 40M-1713, Pine Grove Avenue within Plan 40M-1719, Meldron Drive and Sandhurst Crescent within Plans 40M-1727 and 40M-1728, were assumed for public use. These Plans were also released and removed from title.
- ❖ The services required by the Subdivision Agreements relating to these Plans were accepted and assumed for maintenance, save and except from Block 46, Plan 40M-1706 and Block 18, Plan 40M-1728.

PD 27-08 – Duffin Heights Neighbourhood: OPA 2007-006

- ❖ Council announced their support for the application to amend the Durham Regional Official Plan, File: OPA 2007-006, submitted by the Duffin Heights Landowners Group to:
 - Delete the future east-west Type C arterial road connection from Church Street in the Town of Ajax, to the CP rail line in Duffin Heights;
 - Delete the remnant portion of Old Taunton Road as a Type C arterial road designation from Taunton Road to the future east-west Type C arterial road; and
 - Realign the possible extension of Valley Farm Road, a Type C arterial road, north of the Third Concession Road including crossing the Ganatsekiagon Creek easterly to connect to Brock Road.
- ❖ A copy of Report PD 27-08 was then forwarded to the Region of Durham, Town of Ajax, Toronto and Region Conservation Authority and Sernas Associates, who represent the Duffin Heights Landowners Group.

PD 29-08 – Downtown Pickering Program

- ❖ Council authorized the continuing engagement of Young + Wright/IBI Group Architects to act as the City's urban design consultant on the Downtown Pickering program to a limit of \$70,000 utilizing the professional and consultative services

funds approved by Council in the 2008 Department Budget.

OES 22-08 – Supply & Delivery of a 4-Ton Dump Truck

- ❖ Council approved Quotation No. Q-32-2008 as submitted by Scarborough Truck Centre Inc., for the supply and delivery of a 4-Ton Dump Truck with Snow Plow and Wing, and Electronic Salt Metering, in the amount of \$158,809.
- ❖ The total gross purchase cost of \$179,454.17 and a net purchase cost of \$171,513.72 was approved.
- ❖ Council also authorized the Director, Corporate Services & Treasurer to finance this purchase through the issuance of debt.

CS 34-08 – Section 357/358 of the *Municipal Act* – Adjustment to Taxes

- ❖ Council received Report CS 34-08, and approved the write-off of taxes as provided under Section 357/358 of the *Municipal Act*, 2001.

PD 25-08 – Zoning By-law Amendment Application A 9/08 Fairport Inc.

- ❖ Report PD 25-08 was referred back to staff for further information.

CAO 05-08 – Repairs to Greenwood Branch Library

- ❖ Council approved the expenditure of approximately \$50,000 from the Library Capital Budget contingency for repairs to the Greenwood Branch Library in accordance with Resolution #78/08.

PD 26-08 – Pickering Official Plan Review – Hiring of Consultant Bill 51

- ❖ Council authorized the engagement of the firm of Sorensen Gravely Lowes Planning Associates Inc., to complete the second part of the amendment to the Pickering Official Plan, which implements Bill 51 to a limit of \$35,000, using professional and consultative services funds approved by Council in the 2008 Department Budget.

PD 31-08 – *Planning for Employment in the Greater Golden Horseshoe*

- ❖ Pickering Council generally supports the proposed strategies in the *Planning for Employment in the Greater Golden Horseshoe* Background paper, and also recommends:

- The Province identify and market significant employment clusters throughout

Ontario, including the existing Energy Cluster in Durham Region, as anchored by the City of Pickering, and focus investment and job creation strategies within those identified clusters to expand Ontario's economy while remaining competitive globally;

- The Province identify provincially strategic and significant areas for employment growth and land protection in Ontario, including the Highway 407 corridor and Downtown Pickering, and focus infrastructure improvements, public sector investments and land protection strategies to these areas to encourage desired employment investment and growth;
- The Province establish and release a comprehensive package of fiscal and regulatory tools to encourage desirable employment investment;
- The Province require all its Ministries and Crown agencies to align investment, growth and development decisions with the Provincial Growth Plan; and
- That the Province consider the comments provided on the *Proposed Strategies* in the Background Paper as set out in Appendix I to Report PD 31-08.

PD 32-08 – Region of Durham's Growth Plan Implementation Study

- ❖ Council outlined their recommendations to be forwarded to the Region of Durham, outlining some key points in relation to increasing employment figures, noise issues, and the establishment of certain policies within the Growth Plan Implementation Study.

OES 17-08 – Supply & Delivery of Three One Ton Dump Trucks

- ❖ Council accepted the quotation submitted by Formula Ford Sales for the supply & delivery of three one ton dump trucks in the amount of \$146,139.51, to be financed through revenue paid from property taxes as identified in the 2008 Capital budget.

OES 19-08 – Tender T-4-2008

- ❖ Council accepted the tender submitted by Dagmar Construction Inc. for the City Road Reconstruction and Storm Sewer Works, Region Water and Sanitary Sewer Works at a cost of \$2,491,737.69. The project will be financed through the issue of debentures by the Regional Municipality of Durham (\$1,295,000), Development Charges Reserve Fund (\$279,000), Provincial Budget Grant (\$100,000), Regional Municipality of

Durham (\$882,467), and the 2008 Current Budget (\$616).

- ❖ The annual repayment charges of \$167,710 are to be included in the annual Current Budget commencing in 2009, and continuing until the loan and any financing costs are paid.

OES 20-08 – Emergency Roof Replacement – Pickering Recreation Complex

- ❖ Council accepted the quotation submitted by Provincial Industrial Roofing and Sheet Metal Co. Ltd to provide roof replacement work at the Pickering Recreation Complex for a total gross project cost of \$60,834.

OES 23-08 – Tender T-12-2008

- ❖ Council accepted the tender submitted by Rutherford Contracting Ltd. for the Artificial Turf Field at Bay Ridges Kinsmen Park in the amount of \$625,047, and approved the total gross project cost of \$734,772. This project will be financed by the issuance of debentures through the Regional Municipality of Durham (\$499,000), the Pickering Soccer Club (\$200,000), and from the 2008 Current Budget (\$783).
- ❖ The annual repayment charges of \$113,700 are to be included in the annual Current Budget commencing in 2009, and continuing until the loan and financing costs are repaid.

OES 24-08 – Tender T-2-2008

- ❖ Council accepted the tender submitted by BWK Construction Company Ltd. for the Pickering Recreation Complex Doubles Squash Courts and Aerobics Studios in the amount of \$4,200,998. This project will be financed by the issuance of debentures through the Regional Municipality of Durham (\$2,000,000), the Municipal Infrastructure Investment Initiative Grant (\$1,000,000), the Federal Gas Tax (\$800,000), the Pickering Squash Club (\$200,000), and the 2008 Current Budget (\$950).
- ❖ The annual repayment charges of \$199,250 are to be included in the annual Current Budget commencing in 2009, and continuing until the loan and financing costs are repaid.



Council Highlights – July 14, 2008, City of Pickering Council Meeting

Notices of Motion

- ❖ A Notice of Motion was brought forward regarding the reinstatement of the Audit Committee. The Motion was defeated on a recorded vote.
- ❖ Council directed staff to initiate an amendment to the by-law schedules of amending Zoning By-law 6778/08 to reflect the original City Council direction that the road dedication from the Brookdale Centre Inc., property be only 10 metres, and that Brookdale Centre Inc., and Pentans Development Ltd., be sent a copy of this resolution. This Motion was carried on a recorded vote.

The next Council meeting will take place on September 15, 2008. Please contact Debi Wilcox, City Clerk at 905.420.4611 for questions relating to the Council Highlights.