



Council Highlights – November 17, 2008, City of Pickering Council Meeting

Presentations/Delegations

- ❖ Robert Miller, Senior Council for the Region of York, appeared before Council in opposition to the rezoning application of Report PD 39-08.
- ❖ Dennis Large, the owner of the Pickering Athletic Centre appeared before Council in support of the rezoning application of Report PD 39-08.
- ❖ William Friedman, solicitor for SR&R Bay Ridges Ltd., appeared before Council with respect to Report PD 36-08 and emphasized that there was no attempt by his client to reduce the amount for parkland conveyance, but rather pay the appropriate amount.
- ❖ Roger Wade appeared before Council with respect to Report PD 39-08. Mr. Wade advised that he was in favour of development but questioned the regulation that stated that no development was to be within 3 km of a nuclear plant.
- ❖ Bryan Buttigieg appeared before Council with respect to Report PD 39-08. Mr. Buttigieg is an environmental lawyer appointed to assist with the Rouge Duffins Watershed Plan. He outlined his concerns with the Durham Growth Plan, specifically citing issues with erosion control and that there were too many unknowns.
- ❖ Peter Rodrigues appeared before Council with respect to Report PD 42-08. Mr. Rodrigues stated that the rush to approve the growth plan was inappropriate, and that there is a need to maintain agriculture and environmentally friendly lands.
- ❖ David Donnelly, a representative of Environmental Defence and Green Door Alliance, appeared before Council with respect to Report PD 42-08. Mr. Donnelly noted his objection, stating that the projections were too far ahead, and that this plan offends the Places to Grow legislation.
- ❖ Brian Buckles, a representative of the Green Door Alliance and the Durham Conservation Association appeared before Council with respect to Report PD 42-08. Mr. Buckles questioned the negatives of proceeding and recommending no urban area expansion at this time.

Standing Committee Reports

PD 39-08 – Zoning By-law Amendment Application A 11/07 – Dalar Properties Ltd.

- ❖ Council approved the Zoning By-law Amendment Application A 11/07, to amend the zoning of the subject property to add commercial recreational uses including a gymnastics facility, a dance studio, karate club and a soccer club, in addition to the currently permitted industrial uses.

PD 37-08 – Final Assumption of Plans of Subdivision 40M-1906, 40M-1913, 40M-1915, 40M-1916, 40M-1920, 40M-1923, 40M-1943, 40M-1958.

- ❖ Council assumed the highways Monica Cook Place, Holbrook Court, Granby Court, Stroud's Lane,



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Treetop Way, Fawndale Road, Stover Crescent, Littleford, Street, and Stonehampton Court for public use. The services relating to these plans were accepted and assumed for maintenance.

PD 43-08 – Zoning By-law Amendment A 11/08

- ❖ Council approved the Zoning By-law Amendment Application A 11/08 submitted by Grant Morris Associates Ltd., to amend the existing zoning on the rear of the subject properties to permit reduced side yard widths, reduced building height and an increased lot coverage on lands situated on Part of Road Allowance between Lots 34 & 35, Concession 1, Parts 2, 4, 5-9, 11-13, 15, 17, 18, 20, 22, 24, 26-30, 32, 33 & 35, 40R-25121.

PD 42-08 – Region of Durham's Growth Plan Implementation Study: Growing Durham

- ❖ Council endorsed the comments contained in Report PD 42-08 on the *Draft Recommended Growth Scenario and Policy Directions Report* for the Region of Durham Growth Plan Implementation Study, and requested that the Region of Durham and its consultants make specified changes.

OES 37-08 – Dunbarton Indoor Pool Renovation Project

- ❖ Council ratified the approval by the Chief Administrative Officer of proposal No. RFP-4-2008 for the supply of energy ventilation and pool dehumidification systems for the Dunbarton Indoor Pool, and accepted the tender T-17-2008 submitted by BWK Construction Company Ltd., at a cost of \$1,782,900.

OES 40-08 – Building Canada Fund – Communities Component Intake One

- ❖ Council approved the City's participation in the BCF-CC Intake One through the submission of an application by the deadline of November 21, 2008.
- ❖ Council endorsed the Pickering Museum Village Restoration and Upgrade Project as the City's Intake One BCF-CC application and this project has been identified as a Capital priority in the 2009 Capital Budget, subject to receiving approval of funding by BCF-CC.

CS 45-08 – 2008 Internal Loan and External Debentures

- ❖ Council approved an internal loan in the amount of \$200,000 for a maximum of ten years, to be borrowed from the Development Charges Reserve Funds, for the External Subdivision Works-Roads: Brock road.

CS 50-08 – Section 357/358 of the *Municipal Act* – Adjustment to Taxes

- ❖ Council approved the write-off of taxes in the amount of \$40,283.47 as provided for under Section 357/358 of the *Municipal Act, 2001*.

CS 51-08 – 2008 Year End Audit



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- ❖ Council received for information the Audit Plan, as submitted by Deloitte & Touche LLP, and authorized the Chief Administrative Officer and the Director, Corporate Services & Treasurer to sign the Auditor's Engagement Letter on behalf of the City.

PD 45-08 – Draft Regional Transportation Plan, Draft Investment Strategy

- ❖ Council requested that Metrolink revise the Draft Regional Transportation Plan: *The Big Move: Transforming Transportation in the Greater Toronto & Hamilton Area* and the Draft Investment Strategy: *A Plan for Implementation Action*, with changes specified in the Report.

OES 41-08 – City's Traffic & Parking By-law No. 6604/05

- ❖ Council approved the draft by-law to amend Section 15 to By-law No. 6604/05 to provide for the prohibition of on street parking between the hours of 2:00 am and 5:00 am from December 1st to March 31st annually.

Notices of Motion

Security and Safety and GO Stations

- ❖ Due to the increase in reported incidents of theft and vandalism at GO parking lots, the City of Pickering hereby requests that GO Transit put in place measures to improve the safety of passengers and vehicles.

Durham Region Anti-Violence Intervention Strategy

- ❖ The City of Pickering resolved to Minister Bartolucci, Minister of Community Safety and Correctional Services that the City of Pickering supports and requests that the Anti-Violence Intervention Strategy program is continued in Durham Region and that the continual funding be provided in order for the operation of DRAVIS to continue throughout our region and ensure crime prevention initiatives are continued.

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