

City Council Minutes

Council Chambers, City Hall

November 4, 2024

Present: Councillor Baldwin
Councillor Beamer
Councillor Bierk
Councillor Crowley
Councillor Duguay
Councillor Haacke (electronic)
Councillor Lachica
Mayor Leal
Councillor Parnell
Councillor Riel
Councillor Vassiliadis

Staff: Chris Allen, Director, Materials Management
Brad Appleby, Director, Planning, Development and Urban Design
Alan Barber, Associate City Solicitor
Richard Freymond, Commissioner, Finance & Corporate Support Services
Natalie Garnett, Deputy City Clerk
John Kennedy, City Clerk
Sheldon Laidman, Commissioner, Community Services
Sarah McDougall Perrin, Advisor, Government Relations
Blair Nelson, Commissioner, Infrastructure, Planning & Growth Management
Jasbir Raina, Chief Administrative Officer
Brendan Wedley, Director, Strategic Communications & Service
Peterborough

Call to Order

The mayor called the meeting to order at 6:28 p.m.

Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest

Councillor Haacke declared a conflict with item 10.n – Heritage Park Report, as the owner is a client of his employer.

Registered Delegations

Governance of Advisory Committees and Councillors' Participation on Local Boards, Municipal Corporations and Third Party Organizations and Corporations, Report COU24-002

Margie Sumadh, Town Ward

Gerry Vandenberg, Arts and Culture Advisory Committee

Mark Bullock, 884 Valley View Drive

Consent Items

Moved by Councillor Vassiliadis

Seconded by Councillor Bierk

That items Appointments - Report LSCLK24-015, Presentation By Chief Betts - Report LSCLK24-012, Physician Recruitment and Retention Report - Report CAOGR24-006, 2025 Meeting Schedule - Report LSCLK24-013, Appointments - Report LSCLK24-015, 2024 Audit Plan - Report FCSFS24-025, Delegated Authority for Intermunicipal Child Care Agreements - Report CSSS24-021, Community Housing Strategic Framework for Service Agreements - Report CSSS24-022, 555 Bonaccord Street Tax Exemption - Report CSSS24-023, Proposed Demolition of 595 Sherbrooke Street - Report LSRS24-017, Procurement By-law Update - Report FCSMM24-004, Request for a Crossing Guard at Otonabee Drive and Stewart Drive - Report IPGENG24-023, and Implementation of a Proposed Site Alteration By-Law - Report IPGACP24-025, be approved on consent.

For (11): Councillor Baldwin, Councillor Beamer, Councillor Bierk, Councillor Crowley, Councillor Duguay, Councillor Haacke, Councillor Lachica, Mayor Leal, Councillor Parnell, Councillor Riel, and Councillor Vassiliadis

Carried (11 to 0)

Report FCSFS24-024, Agreement

That Council approve the recommendation outlined in Report FCSFS24-024, dated October 28, 2024 of the Commissioner, Finance and Corporate Support Services as follows:

That Council authorize staff to proceed as outlined in Closed Session Report FCSFS24-024 dated October 28, 2024, of the Commissioner, Finance and Corporate Support Services, respecting an agreement between the City of Peterborough and the County of Peterborough for consolidated municipal services.

Presentation By Chief Betts, Report LSCLK24-012

That Council approve the recommendation outlined in Report LSCLK24-012, dated October 28, 2024, of the City Clerk as follows:

That the presentation from Chief Betts respecting the F.I.R.S.T. program be received for information

2025 Meeting Schedule, Report LSCLK24-013

That Council approve the recommendation outlined in Report LSCLK24-013, dated October 28, 2024 of the City Clerk as follows:

That Council approve the 2025 Council meeting schedule, attached as Appendix A to the report

Physician Recruitment and Retention Report, Report CAOGR24-006

That Council approve the recommendation outlined in Report CAOGR24-006 dated October 28, 2024 of the Chief Administrative Officer as follows:

That the Physician Recruitment and Retention presentation be received for information.

Appointments, Report LSCLK24-015

That Council approve the recommendations outlined in Report LSCLK24-015 dated October 28, 2024 of the City Clerk, on behalf of the DBIA and the Art Gallery of Peterborough Board, as follows:

a) That the Art Gallery of Peterborough Board nomination of Voula Haliday to the Arts and Culture Advisory Committee for a term ending November 30, 2026, be approved.

b) That the recommendation from the Downtown Business Improvement Area (DBIA) of the following appointments: Ally Pyle, Deanna Guttman, Shelby Leonard-Watt, Shannon Mak and Matthew Couture to their Board, for a period ending November 30, 2026, be approved.

2024 Audit Plan, Report FCSFS24-025

That Council approve the recommendations outlined in Report FCSFS24-025, dated October 28, 2024 of the Commissioner, Finance and Corporate Support Services as follows:

a) That the 2024 Audit Plan for the Corporation of the City of Peterborough, attached to Report FCSFS24-025 as Appendix A, be received; and

b) That the Mayor and one member of Council be authorized to sign the Audit Planning Report, attached to Report FCSFS24-025 as Appendix B.

Delegated Authority for Intermunicipal Child Care Agreements, Report CSSS24-021

That Council approve the recommendation outlined in Report CSSS24-021, dated October 28, 2024 of the Commissioner of Community Services as follows:

That the Commissioner of Community Services be authorized to execute intermunicipal agreements related to child care on terms satisfactory to the said Commissioner and in forms acceptable to the City Solicitor.

Community Housing Strategic Framework for Service Agreements, Report CSSS24-022

That Council approve the recommendations outlined in Report CSSS24-022, dated October 28, 2024 of the Commissioner of Community Services as follows:

a) That Council approve the Community Housing Strategic Framework for the End of Mortgage (EOM) and End of Operating Agreements (EOA); and

b) That the Community Housing Strategic Framework attached as Appendix A and Peterborough – Housing Provider Readiness Guide – Preparing for Service Agreements, included as Appendix B, be received for information.

555 Bonaccord Street Tax Exemption, Report CSSS24-023

That Council approve the recommendations outlined in Report CSSS24-023, dated October 28, 2024 of the Commissioner of Community Services as follows:

a) That Council approve the proposed By-law attached as Appendix A authorizing City Council to grant the affordable housing portion (65 units) at 555 Bonaccord Street a property tax exemption for a period of 10 years, commencing on the date on which the by-law is passed. The exemption will apply solely for the first 10 years followed by a 10-year tax increment-based grant;

b) That City staff be directed to notify Municipal Property Assessment Corporation (MPAC) of the approved by-law to adjust the supplementary tax assessment, thereby applying the property tax exemption to the newly assessed portion of Hunt Terraces;

c) That the City supports the appeal filed by Peterborough Housing Corporation (PHC) with MPAC regarding the current tax classification of the new building, ensuring that the affordable housing portions are assessed under the correct exemptions; and

d) That the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to sign agreements and other related documents in terms acceptable to the Commissioner of Community Services and in a form acceptable to the City Solicitor to provide property tax exemptions for 555 Bonaccord Street in accordance with Report CSSS24-023.

Proposed Demolition of 595 Sherbrooke Street, Report LSRS24-017

That Council approve the recommendation outlined in Report LSRS24-017, dated October 28, 2024 of the Commissioner, Legislative Services as follows:

That staff be authorized to proceed with the demolition of 595 Sherbrooke Street, Peterborough.

Procurement By-law Update, Report FCSMM24-004

That Council approve the recommendations outlined in Report FCSMM24-004, dated October 28, 2024 of the Commissioner, Finance and Corporate Support Services as follows:

a) That the Procurement By-law 22-070 Dated September 26, 2022 be repealed effective December 02, 2024; and

b) That the new Procurement Policy By-law appended to Report FCMM24-004 as Appendix A be approved and take effect December 02, 2024.

Request for a Crossing Guard at Otonabee Drive and Stewart Drive, Report IPGENG24-023

That Council approve the recommendations outlined in Report IPGENG24-023, dated October 28, 2024, of the Commissioner of Infrastructure, Planning and Growth Management as follows:

- a) That a crossing guard be implemented at the intersection of Otonabee Drive and Stewart Drive during the school admission and dismissal times; and**
- b) That that funding in the amount of \$14,000 plus annual increases for the crossing guard at the intersection of Otonabee Drive and Stewart Drive be included in future Operating Budgets for Adult Crossing Guards.**

Implementation of a Proposed Site Alteration By-Law, Report IPGACP24-025

That Council approve the recommendations outlined in Report IPGACP24-025, dated October 28, 2024 of the Commissioner of Infrastructure, Planning and Growth Management as follows:

- a) That Report IPGACP24-025, including the attached draft Site Alteration By-Law, be received for information;**
- b) That Staff proceed with public consultation on a proposed Site Alteration By-Law; and**
- c) That Staff return in 2025 with a final version of the By-Law for adoption by Council, including a summary of feedback received during the public consultation period.**

Governance of Advisory Committees and Councillors' Participation on Local Boards, Municipal Corporations and Third Party Organizations and Corporations, Report COU24-002

Moved by Councillor Crowley
Seconded by Councillor Vassiliadis

- a) That the recommendations outlined in Report COU24-002 of Mayor Jeff Leal be approved effective January 1, 2025.**

Against (11): Councillor Baldwin, Councillor Beamer, Councillor Bierk, Councillor Crowley, Councillor Duguay, Councillor Haacke, Councillor Lachica, Mayor Leal, Councillor Parnell, Councillor Riel, and Councillor Vassiliadis

Lost (0 to 11)

Moved by Councillor Crowley
Seconded by Councillor Vassiliadis

- a) That the recommendations outlined in Report COU24-002 of Mayor Jeff Leal be approved effective January 1, 2025, with the exception that Councillors Duguay and Lachica be assigned as Council representatives on the Peterborough Environmental Advisory Committee.**

For (8): Councillor Baldwin, Councillor Beamer, Councillor Crowley, Councillor Duguay, Councillor Haacke, Mayor Leal, Councillor Parnell, and Councillor Vassiliadis

Against (3): Councillor Bierk, Councillor Lachica, and Councillor Riel

Carried (8 to 3)

Moved by Councillor Duguay
Seconded by Councillor Parnell

b) That a by-law be passed on November 4, 2024 to amend Portfolio Chairs By-law 24-017 to establish two Portfolio Chair positions for each of the five City Departments, with an additional two Portfolio Chairs for Homelessness, in the form of amending by-law comprising Appendix C to this report.

For (9): Councillor Baldwin, Councillor Beamer, Councillor Crowley, Councillor Duguay, Councillor Haacke, Mayor Leal, Councillor Parnell, Councillor Riel, and Councillor Vassiliadis

Against (2): Councillor Bierk, and Councillor Lachica

Carried (9 to 2)

Moved by Councillor Bierk
Seconded by Councillor Crowley

That recommendation c) be amended:

To i) add "Community Services" (except Homelessness and Social Services)
to add ii) "Community Services" (Homelessness and Social services)"

For (5): Councillor Bierk, Councillor Crowley, Councillor Lachica, Councillor Riel, and Councillor Vassiliadis

Against (6): Councillor Baldwin, Councillor Beamer, Councillor Duguay, Councillor Haacke, Mayor Leal, and Councillor Parnell

Lost (5 to 6)

Moved by Councillor Crowley
Seconded by Councillor Vassiliadis

c) That, effective November 4, 2024, each member of Council be appointed as a Portfolio Chair for each of the Portfolios as follows:

- i) Community Services (except Homelessness): Councillors Bierk and Parnell;**
- ii) Community Services (Homelessness): Councillors Bierk and Riel;**
- iii) Finance and Corporate Support Services: Councillors Beamer and Haacke;**
- iv) Infrastructure, Planning and Growth Management: Councillors Duguay and Lachica;**

- v) Legislative Services: Councillors Baldwin and Crowley;**
vi) Municipal Operations: Councillors Riel and Vassiliadis.

For (9): Councillor Baldwin, Councillor Beamer, Councillor Bierk, Councillor Crowley, Councillor Duguay, Councillor Lachica, Mayor Leal, Councillor Parnell, and Councillor Vassiliadis

Against (2): Councillor Haacke, and Councillor Riel

Carried (9 to 2)

Moved by Councillor Beamer
Seconded by Councillor Vassiliadis

- d) That, effective November 4, 2024, Councillor Parnell be appointed as the Presiding Officer for public meeting matters comprising the Planning Act at General Committee.**

For (10): Councillor Baldwin, Councillor Beamer, Councillor Bierk, Councillor Crowley, Councillor Duguay, Councillor Haacke, Councillor Lachica, Mayor Leal, Councillor Parnell, and Councillor Vassiliadis

Against (1): Councillor Riel

Carried (10 to 1)

Moved by Councillor Crowley
Seconded by Councillor Vassiliadis

- e) That staff be directed to provide to Council electronically, agendas for those advisory committee meetings that staff attend, which are listed on pages three and four of Report COU24-002.**

For (11): Councillor Baldwin, Councillor Beamer, Councillor Bierk, Councillor Crowley, Councillor Duguay, Councillor Haacke, Councillor Lachica, Mayor Leal, Councillor Parnell, Councillor Riel, and Councillor Vassiliadis

Carried (11 to 0)

Moved by Councillor Crowley
Seconded by Councillor Vassiliadis

f) If approved, the governance of advisory committees and council's participation on local boards, municipal corporations and third party organizations be reviewed at the end of the term for possible recommendations for consideration for the term of 2026-2030.

Against (11): Councillor Baldwin, Councillor Beamer, Councillor Bierk, Councillor Crowley, Councillor Duguay, Councillor Haacke, Councillor Lachica, Mayor Leal, Councillor Parnell, Councillor Riel, and Councillor Vassiliadis

Lost (0 to 11)

Moved by Councillor Crowley
Seconded by Councillor Vassiliadis

f) "If approved, the governance of advisory committees and council's participation on local boards, municipal corporations and third-party organizations be reviewed at the end of 2025 for possible recommendations for consideration."

For (10): Councillor Baldwin, Councillor Beamer, Councillor Bierk, Councillor Crowley, Councillor Duguay, Councillor Haacke, Councillor Lachica, Mayor Leal, Councillor Parnell, and Councillor Vassiliadis

Against (1): Councillor Riel

Carried (10 to 1)

Moved by Councillor Crowley
Seconded by Councillor Vassiliadis

g) Beginning Jan 1st, 2025 those committees without council membership are invited to submit a summary update memorandum to the clerk's office every six months for dissemination to all members of council

For (11): Councillor Baldwin, Councillor Beamer, Councillor Bierk, Councillor Crowley, Councillor Duguay, Councillor Haacke, Councillor Lachica, Mayor Leal, Councillor Parnell, Councillor Riel, and Councillor Vassiliadis

Carried (11 to 0)

Moved by Councillor Crowley
Seconded by Councillor Duguay

That the question be put.

For (8): Councillor Baldwin, Councillor Beamer, Councillor Crowley, Councillor Duguay, Councillor Haacke, Mayor Leal, Councillor Parnell, and Councillor Vassiliadis

Against (3): Councillor Bierk, Councillor Lachica, and Councillor Riel

Carried (8 to 3)

Moved by Councillor Crowley
Seconded by Councillor Vassiliadis

That Council approve the recommendations outlined in Report COU24-002, dated October 28, 2024, of Mayor Jeff Leal, as follows:

a) That the recommendations outlined in Report COU24-002 of Mayor Jeff Leal be

approved effective January 1, 2025, with the exception that Councillors Duguay and Lachica be assigned as Council representatives on the Peterborough Environmental Advisory Committee.

b) That a by-law be passed on November 4, 2024 to amend Portfolio Chairs By-law 24-017 to establish two Portfolio Chair positions for each of the five City Departments, with an additional two Portfolio Chairs for Homelessness, in the form of amending by-law comprising Appendix C to this report.

c) That, effective November 4, 2024, each member of Council be appointed as a Portfolio Chair for each of the Portfolios as follows:

i) Community Services (except Homelessness): Councillors Bierk and Parnell;

ii) Community Services (Homelessness): Councillors Bierk and Riel;

iii) Finance and Corporate Support Services: Councillors Beamer and Haacke;

iv) Infrastructure, Planning and Growth Management: Councillors Duguay and Lachica;

v) Legislative Services: Councillors Baldwin and Crowley;

vi) Municipal Operations: Councillors Riel and Vassiliadis.

d) That, effective November 4, 2024, Councillor Parnell be appointed as the Presiding Officer for public meeting matters comprising the Planning Act at General Committee.

e) That staff be directed to provide to Council electronically, agendas for those advisory committee meetings that staff attend, which are listed on pages three and four of Report COU24-002.

f) If approved, the governance of advisory committees and council's participation on local boards, municipal corporations and third-party organizations be reviewed at the end of 2025 for possible recommendations for consideration.

g) Beginning January 1st, 2025 those committees without council membership are invited to submit a summary update memorandum to the clerk's office every six months for dissemination to all members of council

For (9): Councillor Baldwin, Councillor Beamer, Councillor Crowley, Councillor Duguay, Councillor Haacke, Mayor Leal, Councillor Parnell, Councillor Riel, and Councillor Vassiliadis

Against (2): Councillor Bierk, and Councillor Lachica

Carried (9 to 2)

Heritage Park Report

Due to his previously declared conflict, Councillor Haacke did not discuss or vote on this item.

Moved by Councillor Crowley
Seconded by Councillor Parnell

That staff be directed to provide a report to Council on the Heritage park subdivision.

For (10): Councillor Baldwin, Councillor Beamer, Councillor Bierk, Councillor Crowley, Councillor Duguay, Councillor Lachica, Mayor Leal, Councillor Parnell, Councillor Riel, and Councillor Vassiliadis

Conflict (1): Councillor Haacke

Carried (10 to 0)

Notice of Motion

There were no Notices of Motion.

Approval of By-laws

Moved by Councillor Beamer
Seconded by Councillor Vassiliadis

That the following By-laws be approved:

24-076 Being a By-law to exempt the lands owned by Peterborough Housing Corporation, located at 555 Bonaccord Street, Peterborough, in the City of Peterborough from taxation for municipal and school purposes

24-077 Being a by-law to establish fair transparent and accountable procurement practices and policies as required by Section 270 of the Municipal Act, 2001 and to delegate authority related thereto

24-078 Being a By-law to amend Portfolio Chairs By-law 24-017

For (11): Councillor Baldwin, Councillor Beamer, Councillor Bierk, Councillor Crowley, Councillor Duguay, Councillor Haacke, Councillor Lachica, Mayor Leal, Councillor Parnell, Councillor Riel, and Councillor Vassiliadis

Carried (11 to 0)

Other Business

There were no items of Other Business.

Confirmation By-law

Moved by Councillor Beamer
Seconded by Councillor Parnell

That By-law 24-079, Being a By-law to confirm the proceedings of the Council at its meeting held on November 4, 2024, be approved.

For (11): Councillor Baldwin, Councillor Beamer, Councillor Bierk, Councillor Crowley, Councillor Duguay, Councillor Haacke, Councillor Lachica, Mayor Leal, Councillor Parnell, Councillor Riel, and Councillor Vassiliadis

Carried (11 to 0)

Adjournment

Moved by Councillor Baldwin

Seconded by Councillor Duguay

That the meeting be adjourned at 8:22 p.m.

For (11): Councillor Baldwin, Councillor Beamer, Councillor Bierk, Councillor Crowley, Councillor Duguay, Councillor Haacke, Councillor Lachica, Mayor Leal, Councillor Parnell, Councillor Riel, and Councillor Vassiliadis

Carried (11 to 0)

John Kennedy

City Clerk

Jeff Leal

Mayor