



## Minutes

### The Council of The Regional Municipality of York

September 23, 2021  
Electronic Meeting

Members: W. Emmerson, M. Bevilacqua, J. DiPaola, M. Ferri, R. Grossi, V. Hackson, D. Hamilton, J. Heath, L. Jackson, J. Jones, J. Li, I. Lovatt, T. Mrakas, S. Pellegrini, C. Perrelli, M. Quirk, J. Taylor, T. Vegh

Staff: D. Basso, A.M. Carroll, K. Chislett, P. Freeman, Dr. K. Kurji, D. Kuzmyk, J. Li, B. Macgregor, E. Mahoney, C. Raynor, M.F. Turner

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#### A. Call to Order

Regional Chair Emmerson called the meeting to order at 9 a.m. and made the following remarks:

“We acknowledge the land we are meeting on today is the traditional territory of many First Nations, including the Chippewas of Georgina Island and the Mississaugas of the Credit.

These lands are now home to many diverse Indigenous peoples.

We also acknowledge that York Region falls under Treaty 13 with the Mississaugas of the Credit and the Williams Treaties with several Mississauga and Chippewas First Nations.”

#### B. Disclosures of Interest

None

**C. Minutes of Council**

**C.1 Council Meeting held on June 24, 2021**

**Moved by** Regional Councillor Li

**Seconded by** Regional Councillor Perrelli

That Council confirm the Minutes of the Council meeting held on June 24, 2021.

**Carried**

**C.2 Council Special Meeting held on September 16, 2021**

**Moved by** Regional Councillor Li

**Seconded by** Regional Councillor Perrelli

That Council confirm the Minutes of the Council special meeting held on September 16, 2021.

**Carried**

**D. Presentations**

**D.1 Greater Toronto Airports Authority**

**Moved by** Regional Councillor Grossi

**Seconded by** Regional Councillor Heath

That Council receive the presentation by Michelle Samson-Doel, Greater Toronto Airports Authority Board Member for York Region and Michael Mendel, Manager, Government and Stakeholder Relations.

**Carried**

**D.2 Scarsin Pandemic Forecasting**

**Moved by** Regional Councillor Grossi

**Seconded by** Regional Councillor Heath

That Council receive the COVID-19 Update presentation by Dr. Karim Kurji, Medical Officer of Health and the Scarsin Pandemic Forecasting presentation by Linda Kaleis, Data Scientist, Corporate Services and Jasmine Song, Epidemiologist, York Region Public Health.

**Carried**

**D.3 Corporate Update #6 - York Region Response to COVID-19**

**Moved by** Regional Councillor Grossi

**Seconded by** Regional Councillor Heath

That Council receive the presentation by Bruce Macgregor, Chief Administrative Officer.

**Carried**

**E. Deputations**

None

**F. Communications**

**F.1 Up Your Life Day**

**Moved by** Mayor Hackson

**Seconded by** Mayor Quirk

That Council receive the correspondence from Jumol Royes, Communications Specialist, York Support Services Network dated July 29, 2021 and recognize September 10, 2021 as 'Up Your Life Day'.

**Carried**

**F.2 Show Your Local Love Day**

**Moved by** Mayor Hackson

**Seconded by** Mayor Quirk

That Council receive the correspondence from Daniele Zanotti, President and Chief Executive Officer, United Way Greater Toronto dated August 17, 2021 and recognize September 23, 2021 as 'Show Your Local Love Day'.

**Carried**

**F.3 Financial Impacts of COVID-19**

**Moved by** Mayor Bevilacqua

**Seconded by** Mayor Lovatt

That Council receive the memorandum from Jason Li, Acting Commissioner of Finance and Regional Treasurer dated September 20, 2021.

**Carried**

**F.4 York Region's Response to the Truth and Reconciliation Commission's Calls to Action**

**Moved by** Regional Councillor Hamilton

**Seconded by** Regional Councillor Jones

That Council receive the memorandum from Bruce Macgregor, Chief Administrative Officer dated September 21, 2021.

**Carried**

**F.5 York Region Rapid Transit Board Recommendation - 1% Annual Tax Levy Surcharge**

**Moved by** Mayor Bevilacqua

**Seconded by** Acting Mayor DiPaola

That Council receive and refer to staff the correspondence from Christopher Raynor, Regional Clerk and Corporate Secretary for York Region Rapid Transit Board dated September 20, 2021.

**Carried**

**F.6 Declaration of Vacancy - Office of Mayor, City of Richmond Hill**

**Moved by** Acting Mayor DiPaola

**Seconded by** Regional Councillor Perrelli

That Council receive the correspondence from Karyn Hurley, Council/Committee Coordinator, City of Richmond Hill, dated September 22, 2021 and acknowledge the vacancy in the Office of Mayor, City of Richmond Hill in accordance with section 262(3) of the *Municipal Act, 2001*.

**Carried**

**G. Consideration and Adoption of Reports**

**G.1 Committee of the Whole Meeting - September 9, 2021**

**Moved by** Mayor Pellegrini

**Seconded by** Regional Councillor Ferri

That Council adopt the recommendations in the Minutes of the Committee of the Whole meeting held on September 9, 2021, noting the following for Item F.2.1:

**Carried**

**F.2.1. 2022-2027 Water and Wastewater Rates**

**Moved by** Regional Councillor Heath

**Seconded by** Regional Councillor Hamilton

That recommendation 2 in the staff report be amended to reflect the following:

That the annual water and wastewater user rate for the period of April 1, 2022 to March 31, 2028 be changed from 3.3% to an equivalent of 2.3% increases each year.

A recorded vote was as follows:

**For:** DiPaola, Hamilton, Heath, Jackson, Li (5)

**Against:** Bevilacqua, Emmerson, Ferri, Grossi, Hackson, Jones, Lovatt, Mrakas, Pellegrini, Perrelli, Quirk, Taylor, Vegh (13)

**Absent:** Rosati, Scarpitti (2)

**Defeated**

**G.2 2021 Servicing Capacity Assignment Status Update**

**Moved by** Regional Councillor Ferri

**Seconded by** Mayor Quirk

That Council adopt the following recommendations in the report dated August 16, 2021 from the Commissioner of Environmental Services, the Commissioner of Corporate Services and the Chief Planner:

1. To address continued delays in Provincial approval of the Upper York Sewage Solutions Individual Environmental Assessment, Council authorize the following assignments based on principles outlined in this report:
  - a. 1,000 persons reserved for Centres and Corridors through interim solutions be equally distributed to the Towns of Aurora, East Gwillimbury and Newmarket on completion of the new Henderson Pumping Station
  - b. Up to 850 persons to the Town of East Gwillimbury to be confirmed through detailed design and upon completion of proposed Sharon Trunk Sewer Modifications capital project
  - c. 40 persons recovered through inflow and infiltration reduction to the Non-Profit Housing Reserve to be used in the Town of Newmarket
2. Council request each municipality provide a semi-annual report on allocation in constrained areas to the Region to inform future capacity assignment reports

3. Council request that each municipality notify the Region when site plan applications are approved to accurately inform future capacity assignment reports
4. The Regional Clerk circulate this report to the local municipalities and the Province
5. The Chairman send this report to the Region's Members of Provincial Parliament and communicate the growth challenges and constraints caused by delays and incremental approvals of the Upper York Sewage Solutions Individual Environmental Assessment

(Referred from September 9, 2021 Committee of the Whole meeting.)

**Carried**

## **H. Introduction and Consideration of Bylaws**

### **H.1 2021-75 - 2nd Concession Road/Prospect Street/Bayview Avenue (Y.R. 34) Speed Limit**

**Moved by** Regional Councillor Perrelli

**Seconded by** Regional Councillor Heath

That Council approve and enact a bylaw to amend Bylaw No. 2021-42 being a bylaw to prescribe maximum rates of speed on 2nd Concession Road/Prospect Street/Bayview Avenue (Y.R. 34).

**Carried**

### **H.2 2021-76 - Aurora Road/Wellington Street (Y.R. 15) Speed Limit**

**Moved by** Regional Councillor Perrelli

**Seconded by** Regional Councillor Heath

That Council approve and enact a bylaw to amend Bylaw No. 2021-45 being a bylaw to prescribe maximum rates of speed on Aurora Road/Wellington Street (Y.R. 15).

**Carried**

### **H.3 2021-77 - Bathurst Street (Y.R. 38) Speed Limit**

**Moved by** Regional Councillor Perrelli

**Seconded by** Regional Councillor Heath

That Council approve and enact a bylaw to amend Bylaw No. 2021-47 being a bylaw to prescribe maximum rates of speed on Bathurst Street (Y.R. 38).

**Carried**

**H.4 2021-78 - Bradford Street/Mount Albert Road (Y.R. 13) Speed Limit**

**Moved by** Regional Councillor Perrelli

**Seconded by** Regional Councillor Heath

That Council approve and enact a bylaw to amend Bylaw No. 2021-48 being a bylaw to prescribe maximum rates of speed on Bradford Street/Mount Albert Road (Y.R. 13).

**Carried**

**H.5 2021-79 - Dufferin Street (Y.R. 53) Speed Limit**

**Moved by** Regional Councillor Perrelli

**Seconded by** Regional Councillor Heath

That Council approve and enact a bylaw to amend Bylaw No. 2021-50 being a bylaw to prescribe maximum rates of speed on Dufferin Street (Y.R. 53).

**Carried**

**H.6 2021-80 - Highway 9/Davis Drive (Y.R. 31) Speed Limit**

**Moved by** Regional Councillor Perrelli

**Seconded by** Regional Councillor Heath

That Council approve and enact a bylaw to amend Bylaw No. R-1324-2002-126 being a bylaw to prescribe maximum rates of speed on Highway 9/Davis Drive (Y.R. 31).

**Carried**

**H.7 2021-81 - King Road (Y.R. 11) Speed Limit**

**Moved by** Regional Councillor Perrelli

**Seconded by** Regional Councillor Heath

That Council approve and enact a bylaw to amend Bylaw No. 2021-56 being a bylaw to prescribe maximum rates of speed on King Road (Y.R. 11).

**Carried**

**H.8 2021-82 - Lloydtown/Aurora Road (Y.R. 16) Speed Limit**

**Moved by** Regional Councillor Perrelli

**Seconded by** Regional Councillor Heath

That Council approve and enact a bylaw to amend Bylaw No. 2021-57 being a bylaw to prescribe maximum rates of speed on Lloydtown/Aurora Road (Y.R. 16).

**Carried**

**H.9 2021-83 - Major Mackenzie Drive (Y.R. 25) Speed Limit**

**Moved by** Regional Councillor Perrelli

**Seconded by** Regional Councillor Heath

That Council approve and enact a bylaw to amend Bylaw No. 2021-58 being a bylaw to prescribe maximum rates of speed on Major Mackenzie Drive (Y.R. 25).

**Carried**

**H.10 2021-84 - Warden Avenue (Y.R. 65) Speed Limit**

**Moved by** Regional Councillor Heath

**Seconded by** Regional Councillor Jones

That Council approve and enact a bylaw to amend Bylaw No. 2021-64 being a bylaw to prescribe maximum rates of speed on Warden Avenue (Y.R. 65).

**Carried**

**H.11 2021-85 - Yonge Street (Y.R. 1) Speed Limit**

**Moved by** Regional Councillor Perrelli

**Seconded by** Regional Councillor Heath

That Council approve and enact bylaw to amend Bylaw No. 2021-67 being a bylaw to prescribe maximum rates of speed on Yonge Street (Y.R. 1).

**Carried**

**H.12 2021-86 - York/Durham Line (Y.R. 30) Speed Limit**

**Moved by** Regional Councillor Perrelli

**Seconded by** Regional Councillor Heath

That Council approve and enact bylaw to amend Bylaw No. R-1323-2002-125 being a bylaw to prescribe maximum rates of speed on York/Durham Line (Y.R. 30).

**Carried**



**H.13 2021-87 - Amendment to Procedure Bylaw**

**Moved by** Regional Councillor Perrelli  
**Seconded by** Regional Councillor Heath

That Council approve and enact a bylaw to amend Bylaw No. 2018-59 being a bylaw to govern the proceedings of Council and its Committees.

**Carried**

**H.14 2021-88 - Assumption of a Portion of Yonge Street**

**Moved by** Regional Councillor Perrelli  
**Seconded by** Regional Councillor Heath

That Council approve and enact a bylaw to amend Bylaw No. R-1107-96-126 being a bylaw to set out all the roads in the Regional Road System.

**Carried**

**H.15 2021-89 - Repeal of Administrative Bylaws**

**Moved by** Regional Councillor Hamilton  
**Seconded by** Mayor Taylor

That Council approve and enact a bylaw to repeal certain administrative bylaws.

**Carried**

**H.16 2021-90 - Yonge Street - Widening and Reconstruction**

**Moved by** Regional Councillor Perrelli  
**Seconded by** Regional Councillor Heath

That Council approve and enact a bylaw to acquire certain lands for or in connection with the widening and reconstruction of Yonge Street (Y.R. 1), Town of Newmarket and Town of East Gwillimbury.

**Carried**

**H.17 2021-91 - 19th Avenue - Widening and Reconstruction**

**Moved by** Regional Councillor Perrelli  
**Seconded by** Regional Councillor Heath

That Council approve and enact a bylaw to acquire certain lands for or in connection with the widening and reconstruction of 19th Avenue (Y.R. 29), City of Richmond Hill.

**Carried**

**H.18 2021-92 - A Bylaw to Establish a Public Highway - Woodbine Avenue**

**Moved by** Regional Councillor Hamilton

**Seconded by** Mayor Lovatt

That Council approve and enact bylaw to establish a public highway.

**Carried**

**I. Motions**

**I.1 Development Charge Exemption - 200 Deerfield Road - Town of Newmarket**

**Moved by** Mayor Taylor

**Seconded by** Regional Councillor Vegh

WHEREAS Rose Corporation is proposing a new tower at 200 Deerfield Road in Newmarket, as phase three of an affordable rental project on three contiguous properties. Phase one was 212 Davis Drive and phase two is 185/195 Deerfield Road.

WHEREAS the proposed building at 200 Deerfield Road meets all of the criteria for a 20-year deferral of Development charges as outlined in the Development Charges Deferral for Affordable, Purpose-Built Rental Building policy except for the requirement to have a minimum of 200 units. 200 Deerfield Road is proposed to include 175 units. 195 Deerfield Road includes 216 units. Between these two towers, a total of 391 dwelling units will be created, just nine units less than the threshold for a 20-year deferral of development charges. The Rose Corporation completed a 225-unit project adjacent to the Deerfield Development at 212 Davis Drive. The three towers combined would have an average of 205 units per tower between the two buildings; 52.6 percent of the units will have two bedrooms or greater.

WHEREAS the proposed building at 200 is located in an area designated as a Regional Centre and Corridor and is located at a Viva station. The final building has been conditionally approved for CMHC's RCFI program based on compliance with the Region's policy. This project will add desperately needed purpose-built rental units to our Region and contribute to alleviating the current housing affordability crisis in York Region. As we know, the Region has recently fallen short of its housing affordability targets. Given that it is shovel-ready, the Deerfield Rental Project offers an opportunity to begin catching up. The deferral agreement for 200 Deerfield Road would be based on the previous agreement for phases one and two.

WHEREAS recognizing that over the three phases of the Rose Corporation's development on Davis Drive and Deerfield Road in Newmarket, ON, 612 dwelling units will be created in three tower – an average of 205 units per tower.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:**

Council direct staff to provide the Rose Corporation a one-time exemption from the requirement to have 200 units at 200 Deerfield to be eligible for a 20-year deferral of development charges, as outlined in the Development Charges Deferral for Affordable, Purpose-Built Rental Building policy.

Council direct staff to defer development charges related to 200 Deerfield Road (a 175-unit tower) for a period of up to 20 years.

**Carried**

**J. Notices of Motion to Reconsider**

None

**K. Other Business**

**K.1 2022 Council and Committee Meeting Calendar**

**Moved by** Mayor Lovatt

**Seconded by** Mayor Hackson

That Council approve the 2022 Council and Committee Meeting Calendar.

**Carried**

**K.2 Consideration of Appointment to the Toronto and Region Conservation Authority Board of Directors**

**Moved by** Regional Councillor Jackson

**Seconded by** Regional Councillor Jones

WHEREAS Acting Mayor DiPaola was previously appointed to the Toronto Region Conservation Authority (TRCA) Board of Directors on an interim basis until Mayor Barrow was able to return from his leave of absence; and,

WHEREAS effective on September 15, 2021, Mayor Barrow resigned from his position as Mayor of the City of Richmond Hill;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED That Acting Mayor DiPaola be appointed to the TRCA Board of Directors for the remainder of the 2018-2022 Council Term.

**Carried**

**K.3 Retirement - Mayor David Barrow, City of Richmond Hill**

Regional Chair Emmerson and several Members of Council paid tribute to Mayor David Barrow and wished him well on his retirement.

**K.4 Retirement - Dr. Karim Kurji, Medical Officer of Health, York Region**

Regional Chair Emmerson announced the retirement of Dr. Karim Kurji, Medical Officer of Health and thanked him for everything he has done for York Region's communities.

Regional Chair Emmerson indicated that Dr. Kurji's calm and steady professionalism as he guided Regional Council and the Board of Health through countless public health issues has been nothing short of remarkable. On behalf of York Regional Council, he thanked Dr. Kurji for his tireless efforts and congratulated him on a well-deserved retirement.

Bruce Macgregor, Chief Administrative Officer and Katherine Chislett, Commissioner of Community and Health Services also paid tribute to Dr. Kurji, highlighting his many accomplishments.

**K.5 Federal Election**

On behalf of Regional Council, Regional Chair Emmerson extended congratulations to Prime Minister Justin Trudeau and the Liberal Party of Canada on their re-election victory and extended best wishes to the 10 York Region Members of Parliament.

**K.6 National Forest Week**

Regional Chair Emmerson noted that September 19 to 25 is National Forest Week in Canada and recognized the important role the York Regional Forest and 2,400 hectares of protected land play in the lives of York Region residents.

**K.7 Show Your Local Love Day**

On behalf of Regional Council, Regional Chair Emmerson recognized September 23, 2021 as "Show Your Local Love Day" in York Region.

Regional Chair Emmerson encouraged everyone in the community to participate in this occasion by learning more about the work of the United Way and to consider donating to help bolster the fight against poverty.

**K.8 National Day for Truth and Reconciliation**

Regional Chair Emmerson noted that September 30, 2021 is National Day for Truth and Reconciliation.

Regional Chair Emmerson indicated that this new federal holiday is just one of many ways we can honour survivors of residential schools, their families and communities. York Region will recognize September 30<sup>th</sup> as a statutory holiday to allow staff time to learn more and reflect on the truths of our shared history.

**K.9 Housing Affordability Task Force Meeting - October 7, 2021**

Regional Chair Emmerson announced a meeting of the Housing Affordability Task Force on October 7, 2021 beginning at 9 a.m.

**K.10 Planning Advisory Committee Meeting - Cancellation**

Regional Chair Emmerson announced the cancellation of the Planning Advisory Committee meeting on October 20, 2021.

**K.11 Council Special Meeting - October 21, 2021**

Regional Chair Emmerson announced a special meeting of Council on October 21, 2021 beginning at 9 a.m.

**L. Private Session**

**Moved by** Regional Councillor Heath

**Seconded by** Mayor Pellegrini

That Council resolve into private session at 11:20 a.m.

**Carried**

At 11:24 a.m. Council resumed in public session and reported the following:

**L.1 Memorandum - September 30 National Day for Truth and Reconciliation - Labour Relations and Negotiations**

**Moved by** Mayor Bevilacqua

**Seconded by** Mayor Lovatt

That Council receive the private memorandum from the Chief Administrative Officer.

**Carried**

**L.2 Appointment of Medical Officer of Health - Personal Matter about an Identifiable Individual**

**Moved by** Mayor Bevilacqua

**Seconded by** Mayor Lovatt

That Council adopt the confidential recommendations in the private report from the Commissioner of Community and Health Services.

**Carried**

**L.3 Labour Relations Update - Labour Relations**

**Moved by** Mayor Bevilacqua

**Seconded by** Mayor Lovatt

That Council adopt the confidential recommendations in the private report from the Chief Administrative Officer.

**Carried**

**M. Confirmatory Bylaw**

**Moved by** Regional Councillor Perrelli

**Seconded by** Regional Councillor Jones

That Council enact Bylaw No. 2021-93 to confirm the proceedings of this meeting of Council held on September 23, 2021.

**Carried**

**N. Adjournment**

The Council meeting adjourned at 11:26 a.m.

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Regional Clerk

Minutes confirmed and adopted at the meeting of Council held on October 28, 2021.

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Regional Chair