

# Minutes

# The Council of The Regional Municipality of York

# April 25, 2019 Council Chambers 17250 Yonge Street, Newmarket

Members:	W. Emmerson, D. Barrow, 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, G. Rosati, F. Scarpitti, J. Taylor, T. Vegh
Staff:	D. Basso, K. Chislett, P. Freeman, P. Jankowski, Dr. F. Karachiwalla, D. Kuzmyk, B. Macgregor, L. Mirabella, C. Raynor, M.F. Turner

#### A. Call to Order

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

"I would like to begin today's meeting by acknowledging that York Region extends over lands originally used and occupied by Indigenous Peoples, and on behalf of York Region, I would like to thank First Nations and the Métis for sharing this land.

I would also like to acknowledge the Chippewas of Georgina Island First Nation as our closest First Nation community."

#### B. Disclosures of Interest

None

#### C. Presentations

- C.1 Roads Capital Acceleration How to Prioritize Projects
- C.2 Funding the Roads Capital Acceleration Reserve

#### Moved by Mayor Barrow Seconded by Mayor Scarpitti

1. That Council receive the presentations by Paul Jankowski, Commissioner of Transportation and Laura Mirabella, Commissioner of Finance.

- That Option 4 (to transfer funds from the debt reduction reserve to balance cash flow needs), as described in the "Funding the Roads Capital Acceleration Reserve" presentation, be brought forward in June 2019 for Council's further consideration, coincident with information on potential service level adjustments that could yield operating savings.
- 3. That staff report back on regulatory and other changes the Province introduced to expedite its own infrastructure projects that might also benefit the Region.
- 4. That the Regional Clerk forward the presentations to the Clerks of the local municipalities.

Carried

See Items D.1, E.1. and E.3.

#### D. Deputations

# D.1 Acceleration of Major Mackenzie Drive Centre Turn Lane at New Mackenzie Vaughan Hospital

Moved by Mayor Bevilacqua Seconded by Regional Councillor Ferri

That Council receive the deputation by Marilyn lafrate, Ward 1 Councillor, City of Vaughan.

Carried

See Items C.1 and C.2.

# E. Communications

#### E.1 Roads Capital Acceleration

Moved by Mayor Barrow Seconded by Regional Councillor Grossi

That Council receive the communication from Robert Webb, Webb + Co Limited on behalf of a number of landowners / developers in the North Markham Future Urban Area, dated April 24, 2019.

#### Carried

See Items C.1 and C.2.

# E.2 Ontario Budget 2019 Financial Implications on Community and Health Services Based on Allocation Notices Received to Date

Moved by Regional Councillor Rosati Seconded by Mayor Hackson

That Council receive the memorandum from Katherine Chislett, Commissioner of Community and Health Services dated April 24, 2019.

#### Carried

#### E.3 Roads Capital Acceleration – How to Prioritize Projects

Moved by Mayor Barrow Seconded by Regional Councillor Grossi

That Council receive the communication by Signe Leisk, Partner, Cassels Brock & Blackwell LLP on behalf of Sixteenth Land Holdings Inc., dated April 24, 2019.

#### Carried

See Items C.1 and C.2.

#### F. Consideration and Adoption of Reports

#### F.1 Governance Task Force Meeting - April 18, 2019

Moved by Mayor Lovatt Seconded by Mayor Quirk

That Council adopt the recommendations in the Minutes of the Governance Task Force meeting held on April 18, 2019.

#### Carried

#### G. Other Business

# G.1 Mayor Scarpitti - Proposed Motion regarding Funding of the Yonge Subway Extension

Moved by Mayor Bevilacqua Seconded by Mayor Barrow

Whereas:

1. The Province of Ontario recently announced a \$28.5 billion for Ontario's new Transit Plan for the Greater Toronto Area, which included the Yonge Subway Extension from Finch Station to Richmond Hill Centre in York Region.

- 2. The Provincial government has identified an \$11.2 billion contribution as their share of the Transit Plan.
- 3. The Federal government has previously identified significant funding for higher-order transit projects in the region.
- 4. The current funding allocation criteria outlined in the Investing in Canada Plan based on ridership provides less than 4% of the overall cost of the Yonge Subway Extension.

Be it resolved that:

- 1. York Region supports the new Provincial Transit Plan announced by the Premier of Ontario on April 10, 2019, which included funding of the Yonge Subway Extension.
- 2. York Region asks the Federal government to confirm its participation as a funding partner with a specific 40% funding commitment for the Yonge Subway Extension.
- 3. York Region commits to working with the Province to leverage transit-oriented development opportunities along the Yonge Subway Extension Corridor.
- 4. Staff be directed to work closely with Province, the Federal Government and the private sector to further define the potential sources and uses of funds for the Yonge Subway Extension.
- 5. The Regional Clerk forward this resolution to the Prime Minister, the Federal Minister of Finance, Minister of Infrastructure and Communities, Minister of Intergovernmental Affairs, York Region MPs, Premier of Ontario, the Provincial Minister of Finance, Minister of Infrastructure, Infrastructure Ontario and York Region MPPs.

Carried

# H. Confirmatory Bylaw

Moved by Mayor Lovatt Seconded by Regional Councillor Vegh

That Council enact Bylaw No. 2019-30 to confirm the proceedings of this meeting of Council held on April 25, 2019.

#### Carried

# I. Adjournment

The Council meeting adjourned at 12:13 p.m.

**Regional Clerk** 

Minutes confirmed and adopted at the meeting of Council held on May 16, 2019.

Regional Chair