

City of Mississauga MINUTES

Issued: April 18, 2019



Special Council

Date

2019/04/03

Time

9:02 AM

Members Present

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| Mayor Bonnie Crombie | |
| Councillor Stephen Dasko | Ward 1 |
| Councillor Karen Ras | Ward 2 |
| Councillor Chris Fonseca | Ward 3 |
| Councillor John Kovac | Ward 4 |
| Councillor Carolyn Parrish | Ward 5 |
| Councillor Ron Starr | Ward 6 |
| Councillor Matt Mahoney | Ward 8 |
| Councillor Pat Saito | Ward 9 |
| Councillor Sue McFadden | Ward 10 |
| Councillor George Carlson | Ward 11 |

Members Absent

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| Councillor Dipika Damerla | Ward 7 (Personal Business) |
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Staff Present

Janice Baker, City Manager and Chief Administrative Officer
Gary Kent, Commissioner of Corporate Services and Chief Financial Officer
Paul Mitcham, Commissioner of Community Services
Geoff Wright, Commissioner of Transportation and Works
Andrew Whittemore, Commissioner of Planning and Building
Mary Ellen Bench, City Solicitor, Legal Services
Diana Rusnov, Director of Legislative Services and City Clerk
Sacha Smith, Manager of Legislative Services and Deputy Clerk
Karen Morden, Legislative Coordinator, Legislative Services Division

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1. **CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Crombie called the meeting to order at 9:02 AM

2. **INDIGENOUS LAND STATEMENT**

Mayor Crombie recited the Indigenous Land Statement.

3. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Verbal Motion

Moved by: S. McFadden

Seconded by: C. Fonseca

That the agenda for the Special Council meeting of April 3, 2019 be approved, as presented.

Carried

4. **DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST** – Nil.

5. **PUBLIC QUESTION PERIOD - 15 Minute Limit**

No members of the public requested to speak.

6. **MATTER CONSIDERED**

- 6.1. Deloitte study dated March 21, 2019, undertaken for the Region of Peel in preparation for the Regional Chair's and Chief Administrative Officer's meeting with the advisors appointed by the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing for the review of regional governance.

The Mayor and Members of Council engaged in a fulsome discussion with respect to the content, process of procurement, and cost of the Deloitte study undertaken by the Region of Peel, noting questions regarding when the report was authorized and by whom, the cost of the study, the study's terms of reference, indication of which Members of Regional Council had been made aware of the study in advance, and whether the Regional Chair or the Chief Administrative Officer and Chief Financial Officer of the Region had engaged in further discussion or correspondence with Deloitte after the request for issuance of the study had occurred. Furthermore, the Members of Council indicated that a Freedom of Information request would be registered with the Region.

0079-2019 Moved by: C. Parrish

Seconded by: R. Starr

WHEREAS Section 2 of the Ontario *Municipal Act* states that municipalities are "...to be responsible and accountable governments with respect to matters within their jurisdiction"; and

WHEREAS the Council of the City of Mississauga has taken the position, in principle, that Mississauga should be a stand-alone, single-tier city; and

WHEREAS Mississauga's process in relation to becoming a stand-alone city has been transparent, open and inclusive of a public meeting to be held April 8, 2019; and

WHEREAS at the March 28, 2019 meeting of Peel Region Council, City of Mississauga Councillors were made aware of a report written by Deloitte and commissioned by the Region of Peel to evaluate the implications of Mississauga becoming a single tier city; and

WHEREAS Regional Council was not made aware of the commission of this report by the Regional Chair or Regional staff, and did not have an opportunity to set the terms of reference, scope, or budget, and in no way authorized the commission of this report; and

WHEREAS Regional Council has not yet declared a formal position on the future of regional government in Peel Region; and

WHEREAS the findings of the Deloitte report were used by the Regional Chair and CAO to present a position on February 8, 2019 to the Ontario Government's advisors on the Regional Governance Review, without Council's knowledge; and

WHEREAS the CAO and Regional Chair derive their authority to act on such matters from Regional Council; and

WHEREAS it was made clear at the Regional Council meeting of March 28, 2019 that select members of Regional Council, but not all members, were provided with a copy of the Deloitte Report in advance of its release; and

WHEREAS Regional Council was only provided with a copy of the report after its existence was revealed at the Regional Council meeting on March 28, 2019, at the same time it was made available to the public;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

1. On behalf of the City of Mississauga and its residents, the Mayor seek clarification from the Regional Chair, CAO and CFO on the following:
 - a. When was the Deloitte Report authorized and by whom?
 - b. How much the report cost the taxpayers of the Region of Peel and the City of Mississauga?
 - c. How were the terms of reference for the Deloitte Report created and by whom?
 - d. Which members of Regional Council were made aware of the report in advance?
 - e. Was there any further discussion or correspondence between Deloitte and the Regional Chair, or the CAO or CFO after the request for the issuance of the report?
2. If a response to the Mayor's inquiry is not received by April 10, 2019, a Freedom of Information Request be filed on behalf of the City and citizens of Mississauga, related to the Deloitte study dated March 21, 2019 – and any other related studies or reports pertaining to the same subject – or analysis undertaken by the Region of Peel in preparation for the Regional Chair's and Chief Administrative Officer's meeting with the advisors appointed by the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing for the current review of regional governance; and
3. All emails, phone logs, memorandums, and other correspondence of the Chair, the CAO and the CFO in relation to the above subject be included in the FOI request; and
4. Mississauga Council move a motion at Regional Council on April 11 directing the Region to cease all activities related to regional governance.

| Recorded Vote | YES | NO | ABSENT | ABSTAIN |
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| Mayor B. Crombie | X | | | |
| Councillor S. Dasko | X | | | |
| Councillor K. Ras | X | | | |
| Councillor C. Fonseca | X | | | |
| Councillor J. Kovac | X | | | |
| Councillor C. Parrish | X | | | |
| Councillor R. Starr | X | | | |
| Councillor D. Damerla | | | X | |
| Councillor M. Mahoney | X | | | |
| Councillor P. Saito | X | | | |
| Councillor S. McFadden | X | | | |
| Councillor G. Carlson | X | | | |

Carried (11, 0, 1 - Absent)

At this time Council moved to have Item 8.1., as listed on the General Committee agenda, being the Regional Governance Review – Executive Summary, added to the current Special Council agenda for consideration and that an additional Public Question Period be held.

Verbal Motion

Moved by: P. Saito

Seconded by: C. Fonseca

That the approval of the Special Council agenda of April 3, 2019 be reopened.

Carried

Verbal Motion

Moved by; P. Saito

Seconded by: M. Mahoney

That Agenda Item 8.1., being the Regional Governance Review – Executive Summary, as listed on the April 3, 2019 General Committee agenda, be moved to the Special Council agenda of April 3, 2019 and that an additional Public Question Period with regard to the Regional Governance Review – Executive Summary be added in addition.

Carried

5. **ADDITIONAL PUBLIC QUESTION PERIOD - 15 Minute Limit**

- 5.1. Joe Horneck, Resident spoke in support of the Regional Governance Review – Executive Summary and suggested that global comparisons could be added to the report. Mr. Horneck inquired whether the Deloitte study had been provided to the Province, to which Janice Baker, City Manager and Chief Administrative Officer advised that staff is not aware and that the study is posted on the Region of Peel's website.

6. **ADDITIONAL MATTER CONSIDERED**

- 6.2. Regional Governance Review – Executive Summary (General Committee agenda of April 3, 2019 – Item 8.1.).

Members of Council thanked Robert Trewartha, Mayor's Chief of Staff and Director of Intergovernmental Affairs for the Executive Summary and requested clarification on various points, to which Mr. Trewartha provided brief clarification and answered questions with respect to tax increases, funding resources and shared services.

Direction was provided to take the questions and comments discussed and update the Executive Summary for distribution at the Town Hall meeting on April 8, 2019.

7. **CONFIRMATORY BILL**

0048-2019 A by-law to confirm the proceedings of the Council of The Corporation of the City of Mississauga at its meeting held on April 3, 2019.

8. **ADJOURNMENT** – 10:20 AM