
General Committee

Date: January 15, 2020

Time: 9:32 AM

Location: Civic Centre, Council Chamber
300 City Centre Drive, Mississauga, Ontario, L5B 3C1

Members

Mayor Bonnie Crombie		
Councillor Stephen Dasko	Ward 1	
Councillor Karen Ras	Ward 2	
Councillor Chris Fonseca	Ward 3	(Chair)
Councillor John Kovac	Ward 4	
Councillor Carolyn Parrish	Ward 5	
Councillor Ron Starr	Ward 6	
Councillor Dipika Damerla	Ward 7	
Councillor Matt Mahoney	Ward 8	
Councillor George Carlson	Ward 11	

Members Absent

Councillor Pat Saito	Ward 9	(Personal Matters)
Councillor Sue McFadden	Ward 10	(Resolution 0299-2019)

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
Andra Maxwell	City Solicitor
Diana Rusnov	Director of Legislative Services and City Clerk
Sacha Smith	Manager of Legislative Services and Deputy Clerk
Allyson D'Ovidio	Legislative Coordinator, Legislative Services Division

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1. **CALL TO ORDER** - 9:32 AM

2. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

The following items were added to the agenda as part of item 8.4.

1. Letter of support from Peel Regional Police Chief dated, December 23, 2019
2. Email of support from Mississauga Fire Chief dated, January 7, 2020

As per Mayor Crombie, a moment of silence was observed in honour of the passengers of fallen flight 752.

Approved (Councillor Starr)

3. **DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST** - NIL

4. **PRESENTATIONS** - NIL

5. **DEPUTATIONS** - NIL

6. **PUBLIC QUESTION PERIOD**

Pursuant to Section 42 of the Council Procedure By-law 0139-2013, as amended:

General Committee may grant permission to a member of the public to ask a question of General Committee, with the following provisions:

1. The question must pertain to a specific item on the current agenda and the speaker will state which item the question is related to.
2. A person asking a question shall limit any background explanation to two (2) statements, followed by the question.
3. The total speaking time shall be five (5) minutes maximum, per speaker.

Catherine Sople, resident of Ward 2 spoke to item 13.1 regarding the Public Housing Education Session. Ms. Sople enquired whether consideration can be made to add tree plantings to areas identified as “high suitability” of “low well-being” by Forestry staff. Councillors Damerla and Fonseca spoke to the need for increasing greenspace and addressing resilience related to climate change. Paul Mitcham, Commissioner, Community Services spoke to the matter and referred the enquiry to staff for consideration as part of the Million Trees program.

7. **CONSENT AGENDA**

The following items were approved on the consent agenda: 8.1 – 8.3, 8.5 – 8.6 and 9.1 – 9.3.

- 8.1 Notice Floodplain Agreement between the City of Mississauga and Mykola Zaloga, Yuriy Lazuta and Mariya Lekh, 1223 Canterbury Road - Site Plan Application SPI 19-81 (Ward 1)

RECOMMENDATION

GC-0001-2020

That a by-law be enacted to authorize the Commissioner of Transportation and Works and the City Clerk to execute and affix the Corporate Seal to the Notice Floodplain Agreement between Mykola Zaloga, Yuriy Lazuta and Mariya Lekh and The Corporation of the City of Mississauga to the satisfaction of the City Solicitor as outlined in the report dated December 10, 2019 from the Commissioner of Transportation and Works titled Notice Floodplain Agreement between the City of Mississauga and Mykola Zaloga, Yuriy Lazuta and Mariya Lekh, 1223 Canterbury Road- Site Plan Application SPI 19-81 (Ward 1).

- 8.2 Notice Floodplain Agreement between the City of Mississauga and 2565130 Ontario Inc., 436 Marf Avenue - Site Plan Application SPI 19-39 (Ward 1)

RECOMMENDATION

GC-0002-2020

That a by-law be enacted to authorize the Commissioner of Transportation and Works and the City Clerk to execute and affix the Corporate Seal to the Notice Floodplain Agreement between 2565130 Ontario Inc. and The Corporation of the City of Mississauga to the satisfaction of the City Solicitor as outlined in the report dated December 12, 2019 from the Commissioner of Transportation and Works titled Notice Floodplain Agreement between the City of Mississauga and 2565130 Ontario Inc., and 436 Marf Avenue - Site Plan Application SPI 19-39 (Ward 1).

- 8.3 Trench Rescue Services Agreement and Swift Water Rescue Agreement between the City of Mississauga and the Town of Oakville

RECOMMENDATION

GC-0003-2020

1. That a by-law be enacted authorizing the Commissioner of Community Services and the City Clerk to execute and affix the Corporate Seal to the Trench Rescue Services Agreement and the Swift Water Rescue Agreement between The Corporation of the City of Mississauga and The Corporation of the Town of Oakville in a form satisfactory to Legal Services.
2. That a by-law be enacted delegating authority to the Commissioner of Community Services and the City Clerk to enter into fire protection or rescue service agreements with other municipalities on behalf of The Corporation of the City of Mississauga in a form satisfactory to Legal Services.

8.5 2020 Interim Tax Levy for Properties on the Regular Instalment Plan

RECOMMENDATION

GC-0004-2020

1. That the report of the Commissioner of Corporate Services and Chief Financial Officer dated December 5, 2019 entitled 2020 Interim Tax Levy for Properties on the Regular Instalment Plan be received.
2. That a by-law be enacted to provide for a 2020 interim tax levy for properties on the regular instalment plan.
3. That the 2020 interim taxes be calculated to be 50% of the previous year's annualized taxes on properties that existed on the previous year's tax roll.
4. That assessments added to the tax roll in the current year be levied an amount that approximates 50% of a full year's taxes, had the property been included on the previous year's tax roll, using tax rates set out in Appendix 1 of this report and the current year's phased-in assessment.
5. That the 2020 interim levy for residential properties on the regular instalment plan be payable in three instalments on March 5, April 2, and May 7, 2020.
6. That the 2020 interim levy for regular instalment plan properties in the commercial, industrial and multi-residential property classes be payable in one instalment on March 5, 2020.

8.6 Delegation of Regional Tax Ratio Setting Authority for 2020

RECOMMENDATION

GC-0005-2020

1. That the report of the Commissioner of Corporate Services and Chief Financial Officer dated December 5, 2019 entitled Delegation of Regional Tax Ratio Setting Authority for 2020 be received.
2. That Council consent to the enactment of a Regional by-law delegating tax ratio setting from the Region of Peel to Mississauga, Brampton and Caledon in accordance with Section 310 of the Municipal Act, 2001 for the 2020 property tax year.
3. That Council consent to the apportionment methodology in place in the 2019 taxation year updated for 2020 assessments.

9. **ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPORTS**

9.1 Mississauga Cycling Advisory Committee Report 11 - 2019 - December 10, 2019

RECOMMENDATION

GC-0006-2020

That the deputation by Colin Patterson, Supervisor, Road Safety regarding the Pedestrian Crossover Pilot Program be received.
(MCAC-0076-2019)

GC-0007-2020

That the Ontario announcement on the E-Scooter Pilot on municipal roads be received.
(MCAC-0077-2019)

GC-0008-2020

That the email dated October 16, 2019 from Anna Tran, Citizen Member entitled Promotions & Communications Sub-Committee regarding her resignation as Chair from the Mississauga Cycling Advisory Committee Promotions & Communications Subcommittee be received.
(MCAC-0078-2019)

GC-0009-2020

That the Mississauga Cycling Advisory Committee accepts and supports the request for Sunil Sharma, Citizen Member, to be absent from the Mississauga Cycling Advisory Committee meetings until February 2020.
(MCAC-0079-2019)

GC-0010-2020

That the 2020 Mississauga Cycling Advisory Committee Meeting Dates be received.
(MCAC-0080-2019)

9.2 Towing Industry Advisory Committee Report 4 - 2019 - December 16, 2019

RECOMMENDATION

GC-0011-2020

1. That the report "Vehicle Pound Facility Licensing Moratorium" be received for information.
2. That the Towing Industry Advisory Committee provide comment on proposed revisions to the Business Licensing By-law 1-06, as amended, for inclusion in a future report to General Committee on the licensing of Vehicle Pound Facilities.
3. That the Towing Industry Advisory Committee provide comment on the moratorium currently in place limiting the licensing of new Vehicle Pound Facilities.

(TIAC-0007-2019)

GC-0012-2020

That the Towing Industry Advisory Committee Work Plan dated June 4, 2019, be received as amended.

(TIAC-0008-2019)

GC-0013-2020

That the memorandum dated December 10, 2019 titled "2020 Towing Industry Advisory Committee Meeting Dates" from Stephanie Smith, Legislative Coordinator, be received.

(TIAC-0009-2019)

GC-0014-2020

That Transportation and Works staff be directed to report back to the Towing Industry Advisory Committee with respect to the following rates at a future meeting:

- a) Daily Vehicle Storage
 - b) Heavy Towing / Oversize Vehicle Storage
- (TIAC-0010-2019)

9.3 Environmental Action Committee Report 9 - 2019 - December 10, 2019

RECOMMENDATION

GC-0015-2020

That the deputation and associated presentation by the Youth Scouts, and Gail Shipclark, Scout Leader, 1st Port Credit Sea Scout Troop (Scouts Canada) regarding Plastic Pollution in Our Great Lakes be received for information.

(EAC-0046-2019)

GC-0016-2020

That the deputation and associated presentation by Kyle Menken, Technician and Shannon Malloy, Specialist, Integrated Water Management Team, Credit Valley Conservation regarding Making Green Infrastructure Mainstream be received for information.

(EAC-0047-2019)

GC-0017-2020

That the deputation and associated presentation by Britt McKee, Executive Director, Ecosource regarding the Community Gardens and Urban Agriculture Program be received for information.

(EAC-0048-2019)

GC-0018-2020

That the deputation and associated presentation by Christopher Pyke, Supervisor, Waste Diversion regarding the Waste Diversion Priorities for 2020 be received for information.

(EAC-0049-2019)

GC-0019-2020

That the deputation and associated presentation by Diana Suzuki-Bracewell, Supervisor Environmental Outreach and Heliya Babazadeh, Outreach Coordinator regarding the 2019 Overview on Environment Outreach be received for information.

(EAC-0050-2019)

GC-0020-2020

That the Environmental Action Committee Work Plan be approved as discussed at the December 10, 2019 Environmental Action Committee meeting.
(EAC-0051-2019)

GC-0021-2020

That the verbal update by Dianne Zimmerman, Manager, Environment regarding the Climate Change Action Plan Status Update be received for information.
(EAC-0052-2019)

Due to a technical error, Councillor Starr's vote was not captured electronically.

YES (10) Mayor B. Crombie, Councillor S. Dasko, Councillor K. Ras, Councillor C. Fonseca, Councillor C. Parrish, Councillor R. Starr, Councillor G. Carlson, Councillor D. Damerla, Councillor M. Mahoney, Councillor J. Kovac

NO (0)

ABSTAIN (0)

ABSENT (2) Councillor P. Saito, Councillor S. McFadden

Approved (Councillor Starr)

8. **MATTERS CONSIDERED**

8.4 **Penalties for Frivolous or Vexatious 911 calls: Legislative Review**

Mayor Crombie spoke to the matter and provided examples of frivolous and vexatious calls as well as statistics. Councillors Parrish, Ras, Dasko and Fonseca spoke in support of the recommendations; to the need for a public education campaign; possible solutions to triage 2-1-1, 3-1-1 and 9-1-1 calls; seeking federal funding for a campaign. Councillor Ras spoke to amending the recommendation to include encouraging the province to undertake a provincial education campaign.

Councillor Kovac spoke to the high immigrant population in Mississauga noting an education campaign would be preferred over penalty.

RECOMMENDATION

GC-0022-2020

1. That the report dated December 16, 2019 entitled "Penalties for Frivolous or Vexatious 911 calls: Legislative Review" from the City Solicitor be received for information.
2. That the City of Mississauga call upon the province to enact legislation to address non-emergency 911 calls of a frivolous and vexatious nature, similar to legislation already in effect in other provinces; and

3. That the mayor send this report and motion with a letter to the Premier, Solicitor and Attorney General, as well as our local MPPs, the Region of Peel's Emergency Committee, and AMO; and
4. That the City of Mississauga encourages the province to undertake a provincial education campaign.

YES (9) Mayor B. Crombie, Councillor S. Dasko, Councillor K. Ras, Councillor C. Fonseca, Councillor C. Parrish, Councillor R. Starr, Councillor G. Carlson, Councillor D. Damerla, Councillor M. Mahoney,

NO (0)

ABSTAIN (1) Councillor J. Kovac

ABSENT (2) Councillor P. Saito, Councillor S. McFadden

Approved/Amended (Councillor Ras)

10. **MATTERS PERTAINING TO REGION OF PEEL COUNCIL**

Councillor Parrish spoke to comments from Patrick Brown, Mayor of Brampton and enquired as to the possibility of hiring a third party investigator to determine how much of the development charges from Caledon went into the growth of Mississauga. Janice Baker, City Manager and Chief Administrative Officer spoke to seeking records through the Region of Peel dating back to 1974; challenges obtaining records due to technology limitations; old legislation and Development Charges regime and noting should be a request at the Region of Peel. Councillor Parrish will work on a report and consult with staff.

11. **COUNCILLORS' ENQUIRIES**

Councillor Dasko, enquired as to whether staff can investigate the seasonal shuttering at Serson Park parking lot; the Lyons Club pool parking lot and the park entrance at the rear of Denise Street. Andra Maxwell, City Solicitor spoke to the matter noting lots are required to remain closed unless winter maintenance can be provided. Paul Mitcham, Commissioner, Community Services will ask staff to review the locations.

In response to Councillor Parrish, Andrew Whittemore, Commissioner, Planning and Building requested the names of the 2 properties to investigate whether they are grandfathered into the new policy. Councillor Parrish enquired as to whether we can investigate incentivising developers to include affordable housing in all developments.

Councillors Carlson and Fonseca spoke in support of the enquiry made by Councillor Parrish with respect to how development charges have been allocated to develop infrastructure across Mississauga. Ms. Baker spoke to the matter noting there is no formula to determine which part of the City's infrastructure was funded by particular

developments. Councillor Parrish requested a letter to formalize the discussion and have it brought to General Committee as a report.

Mayor Crombie enquired as to whether we are able to enforce a vacant land tax. Gary Kent, Commissioner, Corporate Services and Chief Financial Officer spoke to the matter noting staff are looking into this and will follow up. Mayor Crombie spoke to the issue of paid parking spaces at Metrolinx Stations. Geoff Wright, Commissioner, Transportation and Works spoke to the matter, addressing the increase in parking spaces; paid parking and high demand stations and how to alleviate pressures.

In response to Councillor Ras, Mr. Wright spoke to the continuous discussion with the Region of Peel and Metrolinx regarding the last mile; different modes of transportation; new technologies and ride sharing fare incentives. Councillor Ras requested that staff provide information regarding new solutions to her directly. In response to Councillor Ras, Councillor Fonseca spoke to year round connectivity to facilities being considered when planning multi-use trails.

Councillor Carlson spoke to concerns with paid parking at GO Stations and possibly developing a fund for shuttle buses to GO Stations. In response to Mayor Crombie, Mr. Wright spoke to the matter noting the direction to staff to prepare a communication to the province to undergo consultation with municipalities about impacts of paid parking at GO stations.

Councillor Fonseca spoke to the comments regarding taxing vacant properties and enquired as to whether partially demolished buildings on properties could be included in the review. Mr. Kent spoke to an upcoming Treasurers meeting at the Region of Peel noting an update on this matter is on the agenda. Mr. Kent spoke to the complications of the development of such a program and noted this can be taken back and included as part of the criteria evaluated.

Councillor Fonseca enquired about graffiti removal timelines on private properties; access to committee rooms in the evening for meetings after hours and street lighting along Living Arts Drive and City Centre Drive. Mr. Wright will confirm property standards requirements and provide a response. Mr. Kent spoke to the relocation of the Security Office and will provide an update to Council regarding committee meeting room access in the evening.

12. **OTHER BUSINESS/ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Mayor Crombie spoke to the 2 year anniversary of the passing of former Councillor Jim Tovey; the new Great Hall; the New Year's Levee, consider whether this is still a relevant event; the upcoming visit of the Mayor of Kariya, Japan; Happy Lohri; Orthodox New Year and Happy Thai Pongal, Tamil New Year.

Councillor Parrish spoke to the design of a new Daniels development; staff support and response to the pipe bursting in Ward 5 and the new affordable housing accomplishment with a new development in Ward 5 on Hurontario Street.

Councillor Ras spoke to the passing of Lynn Still, former chair of the Clarkson Business Improvement Association and President, White Oaks Lorne Park Association.

13. **EDUCATION SESSION**

13.1 **Public Education Session: Paulina Mikicich, Manager, Planning Innovation regarding Affordable Housing**

Andrew Whittemore, Commissioner, Transportation and Works spoke to the history of the Affordable Housing request; provided background information; a housing strategy overview; work done to date; next steps; spoke to challenges; middle income families; noting 4 major goals and 40 actions of the strategy; funding requirements of the Region; 8 actions complete, 28 underway.

Jason Bevan, Director, City Planning Strategies, Planning and Building spoke to the current housing market in Mississauga; provided statistics; leveraging opportunities in new developments; incentivizing purpose built-rental housing; success stories and challenges: Bill 108 – Community Benefit Charge. Mr. Bevan spoke to operational challenges, the City's low-tier status; lack of sustainable funding; changing culture. Mr. Bevan spoke to how we can continue advancing the strategy.

Councillor Damerla spoke in support of the matter; enquired about the process for funding allocation; rental property versus property ownership and the possibility for vacancy taxation. Mr. Whittemore responded to enquiries. Ms. Baker spoke to an upcoming Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) report on the matter; a potential partnership with habitat for humanity and the need to acquire land.

Councillor Starr spoke in support; discussed challenges; vacancy rates and enquired how we evaluate the target groups for affordable housing in Mississauga. Mr. Bevan responded to enquiries and spoke to inclusionary zoning. Ms. Baker spoke to the work done at the municipal level with limited resources and tools available and land transfer tax issues. Ms. Baker spoke to historical decisions on taxation that needs to be changed in order to have an impact.

Councillor Carlson spoke to housing committees; success to date; how we will administer this in the future and reinvesting in the system. Mr. Bevan spoke to affordable housing models; affordable ownership units; shared equity mortgages; leveraging value for development in Mississauga; a low risk program, similar to the federal government program.

Councillor Parrish spoke in support of affordable housing; to changes over the years to basement apartment legislation; prioritizing developments that include affordable housing and incentivizing a pool of funds.

Mayor Crombie spoke to the matter; enquired about keeping a count of units created; spoke to affordability requirements of developers to build in Mississauga; city standards and safety. Mayor Crombie spoke to the possibility of adding a 1.0% levee on the tax bill for Mississauga and the Region to pool funds for affordable housing and further that staff could determine how much the levee could collect and where the revenue would go for next year's budget cycle if desired by Council.

Councillor Ras spoke in support of the matter; about church groups and how they can better utilize their properties to support the affordable housing market. In response to Councillor Ras, Mr. Whittemore spoke to the matter noting it is part of the discussion for the Official Plan review which will return to Council.

In response to Mayor Crombie, Councillor Parrish directed staff to review what a 1.0% or 0.5 % surcharge would look like as well what could be produced from land transfer tax on properties over \$400,000, \$600,000 and \$1,000,000, including what the fund could be used for and determine what would appeal to developers. Councillor Parrish requested the report on the next update on the matter.

Councillor Fonseca spoke to church groups utilizing their property for affordable housing; the West Minster United Church celebration of paying off their mortgage and looking to reinvest in the community. Councillor Fonseca spoke to the challenges with the Region and funding; legislative barriers; enquired about increasing cooperative housing; challenges for updating existing buildings without increasing rental fees; the tower renewal program and demonstrating the section 37 benefits to the province.

RECOMMENDATION

GC-0023-2020

That the Public Education Session with respect to Affordable Housing by Andrew Whittemore, Commissioner of Planning and Building and Jason Bevan, Director of City Planning Strategies be received.

Received (Mayor B. Crombie)

14. **CLOSED SESSION** – NIL
15. **ADJOURNMENT** – 11:44 AM Approved (Councillor Starr)