



## Minutes

### Committee of Council

### The Corporation of the City of Brampton

**Wednesday, January 29, 2025**

- Members Present:
- Mayor Patrick Brown (ex officio)
  - Regional Councillor R. Santos
  - Regional Councillor P. Vicente
  - Regional Councillor N. Brar
  - Regional Councillor M. Palleschi
  - Regional Councillor D. Keenan
  - Regional Councillor M. Medeiros
  - Regional Councillor P. Fortini
  - City Councillor R. Power
  - Regional Councillor G. Toor
  - Deputy Mayor H. Singh
- Staff Present:
- Marlon Kallideen, Chief Administrative Officer
  - Bill Boyes, Commissioner, Community Services
  - Steve Ganesh, Commissioner, Planning, Building and Growth Management
  - Laura Johnston, Commissioner, Legislative Services
  - Alex Milojevic, Commissioner, Corporate Support Services
  - Peter Pilateris, Commissioner, Public Works and Engineering
  - Heidi Dempster, General Manager, Brampton Transit
  - Sameer Akhtar, City Solicitor
  - Genevieve Scharback, City Clerk
  - Charlotte Gravlev, Deputy City Clerk
  - Sonya Pacheco, Legislative Coordinator

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1. **Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 9:31 a.m. and adjourned at 10:10 a.m.

2. **Approval of Agenda**

Committee discussion took place with respect to proposed amendments to the agenda.

The following motion was considered.

**CW034-2025**

That the agenda for the Committee of Council Meeting of January 29, 2025 be approved, as amended, as follows:

**To Add:**

- 7.2 Discussion Item at request of Regional Councillor Santos, re: Municipal Allocation of Land Transfer Tax and GST on Property Transactions
- 7.3 Discussion Item at request of Regional Councillor Santos, re: Preparing a “Made in Canada” Approach to Procurement in Response to US Tariff Threats
- 7.4 Correspondence from Minister Prabmeet Sarkaria, MPP Brampton South, re: Peel Village and Rooming Houses

Carried

3. **Declarations of Interest under the Municipal Conflict of Interest Act**

Nil

4. **Consent**

The following items listed with a caret (^) were considered to be routine and non-controversial by the Committee and were approved at one time.

8.2.1, 8.2.2, 12.2.1, 13.1

The following motion was considered.

**CW035-2025**

That the following items to the Committee of Council Meeting of January 29, 2025 be approved as part of Consent:

**8.2.1, 8.2.2, 12.2.1, 13.1**

Carried

**5. Announcements**

Nil

**6. Public Delegations**

Nil

**7. Government Relations Matters**

**7.1 Staff Update re: Government Relations Matters**

Chris Ethier, Director, Municipal Transportation and Integration, Office of the CAO, provided a presentation, which included information and updates on matters relating to the Regional, Provincial and Federal Governments.

The following motion was considered.

**CW036-2025**

That the presentation from Chris Ethier, Director, Municipal Transportation and Integration, Office of the CAO, to the Committee of Council Meeting of January 29, 2025, re: **Government Relations Matters**, be received.

Carried

**7.2 Discussion Item at the request of Regional Councillor Santos, re: Municipal Allocation of Land Transfer Tax and GST on Property Transactions**

Committee discussion took place regarding limited funding sources and revenue tools available to municipalities, and the financial impact of rental properties on municipal services. A motion was introduced requesting that senior levels of government allocate a portion of funds to municipalities collected from the Land Transfer Tax and GST on property transactions.

The motion was considered as follows.

**CW037-2025**

Whereas:

- Municipalities face growing infrastructure needs, including roads, bridges, public transit, water systems, and other critical services, which are essential to community well-being and economic development; and
- Current sources of municipal revenue, including property taxes and user fees, are insufficient to meet these increasing demands and costs for infrastructure investment and services; and
- Province of Ontario currently collects the Land Transfer Tax (LTT) on property transactions in municipalities across the province, generating significant revenue that is not directly shared with municipalities; and
- Federal Government collects the Goods and Services Tax (GST) on property transactions, a portion of which could be directed to municipalities to address local infrastructure needs; and
- Redistributing a portion of the Provincial LTT and GST to municipalities would provide a predictable and sustainable source of funding that is tied to growth, without creating a new tax burden on residents or homebuyers; and
- Redistribution of a portion of the existing LTT and GST would allow municipalities to better plan and invest in long-term infrastructure initiatives, supporting local economic growth and improving the quality of life for residents; and
- For decades, the City of Brampton and the Region of Peel, have been chronically underfunded by other orders of government and continues to advocate for fair share funding, and joins municipalities across the province and country to advocate for a revised funding model and additional revenue tools; and
- The Federal and Provincial governments continue to enable the proliferation of ARUs (additional resident units) in the City of Brampton through criteria for funding programs and mandated legislation; and
- The City of Brampton is the 3rd most populous City in Ontario and 2nd in the GTHA, accommodating growth through mandated ARU provision,

which requires additional infrastructure and city services such as fire and emergency services, bylaw enforcement, garbage collection, etc.; and

- ARU supply has “good intentions” – but can generate “unintended consequences” through additional strain on services (i.e. by-law enforcement, fire) to ensure quality and safe housing;

Now therefore be it resolved that:

1. The City of Brampton Council, join over 100 municipalities in formally requesting the Provincial Government to consider redistributing a portion of the LTT collected on property transactions to municipalities; and
2. The City of Brampton Council, calls on the Federal Government to allocate a percentage of the GST collected on property sales to municipalities; and
3. This redistribution of the LTT and GST should be structured to provide predictable and sustainable funding to municipalities, allowing for better long-term planning and investment in city services and infrastructure projects that benefit local communities, thus ensuring that local governments receive a fair share of the revenue to address critical infrastructure and service needs; and
4. Specific for the City of Brampton, requesting the redistribution of the Provincial LTT and GST to ensure Brampton get's it's fair share to pay for additional services associated with ARU accommodation to support Brampton's significant growth; and
5. Copies of this resolution be forwarded to Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, Premier Doug Ford, the Ontario Minister of Finance, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, Leaders of the official opposition and third parties, local Members of Parliament (MPs) and Members of Provincial Parliament (MPPs); and
6. Copies of this resolution be forwarded to the Region of Peel Council, Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM), and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) for their endorsement and advocacy.

Carried

7.3 Discussion Item at the request of Regional Councillor Santos, re: Preparing a “Made in Canada” Approach to Procurement in Response to US Tariff Threats

Committee discussion took place regarding the impact of, and government response to, the tariff threat from the United States of America, and the need for

municipalities to prepare to respond to this potential threat. In addition, staff were requested to create a list of vulnerable sectors within Brampton.

The following motion was considered.

**CW038-2025**

Whereas possible tariffs from the United States of America (US), would threaten local jobs and the economy in Brampton; and

Whereas other orders of government are preparing to respond to such threats; and

Whereas all municipalities like The City of Brampton, are major purchasers of goods and services; and

Whereas The City of Brampton purchasing bylaw upholds respect for trade agreements, with specific reference to CETA (between Canada and the EU), but nothing specific to the US.

Therefore be it resolved that, City staff report back as soon as possible, on a “Made in Canada” procurement policy exception in response to tariff threats from the US, should they be implemented; and this motion be forwarded to the Region of Peel Council, FCM and AMO; and

That a preliminary list identifying vulnerable sectors within Brampton be developed by February 6, 2025.

Carried

7.4 Correspondence from Minister Prabmeet Sarkaria, MPP Brampton South, re: Peel Village and Rooming Houses

Regional Councillor Keenan read a letter from Minister Prabmeet Sarkaria, MPP Brampton South, to the residents of Peel Village, acknowledging concerns regarding rooming houses and expressing support for a by-law to temporarily pause applications for rooming houses in this area.

Committee discussion took place regarding the need to address the issues in Peel Village resulting from rooming houses, and the support from the provincial government in this regard.

The following motion was considered.

**CW039-2025**

That the correspondence from Minister Prabmeet Sarkaria, MPP Brampton South, to the Committee of Council Meeting of January 29, 2025, re: **Peel Village and Rooming Houses**, be **referred** to the February 24, 2025 Planning and Development Committee meeting for consideration.

Carried

**8. Public Works and Engineering Section**

8.1 Staff Presentations

Nil

8.2 Reports

- 8.2.1 ^ Staff Report re: Request to Begin Procurement for Preventative and Demand Maintenance Services for Arena Refrigeration Equipment at Various City Locations for a Three-Year Period – All Wards

**CW040-2025**

1. That the report from Dale Turpin, Supervisor, Contracts and Client Services, Facilities, Operations and Maintenance, Public Works and Engineering, to the Committee of Council Meeting of January 29, 2025, re: **Request to Begin Procurement for Preventative and Demand Maintenance Services for Arena Refrigeration Equipment at Various City Locations for a Three-Year Period – All Wards**, be received; and
2. That the Purchasing Agent be authorized to commence the procurement for Preventative and Demand Maintenance Services for Arena Refrigeration Equipment at various City locations for a three-year period with the renewal options for two additional one-year periods.

Carried

- 8.2.2 ^ Staff Report re: Request to Begin Procurement for Road Resurfacing Projects – All Wards (RM 85/2024)

**CW041-2025**

1. That the report from Mohammad H. Rahman, Project Manager, Capital Works, Public Works and Engineering, to the Committee of Council Meeting of

January 29, 2025, re: **Request to Begin Procurement for Road Resurfacing Projects – All Wards (RM 85-2024)**, be received;

2. That the Purchasing Agent be authorized to commence the procurement for Road Resurfacing projects for one (1) year beginning in 2025 with an option for two (2) additional one (1) year renewal periods at the sole discretion of the City including Contract Administration Services.

Carried

8.3 Other/New Business

Nil

8.4 Correspondence

Nil

8.5 Councillors Question Period

Nil

8.6 Public Question Period

The public was given the opportunity to submit questions in person or via e-mail to the City Clerk's Office regarding any decisions made under this section of the agenda. G. Scharback, City Clerk, confirmed that no questions were submitted.

**9. Community Services Section**

9.1 Staff Presentations

Nil

9.2 Reports

Nil



9.3 Other/New Business

Nil

9.4 Correspondence

Nil

9.5 Councillors Question Period

Nil

9.6 Public Question Period

The public was given the opportunity to submit questions in person or via e-mail to the City Clerk's Office regarding any decisions made under this section of the agenda. G. Scharback, City Clerk, confirmed that no questions were submitted.

**10. Legislative Services Section**

10.1 Staff Presentations

Nil

10.2 Reports

10.2.1 Staff Report re: Ward Boundary Review – Summary of Public Consultation (RM 65/2024)

In response to questions from Committee staff outlined the timelines for a decision to be made by Council regarding the ward boundaries in order to implement changes in time for the next municipal election.

Committee Members outlined the need to advocate for additional representation on Regional Council and requested that this matter be considered following the provincial election on February 27, 2025.

The following motion was considered.

**CW042-2025**

That the report from Shawnica Hans, Deputy Clerk, City Clerk’s Office, Legislative Services, to the Committee of Council Meeting of January 29, 2025, re: **Ward Boundary Review – Summary of Public Consultation (RM 65/2024)**, be **deferred** to the first Committee of Council meeting following the upcoming provincial election.

Carried

10.3 Other/New Business

Nil

10.4 Correspondence

Nil

10.5 Councillors Question Period

Nil

10.6 Public Question Period

The public was given the opportunity to submit questions in person or via e-mail to the City Clerk’s Office regarding any decisions made under this section of the agenda. G. Scharback, City Clerk, confirmed that no questions were submitted.

**11. Economic Development Section**

11.1 Staff Presentations

Nil

11.2 Reports

Nil

11.3 Other/New Business

Nil

11.4 Correspondence

Nil

11.5 Councillors Question Period

Nil

11.6 Public Question Period

The public was given the opportunity to submit questions in person or via e-mail to the City Clerk's Office regarding any decisions made under this section of the agenda. G. Scharback, City Clerk, confirmed that no questions were submitted.

**12. Corporate Services Section**

12.1 Staff Presentations

Nil

12.2 Reports

12.2.1 ^ Staff Report re: 2025 Temporary Borrowing By-Law

**CW043-2025**

1. That the report from Majbah Ahmed, Manager, Banking and Investments, Corporate Support Services, to the Committee of Council Meeting of January 29, 2025, re: **2025 Temporary Borrowing By-Law**, be received;
2. That a by-law be enacted in accordance with Section 407 of the *Municipal Act, 2001* and in the form attached to this report as Appendix A, to authorize the temporary short-term borrowing of funds, if considered necessary by the Treasurer, to meet current expenditures for the year 2025, until sufficient taxes are collected and other non-tax revenue are received.

Carried

### 12.2.2 Staff Report re: Status of General Accounts Receivable

Staff responded to questions from Committee regarding various write-offs outlined within the subject report and collection efforts.

The following motion was considered.

#### **CW044-2025**

That the report from Kasia Bielska, Manager, Corporate Collections, Corporate Support Services, to the Committee of Council Meeting of January 29, 2025, re: **Status of General Accounts Receivable**, be received.

Carried

### 12.3 Other/New Business

Nil

### 12.4 Correspondence

Nil

### 12.5 Councillors Question Period

Nil

### 12.6 Public Question Period

The public was given the opportunity to submit questions in person or via e-mail to the City Clerk's Office regarding any decisions made under this section of the agenda. G. Scharback, City Clerk, confirmed that no questions were submitted.

### 13. ^ Referred Matters List

Nil

**14. Public Question Period**

The public was given the opportunity to submit questions in person or via e-mail to the City Clerk's Office regarding any decisions made during this meeting. G. Scharback, City Clerk, confirmed that no questions were submitted.

**15. Closed Session**

Nil

**16. Adjournment**

The following motion was considered.

**CW045-2025**

That the Committee of Council do now adjourn to meet again on Wednesday, February 19, 2025, or at the call of the Chair.

Carried

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Regional Councillor Vicente, Chair