

Minutes

Committee of Council

The Corporation of the City of Brampton

Wednesday, October 27, 2021

Members Present: Mayor Patrick Brown (ex officio)

Regional Councillor R. Santos Regional Councillor P. Vicente City Councillor D. Whillans

Regional Councillor M. Palleschi Regional Councillor M. Medeiros

City Councillor J. Bowman City Councillor C. Williams Regional Councillor P. Fortini

City Councillor H. Singh

Regional Councillor G. Dhillon

Staff Present: David Barrick, Chief Administrative Officer

Michael Davidson, Commissioner, Corporate Support Services

Richard Forward, Commissioner, Planning, Building and

Economic Development

Marion Nader, Commissioner, Community Services

Jason Schmidt-Shoukri, Commissioner, Public Works and

Engineering

Paul Morrison, Acting Commissioner, Legislative Services

Alex Milojevic, General Manager, Transit

Bill Boyes, Fire Chief, Fire and Emergency Services

Sameer Akhtar, City Solicitor

Peter Fay, City Clerk

Charlotte Gravlev, Deputy City Clerk Sonya Pacheco, Legislative Coordinator

1. Call to Order

Note: In consideration of the current COVID-19 public health orders prohibiting large public gatherings of people and requirements for physical distancing between persons, in-person attendance at this Committee of Council meeting was limited and physical distancing was maintained in Council Chambers at all times during the meeting.

The meeting was called to order at 9:31 a.m., recessed at 11:45 a.m., reconvened at 12:15 p.m. and recessed again at 12:35 p.m. At 12:50 p.m., Committee moved into Closed Session, recessed at 1:29 p.m., reconvened in Open Session at 1:40 p.m. and adjourned at 1:42 p.m.

As this meeting of Committee of Council was conducted with electronic participation by Members of Council, the meeting started with the City Clerk calling the roll for attendance at the meeting, as follows:

Members present during roll call: Councillor Santos, Councillor Vicente, Councillor Palleschi, Councillor Whillans, Councillor Bowman, Councillor Williams, Councillor Singh, Councillor Dhillon

Members absent during roll call: Councillor Fortini (personal), Councillor Medeiros (other municipal business)

Notes:

- (1) Councillor Fortini arrived late at 9:36 a.m. (personal)
- (2) Councillor Medeiros arrived late at 9:59 a.m. (other municipal business)
- (3) Councillor Whillans left the meeting at 10:32 a.m. (personal)

2. Approval of Agenda

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

The following motion was considered.

CW480-2021

That the agenda for the Committee of Council Meeting of October 27, 2021 be approved as amended as follows:

To Add:

6.6. Delegation from Sylvia Roberts, Brampton resident re: Item 9.2.2 – Request to Begin Procurement – Detailed design services for maximizing people moving capacity and public realm design for Williams Parkway between McLaughlin Road and Dixie Road.

Carried

3. <u>Declarations of Interest under the Municipal Conflict of Interest Act</u>

Nil

4. Consent

In keeping with Council Resolution C019-2021, the Meeting Chair reviewed the relevant agenda items during this section of the meeting and allowed Members to identify agenda items for debate and consideration, with the balance to be approved as part of the Consent Motion given the items are generally deemed to be routine and non-controversial.

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, 9.2.1, 9.2.3, 9.2.5, 9.2.6, 9.2.7, 9.4.2, 15.1, 15.2

The following motion was considered.

CW481-2021

That the following items to the Committee of Council Meeting of October 27, 2021 be approved as part of Consent:

Yea (9): Regional Councillor Santos, Regional Councillor Vicente, City Councillor Whillans, Regional Councillor Palleschi, City Councillor Bowman, City Councillor Williams, Regional Councillor Fortini, City Councillor Singh, and Regional Councillor Dhillon

Absent (2): Mayor Patrick Brown, and Regional Councillor Medeiros

Carried (9 to 0)

5. <u>Announcements</u>

Nil

6. <u>Public Delegations</u>

6.1 Delegation from Dinesh Sharma, Founder and CEO, Brilliant Minds Group, re: Programs and Services for the Immigrant Community

Dinesh Sharma, Founder and CEO, Brilliant Minds Group, provided a presentation including information regarding the Brilliant Minds Group organization, and the programs and services they provide to the immigrant population. Mr. Sharma outlined the following requests for support from the City:

- "1. Assistance from City Staff in guiding us for applying the Advance Brampton Fund
- 2. Allow us to run our program in City run facilities Conference room of City Hall or community centers.
- Connect us with Brampton Entrepreneur Centre for sponsorships"

Committee discussion took place with respect to the following:

- Supports provided by the Brilliant Minds Group to the immigrant population
- Contributions of immigrants to the community
- Lack of funding supports for this organization
- Challenges faced by immigrants and the need to provide additional support
- Information from staff regarding the Advance Brampton Fund application process, and an indication that staff are working with the delegation in this regard
- Delegation request for use of space in City facilities to operate programs

The following motion was considered.

CW482-2021

That the delegation from Dinesh Sharma, Founder and CEO, Brilliant Minds Group, to the Committee of Council Meeting of October 27, 2021, re: **Programs and Services for the Immigrant Community**, be received.

Carried

6.2 Delegations from Toronto Global re: Toronto Global Update

Item 12.2.1 was brought forward and dealt with at this time.

Mark Cohon, Chair, Stephen Lund, CEO, and Daniel Hengeveld, VP Investment Attraction, Toronto Global, provided updates to Committee on the activities of Toronto Global for generating foreign direct investment in the Toronto Region, and Brampton.

Committee discussion on this matter included concerns regarding the lack of investment in Brampton and questions regarding the efforts of Toronto Global to support Brampton in this regard.

The following motion was considered.

CW483-2021

- 1. That the delegation from Toronto Global, to the Committee of Council Meeting of October 27, 2021, re: **Toronto Global Update**, be received:
 - 1. Mark Cohon, Chair
 - 2. Stephen Lund, CEO
 - 3. Daniel Hengeveld, VP Investment Attraction; and
- That the report titled: Toronto Global Results Update (File CE.x), to the Committee of Council Meeting of October 27, 2021, be referred to Budget Committee for consideration.

Carried

6.3 Delegation from Karen Lissette Aguilar Perez, Local Brampton Small Business Owner, on behalf of Open for Business Hub, re: Hispanic Heritage Month

Karen Lissette Aguilar Perez, Local Brampton Small Business Owner, addressed Committee on behalf of the Open for Business Hub, and provided information regarding this Hub, and the history, struggles and cultures of Latin America. Ms. Perez requested that the City of Brampton acknowledge and celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month from September 15 to October 15.

In response to questions from Committee, Ms. Perez provided information on the growing Latin American population in Brampton, and the support provided to Latin American business owners and youth through the Open for Business Hub. In addition, Ms. Perez highlighted the role of these businesses in representing and showcasing Latin American culture in the community.

Committee discussion on this matter included the following:

- Expressions of support to acknowledge Hispanic Heritage Month in Brampton commencing in 2022, to showcase and celebrate Latin American culture
- Growing Latin American population in Brampton

- Indication that staff will review the request as part of the report on the 2022 corporate events calendar
- Programs and resources available to businesses through the City
- Importance of educating the public during heritage months

The following motion was considered.

CW485-2021

That the delegation from Karen Lissette Aguilar Perez, Local Brampton Small Business Owner, on behalf of Open for Business Hub, to the Committee of Council Meeting of October 27, 2021, re: **Hispanic Heritage Month**, be **referred** to staff for consideration, in particular with regard to potential inclusion of Hispanic Heritage Month within the 2022 corporate events program.

Carried

6.4 Delegations from Brampton residents re: Noise Wall on Brussels Avenue along Highway 410 (Ward 2)

Items 9.2.4 and 9.4.1 were brought forward and dealt with at this time.

Danny Sukhraj and Ron Beausoleil, Brampton residents, provided background information and expressed their concerns regarding the issue of noise levels on Brussels Avenue from Highway 410. They explained how the noise has negatively impacted the quality of life of residents on Brussels Avenue and sought Committee's support for the installation of noise walls in this area.

Committee discussion on this matter included the following:

- Impact of the noise from Highway 410 on the residents of Brussels Avenue
- Noise effect of concrete pavement and increased traffic volume on Highway
 410
- Discussions with the Province of Ontario regarding this issue, and an indication from staff that provincial funding was not secured for the construction of the noise wall
- Results of a noise study completed in February 2021 that identified the need to install a noise wall between Highway 410 and Brussels Avenue

The following motion was considered.

CW486-2021

- 1. That the following delegations from Brampton residents, to the Committee of Council Meeting of October 27, 2021, re: **Noise Wall on Brussels Avenue along Highway 410 (Ward 2)**, be received:
 - 1. Danny Sukhraj
 - 2. Ron Beausoleil;
- 2. That the correspondence from Stephen and Anita Morrell, Brampton Residents, to the Committee of Council Meeting of October 27, 2021, re: Noise Wall on Brussels Avenue along Highway 410 (Ward 2), be received;
- 3. That the report titled: **Brussels Avenue Noise Wall Ward 2**, to the Committee of Council Meeting of October 27, 2021, be received; and,
- 4. That the construction of a new noise wall along Brussels Avenue from the south end of Brussels Avenue to the location of the existing noise wall at an approximate cost of \$2.0 million, be approved; with funding to be provided from external tax supported debt, and will be included in the 2022 budget.

Carried

6.5 Delegation from Ruby Dhillon, CEO and Founder, Pink Attitude Evolution, and John Stevenson, Founding Principal, CulturaliQ, re: Changing Face of Canada's Workforce

Ruby Dhillon, CEO and Founder, Pink Attitude Evolution, and John Stevenson, Founding Principal, CulturaliQ, provided a presentation to Committee entitled "The Changing Face of Canada's Workforce", which included information regarding the Pink Attitude and CulturaliQ organizations, and a new study regarding unemployment and barriers for South Asian women in Canada.

Committee Members thanked the delegations for their efforts in supporting and empowering South Asian women in the workforce and mentoring youth.

The following motion was considered.

CW487-2021

That the delegation from Ruby Dhillon, CEO and Founder, Pink Attitude Evolution, and John Stevenson, Founding Principal, CulturaliQ, to the Committee of Council Meeting of October 27, 2021, re: **Changing Face of Canada's Workforce**, be received.

Carried

6.6 Delegation from Sylvia Roberts, Brampton resident re: Item 9.2.2 – Request to Begin Procurement – Detailed design services for maximizing people moving capacity and public realm design for Williams Parkway between McLaughlin Road and Dixie Road

Item 9.2.2 was brought forward and dealt with at this time.

Sylvia Roberts, Brampton resident, provided a presentation regarding the peoplemoving capacity of Williams Parkway, and highlighted the following:

- Preference among cyclists for separate bike infrastructure
- Problems with multi-use paths
- Opinion that the proposal outlined in the subject report does not meet transportation demands
- Recommendation to create a major cycling east west corridor

Committee discussion on this matter included the following:

- Importance of investing in transit and active transportation infrastructure
- Indication that road widening is not the right course of action to maximize people moving capacity on Williams Parkway
- Information from staff regarding the program design work and landscaping for Williams Parkway
 - Staff advised that an online survey has been launched to seek public input on the colour of the Williams Parkway noise wall

The following motion was considered.

CW488-2021

- 1. That the delegation from Sylvia Roberts, Brampton resident, to the Committee of Council Meeting of October 27, 2021, re: Item 9.2.2 Request to Begin Procurement Detailed design services for maximizing people moving capacity and public realm design for Williams Parkway between McLaughlin Road and Dixie Road, Ward 1, 5 and 7, be received;
- 2. That the report titled: Request to Begin Procurement Detailed design services for maximizing people moving capacity and public realm design for Williams Parkway between McLaughlin Road and Dixie Road, Ward 1, 5 and 7, to the Committee of Council Meeting of October 27, 2021, be received; and

3. That the Purchasing agent be authorized to begin procurement for detailed design services to maximize people moving capacity and public realm design for Williams Parkway between McLaughlin Road and Dixie Road.

Carried

7. Government Relations Matters

7.1 Staff Update re: Government Relations Matters

B. Lucas, Director, Corporate Projects and Liaison, Office of the CAO, provided a presentation entitled "Government Relations Matters", which included updates on Regional, Provincial and Federal Government matters.

The following motion was considered.

CW489-2021

That the staff update re: **Government Relations Matters**, to the Committee of Council Meeting of October 27, 2021, be received.

Carried

7.2 Update from Mayor P. Brown, re: COVID-19 Emergency

Mayor Brown provided an update on the COVID-19 Emergency, which included information on Brampton Civic Hospital capacity and number of COVID-19 patients, positive impact of high vaccination rates, and the easing of Federal and Provincial restrictions impacting travel, fitness facilities, and restaurants. Mayor Brown added that Peel Public Health is supportive of traditional trick-or-treating for Halloween this year with appropriate precautions (e.g. masking).

The following motion was considered.

CW490-2021

That the update from Mayor P. Brown re: **COVID-19 Emergency**, to the Committee of Council Meeting of October 27, 2021, be received.

Carried

8. <u>Corporate Services Section</u>

8.1 Staff Presentations

Nil

8.2 Reports

8.2.1 ^ Staff Report re: Request to Begin Procurement - Supply and Delivery of Stationery and Office Supplies for a Three (3) Year Period

CW491-2021

- That the report titled: Request to Begin Procurement Supply and Delivery
 of Stationery and Office Supplies for a Three (3) Year Period, to the
 Committee of Council Meeting of October 27, 2021, be received; and
- 2. That the Purchasing Agent be authorized to begin the procurement for Stationery and Office Supplies for a Three (3) Year Period.

Carried

- 8.3 Other/New Business
- 8.3.1 Discussion Item at the request of Regional Councillor Medeiros, re: Internship and Co-op Programs at the City

Regional Councillor Medeiros advised Committee of internships being given to students outside of Brampton and requested information from staff regarding the City's Internship and Co-op Programs, specifically relating to how these opportunities are advertised, the selection criteria, and the percentage of internships given to Brampton residents compared to non-residents. Councillor Medeiros highlighted the talent of Brampton youth and the need for the Corporation to reflect Brampton's diverse communities.

Committee discussion on this matter included the following:

- Questions on whether the City can limit internships to Brampton residents
- Questions on whether the students selected for internships are representative of Brampton's diverse communities
- The significant amount of talent among Brampton's youth, and the need to ensure these students are aware of and given the opportunity to participate in the City's Internship and Co-op Programs

The following motion was considered.

CW492-2021

That staff be requested to report to the next Committee of Council meeting on Internship and Co-op Programs at the City, particularly with regard to those position holders who reside within and outside of Brampton and whether such opportunities may be limited to Brampton residents, how the positions were advertised, and selection criteria applied, and potential means for hiring to reflect the diverse communities of Brampton.

A recorded vote was requested and carried as follows.

Yea (10): Mayor Patrick Brown, Regional Councillor Santos, Regional Councillor Vicente, Regional Councillor Palleschi, Regional Councillor Medeiros, City Councillor Bowman, City Councillor Williams, Regional Councillor Fortini, City Councillor Singh, and Regional Councillor Dhillon

Absent (1): City Councillor Whillans

Carried (10 to 0)

8.4 Correspondence

Nil

8.5 Councillors Question Period

In response to a question from City Councillor Singh, P. Fay, City Clerk, Legislative Services, provided information on in-person attendance restrictions for Council and Committee meetings, the timelines and public health guidance for resuming in-person meetings, and the continuation of hybrid meetings.

8.6 Public Question Period

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

9. Public Works and Engineering Section

9.1 Staff Presentations

Nil

9.2 Reports

9.2.1 ^ Staff Report re: Request to Begin Procurement – Supply and Delivery of Cummins Engine Parts for Transit Buses for a Three (3) Year Period

CW493-2021

- 1. That the report titled: Request to Begin Procurement Supply and Delivery of Cummins Engine Parts for Transit Buses for a Three (3) Year Period, to the Committee of Council Meeting of October 27, 2021, be received; and
- That the Purchasing Agent be authorized to begin the procurement for the Supply and Delivery of Cummins Engine Parts for Transit Buses for a Three (3) Year Period.

Carried

9.2.2 Staff Report re: Request to Begin Procurement – Detailed design services for maximizing people moving capacity and public realm design for Williams Parkway between McLaughlin Road and Dixie Road (Wards 1, 5 and 7)

Dealt with under Item 6.6 - Recommendation CW488-2021

9.2.3 ^ Staff Report re: Request to Begin Procurement - Engineering Services for Improvements on McVean Drive between Castlemore Road and Countryside Drive (Wards 8 and 10)

CW494-2021

- That the report titled: Request to Begin Procurement Engineering Services for Improvements on McVean Drive between Castlemore Road and Countryside Drive - Wards 8 and 10), to the Committee of Council Meeting of October 27, 2021, be received; and,
- 2. That the Purchasing Agent be authorized to commence procurement to provide Engineering Services for the Improvements on McVean Drive between Castlemore Road and Countryside Drive.

Carried

9.2.4 Staff Report re: Brussels Avenue Noise Wall (Ward 2)

Dealt with under Item 6.4 - Recommendation CW486-2021

9.2.5 ^ Staff Report re: Traffic By-law 93-93 – Administrative Update (File I.AC)

CW495-2021

- That the report titled: Traffic By-law 93-93 Administrative Update (File I.AC), to the Committee of Council Meeting of October 27, 2021, be received; and,
- 2. That a by-law be passed to amend Traffic By-law 93-93, as amended, as outlined in the subject report.

Carried

9.2.6 ^ Staff Report re: Parking Considerations on Seymour Road (Ward 9)

CW496-2021

- That the report titled: Parking Considerations on Seymour Road Ward 9 (File I.AC), to the Committee of Council Meeting of October 27, 2021, be received; and
- 2. That parking on Seymour Road be revised to allow parking on north side from the 1st to the 15th and on south side from 16th to the end of each month.

Carried

9.2.7 ^ Staff Report re: Parking Related Concerns – Rawling Crescent - Ward 2 (File I.AC)

CW497-2021

- That the report titled: Parking Related Concerns Rawling Crescent (Ward 2) (File I.AC), to the Committee of Council Meeting of October 27, 2021, be received; and,
- 2. That a by-law be passed to amend Traffic By-law 93-93, as amended, to implement "No Parking, Anytime" restrictions on the north side of Rawling Crescent between a point 83 metres west of Royal Palm Drive (northerly intersection) and Royal Palm Drive (northerly intersection).

Carried

9.3 Other/New Business

Nil

9.4 Correspondence

9.4.1 Correspondence from Stephen and Anita Morrell, Brampton Residents, re: Noise Wall on Brussels Avenue along Highway 410 (Ward 2)

Dealt with under Item 6.4 - Recommendation CW486-2021

9.4.2 ^ Correspondence from Scott Butler, Executive Director, Good Roads, dated October 14, 2021, re: Call for Nominations to the 2022-2023 Good Roads Board of Directors

CW498-2021

That the correspondence from Scott Butler, Executive Director, Good Roads, dated October 14, 2021, to the Committee of Council Meeting of October 27, 2021, re: Call for Nominations to the 2022-2023 Good Roads Board of Directors, be received.

Carried

9.5 Councillors Question Period

Nil

9.6 Public Question Period

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

10. Community Services Section

10.1 Staff Presentations

Nil

10.2 Reports

Nil

- 10.3 Other/New Business
- 10.3.1 Discussion Item at the request of Regional Councillor Fortini, re: Howden Recreation Centre and Victoria Park Arena

Regional Councillor Fortini advised that he met with staff regarding the Howden
Recreation Centre and Victoria Park Arena projects, and requested that he be
involved on the design team for these projects.

10.4	Correspondence
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Nil

10.5 Councillors Question Period

Nil

10.6 Public Question Period

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

11. <u>Legislative Services Section</u>

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 via e-mail to the City Clerk's Office regarding any decisions made under this section of the agenda. P. Fay, City Clerk, confirmed that no questions were submitted.

12. <u>Economic Development Section</u>

12.1 Staff Presentations

Nil

12.2 Reports

12.2.1 Staff Report re: Toronto Global Results Update

Dealt with under Item 6.2 - Recommendation CW484-2021

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 via e-mail to the City Clerk's Office regarding any decisions made under this section of the agenda. P. Fay, 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 via e-mail to the City Clerk's Office regarding any decisions made under during the meeting. P. Fay, City Clerk, confirmed that no questions were submitted.

15. Closed Session

Items 15.2 and 15.2 were approved under Consent. See Recommendations CW500-2021 and CW501-2021.

The following motion was considered.

CW499-2021

That Committee proceed into Closed Session to address matters pertaining to:

15.3. Open Meeting exception under Section 239 (2) (c) of the Municipal Act, 2001:

A proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local board.

Carried

In Open Session, the Chair reported on the status of matters considered in Closed Session, as follows:

- ^15.1 This item was approved on consent and therefore was not discussed in closed session. A public motion arising from this report is noted below. (See Recommendation CW500-2021)
- ^15.2 This item was approved on consent and therefore was not discussed in closed session. A public motion arising from this report is noted below. (See Recommendation CW501-2021)
- 15.3 This item was considered by Committee in Closed Session, information was received and procedural direction was given to refer the matter back to staff.

The following motion was considered pursuant to Item 15.1.

CW500-2021

That the Commissioner of Community Services be delegated authority to execute on behalf of the City a lease renewal agreement and other related documents to renew the lease for a seven-year term to permit the continued operation of a lunchroom/washroom facility at 164 Sandalwood Parkway on terms and conditions acceptable to the General Manager, Transit and Interim Senior Manager, Realty Services, and in a form acceptable to the City Solicitor or designate.

Carried

The following motion was considered pursuant to Item 15.2.

CW501-2021

That the Commissioner of Community Services be delegated authority to execute on behalf of the City all agreements necessary to extend current leases and licenses at the Civic Centre, as requested by the tenants, for a period up to three (3) years, and all other supplementary agreements as may be required in connection therewith, on terms and conditions acceptable to the Interim Senior Manager, Realty Services and in a form acceptable to the City Solicitor or designate.

Carried

16. Adjournment

The following motion was considered.

CW502-2021

That the Committee of Council do now adjourn to meet again on Wednesday, November 17, 2021 at 9:30 a.m. or at the call of the Chair.

Carried

Chair, Community Services Section
Chair, Legislative Services Section
Chair, Economic Development Section
Chair, Corporate Services Section
Chair, Public Works & Engineering Section