



Minutes

Planning and Development Committee The Corporation of the City of Brampton

Monday, February 6, 2023

- Members Present:
- Regional Councillor M. Palleschi - Wards 2 and 6
 - Deputy Mayor H. Singh - Wards 9 and 10
 - Regional Councillor R. Santos - Wards 1 and 5
 - Regional Councillor P. Vicente - Wards 1 and 5
 - Regional Councillor N. Kaur Brar - Wards 2 and 6
 - Regional Councillor D. Keenan - Wards 3 and 4
 - Regional Councillor M. Medeiros - Wards 3 and 4
 - Regional Councillor P. Fortini - Wards 7 and 8
 - Regional Councillor G. Toor - Wards 9 and 10
 - City Councillor R. Power - Wards 7 and 8
 - Mayor Patrick Brown (ex officio)
- Staff Present:
- Steven Ross, Deputy City Solicitor, Legal Services
 - Steve Ganesh, Commissioner, Planning, Building & Growth Management
 - Allan Parsons, Director, Planning, Building & Growth Management
 - Harry Persaud, Director, Public Works and Engineering
 - Cindy Hammond, Director, Planning, Building & Growth Management
 - Carolyn Crozier, Manager, Development Services
 - David Vanderberg, Manager, Planning Building and Economic Development
 - Elaha Safi, Advisor, Development Services
 - Charlotte Gravlev, Deputy City Clerk
 - Clara Vani, Legislative Coordinator

1. **Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 1:02 p.m. and adjourned at 2:07 p.m.

As this Planning and Development Committee Special Meeting was conducted with electronic and in-person participation by Members of Council, the meeting started with the Chair calling the roll for attendance at the meeting, as follows:

Members present during roll call: Regional Councillor Palleschi (Chair), Deputy Mayor Singh, Regional Councillor Santos, Regional Councillor Vicente, Regional Councillor Keenan, Regional Councillor Brar, Regional Councillor Medeiros, Regional Councillor Fortini, Regional Councillor Toor, and City Councillor Power.

Members absent during roll call: Nil

2. **Approval of Agenda**

The following motion was considered.

PDC013-2023

That the agenda for the Planning and Development Committee Special Meeting of February 6, 2023, be approved as amended:

To vary the order to deal with Item 7.3 as the first item of business.

Carried

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

Nil

4. **Consent Motion**

Nil

5. **Statutory Public Meeting Reports**

Nil

6. **Public Delegations (5 minutes maximum)**

Nil

7. Staff Presentations and Planning Reports

- 7.1 Staff Report re: Continuous Improvements Update – Audit and Accountability Funded Projects - Planning, Bld & Growth Mgt-2023-036

Dealt with under Item 7.3 - Recommendation PDC015-2023

- 7.2 Staff Report re: 2023 Fee Changes for Development and Site Plan Applications - Planning, Bld & Growth Mgt-2023-043

Dealt with under Item 7.3 - Recommendation PDC015-2023

- 7.3 Staff Report re: Presentation - Continuous Improvement Updates and Proposed Fee Increase, Planning, Building & Growth Management

Items 7.1, 7.2 and 11.1 were brought forward and dealt with at this time.

Elaha Safi, Special Projects Advisor, Development Services, presented an overview that included key drivers of the work, summary of applications submitted and building permit activity in 2022.

Carolyn Crozier, Manager, Development Services, presented an overview that included the following:

- continuous improvement initiatives, audit and accountability funded projects
- committee of adjustment review findings, implementation, and outcomes
- urban design guidance and process review, findings, implementation, and outcomes
- development application end to end review findings, implementation, and outcomes
- proposed fee increases, municipal fee comparisons, application fees, improving cost recovery and pre -consultation.

Committee discussion on this matter included the following:

- fee structure - comparison of City fees to other municipalities
- determining the scale of applications (small vs large), ensuring all applicants receive equal service
- confirmation that provincial funding was approved and will cover total costs

- suggestion that a two-tier system be created to review and streamline larger applications vs smaller applications
 - currently the planning development review team that reviews applications consists of staff also from Conservation Authorities and the Region of Peel
- standards for sustainability scores
 - staff commented the threshold requires more of applicants than in the past
- subdivision assumption timelines
- improvement to the Accela program

Staff noted the comments and advised the opportunity for a two-tier system will be discussed with the Region of Peel.

The following motion was introduced.

Whereas leveraging technology – in particular Accela was a key theme for opportunities to improve identified in all three studies – end-to-end review, urban design review and Committee of Adjustment; and,

Whereas with the significant growth planned for Brampton, combined with our need to ensure we are using the best technology that meets customer service and financially prudent outcomes for the City; and,

Therefore, be it resolved that staff be directed to undertake a value-for-money review of Accela and report back to Council of the outcome of the review.

Further discussion included the following:

- fee increase to be comparable to other municipalities
- By-law 85-96 amendment in respect to fees

The following motions were considered.

PDC014-2023

Whereas leveraging technology – in particular Accela was a key theme for opportunities to improve identified in all three studies – end-to-end review, urban design review and Committee of Adjustment; and

Whereas with the significant growth planned for Brampton, combined with our need to ensure we are using the best technology that meets customer service and financially prudent outcomes for the City;

Therefore, be it resolved that staff be directed to undertake a value-for-money review of Accela and report back to Council of the outcome on the review.

Carried

PDC015-2023

1. That the report re: **Continuous Improvements Update – Audit and Accountability Funded Projects - Planning, Bld & Growth Mgt-2023-036** to the Planning and Development Committee Special Meeting of February 6, 2023, be received;
2. That the report re: 2023 Fee Changes for Development and Site Plan Applications - Planning, Bld & Growth Mgt-2023-043, to the Planning and Development Committee Special Meeting of February 6, 2023, be received;
3. That Schedule A to the Tariff of Fees By-law with respect to Planning and Other Municipal Applications By-law 85-96, as amended, be amended to reflect the fee changes as set out in Appendix A of this report, effective February 1, 2023, with the exception of pre-consultation fee to be set at \$5000.00 rather than \$2000.00;
4. That the staff presentation re: Continuous Improvements Update – Audit and Accountability Funded Projects - Planning, Bld & Growth Mgt-2023-036 and 2023 Fee Changes for Development and Site Plan Applications - Planning, Bld & Growth Mgt-2023-043 at the Planning and Development Committee Special Meeting of February 6, 2023; and
5. That the correspondence re: 2023 Fee Changes for Development and Site Plan Applications - Planning, Bld & Growth Mgt-2023-043, to the Planning and Development Committee Special Meeting of February 6, 2023, be received:
 1. Victoria Mortelliti, Building Industry and Land Development Association (BILD), dated January 23, 2023; be received.

Carried

8. Committee Minutes

Nil

9. **Other Business/New Business**

Nil

10. **Referred/Deferred Matters**

11. **Correspondence**

- 11.1 Correspondence re: 2023 Fee Changes for Development and Site Plan Applications - Planning, Bld & Growth Mgt-2023-043

Dealt with under Item 7.3 - Recommendation PDC015-2023

12. **Councillor Question Period**

Nil

13. **Public Question Period**

Nil

14. **Closed Session**

Nil

15. **Adjournment**

PDC016-2023

That the Planning and Development Committee do now adjourn to meet again for a Regular Meeting on Monday, February 13, 2023, at 7:00 p.m. or at the call of the Chair.

Carried

Regional Councillor M. Paleschi, Chair