

Government Relations Matters

City Council
June 14, 2023



Region of Peel Accessibility Advisory Committee

Thursday, 15 June 2023 @ 9:30 AM | Meeting agenda is available [here](#)

Audit and Risk Committee

Thursday, 15 June 2023 @ 11:00 AM | Meeting agenda is available [here](#)

Government Relations Committee

Thursday, 15 June 2023 @ 1:00 PM | Meeting agenda is available [here](#)

Staff have reviewed the Committee agendas and reached out to department staff for comments.

The next Regional Council meeting is scheduled for Thursday June 22, 2023 at 9:30 AM.

Peel Living Annual General Meeting takes place on Thursday June 22, 2023 at 9:00 AM.

5.1 2022 Deloitte Audit Results Report (For Information)

Summary:

- In accordance with Canadian Generally Accepted Auditing Standards and relevant ethical requirements, including those pertaining to independence, the audit of the 2022 Consolidated Financial Statements for the Region of Peel and Peel Housing Corporation by the Region Auditor, Deloitte is complete.

Staff Comments (Finance):

- Deloitte issuing an unqualified audit opinion, which means that the consolidated financial statements present fairly the financial position and comply with PSAB municipal financial reporting requirements.
- There are no uncorrected misstatements identified for both Region of Peel and Peel Housing Corporation during the 2022 audit, with exception for a correction identified and completed in 2022.
- There are no significant internal control deficiencies identified for both Region of Peel and Peel Housing Corporation, and the auditors provided two recommendations in relation to internal control matters.

Staff Recommendation:

- Receive the report.

5.2 2022 Region of Peel Consolidated Financial Statements (For Information)

5.3 2022 Peel Housing Corporation Financial Statements (For Information)

5.5 2022 Region of Peel Trust Funds Financial Statements (For Information)

Summary:

- The 2022 Audited Consolidated Financial Statements for the Region of Peel, Peel Housing Corporation and Region of Peel Trust Funds reflect the financial position as at December 31, 2022 and the results of operations for the year.

Staff Comments (Finance):

- The consolidated financial statements for the 2022 fiscal year have been prepared in compliance with the requirements of the Public Sector Accounting Board (PSAB) of the Chartered Professional Accountants of Canada as required by the Province of Ontario. The consolidated financial statements are presented to the Audit Committee for review and approval, which are part of the key statutory functions of the Audit Committee.
- The consolidated financial statements provide information on financial position including the value of assets and liabilities, cost of delivering the Region's municipal services and investment in capital projects, financing sources and investing activities.

Staff Recommendation:

- Receive the reports.

6.1 2023 Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) Annual Conference Update (Recommendation)

Summary:

- The report outlines Region of Peel advocacy priorities and advocacy approaches for the 2023 AMO Conference.

Staff Comments (Government Relations):

- City GR staff work closely with the regional staff to identify areas of joint advocacy, coordinate approaches and share supporting information.
- While the Province has passed Bill 112 (Peel Dissolution), the staff report points out that the advocacy priorities regarding Peel services remain important to Peel residents and businesses and it is essential that these services continue to meet the needs of the community, now and in the future.
- Staff will continue to work together to maximize opportunity for joint advocacy and to advance priority initiatives.

Staff Recommendation:

- Support the recommendation.

Summer Recess

Thursday June 8, 2023 was the last sitting day before the summer recess.



- Lt.-Gov. Elizabeth Dowdeswell granted royal assent to Bill 112, Hazel McCallion Act (Peel Dissolution).
- During hearings at the Standing Committee on Heritage, Infrastructure and Cultural Policy, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing indicated that the Ministry is in talks with regional governments about strong mayor powers and “facilitating the streamlining of development at the regional level”.

As a result of a government motion the House will reconvene on Monday, September 25, 2023, two weeks later than originally scheduled allowing MPPs to attend the International Plowing Match.

June 7, 2023

Provincial & Territorial Ministers Responsible for Local Government met in Ottawa



- Reaffirmed their commitment to supporting local governments, collaborating on shared priorities, and building strong and vibrant communities.
- Topics of discussion included local governance, planning for climate change adaptation and associated local infrastructure, and increasing housing supply as well as local services to support growth.
- The Federal Minister of Housing and Diversity and Inclusion also attended the meeting, which reaffirmed shared Principles Underlying Federal Government Initiatives Regarding Municipalities include reinforcing the importance of predictable federal infrastructure funding.



Legislative Updates

- Final two weeks of sittings before summer recess.
- On June 8, 2023 the government's second budget bill, Bill C-47 An Act to Implement Certain Provisions of the Budget tabled in Parliament on March 28, 2023 passed third-reading.

Ontario Big City Mayors (OBCM) Meeting at Queen's Park



- Ontario's Big City Mayors (OBCM) will meet on June 16, 2023 at Queen's Park
- Opportunity to meet with the Premier and Cabinet Ministers to continue discussions and address common challenges.
- OBCM has been actively engaging on with the province on such issues as housing and homelessness, mental health and infrastructure.

THANK YOU!

