

TOWN OF AJAX REPORT OF THE GENERAL GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE

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For consideration by the Council of the Town of Ajax on April 13, 2015

The General Government Committee met at 2:00 p.m. on April 9, 2015

Present: Councillor P. Brown, Chair
Regional Councillor S. Collier (*left meeting at 2:45*)
Regional Councillor C. Jordan
Councillor M. Crawford
Councillor J. Dies
Mayor Parish

1. Call to Order (2:00 p.m.)

Chair Brown called the meeting to order. It was noted that Councillor Collier would be leaving the meeting early to attend on other Town business.

2. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest

There were no disclosures of pecuniary interests.

The General Government Committee recommends as follows:

3. Consent Agenda

No items were separated for discussion.

3.1 Annual Investment Report - January 1 to December 31, 2014

Moved by: C. Jordan

That the Annual Investment Report for the period January 1 to December 31, 2014 be received for information.

CARRIED

3.2 Development Charge Reserve Fund – Treasurer’s Annual Statement

Moved by: C. Jordan

That the report “Development Charge Reserve Fund – Treasurer’s Annual Statement” be received for information.

CARRIED

3.3 Revised Corporate Policy 076 – Use of Corporate Resources for Election Purposes

Moved by: C. Jordan

That the revised Corporate Policy 076 – Use of Corporate Resources for Election Purposes be approved.

CARRIED

4. Presentations / Discussion

4.1 Urban Forestry Management Plan Five Year Update

Moved by: M. Crawford

That Council receive the Ajax Urban Forest Management Plan Five Year Update for information.

CARRIED

4.2 Comments on the Proposed *Great Lakes Protection Act* (Bill 66)

Moved by: S. Parish

1. That the report titled “Comments on the Proposed *Great Lakes Protection Act* (Bill 66)”, dated April 9, 2015, be endorsed as the Town’s comments on the proposed legislation, per Environmental Bill of Rights Registry Posting 012-3523;
2. That the Minister of the Environment and Climate Change be respectfully requested to invite the Town of Ajax to join the proposed Great Lakes Guardian Council when it is being established; and,
3. That a copy of the report be sent to the Ministry of the Environment and Climate Change, Durham Region, Durham area municipalities, Ontario’s Environment Commissioner, the Toronto and Region Conservation Authority and the Central Lake Ontario Conservation Authority.

CARRIED

4.3 Ajax Council Code of Conduct Complaint Report, Harold Elston, Contracted Integrity Commissioner

(S. Collier exited the meeting at 2:45 p.m.)

Moved by: S. Parish

That the Committee receive the Integrity Commissioner's Report dated April 1, 2015 for information, and that no further action be taken on this matter.

CARRIED

5. Department Updates

Paul Allore, Director of Planning & Development, provided various development-related updates.

In-Camera (3:10 p.m.)

6. Authority to Hold a Closed Meeting and Related In-Camera Session

Moved by: C. Jordan

That the Committee convene In-Camera pursuant to Section 239 (2) (e, b) of the Municipal Act, 2001, as amended, to discuss a matter pertaining to litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the municipality or local board, and a personal matter about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees; [Sec. 239 (2)(b), Municipal Act, 2001, as amended]

CARRIED

6.1 Confidential Legal Property Matter

6.2 Restructuring & Realignment Plan

Open Meeting (4:19 p.m.)

Ratify Actions Taken In-Camera

Moved by: J. Dies

That all actions approved in the In-Camera Session be ratified

CARRIED

7. Adjournment (4:20 p.m.)

Moved by: J. Dies

That the April 9, 2015 meeting of the General Government Committee be adjourned.

CARRIED

P. Brown, Chair