Tuesday, May 21, 2019
Special Meeting

Members Present:
Mayor P. Brown
Regional Councillor P. Vicente – Wards 1 and 5
Regional Councillor R. Santos – Wards 1 and 5
Regional Councillor M. Palleschi – Wards 2 and 6 (after Closed Session, returned at 8:51 p.m. – personal)
Regional Councillor M. Medeiros – Wards 3 and 4 (after Closed Session, returned at 8:52 p.m. – personal)
Regional Councillor P. Fortini – Wards 7 and 8 (after Closed Session, returned at 8:52 p.m. – personal)
Regional Councillor G. Dhillon – Wards 9 and 10
City Councillor D. Whillans – Wards 2 and 6
City Councillor J. Bowman – Wards 3 and 4
City Councillor C. Williams – Wards 7 and 8
City Councillor H. Singh – Wards 9 and 10

Members Absent: nil

Staff Present:
J. Pittari, Acting Chief Administrative Officer
A. Meneses, Commissioner of Community Services
R. Forward, Commissioner of Planning and Development Services
B. Zvaniga, Commissioner of Public Works and Engineering
J. Macintyre, Acting Commissioner of Corporate Services
A. Milojevic, General Manager, Transit
B. Boyes, Fire Chief, Fire and Emergency Services
L. Rubin-Vaughan, Manager, Government Relations and Public Policy
P. Fay, City Clerk
C. Gravlev, Deputy City Clerk
T. Brenton, Legislative Coordinator, City Clerk’s Office
The meeting was called to order at 7:03 p.m. and recessed at 8:03 p.m. Council moved into Closed Session at 8:09 p.m. and recessed at 8:43 p.m. Council reconvened in Open Session at 8:48 p.m. and adjourned at 9:08 p.m.

1. **Approval of the Agenda**

   The Mayor outlined the purpose of the Special Meeting to consider matters related to the Regional Government Review prior to the close of the commenting period on the evening of this meeting date. Under Council’s meeting rules, no other business could be considered at this Special Meeting.

   The following motion was considered.

   C164-2019  Moved by Regional Councillor Vicente  
   Seconded by Regional Councillor Santos

   That the agenda for the Special Council Meeting of May 21, 2019 be approved as published and circulated.

   Carried

The following supplementary information was provided at the meeting.

3.1. Presentation by Mainstreet Research, re: Survey of Citizens’ Attitudes regarding the Province of Ontario’s upcoming Regional Municipality Review.

3.2. Staff Presentation by J. Pittari, Acting Chief Administrative Officer, and L. Rubin-Vaughan, Manager, Government Relations and Public Policy, re: Update on the Regional Government Review.

The following was received by the City Clerk’s Office after the agenda was printed and related to published items on the agenda (Council approval was not required for addition of these items in accordance with Procedure By-law 160-2004, as amended):


   - Replacement page 4.1-7 (replacement chart for Question 5)

Delegations:

3.3-1. Jermaine Chambers, community member
3.3-2. Sylvia Roberts, Brampton resident
2. Declarations of Interest under the Municipal Conflict of Interest Act – nil

3. Delegations/Presentations

3.1. Presentation by Mainstreet Research, re: Survey of Citizens’ Attitudes regarding the Province of Ontario’s upcoming Regional Municipality Review.

The subject presentation was distributed at the meeting.

Joseph Angolano, Mainstreet Research, provided a presentation entitled “Peel Region & Brampton – Survey of citizens’ attitudes regarding the Province of Ontario’s upcoming regional municipality review, potential amalgamation, City services”.

The following motion was considered.

C165-2019 Moved by Regional Councillor Palleschi
Seconded by City Councillor Williams

That the presentation by Mainstreet Research, to the Special Council Meeting of May 21, 2019, re: Survey of Citizens’ Attitudes regarding the Province of Ontario’s upcoming Regional Municipality Review, be received.

Carried

3.2. Staff Presentation by J. Pittari, Acting Chief Administrative Officer, and L. Rubin-Vaughan, Manager, Government Relations and Public Policy, re: Update on the Regional Government Review.

The subject presentation was distributed at the meeting.

Lowell Rubin-Vaughan, Manager, Government Relations and Public Policy, provided a presentation regarding the Regional Government Review.

On behalf of Joe Pittari, Acting Chief Administrative Officer, Mr. Rubin-Vaughan acknowledged and thanked staff across the organization for their efforts on this matter.

In response to questions from Council, Mr. Rubin-Vaughan provided information on the City’s Regional Government Telephone Town Hall.

The following motion was considered.
C166-2019  Moved by Regional Councillor Vicente
Seconded by Regional Councillor Santos

That the staff presentation by J. Pittari, Acting Chief Administrative Officer, and L. Rubin-Vaughan, Manager, Government Relations and Public Policy, to the Special Council Meeting of May 21, 2019, re: **Update on the Regional Government Review**, be received.

Carried

3.3. Delegations re: **Regional Government Review**:
1. Jermaine Chambers, community member
2. Sylvia Roberts, Brampton resident

Jermaine Chambers, community member, indicated his position in support of maintaining the current regional government structure, but with some adjustments which he outlined. Mr. Chambers provided a copy of his remarks for the meeting record.

Sylvia Roberts, Brampton resident, outlined her position that, should the Province decide to break up the Region of Peel, Brampton Council request the Province to hold a plebiscite in Malton so that residents may decide if they wish to remain in Mississauga or join Brampton, as it is easier to provide services to them via Brampton.

The following motion was considered.

C167-2019  Moved by Regional Councillor Palleschi
Seconded by City Councillor Williams

That the following delegations, to the Special Council Meeting of May 21, 2019, re: **Province of Ontario's 2019 Regional Government Review**, be received:
1. Jermaine Chambers, community member; and,
2. Sylvia Roberts, Brampton resident.

Carried

4. **Reports**


The following motion was considered.
C168-2019  Moved by Regional Councillor Palleschi
Seconded by City Councillor Whillans

That Council proceed into Closed Session to discuss matters pertaining to the following:

Security of the property of the municipality or local board and a position, plan, procedure, criteria or instruction to be applied to any negotiations carried on or to be carried on by or on behalf of the municipality or local board

Carried

Note: In Open Session, the Mayor reported on the status of matters considered in Closed Session, and confirmed there was nothing to report on in Open Session.

A motion, moved by Mayor Brown and seconded by Regional Councillor Santos and all Members of Council, was introduced, with the operative clauses as follows:

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

THAT, with the support of Brampton residents, and in the best interest of protecting Peel Region taxpayers, Brampton City Council endorses maintaining the upper tier governance structure of Peel Region and the lower tier structure of City Council; and,

THAT, the City of Brampton advise the Government of Ontario accordingly

Council consideration of the motion included:

- suggested amendment to add “local Brampton MPPs” to the final clause, and agreement from the mover
- consultation, research, community engagement and due diligence undertaken in advance of Council forming its position on this matter
- examples of services that are appropriate for regional and city levels of government
- Council’s long-standing position on full and fair regional representation for Brampton
- acknowledgement of the efforts of staff across the Corporation

The motion, as amended, was considered as follows.
Moved by Mayor Brown
Seconded by Regional Councillor Santos

WHEREAS, earlier this year, the Province of Ontario began reviewing regional governments to ensure municipal and regional governments are working as effectively and efficiently as possible, and can continue to provide the vital services that communities depend on;

WHEREAS, the City engaged the Peel Region community in a number of ways, including by Telephone Town Hall, a Town Hall meeting, online survey, and a detailed scientific study conducted by a third-party;

WHEREAS, the majority of the comments received from the public were in favour of keeping the current structure of the Region of Peel due to the cost of breaking away from the Region cited as the major public concern;

WHEREAS, the City of Brampton and Peel Region have received financial and legal advice from highly respected organizations including Deloitte on the impact to Peel taxpayers that would result from upper tier governance changes;

WHEREAS, the City will be receiving a report commissioned by the Region of Peel from Ernst & Young with financial analysis related to regional governance options, and to support development of this report, Brampton has been collaborating with the Chief Administrative Officers and Chief Financial Officers/Treasurers of the Region of Peel, City of Mississauga and Town of Caledon;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

THAT, with the support of Brampton residents, and in the best interest of protecting Peel Region taxpayers, Brampton City Council endorses maintaining the upper tier governance structure of Peel Region and the lower tier structure of City Council; and,

THAT, the City of Brampton advise the Government of Ontario accordingly, along with local Brampton MPPs.

A recorded vote was requested, and the motion carried unanimously, as follows:

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The following motion to receive the staff report was considered.

C170-2019 Moved by City Councillor Bowman
Seconded by Regional Councillor Palleschi

That the report from J. Pittari, Acting Chief Administrative Officer, and L. Rubin-Vaughan, Manager, Government Relations and Public Policy, to the Special Council Meeting of May 21, 2019, re: Province of Ontario's 2019 Regional Government Review, be received.

Carried

5. **Correspondence** – nil

6. **Related Business** – nil

7. **Public Question Period**

A Brampton resident commented on Council’s decision with respect to the Regional Government Review, but did not ask a question in this regard.

8. **By-laws**

9. **Confirming By-law**

The following motion was considered.

C171-2019 Moved by Regional Councillor Santos
Seconded by Regional Councillor Vicente
That the following by-law before Council at its Special Meeting of May 21, 2019 be given the required number of readings, taken as read, and signed by the Mayor and the City Clerk, and the Corporate Seal affixed thereto:

104-2019 To confirm the proceedings of the Special Council Meeting held on May 21, 2019

Carried

10. **Adjournment**

The following motion was considered.

C172-2019 Moved by Regional Councillor Santos
Seconded by Regional Councillor Vicente

That Council do now adjourn to meet again for a Regular Meeting of Council on Wednesday, May 22, 2019 at 9:30 a.m. or at the call of the Mayor.

Carried

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P. Brown, Mayor

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P. Fay, City Clerk