

Wednesday, April 29, 2020

Members Present in Chambers:

Mayor P. Brown (after Closed Session, joined meeting via electronic participation)

Members Present via Electronic Meeting Participation:

Regional Councillor P. Vicente – Wards 1 and 5
Regional Councillor R. Santos – Wards 1 and 5
Regional Councillor M. Palleschi – Wards 2 and 6
Regional Councillor M. Medeiros – Wards 3 and 4
Regional Councillor P. Fortini – Wards 7 and 8
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:

D. Barrick, Chief Administrative Officer
R. Forward, Commissioner, Planning and Development Services
J. Pittari, Commissioner, Legislative Services
J. Raina, Commissioner, Public Works and Engineering
D. Boyce, Acting Commissioner, Community Services
C. Barnett, Director, Economic Development and Culture
B. Boyes, Fire Chief, Fire and Emergency Services
A. Milojevic, General Manager, Transit
D. Soos, Acting City Solicitor, Legislative Services
P. Fay, City Clerk
C. Gravlev, Deputy City Clerk
T. Brenton, Legislative Coordinator, City Clerk's Office

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Note: In consideration of the current COVID-19 public health orders prohibiting public gatherings of more than 5 people and requirements for physical distancing between persons, in-person attendance at this Council meeting was limited to Members of Council and essential City staff only. Physical distancing was maintained in Council Chambers at all times during the meeting.

The meeting was called to order at 1:05 p.m. and recessed at 3:34 p.m. Council moved into Closed Session at 3:45 p.m. and recessed at 4:04 p.m. Council reconvened in Open Session at 4:17 p.m. and adjourned at 4:25 p.m.

1. Approval of Agenda

As this meeting of Brampton City 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 Whillans, Councillor Palleschi, Councillor Bowman, Councillor Medeiros, Councillor Williams, Councillor Fortini, Councillor Singh, Councillor Dhillon, Mayor Brown

Members absent during roll call: nil

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

The following motion was considered.

C136-2020 Moved by City Councillor Singh
Seconded by Regional Councillor Dhillon

That the agenda for the Regular Council Meeting of April 29, 2020, be approved as amended to add:

- 17.2. Discussion Item at the Request of Mayor Brown re: **Active Transportation**;
- 17.3. Discussion Item at the Request of Regional Councillor Dhillon re **Ethnic Media**; and,
- 17.4. Discussion Item at the Request of City Councillor Singh re: **Noise By-law during Ramadan 2020**.

Carried

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Note: Later in the meeting on a two-thirds majority vote to reopen the question, the Approval of Agenda was reopened and Item 17.4 was added.

The following item, related to a matter on the agenda, was published on the City's web portal on April 27, 2020:

Re: Item 6.1 – staff report re: Government Relations Matters:

- staff presentation entitled: “Government Relations Matters – Update on COVID-19 (April 2020)”

The following was received by the City Clerk's Office after the agenda was published 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). This material was published on the City's web portal on April 29, 2020.

Re: Item 9.1 – staff report re: Application to Amend the Official Plan and Zoning By-law and Draft Plan of Subdivision – Malone Given Parsons Ltd. – Shayma Dick Holdings Inc. – Kendalwood Land Development Inc. and 2570616 Ontario Inc. – North and South sides of Embleton Road, East of Heritage Road – Ward 6 (R 63/2020) (File C05W06.007):

- correspondence:
 1. Julie Harlow and Gavin Carrow, Brampton residents, dated April 29, 2020
 2. Anthony Melo, Brampton resident, dated April 29, 2020

2. **Declarations of Interest under the Municipal Conflict of Interest Act** – nil

3. **Adoption of the Minutes**

3.1. **Minutes – City Council – Regular Meeting – April 22, 2020**

The following motion was considered.

C137-2020 Moved by City Councillor Singh
Seconded by Regional Councillor Dhillon

That the **Minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting of April 22, 2020**, to the Council Meeting of April 29, 2020, be adopted as published and circulated.

Carried

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4. Consent Motion

The following motion was considered.

C138-2020 Moved by Regional Councillor Vicente
Seconded by Regional Councillor Fortini

That Council hereby approves the following items and that the various Officials of the Corporation are hereby authorized and directed to take such action as may be necessary to give effect of the recommendations as contained therein:

- 9.2.
 1. That the staff report titled: **Traffic By-law 93-93 – Administrative Update (R 60/2020)**, to the Council Meeting of April 29, 2020, be received;
 2. That By-law 71-2020 be passed to implement administrative updates to Traffic By-law 93-93, as amended.

- 9.3.
 1. That the staff report titled: **All-way Stop Review – McMurchy Avenue North and Railroad Street – Ward 1 (R 58/2020)**, to the Council Meeting of April 29, 2020, be received;
 2. That By-law 72-2020 be passed to amend Traffic By-law 93-93, as amended, to implement an all-way stop control at McMurchy Avenue North and Railroad Street.

- 9.4.
 1. That the staff report titled: **U-Turn Restriction – Monte Vista Trail – Ward 2 (R 59/2020)**, to the Council Meeting of April 29, 2020, be received;
 2. That By-law 73-2020 be passed to amend Traffic By-law 93-93, as amended, to implement a U-turn restriction on Monte Vista Trail between Richvale Drive North and Kerwood Place.

Carried

5. Announcements – nil

6. Government Relations Matters

6.1. Staff Report re: **Government Relations Matters.**

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Gurdeep Kaur, Director, Corporate Projects and Liaison, Office of the Chief Administrative Officer, provided a presentation titled: "Government Relations Matters – Update on COVID-19 (April 2020)".

Mikkel Marr, Director, Organizational Performance, Office of the Chief Administrative Officer, provided an update on the Regional Community Response Table.

Mayor Brown responded to questions from Council with respect to military support for and staffing levels at Brampton's long term care facilities. The Mayor also provided a reminder of the statistical information available on the Region of Peel's website, and noted that Members could direct their questions via e-mail to Dr. Lawrence Loh, Interim Medical Officer of Health, Peel Public Health.

Council consideration of this matter included a request that staff provide information on the following:

- mental health and other supports for workers in long term care homes
- status of City applications for federal funding programs for green initiatives, including the Community Energy Efficiency Program

The following motion was considered.

C139-2020 Moved by Regional Councillor Palleschi
Seconded by City Councillor Whillans

That the staff report titled: **Government Relations Matters**, to the Council Meeting of April 29, 2020, be received.

Carried

7. Delegations

7.1. Possible Written Delegations re: **Proposed Amendment to Mobile Licensing By-law 67-2014 to Provide Relief of Fees and Timelines During the COVID-19 Emergency.**

See Item 3.1 – Council Resolution C125-2020 – April 22, 2020 and By-law 75-2020

Mayor Brown announced that public notice regarding this matter was given on the City's website on April 24, 2020, for which written delegations could be submitted.

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Peter Fay, City Clerk, confirmed that no delegation requests were received for this meeting.

8. Reports from the Head of Council

8.1. Update from Mayor Brown re: COVID-19 Emergency.

Mayor Brown referenced the update provided at a press conference this morning (April 29, 2020), which included details about social services support efforts and the City's ongoing collaboration with anchor organizations for this purpose, comments at the press conference by Dr. Lawrence Loh, Interim Medical Officer of Health, Peel Public Health, challenges being faced in long term care homes, ongoing enforcement of physical distancing, and the City's Backyard Garden Program.

The following motion, moved by City Councillor Williams and seconded by City Councillor Bowman, was introduced.

Whereas, COVID-19 has created social and economic disruption to life in Brampton and beyond, and

Whereas, many Brampton homeowners have been financially affected by economic slowdown created by the COVID-19 pandemic, and

Whereas, there are over 160,000 residences in Brampton and

Whereas, the City of Brampton offered a tax deferral plan to lessen the burden to ratepayers as a compassionate means to help residents in their hour of need, and

Whereas, Brampton city staff have reported that only 500 people were able to meet the April 15, 2020 deadline to apply for the deferral plan, and

Whereas, this number represents less than one third of one per cent of residences in Brampton, and

Whereas, it has been widely reported in the media that unemployment may rise as much as 25 per cent, and Statistics Canada reported that 1-million jobs were lost in Canada during the month of March.

Therefore, be it resolved that Brampton City Council direct staff to extend the tax deferral application deadline to May 15, 2020, and Further any penalties that may have been incurred to new applicants be rescinded retroactively to April 15, 2020

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Following Council discussion and clarification from City staff, Councillor Williams withdrew her motion, and requested that staff update the City's website and issue additional communications about the Property Tax Deferral Program.

The following motion was considered.

C140-2020 Moved by City Councillor Whillans
Seconded by Regional Councillor Palleschi

That the update from Mayor Brown re: **COVID-19 Emergency**, to the Council Meeting of April 29, 2020, be received.

Carried

9. Reports of Corporate Officials

Planning and Development Services

9.1. Staff Report re: **Application to Amend the Official Plan and Zoning By-law and Draft Plan of Subdivision – Malone Given Parsons Ltd. – Shayma Dick Holdings Inc. – Kendalwood Land Development Inc. and 2570616 Ontario Inc. – North and South sides of Embleton Road, East of Heritage Road (to develop the subject lands for approximately 538 dwelling units along with commercial uses, a public park, and a storm water management pond) – Ward 6 (R 63/2020)** (File C05W06.007).

Item 13.1 was brought forward and dealt with at this time.

Staff responded to questions from Council on the subject application, with topics including timelines for road improvements, location of the park in relation to the tree canopy/woodlot, tree preservation, and proposed setbacks and buffers.

Council consideration of this matter included:

- review of the correspondence outlined in Item 13.1
- advisory regarding correspondence from resident Don Naylor
- concerns about timelines for and sequence of road improvements, and the proposed setbacks and buffers
- disposal of inappropriate materials in the Credit River and request to staff to issue communications about the negative environmental impacts as a result
- request that staff extend the distance requirements for notice of this application to include residents on River Road

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- need for additional discussions between the applicant, City staff, area Councillors, Chair and Vice-Chair of the Planning and Development Committee, and area residents

A motion, moved by Regional Councillor Palleschi, was introduced to refer this matter back to staff. As the motion was procedural in nature, a seconder was not required.

The motion was considered as follows.

C141-2020 Moved by Regional Councillor Palleschi

That the following matters re: **Application to Amend the Official Plan and Zoning By-law and Draft Plan of Subdivision – Malone Given Parsons Ltd. – Shayma Dick Holdings Inc. – Kendalwood Land Development Inc. and 2570616 Ontario Inc. – North and South sides of Embleton Road, East of Heritage Road (to develop the subject lands for approximately 538 dwelling units along with commercial uses, a public park, and a storm water management pond) – Ward 6 (R 63/2020)** (File C05W06.007), be **referred** back to staff:

1. Staff report and associated by-laws; and,
2. Correspondence:
 1. Julie Harlow and Gavin Carrow, Brampton residents, dated April 29, 2020
 2. Anthony Melo, Brampton resident, dated April 29, 2020.

Carried

Public Works and Engineering

- * 9.2. Staff Report re: **Traffic By-law 93-93 - Administrative Update (R 60/2020)**.

See By-law 71-2020

Dealt with under Consent Resolution C138-2020

- * 9.3. Staff Report re: **All-way Stop Review – McMurchy Avenue North and Railroad Street – Ward 1 (R 58/2020)**.

See By-law 72-2020

Dealt with under Consent Resolution C138-2020

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- * 9.4. Staff report re: **U-Turn Restriction – Monte Vista Trail – Ward 2 (R 59/2020).**

See By-law 73-2020

Dealt with under Consent Resolution C138-2020

10. **Reports of Accountability Officers** – nil

11. **Committee Reports** – nil

12. **Unfinished Business** – nil

13. **Correspondence**

- 13.1. Correspondence re: **Item 9.1 – Application to Amend the Official Plan and Zoning By-law and Draft Plan of Subdivision – Malone Given Parsons Ltd. – Shayma Dick Holdings Inc. – Kendalwood Land Development Inc. and 2570616 Ontario Inc. – North and South sides of Embleton Road, East of Heritage Road (to develop the subject lands for approximately 538 dwelling units along with commercial uses, a public park, and a storm water management pond) – Ward 6 (R 63/2020)** (File C05W06.007).

1. Julie Harlow and Gavin Carrow, Brampton residents, dated April 29, 2020
2. Anthony Melo, Brampton resident, dated April 29, 2020

Dealt with under Item 9.1 – Resolution C141-2020

14. **Resolutions** – nil

15. **Notices of Motion** – nil

16. **Petitions** – nil

17. **Other Business/New Business**

- 17.1. **Referred Matters List** – nil

- 17.2. Discussion Item at the Request of Mayor Brown re: **Active Transportation.**

A motion, moved by Mayor Brown and seconded by Regional Councillor Dhillon was introduced, with the operative clauses as follows:

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Therefore Be It Resolved That City staff provide a Active Transportation lens, as set out in the Active Transportation Master Plan, to all new road construction and future road infrastructure capital projects; and

Wherever it is possible within the geographical space available within a road construction project, the City endeavour to accommodate Active Transportation initiatives to facilitate an integrated and connected system for the improved health of all Brampton residents.

Mayor Brown outlined the purpose of the motion.

Council consideration of the motion included:

- Council's previous consideration of this matter
- suggestions about and benefits of the separation of bicycle lanes from traffic
- details from staff about the current process for the review of City projects with an active transportation lens

The motion was considered as follows.

C142-2020 Moved by Mayor Brown
Seconded by Regional Councillor Dhillon

Whereas a 2019 Peel Public Health report titled "The Changing Landscape of Health in Peel" identified an exponential 182 per cent increase in the number of incident cases of diabetes in Peel Region between 1996 and 2015, due to an aging and growing population, and changes in diabetes risk factors including sedentary lifestyles; and

Whereas the increasing number of diabetes cases in Peel Region can be attributable to rising rate of obesity and changing demographics and lifestyle choices, with the projected costs associated with diabetes in the Region alone estimated to be \$689 million by 2024, with over 100,000 new cases of diabetes in Peel Region; and

Whereas active lifestyle and healthy dietary choices provide opportunities to address the negative factors contributing to diabetes and cardiovascular disease facing Brampton residents; and

Whereas in September 2019, Brampton City Council endorsed an Active Transportation Master Plan to guide development of an integrated, attractive, and accessible system of sidewalks, cycling facilities and trails, to create a liveable city where all members of the community can safely and conveniently access places, goods and services and connect to transit using active modes of transportation; and

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Whereas the Active Transportation Master Plan is organized around the themes of “Connecting the Network,” “Design for Safety and Comfort,” “Providing Year-round Mobility,” and “Developing a Walking and Cycling Culture” to achieve connectivity choices and promote healthy lifestyles;

Therefore Be It Resolved That City staff provide a Active Transportation lens, as set out in the Active Transportation Master Plan, to all new road construction and future road infrastructure capital projects; and

Wherever it is possible within the geographical space available within a road construction project, the City endeavour to accommodate Active Transportation initiatives to facilitate an integrated and connected system for the improved health of all Brampton residents.

Carried

17.3. Discussion Item at the Request of Regional Councillor Dhillon re **Ethnic Media.**

Regional Councillor Dhillon referenced a recent statement by Andrea Horwath, Leader, Ontario NDP, calling on the Provincial Government to provided support for ethnic and community media through the creation of a stabilization fund.

At the request of Council, staff provided a summary of the City’s media reach as a whole and how the ethnic media lens fits into this, which included information on methods (tv, radio and print ads, tele town halls, social, mainstream and ethnic media) and advertising costs.

The following motion, moved by Regional Councillor Dhillon and seconded by Mayor Brown was introduced.

That the City resources applied to Ethnic Media during the COVID-19 emergency response be doubled, with additional funds to be drawn from the Rate Stabilization Fund if and as required.

Mayor Brown and Councillor Dhillon highlighted challenges being faced by the City’s cultural and ethnic media during this emergency period, outlined the purpose of the motion, and responded to questions from Council.

Council consideration of this matter included varying opinions in support of and opposition to the motion.

A proposed amendment was introduced by City Councillor Williams to include a request for a staff report. The amendment was accepted as “friendly” by the mover.

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Staff provided suggested amendments to the motion to clarify the funding components. These suggestions were accepted by the mover.

The motion, as amended, was as follows:

That the City resources applied to Ethnic Media during the COVID-19 emergency response be increased, with funds allocated to the COVID-19 account; and

That an information report from the Director, Strategic Communications be provided as expeditiously as possible with regard to the implementation (spending to-date and details of the expansion).

Regional Councillor Palleschi requested that the motion be split and the clauses be voted on separately. Following clarification from staff, Councillor Palleschi withdrew his request.

The motion, as amended, was considered as follows.

C143-2020 Moved by Mayor Brown
Seconded by Councillor Dhillon

That the City resources applied to Ethnic Media during the COVID-19 emergency response be increased, with funds allocated to the COVID-19 account; and

That an information report from the Director, Strategic Communications be provided as expeditiously as possible with regard to the implementation (spending to-date and details of the expansion).

A recorded vote was taken, with the results as follows:

<u>Yea</u>	<u>Nay</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Santos	Bowman	nil
Vicente		
Whillans		
Palleschi		
Medeiros		
Williams		
Fortini		
Singh		
Dhillon		
Mayor		

Carried
10 Yeas
1 Nays
0 Absent

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17.4. Discussion Item at the Request of City Councillor Singh re: **Noise By-law during Ramadan 2020.**

The following motion, moved by City Councillor Singh and seconded by Mayor Brown was introduced:

That the matter (Noise By-law during Ramadan 2020) be **referred** to staff for consideration and a report thereon to the May 6, 2020 Committee of Council meeting.

An amendment was proposed by Mayor Brown and accepted by the mover to add the following additional clause to the motion:

That staff use discretion in the application of by-laws with respect to the matter in the interim.

Mayor Brown and City Councillor Singh outlined the purpose of the motion and responded to questions from Council.

Council consideration of the motion included:

- actions taken on this matter by the City of Toronto and City of Mississauga
- information from staff with respect to the City's Noise By-law and Public Nuisance By-law
- potential need for updates to the City's by-laws as they relate to Places of Worship

The motion, as amended, was considered as follows.

C144-2020 Moved by City Councillor Singh
Seconded by Mayor Brown

That the matter be referred to staff for consideration and a report thereon to the May 6, 2020 Committee of Council meeting; and

That staff use discretion in the application of by-laws with respect to the matter in the interim.

Carried

18. **Procurement Matters** – nil

19. **Public Question Period**

Members of the public were given the opportunity to submit questions via e-mail to the City Clerk's Office regarding any decisions made at this meeting.

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Peter Fay, City Clerk, confirmed that no questions were submitted regarding decisions made at this meeting.

20. By-laws

Note: By-laws 69-2020 and 70-2020 were not passed, as the associated staff report (Item 9.1) was deferred (see Resolution C141-2020 above).

The following motion was considered.

C145-2020 Moved by Regional Councillor Medeiros
Seconded by City Councillor Bowman

That By-laws 71-2020 to 75-2020, before Council at its Regular Meeting of April 29, 2020, be given the required number of readings, taken as read, and signed by the Mayor and City Clerk, and the Corporate Seal affixed thereto.

69-2020 no by-law was assigned to this number

70-2020 no by-law was assigned to this number

71-2020 To amend the Traffic By-law 93-93, as amended – administrative update to schedules relating to through highways and fire routes (See Item 9.2)

72-2020 To amend Traffic By-law 93-93, as amended – schedules relating to through highways and stop signs – McMurchy Avenue North and Railroad Street – Ward 1 (See Item 9.3)

73-2020 To amend Traffic By-law 93-93, as amended – schedule relating to u-turns – Monte Vista Trail – Ward 2 (See Item 9.4)

74-2020 To establish certain lands as part of the public highway system (Creditview Road) – Ward 6

75-2020 To provide relief to fees and timelines under Mobile Licensing By-law 67-2014, as amended, during the COVID-19 emergency (See Item 7.1 and Item 3.1 – Council Resolution C125-2020 – April 22, 2020)

Carried

21. Closed Session

Council acknowledged Item 21.1 in Open Session, with the following motion considered for this purpose.

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C146-2020 Moved by Regional Councillor Fortini
Seconded by City Councillor Williams

That Item 21.1. – Minutes – Closed Session – City Council – April 22, 2020, be adopted.

Carried

The following motion was considered.

C147-2020 Moved by Regional Councillor Fortini
Seconded by City Councillor Williams

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

21.2. Litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the municipality or local board – Local Planning Appeal Tribunal matter.

Carried

Note: In Open Session, the City Clerk reported on the status of Closed Session matters as follows:

- 21.1. these minutes were adopted in Open Session (see Resolution C147-2020 above)
- 21.2. this item was considered by Council in Closed Session and direction was given to staff, including direction to consider a motion in Open Session (see Resolution C148-2020 below)

The following motion, moved by Regional Councillor Palleschi and seconded by Regional Councillor Fortini, was introduced with respect to Item 21.2:

Whereas O.Reg. 171/20 made under the Planning Act, is a publicly available document, via e-laws.ca;

That the Commissioner of Planning and Development Services be directed to execute Minutes of Settlement in relation to an LPAT proceeding regarding Part of Lots 4 & 5, Concession 10 N.D., in the City of Brampton.

Councillor Palleschi outlined an amendment to his motion to include reference to “MZO” after “O.Reg. 171/20”.

The motion, as amended, was considered as follows.

C148-2020 Moved by Regional Councillor Palleschi
Seconded by Regional Councillor Fortini

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Whereas O.Reg. 171/20 (MZO) made under the Planning Act, is a publicly available document, via e-laws.ca;

That the Commissioner of Planning and Development Services be directed to execute Minutes of Settlement in relation to an LPAT proceeding regarding Part of Lots 4 & 5, Concession 10 N.D., in the City of Brampton.

Carried

22. Confirming By-law

The following motion was considered.

C149-2020 Moved by City Councillor Bowman
Seconded by Regional Councillor Medeiros

That the following by-law before Council at its Regular Meeting of April 29, 2020, 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:

76-2020 To confirm the proceedings of Council at its Regular Meeting held on April 29, 2020

Carried

23. Adjournment

The following motion was considered.

C150-2020 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 13, 2020 at 1:00 p.m. or at the call of the Mayor.

Carried

P. Brown, Mayor

P. Fay, City Clerk