Special Council Minutes September 27, 2019 - 10:30 AM 1801 Hopkins Street Whitby, Ontario

Present: Mayor Mitchell

Councillor Leahy Councillor Lee Councillor Mulcahy Councillor Newman Councillor Shahid Councillor Yamada

**Also Present:** H. Ellis, Executive Advisor to the Mayor

K. Narraway, Manager of Legislative Services/Deputy Clerk

(Recording Secretary)

**Regrets:** Councillor Alexander

Councillor Roy

The meeting began at 10:38 a.m.

1. Declarations of Pecuniary Interest

**1.1** There were no declarations of pecuniary interest.

## 2. Presentations

2.1 Renato Fernandes, General Manager, Rolling Mill, Gerdau Whitby Wayne Thiessen, Controller, Gerdau Whitby Natasha Cotter, Manager, Human Resources, Gerdau Whitby Karl Marcotte, Manager, Shredder, Gerdau Whitby Dave McIntyre, Manager, Energy, Gerdau Whitby Re: Tour of Gerdau Whitby Steel Mill

Management Staff from the Gerdau Whitby Steel Mill provided Members of Council with a PowerPoint presentation. Highlights of the presentation included:

- an overview of the products produced and the number of employees at the mill;
- a review of the planned expansion of the mill over the next three years, including plans for use of funding provided through the Federal Strategic Innovation Fund;
- details about how the mill reuses waste products in the steel

processing operation;

- financial challenges experienced by the mill, including electricity prices and natural gas rates;
- economic challenges experienced by the mill from international steel imported into Canada; and,
- opportunities for purchasers to consider green procurement programs when sourcing steel, including considering the total carbon footprint of steel, including transportation distances from manufacturer to purchaser.

A brief question and answer period ensued between Members of Council and the presenters regarding the challenges the mill is facing from increasing international imports of steel into Canada.

Mayor Mitchell and Members of Council then received a tour of the mill from Management Staff of Gerdau Whitby Steel Mill.

3.	Adi	iourn	ment

3.1	Motion	to Ad	iourn

Moved By Councillor Mulcahy Seconded By Councillor Leahy

That the meeting adjourn.

## Carried

The meeting adjourned at 11:57 a.m.	The	meeting	adic	urned	at	11	:57	a.m
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Legislative Services/Deputy Clerk	Don Mitchell, Mayor
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