

SPECIAL COUNCIL MINUTES
May 27, 2013 -6:00 pm
Council Chambers
Whitby Municipal Building

Present: Mayor Perkins
Councillor Coe
Councillor Drumm (arrived at 6:07 p.m.)
Councillor Emm
Councillor Hanson
Councillor Montague
Councillor Roy

Also Present: P. LeBel, Commissioner of Community & Marketing Services/Acting
Chief Administrative Officer
S. Beale, Commissioner of Public Works
M. Gerrard, Fire Chief
K. Nix, Commissioner of Corporate Services/Treasurer
R. Short, Commissioner of Planning
D. Wilcox, Town Clerk
S. Stones, Clerk/Stenographer

Regrets: Councillor Mitchell

1. DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

1.1 There were no disclosures of interest noted.

Resolution No. 242-13

Moved By Councillor Coe
Seconded By Councillor Roy

That Council move into Committee of the Whole.

CARRIED

2. ITEM FOR CONSIDERATION BY COUNCIL IN COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

2.1 Public Works Report, PW 22-13
Re: Highway 401 Class Environmental Assessment and Preliminary

Design – Comments on Final Study Report

S. Beale, Commissioner of Public Works, introduced the report and explained the purpose of the study is to address the capacity, operational and safety requirements for Highway 401 within the study limits, including integration of the planned improvements for the Highway 407 West Durham Link connection to Highway 401 and a new Lake Ridge Road Interchange. She advised the Environmental Assessment (EA) report is available for agency and public review until June 10, 2013 and that staff are generally supportive of the recommendations contained within the Highway 401 from Salem Road to Brock Street Class Transportation Environmental Study Report (TESR). She noted, however, staff are recommending further details and commitments from the Ontario Ministry of Transportation (MTO) prior to the project proceeding to detailed design. Ms. Beale confirmed that while many of the Whitby comments have been adequately addressed by the Highway 401 Project Team and the urgency for the approval process and initiation of construction has been recognized, it is staff's opinion that further definitive commitment as a condition of the EA approval is required for the following items:

1. Brock Street Interchange;
2. Implementation, coordination and staging of Highway 401 with other area Provincial transportation initiatives;
3. Future financial commitments by the MTO;
4. Enhanced architectural/vegetation plans;
5. Construction timing; and,
6. Stormwater management.

General discussion ensued with respect to the timing in the planning and design process for Highway 401, the associated costs and the importance of ongoing communication to the public regarding the project.

Moved By Councillor Coe

1. That Council endorse the letter as shown in Attachment 4 of the Joint Public Works/Planning Report PW 22-13 and it be forwarded to The Honorable Jim Bradley, Minister of the Environment;
2. That staff continue to provide Council with status updates at key milestones and decision points in the design and construction process for Highway 401; and,
3. That a copy of Public Works/Planning Report PW 22-13 be forwarded to the Ministry of Transportation, Region of Durham, and AECOM.

CARRIED

Resolution No. 243-13

Moved By Councillor Coe

That Committee rise out of Committee of the Whole and report to Council.

CARRIED

Resolution No. 244-13

Moved By Councillor Coe

Seconded By Councillor Roy

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CARRIED

3. **CONFIRMATORY BY-LAW**

3.1 Confirmatory By-law

Resolution No. 245-13

Moved By Councillor Emm

Seconded By Councillor Montague

That leave be granted to introduce a by-law and to dispense with the reading of the by-law by the Clerk to confirm the proceedings of Council of the Town of Whitby at its meeting held on May 27, 2013, and that the same be considered read a first, second and third time and finally passed and that the Mayor and the Clerk sign the same and the Seal of

the Corporation be thereto affixed.

CARRIED

4. ADJOURNMENT

4.1 Motion to Adjourn

Resolution No. 246-13

Moved By Councillor Coe
Seconded By Councillor Emm

That the meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 6:13 p.m.

Debi A. Wilcox, Town Clerk

Patricia Perkins, Mayor