Special Council Minutes April 29, 2019 - 5:00 PM Council Chambers Whitby Town Hall

Present: Mayor Mitchell

Councillor Alexander Councillor Leahy

Councillor Lee (arrived at 5:03 p.m.)

Councillor Newman Councillor Roy Councillor Shahid

Councillor Yamada (arrived at 5:03 p.m.)

Also Present: M. Gaskell, Chief Administrative Officer

K. Nix, Commissioner of Corporate Services/Treasurer

J. Long, Head of Human Resources

J. Romano, Manager, Facilities - Operations

H. Ellis, Executive Advisor to the Mayor

K. Narraway, Manager of Legislative Services/Deputy Clerk
L. MacDougall, Temporary Legislative Coordinator (Recording

Secretary)

Regrets: Councillor Mulcahy

- 1. Declarations of Pecuniary Interest
 - **1.1** There were no declarations of pecuniary interest.
- 2. Presentations
 - 2.1 Marsh Thornley, Vice President, Client Service and Strategy and Carmen Serravalle, Vice President, Creative, Scott Thornley + Company Re: Corporate Rebrand

Marsh Thornley, Vice President, Client Service and Strategy and Carmen Serravalle, Vice President, Creative, Scott Thornley + Company (STC), appeared before Council and provided a PowerPoint presentation about the Corporate Rebrand. Highlights of the presentation included:

• an overview of STC's role in developing three adaptable brand directions that promote Whitby inside and outside of the

- community;
- the creation of the brand directions with a view to showcasing changes taking place in Whitby and capturing the essence of active spaces and family;
- opportunities for engagement with the community and Town Staff through meetings, pop-up activations, a community open house as well as a survey to obtain input and feedback;
- STC's objectives related to developing a modernized corporate brand for the Town including distinguishing Whitby from other municipalities;
- the corporate brand achieving a more professional and modern corporate image while establishing standards and consistency, and developing an image that Town Staff, Council, and the community would believe in;
- the brand directions evoking a sense of optimism and transformation, and presenting Whitby as dynamic, natural and grounded;
- the focus on active spaces including greenspace, the waterfront, sports and recreation, and community including family, home, and diversity;
- how objectives would be accomplished and defining what branding means to Whitby;
- detailed information related to the brand directions including the brand story, the brand design, the logo and colour palettes; and,
- industry standards and best practices related to readability and accessibility.

A question and answer period ensued between Members of Council, Marsh Thornley, Carmen Serravalle, and Staff regarding:

- an outline of the next steps in the process and timelines;
- the future being dependent on the past and present and whether the past was considered as part of the alternate brand direction designs;
- the longevity and flexibility of a colour palette and whether consideration was given to utilizing the traditional Town colours of yellow and blue within the brand directions;
- the ability to use different colour palettes to differentiate between Town programs;
- the possibility of incorporating the traditional Town colours of yellow and blue in brand direction "A";
- the continued use of the Town crest for official communications;
- the importance of ensuring that the brand directions would be presented to the public for community feedback, and the methodology of the public survey;
- whether the brand story for each direction would be available to

the public, the measurement of feedback, and the number of individuals that would be involved through the consultation process; and,

• the timeline associated with a recommendation report to Council.

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Moved By Councillor Alexander Seconded By Councillor Shahid

That the meeting adjourn.

Carried

The meeting adjourned at 5:43 p.m.

Kevin Narraway, Manager of
Legislative Services/Deputy Clerk

Don Mitchell, Mayor