

Special Council Minutes
October 21, 2019 - 5:30 PM
Regal Room
Centennial Building
416 Centre Street South

Present: Councillor Alexander
Councillor Leahy
Councillor Lee (arrived at 5:31 p.m.)
Councillor Mulcahy
Councillor Newman
Councillor Roy
Councillor Shahid
Councillor Yamada

Also Present: M. Gaskell, Chief Administrative Officer
S. Beale, Commissioner of Public Works
W. Mar, Commissioner of Legal and Enforcement Services/Town Solicitor
K. Nix, Commissioner of Corporate Services/Treasurer
J. Romano, Acting Commissioner of Community Services
R. Saunders, Commissioner of Planning and Development
D. Speed, Fire Chief
E. Botond, Senior Manager, Corporate Communications
H. Ellis, Executive Advisor to the Mayor
R. Jessup, CEO, Whitby Public Library
S. Klein, Director of Strategic Initiatives
J. Long, Head, Human Resources
Hospital Task Force Members
C. Harris, Town Clerk
S. Dave, Legislative Coordinator (Recording Secretary)

Regrets: Mayor Mitchell

1. Declarations of Pecuniary Interest

1.1 There were no declarations of pecuniary interest.

2. Presentations

2.1 Sarah Klein, Director of Strategic Initiatives and Doug Allingham,

Hospital Task Force Member
Re: Hospital Task Force Update

Sarah Klein, Director of Strategic Initiatives and Doug Allingham, Hospital Task Force Member, provided Members of Council with a PowerPoint presentation. Highlights of the presentation included:

- Introduction of the Task Force Members and the mandate of the Task Force;
- Update on the activities of the Task Force;
- Key considerations for bringing a hospital to the Central Durham region;
- Ensuring an evidence-based submission to any potential RFP issued by Lakeridge Health;
- Developing partnerships with public and private organizations, including other municipalities, to ensure that a new hospital becomes a reality for the Durham Region;
- Information on proposed location and timelines; and
- Key messages and communication strategy moving forward.

A detailed question and answer period ensued between Members of Council and Members of the Task Force, including:

- Potential for connected satellite locations within Durham region;
- Potential locations within Durham Region;
- Ensuring that submission to the RFP is evidence-based;
- Lakeridge Health's priorities and vision for the new hospital and how those can be met by a Central Durham site;
- Engaging the community and ensuring that all metrics related to accessing healthcare are collected prior to submission; and
- The role of Council in championing this effort.

3. Adjournment

3.1 Motion to Adjourn

Moved By Councillor Yamada
Seconded By Councillor Shahid

That the meeting adjourn.

Carried

The meeting adjourned at 6:16 p.m.

Christopher Harris, Town Clerk

Rhonda Mulcahy, Deputy Mayor