

Present: Mayor Mitchell
Councillor Coe
Councillor Drumm (arrived at 6:34 p.m.)
Councillor Emm
Councillor Gleed
Councillor Leahy
Councillor Roy
Councillor Yamada (arrived at 6:04 p.m.)

Also Present: R. Petrie, Chief Administrative Officer
P. LeBel, Commissioner of Community & Marketing Services
K. Nix, Commissioner of Corporate Services/Treasurer
B. Rice, Acting Commissioner of Public Works
R. Short, Commissioner of Planning
D. Wilcox, Town Clerk
S. Dave, Legislative Coordinator

Regrets: None noted

1. Declarations of Pecuniary Interest

- 1.1 Councillor Gleed made a declaration of pecuniary interest under the Municipal Conflict of Interest Act regarding Item 2.1, Planning and Development Report, PL 60-15, Section 5.2.3, as a family member owns a home-based business.
- 1.2 Councillor Leahy made a declaration of pecuniary interest under the Municipal Conflict of Interest Act regarding Item 2.1, Planning and Development Report, PL 60-15, Section 5.2.3, as a family member owns a home-based business.
- 1.3 Mayor Mitchell made a declaration of pecuniary interest under the Municipal Conflict of Interest Act regarding Item 2.1, Planning and Development Report, PL 60-15, Section 5.2.3, as a family member owns a home-based business.

Mayor Mitchell advised that the purpose of tonight's meeting was to

move forward in soliciting comments with respect to the Official Plan review. He requested Members of Council to submit their comments in writing to the Mayor's Office for subsequent submission to the Planning Department. He further requested that staff address the comments in the subsequent report back to Council.

Resolution # 306-15

Moved By Councillor Coe
Seconded by Councillor Emm

That Council resolve itself into Committee of the Whole with Councillor Coe, Chair of Planning and Development Committee, in the Chair.

Carried

Councillor Coe assumed the Chair.

2. Items for Consideration by Council in Committee of the Whole

- 2.1** Planning and Development Department Report, PL 60-15
Re: Official Plan Review – Draft Proposed Amendment to Whitby Official Plan (Major Open Space; Hazard Lands; Agriculture; Rural Settlements; Mineral Aggregates; Environmental Management; Urban Design; Community Improvement; Transportation, Servicing and Utilities; Implementation and Interpretation; Changes to Schedules: “D” – Transportation; “E” – Secondary Plans; New “C-1” – Environmental Management) (OPA-2007-W/04)

Detailed discussion ensued with respect to the following:

- Providing clarity in the report with respect to the updated golf course policy and why kennels are deleted in agricultural areas;
- Providing clarity in the report with respect to urban design guidelines, in particular, shade/sun safety in our public spaces;
- Tailoring supports and incentives for specific community improvement initiatives, with consideration given to the Regional Revitalization Policy and possible areas of eligibility under that Policy;
- Aligning Town transportation objectives with the Regional Transportation Plan;
- Leading the charge on road rationalization as the Town has been paying more than their Regional share;
- Clarity on how sustainable design can be applied to new residential growth;

- Ensuring that Reports to Council include sections that refer to issues such as walkability, traffic calming, and age-free barriers;
- Include the words "land-efficient parking" with a clear recognition that the private sector also plays a role in delivering parking services;
- Referencing studies related to household fireplace smoke;
- Within the definition of parks and utilization, talks about sports/community use and would like to tie in heritage and culture;
- Noise reduction and noise impact with respect to the Oshawa Airport;
- Referencing the eight dimensions of age-friendly communities as described in the Durham Regional Official Plan, and framing the Town's preamble around those dimensions;
- Ensuring that comments on Smart Growth and Bill 73, as well as the Provincial Policy Statement table of amendments, are also taken into account in this document; and
- Clarity from Planning Staff on dates, times and locations of public meetings related to this Review.

P. Lebel, Commissioner of Community and Marketing Services, advised that feedback would be provided on Community Improvement Initiatives to Planning Staff from an economic development perspective and that this feedback would be provided during summer recess.

R. Short, Commissioner of Planning and Development, advised that staff would provide further information in the fall with respect to the public consultation schedule.

Chair Coe reaffirmed Mayor Mitchell's comments and requested that Council members submit their detailed comments to the Mayor's Office, who will submit to Planning for inclusion in the subsequent staff report.

In summary, R. Petrie, Chief Administrative Officer, confirmed that it is a visionary document of where we want to go. Staff were thanked for their excellent work on the matter.

Moved By Councillor Emm

1. That Planning and Development Report Item No. PL 60-15 be received for information; and,
2. That Council authorize the Planning and Development Department to undertake public and department/agency consultation on the basis of the Proposed Draft Official Plan Amendment presented in Attachments 2, 3, 4 and 5 to Report Item No. PL 60-15.

Carried

3. Rise from Committee of the Whole

3.1 Rise from Committee of the Whole

Moved By Councillor Yamada

That Council rise and ratify the recommendations from the Committee of the Whole.

Carried

4. Confirmatory By-law

4.1 Confirmatory By-law

Resolution # 307-15

Moved By Councillor Coe

Seconded By Councillor Emm

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 the Council of the Town of Whitby at its special meeting held on June 22, 2015.

Carried

5. Adjournment

5.1 Motion to Adjourn

Resolution # 308-15

Moved By Councillor Coe

Seconded By Councillor Leahy

That the meeting adjourn.

Carried

The meeting adjourned at 6:37 p.m.

Debi A. Wilcox, Town Clerk

Don Mitchell, Mayor