Minutes of a special meeting of the Council of the City of Oshawa held in the Council Chamber on February 1, 2019 at 9:30 a.m.

Mayor Carter and Councillors Chapman, Giberson, Gray, Hurst, Kerr, Marimpietri, Marks, McConkey, Neal and Nicholson were present.

Mayor Carter presided.

Mayor Carter advised that this meeting was called to continue deliberation of the 2019 Budget.

Additional Agenda Item

Moved by Councillor Marimpietri, seconded by Councillor Marks, (118) “That the rules of procedure be waived to introduce an additional time-sensitive item concerning streetscape improvements along Mary Street North abutting the former Genosha Hotel.” Carried on a 2/3 vote of members present

CNCL-19-17 Streetscape Improvements Along Mary Street North Abutting the Genosha Hotel at 70 King Street East

Moved by Councillor Marimpietri, seconded by Councillor Marks, (119) “Whereas City Council has approved a capital project for streetscape improvements along the north side of King Street East between Mary Street North and Ontario Street; and,

Whereas the streetscape improvements involve widening sidewalks and installing new street trees and street furniture; and,

Whereas the owner of the Genosha Hotel site at 70 King Street East has requested that the scope of this streetscape improvement project be expanded to include Mary Street North abutting the Genosha Hotel building; and,

Whereas the owner has advised that expanding the project will provide better accessibility to the building along Mary Street North and better define this iconic building from a streetscape perspective; and,

Whereas the estimated cost for the additional work is $140,000; and,

Whereas the City has approved a grant of $750,000 for façade improvements to the Genosha Hotel building to be paid over a ten year period ($75,000 per year) starting upon completion of the project and such funds to be taken from the Civic Property Development Reserve; and,

Whereas the owner has agreed to reduce the grant for the façade improvements in an amount equal to the actual cost of the additional streetscape improvements on Mary Street North beginning at the start of the term for the grant; and,

Whereas expanding the scope of the streetscape improvement project is appropriate;
Therefore be it resolved:

1. That the scope of the King Street East streetscape improvement project be expanded to include that part of Mary Street North abutting the Genosha Hotel building at 70 King Street East; and,

2. That the Façade Improvement Grant for the Genosha Hotel building be reduced at the beginning of the grant term in an amount equal to the actual cost of the expanded scope of the streetscape improvement project along Mary Street North; and,

3. That the cost of the expanded scope of the streetscape improvement project be paid from the Civic Property Development Reserve; and,

4. That the Commissioner, Development Services Department be authorized to execute an amending agreement to the Increased Assessment Grant and Façade and Accessibility Improvement Loan Agreement with the owner to implement Part 2 above in a form and content satisfactory to the Commissioner, Development Services Department and the City Solicitor.” Carried on the following vote

Affirmative – Councillors Chapman, Giberson, Gray, Hurst, Kerr, Marimpietri, Marks, McConkey, Neal, Nicholson and Mayor Carter

Negative – None

Absent – None

Declarations of Interest

Councillor Neal made a declaration of interest concerning concerning the Oshawa Senior Citizens’ Centres external agency budget in Part 1 of Item FIN-19-09 as he is on the Board of Directors as a citizen appointment and did not take part in discussion or voting on the matter.

Councillor Marimpietri made a declaration of interest concerning any matter related to the Business Improvement Area as his spouse is an owner/operator of a business in the area and contributes to the Business Improvement Area and any matters related to the Northwood Industrial Park as he has family members that reside in the area and did not take part in discussion or voting on these matters

2019 Budget Deliberations to Continue

CNCL-19-09 Spark Centre Requesting a One-Time Investment of $30,000 to Support a Business Incubation Centre

Moved by Councillor Kerr, seconded by Councillor Gray, “That Council approve the one-time City investment of $30,000 per year for a 3-year lease to support an Oshawa-centric technology business incubation center.” Tabled by the following motion
Moved by Councillor Gray, seconded by Councillor Marimpietri,
(120) “That the motion be tabled to February 8, 2019 in order to hear a presentation
from the Spark Centre.” Carried

CNCL-19-10 Durham Outlook Requesting Financial Support in the Amount of
$200,000 over Four Years

Moved by Councillor Giberson, seconded by Councillor Marks,
(121) “That the City provide a grant of $200,000 to Durham Outlook for the Needy”
Carried as amended by later vote

Moved by Councillor Nicholson, seconded by Councillor Neal,
“That the motion be amended to add: ‘and That the release of funds be subject to a
dispersal agreement satisfactory to the City.’.” Lost

Moved by Councillor Kerr, seconded by Councillor Marks,
“That the motion be amended to add: ‘and That the funds be dispersed in the time
frame and amounts as requested by the organization.’.” Lost

Moved by Councillor Gray, seconded by Councillor Kerr,
“That the motion be amended to change the amount to $75,000.” Lost on the following
vote

Affirmative – Councillors Chapman, Gray, Hurst and Kerr

Negative – Councillors Giberson, Marks, McConkey, Neal, Nicholson and Mayor Carter

Declaration of Interest – Councillor Marimpietri

Absent – None

Moved by Councilor Chapman, seconded by Councillor Giberson,
(122) “That the motion be amended to add: ‘and, That the funds be paid over four
years as per their request of December 17, 2018.’.” Carried on the following vote

Affirmative – Councillors Chapman, Giberson, Hurst, Marks, McConkey, Neal,
Nicholson and Mayor Carter

Negative – Councillors Gray and Kerr

Declaration of Interest – Councillor Marimpietri

Absent - None

The vote on the main motion Carried as amended.

Moved by Councilor Chapman, seconded by Councillor Hurst,
(123) “That the meeting recess.” Carried

The meeting recessed at 11:00 a.m. and reconvened at 11:15 a.m. with all members
present except Councillor McConkey (entered the meeting at 11:40 a.m.) and
Mayor Carter.
Councillor Chapman assumed the Chair.

FIN-19-02 2019 Anchor and Partnership Grant Requests

Recommendation

“1. That the 2019 Anchor and Partnership Grants as submitted be approved and recommended to Council; and,

2. That the Canadian Automotive Museum, Durham Outlook for the Needy and Simcoe Hall Settlement House be transferred from the Partnership Grant Program to the Anchor Grant Program, and that staff investigate and report back on the feasibility of including these in our external agencies funding.”

Moved by Councillor Nicholson, seconded by Councillor Kerr,
(124) “That Council adopt the recommendation contained in FIN-19-02.” Part 1 Carried; Part 2 Referred

The motion was divided upon request in order to vote on each part separately.

The vote to adopt Part 1 Carried.

The vote to adopt Part 2 Referred by the following motion:

Moved by Councillor Nicholson, seconded by Councillor Kerr,
(125) “That Part 2 of FIN-19-02 be referred to the process approved on June 11, 2018.” Carried

FIN-19-09 2018 External Agency Presentations

Recommendation

1. That the proposed 2019 budget grant request for the Oshawa Senior Citizens Centre in the amount of $1,743,380 be considered as part of the budget deliberations, and this referral does not imply approval or denial of the budget grant request; and,

2. That the proposed 2019 budget grant request for the Tribute Communities Centre in the amount of $363,900 be considered as part of the budget deliberations, and this referral does not imply approval or denial of the budget grant request; and,

3. That the proposed 2019 budget grant request for the Oshawa Public Library in the amount of $9,324,500 be considered as part of the budget deliberations, and this referral does not imply approval or denial of the budget grant request; and,
4. That the proposed 2019 budget grant request for the Robert McLaughlin Gallery in the amount of $829,599 be considered as part of the budget deliberations, and this referral does not imply approval or denial of the budget grant request; and,

5. That the proposed 2019 budget grant request for the Oshawa Historical Society in the amount of $447,800 be considered as part of the budget deliberations, and this referral does not imply approval or denial of the budget grant request; and,

6. That the proposed 2019 budget grant request for the Parkwood Foundation in the amount of $325,000 be considered as part of the budget deliberations, and this referral does not imply approval or denial of the budget grant request.

Moved by Councillor Nicholson, seconded by Councillor Marimpietri, “That the Oshawa Senior Citizens Centre receive a 2019 budget grant in the amount of $1,621,393.” Lost on the following vote

Affirmative – Councillors Marimpietri, Marks, and Nicholson

Negative – Councillors Chapman, Giberson, Gray, Hurst and Kerr

Declaration of Interest – Councillor Neal

Absent – Councillor McConkey and Mayor Carter

Moved by Councillor Marimpietri, seconded by Councillor Kerr, (126) “That the Oshawa Senior Citizens Centre receive a 2019 budget grant in the amount of $1,743,380.” Carried on the following vote

Affirmative – Councillors Chapman, Giberson, Gray, Hurst, Kerr, Marimpietri, and Marks

Negative – Councillor Nicholson

Declaration of Interest – Councillor Neal

Absent – Councillor McConkey and Mayor Carter

Moved by Councillor Nicholson, seconded by Councillor Gray, (127) “That the Tribute Communities Centre receive a 2019 budget grant in the amount of $363,900.” Carried

Moved by Councillor Nicholson, seconded by Councillor Gray, “That the Oshawa Public Library receive a 2019 budget grant in the amount of $9,052,727.” Carried

Moved by Councillor Nicholson, seconded by Councillor Neal, (128) “That the Robert McLaughlin Gallery receive a 2019 budget grant in the amount of $813,332.’ Carried one the following vote
Affirmative – Councillors Gray, Hurst, Marimpietri, Marks, Neal, and Nicholson

Negative – Councillors Chapman, Giberson, and Kerr

Absent- Councillor McConkey and Mayor Carter

Moved by Councillor Nicholson, seconded by Councillor Marimpietri
(129) “That the Oshawa Historical Society receive a 2019 budget grant in the amount of $427,300.” Carried

Moved by Councillor Marimpietri, seconded by Councillor Marks,
(130) “That the Parkwood Foundation receive a 2019 budget grant in the amount of $325,000.’ Carried

Moved by Councillor Nicholson, seconded by Councillor Marimpietri,
(131) “That Council move into Committee of the Whole.” Carried

Moved by Councillor Marimpietri,
(132) "That staff be directed to review the City of Oshawa's proposed 2019 budget in order to assess and establish the appropriate means for Council to reduce the 2019 tax rate percentage down to 1.85% and report back with a list of options at staff’s earliest opportunity." Carried by later vote

Councillor McConkey entered the meeting.

Moved by Councillor Nicholson,
“That the motion be amended to reduce the percentage from 1.85% to 1.50%.” Tabled by the following motion

Moved by Councillor Neal,
(133) “That the motion and amendment be tabled.” Carried on the following vote

Affirmative – Councillors Chapman, Giberson, Gray, Hurst, Kerr, McConkey, Neal and Nicholson

Negative – Councillors Marimpietri and Marks

Absent – Mayor Carter

Revenue

Moved by Councillor Gray,
(134) “That the assessment growth budgeted at 1.20% be increased to 1.32%” Carried on the following vote

Affirmative – Councillors Chapman, Giberson, Gray, Kerr, Marimpietri, Marks, McConkey, Neal and Nicholson

Negative – Councillor Hurst

Absent – Mayor Carter

Councillor Marks temporarily left the meeting.
Moved by Councillor Nicholson,
(135) “That the revenue for Program 807 Penalties and Interest on Tax be set at $1.55 million.” Carried on the following vote

Affirmative – Councillors Chapman, Giberson, Gray, Kerr, Marimpietri, McConkey, Neal and Nicholson

Negative – Councillor Hurst

Absent – Councillor Marks and Mayor Carter

Councillor Marks re-entered the meeting.

Moved by Councillor Marimpietri,
(136) “That the Revenue tab be approved as amended.” Carried on the following vote

Affirmative – Councillors Chapman, Giberson, Gray, Hurst, Kerr, Marimpietri, Marks, McConkey, Neal, and Nicholson

Negative – None

Absent – Mayor Carter

Councillor Marks temporarily left the meeting.

Executive and Legislative Tab

Moved by Councillor Nicholson,
“That the Program and Office Supplies line in Program 001 Office of the Mayor be increased to $20,000.” Deferred by the following motion

Moved by Councillor Kerr,
(137) “That the motion be deferred until the Mayor is present at the meeting.” Carried on the following vote

Affirmative – Councillors Chapman, Giberson, Hurst, Kerr, Marimpietri, McConkey, and Nicholson

Negative – Councillors Gray and Neal

Absent – Councillor Marks and Mayor Carter

Councillor Marks re-entered the meeting.

Moved by Councillor Nicholson,
“That the amount for Program and Office Supplies for Program 003 Councillors Expenses be increased to $3000 per Councillor and that a full review of support services be considered prior to the 2020 budget.” Lost on the following vote

Affirmative – Councillors Marimpietri and Nicholson

Negative – Councillors Chapman, Giberson, Gray, Hurst, Kerr, Marks, McConkey and Neal
Absent – Mayor Carter

Moved by Councillor Gray,  
“That Personnel Costs for Program 003 Councillors Expenses be decreased by $17,600.” Tabled by the following motion

Moved by Councillor Marimpietri,  
(138) “That the matter concerning Personnel Costs for Program 003 be tabled.” Carried

Moved by Councillor Neal,  
(139) “That the meeting recess.” Carried

The meeting recessed at 1:00 p.m. and reconvened at 2:00 p.m. with all members present except Councillors Marimpietri (entered the meeting at 2:22 p.m.).

Mayor Carter resumed the Chair.

Moved by Councillor Chapman,  
(140) “That the matter regarding the reduction in Personnel Costs for Program 003 be lifted from the table.” Carried on the following vote

Affirmative – Councillors Chapman, Giberson, Gray, Hurst, Kerr, Marks, Neal and Mayor Carter

Negative – Councillors McConkey and Nicholson

Absent – Councillor Marimpietri

The following motion was now before Council:

(141) “That Personnel Costs for Program 003 Councillors Expenses be decreased by $17,600.” Carried on the following vote

Affirmative – Councillor Chapman, Giberson, Gray, Hurst, Kerr, Marks, McConkey, Neal and Mayor Carter

Negative – Councillor Nicholson

Absent – Councillor Marimpietri

The following motion was now before Council:

“That the Program and Office Supplies line in Program 001 Office of the Mayor be increased to $20,000.” Withdrawn

The vote on the Executive and Legislative Tab Carried as amended on the following vote

Affirmative- Councillors Chapman, Giberson, Gray, Hurst, Kerr, Marks, McConkey, Neal and Mayor Carter

Negative – Councillor Nicholson
Absent- Councillor Marimpietri

Councillor Marimpietri entered the meeting.

**Office of the City Manager Tab**

Moved by Councillor Neal,
(142) “That the 2019 Operating budget for the Office of the City Manager be reduced by $100,000.” Carried on the following vote

Affirmative – Councillors Chapman, Gray, Hurst, Marks, McConkey, Neal and Nicholson

Negative – Councillors Giberson, Kerr, Marimpietri and Mayor Carter

Absent – None

Councillor Gray temporarily left the meeting

Moved by Councillor Nicholson,
(143) “That Program 015 Innovation and Transformation be referred to the February 8, 2019 meeting.” Carried on the following vote

Affirmative – Councillors Giberson, Hurst, Kerr, McConkey, Neal and Nicholson

Negative – Councillors Chapman, Marimpietri, Marks and Mayor Carter

Absent- Councillor Gray

Councillor Gray re-entered the meeting.

The vote to approve the Office of the City Manager with the exception of Program 015 Carried on the following

Affirmative – Councillors Chapman, Giberson, Gray, Hurst, Kerr, Marimpietri, Marks, McConkey, Neal, Nicholson and Mayor Carter

Negative – None

Absent – None

Councillor Marimpietri temporarily left the meeting.

**Finance Services Tab**

The vote to approve the Finance Services Tab Carried on the following

Affirmative – Councillors Chapman, Giberson, Gray, Hurst, Kerr, Marks, Nicholson and Mayor Carter

Negative – Councillors McConkey and Neal

Absent- Councillor Marimpietri
Moved by Councillor Neal,
(144) “That the meeting recess.” Carried

The meeting recessed at 3:26 p.m. and reconvened at 3:55 p.m. with all members in attendance with the exception of Councillor Gray (entered at 4:03 p.m.).

Corporate Services Tab

Moved by Councillor Neal,
“That the Corporate Services Tab be tabled to allow staff to supply a dollar figure to be given to identify consultants or consultant fees in the 2019 Operating Budget.” Lost on the following vote

Affirmative – Councillors Marimpietri, McConkey and Neal

Negative – Councillors Chapman, Giberson, Gray, Hurst, Kerr, Marks, Nicholson and Mayor Carter

Absent – None

Moved by Councillor McConkey,
“That for Program 030 Professional Services in City Clerk Admin be reduced from $53,250 by $7,601.” Lost on the following vote

Affirmative – Councillors McConkey, Neal and Nicholson

Negative - Councillors Chapman, Giberson, Gray, Hurst, Kerr, Marimpietri, Marks and Mayor Carter

Absent – None.

Moved by Councillor McConkey,
“That the Municipal Law Enforcement budget be tabled to be discussed after the confidential report on the Corporate Services Committee meeting February 4, 2019.” Lost on the following vote

Affirmative – Councillors Gray, McConkey and Neal

Negative – Councillors Chapman, Giberson, Hurst, Kerr, Marimpietri, Marks, Nicholson and Mayor Carter

Absent – None

Moved by Councillor Nicholson,
“That pages 15 to 23 Information Technology Services be referred back to staff to investigate a further cut of up to $250,000 from departmental expenses and report back to the February 8, 2019 Budget meeting.” Lost on the following vote

Affirmative – Councillors Gray, Marimpietri, McConkey and Nicholson

Negative – Councillors Chapman, Giberson, Hurst, Kerr, Marks and Mayor Carter

Declaration of Interest – Councillor Neal
Absent- None

Moved by Councillor Nicholson,
“That $250,000 be cut from the Information Technology Services budget.” Lost on the following vote

Affirmative – Councillors Gray, McConkey and Nicholson

Negative- Councillors Chapman, Giberson, Hurst, Kerr, Marimpietri, Marks and Mayor Carter

Declaration of Interest – Councillor Neal

Absent – None

Moved by Councillor Nicholson,
“That pages 24-29 Municipal Law Enforcement and Licensing be referred back to staff to investigate further cuts of up to $200,000 from departmental expenses and report back to the February 8, 2019 Budget meeting." Lost on the following vote

Affirmative – Councillors Giberson, Gray, McConkey, Neal and Nicholson

Negative – Councillors Chapman, Hurst, Kerr, Marimpietri, Marks and Mayor Carter

Absent – None

Moved by Councillor Gray,
(145) “That Program 086 Corporate Security be deferred to the February 8, 2019 budget meeting.” Carried on the following vote

Affirmative – Councillors Chapman, Giberson, Gray, Hurst, Kerr, Marimpietri, Marks, McConkey, Neal, Nicholson and Mayor Carter

Negative – None

Absent – None

Moved by Councillor Nicholson,
(146) “That the Corporate Services Department Tab be tabled.” Carried on the following vote

Affirmative – Councillors Chapman, Giberson, Gray, Hurst, Kerr, Marimpietri, Marks, McConkey, and Nicholson

Negative – Mayor Carter

Declaration of Interest – Councillor Neal

Absent – None

Moved by Councillor Marimpietri,
(147) “That the motion and amendment related to a budget reduction to 1.85% be lifted from the table.” Carried
The following motion and amendment was now before Council:

“That staff be directed to review the city of Oshawa’s proposed 2019 budget in order to assess and establish the appropriate means for Council to reduce the 2019 tax rate percentage down to 1.85% and report back with a list of options at staff’s earliest opportunity.”

“That the motion be amended to reduce the percentage from 1.85% to 1.50%.”

The vote on the amendment to reduce the percentage from 1.85% to 1.50%.” Lost on the following

Affirmative – Councillors Gray, Marimpietri, Marks, McConkey and Nicholson

Negative – Councillors Chapman, Giberson, Hurst, Kerr, Neal and Mayor Carter

Absent – None

The vote to direct staff to report back with a list of options to reduce the percentage to 1.85% Carried on the following vote

Affirmative – Councillors Chapman, Giberson, Gray, Hurst, Kerr, Marimpietri, Marks, McConkey, Nicholson and Mayor Carter

Negative – Councillor Neal

Absent – None

Moved by Councillor Chapman,

That Council rise from Committee of the Whole and ratify the actions taken.” Carried

Moved by Councillor McConkey, seconded by Councillor Marimpietri,

“That the meeting recess until February 8, 2019 at 9:30 a.m.” Carried

The meeting recessed at 5:30 p.m.