



General Committee Report
Tuesday, July 5, 2016
1:00 p.m.
Council Chamber, Town Hall

Chair: Councillor J. Innis
Vice Chair: Councillor R. Mezzapelli (absent)
Mayor A. Thompson (absent)
Councillor D. Beffort
Councillor N. deBoer
Councillor J. Downey
Councillor A. Groves
Councillor G. McClure
Councillor B. Shaughnessy

Chief Administrative Officer: M. Galloway
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Interim General Manager, Community Services: P. Tollett
General Manager, Finance & Infrastructure Services/Chief Financial Officer: F. Wong

CALL TO ORDER

Chair J. Innis called the meeting to order in the Council Chamber at 1:04 p.m.

DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST – none.

The General Committee reports that the following matters were dealt with on the consent portion of the agenda and recommended to Town Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on July 12, 2016:

STAFF REPORT 2016-86 RE: RENEWAL OF AREA SPECIFIC DEVELOPMENT CHARGE FOR COLERAINE DRIVE STORM SEWER.

That Staff Report 2016-86 regarding Renewal of Area Specific Development Charge for Coleraine Drive Storm Sewer be received; and

That Staff Report 2016-34 regarding the Renewal of Area Specific Development Charge for Coleraine Drive Storm Sewer Drive attached as Schedule A to Staff Report 2016-86, be approved as the Town's Development Charge Background Study related to the Coleraine Drive Storm Sewer; and

That a Coleraine Drive Storm Sewer by-law be enacted for the imposition of Area Specific Development Charges for Coleraine Drive Storm Sewer attached as Schedule C to Staff Report 2016-86; and

That no further public meeting be required in respect of the Proposed Site Specific Development Charge By-law.

STAFF REPORT 2016-82 RE: CALEDON FIRE AND EMERGENCY SERVICES TIERED RESPONSE AGREEMENT.

That Staff Report 2016-82 regarding Caledon Fire and Emergency Services Tiered Response Agreement be received; and

That the Fire Chief be authorized to execute an agreement and all documents necessary, including any amendments between the Town of Caledon, the Peel Regional Paramedic Services, the City of Mississauga and the City of Brampton for the purpose of the Tiered Response Program.

STAFF REPORT 2016-83 RE: DEFIBRILLATION AND SYMPTOM ASSIST PROGRAM AGREEMENT.

That Staff Report 2016-83 regarding Defibrillation and Symptom Assist Program Agreement, be received; and

That the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to execute an agreement and all documents necessary, including any amendments between the Town of Caledon and Dr. Sheldon Cheskes (Base Hospital Medical Director) for the purpose of the Defibrillation and Symptom Assist Program.

STAFF REPORT 2016-84 RE: CANDIDATE TESTING SERVICES AGREEMENT.

That Staff Report 2016-84 regarding Candidate Testing Services Agreement be received; and

That the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to execute an agreement and all documents necessary, including any amendments between the Town of Caledon and the Ontario Fire Administration Inc. for the purpose of Candidate Testing Services.

FENCE BY-LAW REVIEW.

Whereas Section 10(2), paragraph 10, of the Municipal Act, 2001 authorizes a municipality to pass by-laws respecting structures, including fences and signs; and

Whereas the Council of The Corporation of the Town of Caledon adopted By-law 2005-36 to prescribe the height and description of lawful fences in the Town of Caledon; and

Whereas Town of Caledon By-law 2005-36 defines a fence to include a hedge and shrubs which shall be at a height no greater than six (6) feet in a side and rear yard and five (5) feet in a front or flank yard; and

Whereas the use of shrubs and hedges pose many benefits to property owners as they can provide a living privacy mechanism from street traffic and neighbouring properties; they can be used as a natural sound barrier to reduce noise; they can act as a windbreak to protect against harsh winds and they can reduce the impact of snow on driveways; and

Whereas defining a fence to include a hedge or shrub limits the benefits of such natural mechanisms and limits their natural progression;

Now therefore be it resolved that staff consider the benefits and drawbacks of removing shrubs and hedges from the definition of a "fence" in the Town's Fence By-law and report back.

CANADA POST.

Whereas Canada Post announced drastic cutbacks to our public postal service in December 2013, including plans to end home mail delivery in our country; and

Whereas there was a huge public outcry in response to the cutbacks and stiff opposition from most federal parties, including the Liberal Party, which promised to halt the delivery cuts and conduct a review of Canada Post, if elected; and

Whereas the delivery cuts were halted and our Liberal government is currently conducting a Canada Post Review, starting with an independent task force that will collect input from Canadians, do research, gather facts and draft a discussion paper in September of 2016, identifying viable options for postal service in this country; and

Whereas a parliamentary committee will consult with Canadians in the fall of 2016 on the options that have been identified in the task force's discussion paper and then make recommendations to the government on the future of Canada Post; and

Whereas it will be crucial for the task force and parliamentary committee to hear our views on key issues, including the importance of maintaining the moratorium on post office closures, improving the Canadian Postal Service Charter, restoring home mail

delivery, keeping daily delivery, adding postal banking, greening Canada Post, and developing services to assist people with disabilities and help older Canadians to remain in their homes for as long as possible;

Therefore be it resolved that staff be directed to provide input to the Canada Post Review task force and make a submission when the parliamentary committee consults with Canadians this fall; and

Further that a copy of this resolution be provided to the Honourable Judy M. Foote, the Minister Responsible for Canada Post Corporation and the Canadian Union of Postal Workers for information.

STAFF REPORT 2016-85 RE: REVIEW OF PRIVATELY OWNED SWIMMING POOLS AND ENCLOSING FENCES.

That Staff Report 2016-85 regarding a Review of Privately Owned Swimming Pools and Enclosing Fences, be referred back to staff for further information.

The General Committee recommends adoption of the following recommendations:

STAFF REPORT 2016-88 RE: FITNESS EQUIPMENT REPLACEMENT RESERVE FUND.

That Staff Report 2016-88 regarding Fitness Equipment Replacement Reserve Fund be received; and

That the North Hill Recreation Centre Reserve Fund be established in the amount of \$81,503 from the balance of fundraising completed in prior years; and

That the North Hill Recreation Centre Reserve Fund be re-named the Fitness Equipment Replacement Reserve Fund to be used to fund replacement of fitness equipment; and

That a new 2016 capital project for Rockwall maintenance at the Caledon Centre for Recreation and Wellness (CCRW) be established in the amount of \$20,000 funded from the Fitness Equipment Replacement Reserve Fund; and

That the Fitness Equipment Replacement Reserve Fund Guidelines attached as Schedule 'A' of Staff Report 2016-88 be adopted; and

That 5.5% of fitness membership revenue be allocated to the Fitness Equipment Replacement Reserve Fund starting in 2017.

This matter was recommended to Town Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on July 12, 2016.

The General Committee recommends adoption of the following recommendations:

TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMITTEE.

Whereas Canada Safety Council highlights the need for greater awareness and education on traffic safety matters; and

Whereas children are considered vulnerable road users in rural and urban areas, crossing busy streets and negotiating traffic to get to school; and

Whereas Student Transportation of Peel Region (STOPR) is a consortium, formed by agreement between the Dufferin-Peel Catholic District School Board and the Peel District School Board, for the purpose of providing a common administration of transportation services for students residing in the Region of Peel; and

Whereas the Town of Caledon continues to work with the community to ensure current traffic areas around schools are safe and new developments include school safety provisions; and

Whereas the Town of Caledon would benefit from a Traffic Safety Committee to consider matters and make recommendations related to the protection of students from the dangers of vehicular traffic and transportation eligibility;

Now therefore be it resolved that staff be directed to investigate the formation of a Traffic Safety Committee and report back to Council; and

Further that this motion be forwarded to Student Transportation of Peel Region (STOPR) with a request that until a decision regarding the establishment of a Traffic Safety Committee is made, changes to transportation eligibility in the Town of Caledon remain on hold.

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ADJOURNMENT

The Committee adjourned at 1:38 p.m.