

# CITY COUNCIL AGENDA



**CONSOLIDATED AS OF SEPTEMBER 25, 2015**

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**Council Chambers, Guelph City Hall, 1 Carden Street**

**DATE Monday, September 28, 2015 – 5:30 p.m.**

Please turn off or place on non-audible all cell phones, PDAs, Blackberrys and pagers during the meeting.

## **AUTHORITY TO MOVE INTO CLOSED MEETING**

***THAT the Council of the City of Guelph now hold a meeting that is closed to the public, pursuant to The Municipal Act, to consider:***

**CON-C-2015.32/  
PS-C-2015.4**

**Report from the Public Services Committee: Citizen Appointments to the Wellbeing Grants Allocation Panel**

Section 239 (2) (b) personal matters about an identifiable individual.

**CON-C-2015.33/  
PS-C-2015.5**

**Report from the Public Services Committee: Feasibility of Development of Brant Community Hub**

Section 239 (2) (c) proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local board.

**CON-C-2015.34**

**Potential Sale of Property – Closed Portion of Laird Road – Hanlon Creek Business Park**

Section 239 (2) (c) proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local board.

**CON-C-2015.35**

**Guelph Junction Railway Update**

Section 239 (2) (a) the security of the property of the municipality or local board.

**CON-C-2015.36**

**Re-Organization Update**

Section 239 (2) (b) personal matters about an identifiable individual.

**CON-C-2015.37**

**Guelph Storm Negotiation Update**

Section 239 (2) (f) advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose.

## **CLOSED MEETING**

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**OPEN MEETING – 7:00 P.M.**

**O Canada – Faith VanderWerf  
Silent Reflection  
Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and General Nature Thereof**

**PRESENTATION**

- a) Rick Johal, Director of Member & Sector Relations for AMCTO, presenting the E.A. Dandy Certificate of Merit to Guelph City Council in recognition of the 2014 Dragon’s Den initiative
  
- b) Lindsay Sytsma and Meg Dunning, Guelph Gives 2015 Campaign Presentation

**CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES** (Councillor Gordon)

***"THAT** the minutes of the Council Meetings held July 13, 14, 20 and 28 and the minutes of the Closed Meetings of Council held July 13 be confirmed as recorded and without being read."*

**CONSENT REPORTS/AGENDA – ITEMS TO BE EXTRACTED**

*The following resolutions have been prepared to facilitate Council’s consideration of the various matters and are suggested for consideration. If Council wishes to address a specific report in isolation of the Consent Reports/Agenda, please identify the item. The item will be extracted and dealt with separately. The balance of the Consent Reports/Agenda will be approved in one resolution.*

**Consent Reports/Agenda from:**

<b>Closed Meeting of Council</b>			
<b>Item</b>	<b>City Presentation</b>	<b>Delegations</b>	<b>To be Extracted</b>
CON-C-2015.32 Report from the Public Services Committee - Citizen Appointments to the Wellbeing Grants Allocation Panel			

Adoption of balance of the Closed Meeting of Council Third Consent Report

<b>Audit Committee</b>			
<b>Item</b>	<b>City Presentation</b>	<b>Delegations</b>	<b>To be Extracted</b>
AUD-2015.14 Revised 2015 Internal Audit Workplan			

Adoption of balance of Audit Committee Consent Report – Councillor Wettstein, Chair

<b>Corporate Services Committee</b>			
<b>Item</b>	<b>City Presentation</b>	<b>Delegations</b>	<b>To be Extracted</b>
CS-2015.32 2015 Interim Investment Performance Report			
CS-2015.34 2015 Q2 Capital Variance Report			
CS-2015.36 Service Rationalization Options			

Adoption of balance of Corporate Services Committee Consent Report - Councillor Hofland, Chair

<b>Infrastructure, Development &amp; Enterprise Committee</b>			
<b>Item</b>	<b>City Presentation</b>	<b>Delegations</b>	<b>To be Extracted</b>
IDE-2015.29 Guelph Energy Efficiency Retrofit Strategy (GEERS)		Kithio Mwanzia, President, Guelph Chamber of Commerce Kirby Calvert Evan Ferrari Sonja Persram Peter Fillion Kate Parizeau Will Beardmore	✓
IDE-2015.30 Residential Water and Wastewater Billing Frequency and Renewal of Meter Reading and Billing Agreement with Guelph Hydro Electric Systems Inc.			
IDE-2015.31 Sign By-law Variances – 170 Metcalfe Street			
IDE-2015.32 Sign By-law Variances – 230 Silvercreek Parkway North			

IDE-2015.33 Sign By-law Variances – 21 Surrey Street West			
IDE-2015.34 Sign By-law Variances – 75 Speedvale Avenue East			

Adoption of balance of Infrastructure, Development & Enterprise Committee  
Consent Report – Councillor Bell, Chair

<b>Public Services Committee</b>			
<b>Item</b>	<b>City Presentation</b>	<b>Delegations</b>	<b>To be Extracted</b>
PS-2015.26 Guelph Youth Council Update	Jenn Bucci, Youth Services Coordinator Lexis Braund, Sophie Rymill, Heather Duff and Yang Xu, Guelph Youth Council Members		✓
PS-2015.27 Response to Outstanding Council Resolution Regarding Climate Change			
PS-2015.29 Guelph Trail Master Plan Update		Hugh Whiteley  Correspondence Hugh Whiteley	✓

Adoption of balance of Public Services Committee Consent Report – Councillor Downer, Chair

<b>Council Consent Agenda</b>			
<b>Item</b>	<b>City Presentation</b>	<b>Delegations</b>	<b>To be Extracted</b>
CON-2015.41 Standard and Poor’s Credit Rating Review 2015			
CON-2015.42 By-law Authorizing Third-Party Payment Processors to Charge Fees for Credit Card Payments			
CON-2015.43 Portion of Hawkins Drive – Proposed Permanent Road Closure			
CON-2015.44 Poppy Drive East and Kirvan Crossing Proposed Street Name Change			

CON-2015.45 Association of Municipalities of Ontario re: Support for Syrian Refugee Crisis			
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**ITEMS EXTRACTED FROM COMMITTEES OF COUNCIL REPORTS AND COUNCIL CONSENT AGENDA** (Chairs to present the extracted items)

*Once extracted items are identified, they will be dealt with in the following order:*

- 1) delegations (may include presentations)
- 2) staff presentations only
- 3) all others.

Reports from:

- Closed Meeting of Council – Mayor Guthrie
- Audit Committee – Councillor Wettstein
- Corporate Services Committee– Councillor Hofland
- Infrastructure, Development & Enterprise Committee – Councillor Bell
- Public Services Committee – Councillor Downer
- Consent – Mayor Guthrie

**SPECIAL RESOLUTIONS**

**BY-LAWS**

Resolution – Adoption of By-laws (Councillor Piper)

***"THAT By-law Numbers (2015)-19962 to (2015)-19967, inclusive, are hereby passed."***

By-law Number (2015)-19962 A by-law to permit the payment of processing fees in connection with payments to the City made by means of credit cards and to repeal By-law (2014)-19695.	To authorize third-party fees for credit card payments for payment of Provincial Offences fines. (as per CON-2015.42)
By-law Number (2015)-19963 A By-law to change the name of Kirvan Crossing, Plan 61M-200 to Burcombe Crossing.	To authorize a street name change. (as per CON-2015.44)
By-law Number (2015)-19964 A By-law to change the name of Poppy Drive, Plan 61M-198 to Poppy Drive West and to change the name of Poppy	To authorize a street name change. (as per CON-2015.44)

Drive described as Part Lot 11, Concession 7, (formerly Township of Puslinch), designated as Part 1, Reference Plan 61R-8731, to Poppy Drive West.	
By-law Number (2015)-19965 A By-law to stop up and close part of Hawkins Drive described as part of Hawkins Drive, Plan 61M-201, designated as Part 3, Reference Plan 61R-20619, City of Guelph.	To authorize a street name change. (as per CON-2015.43)
By-law Number (2015) - 19966 A by-law to authorize the execution of an Agreement between Capital Paving Inc. and The Corporation of the City of Guelph. (No. 2-1512 for Woodlawn Multi-Use Path Construction between Nicklin Road and Silvercreek Parkway)	To execute contract No. 2-1512 for Woodlawn Multi-Use Path Construction between Nicklin Road and Silvercreek Parkway.
By-law Number (2015)-19967 A by-law to confirm the proceedings of Guelph City Council meetings held September 21, 23 and 28.	To confirm the proceedings of Council meetings held September 21, 23 and 28.

## **MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

*Please provide any announcements, to the Mayor in writing, by 12 noon on the day of the Council meeting.*

## **NOTICE OF MOTION**

Notice of motion from Councillor Bell

Notice of Motion from Councillor Gibson

## **ADJOURNMENT**

**To: City Council**

**From: H.R. Whiteley**

**September 28 2015**

**RE: PS-15-43 Guelph Trail Master Plan Update**

**I congratulate Parks and Recreation Staff on the excellent update report on progress made in trail development in Guelph and especially for securing almost \$300,000 in funding to facilitate the establishment of the Speed River Trail West. This project, together with the completed TransCanada trail segment from Eramosa to Speedvale, and the approved Woodlawn Boulevard trail from Imperial Road to Edinburgh will be the highlights of accomplishments for trail development in Guelph up to 2017.**

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

**Although no action is required in the receipt of this update I recommend City Council :**

- Encourage staff to make funding of the Trails Master Plan Update a priority budget item for the 2016 Parks and Recreation budget.**
- Ask staff to clarify to Council, through a supplementary report, how the Trails Master Plan Update can be completed without the guidance of an up-to date Open Space Master Plan**

#### **Background on the 2005 Trails Master Plan**

**The 2005 Trails Master Plan was undertaken to satisfy a recommendation in the 2001 Official Plan that a Trails Master Plan be prepared using the City's Open-Space**

**Master Plan as set out in Schedule 7 as the base for trail planning.**

**In 1997 City Council adopted the Greenway Vision and Plan and this Open Space Master Plan has guided trail development since 1997. The 1997 Master Plan continues as the City's operational Master Plan for Open Space.**

**In 1973 the City adopted a systems approach to Open Space planning with the adoption of the first Open Space Master Plan. This Master Plan was updated in 1983 and again in 1997. To emphasize the City's commitment to systems planning the 1987 Official Plan made it obligatory for the City to regularly adopt, by a motion of Council, an Open-Space Master Plan and to use the Master Plan as a guide for all Open-Space planning decisions.**

**The requirement to adopt an Open Space Master Plan was repeated in the 1995 Official Plan but the 2001 Official Plan assumed there would be a Master Plan by retaining the requirement that all Open-Space Planning use the current Open Space Master Plan for guidance.**

**OPA 48 continues to require Open-Space Planning to follow the operational Open Space Master Plan.**

**The importance of Master Planning in ensuring that all decisions are informed by a system-wide perspective is so well established that I am surprised by the reversion to a project-by project approach to Open-Space Planning by the City of Guelph.**

**While the 1997 Open Space Master Plan was an excellent base for planning for the next decade no Master Plan can be expected to be fully relevant for a twenty year period. Current staff workplans project a start on an new Open Space Master Plan in 2018 as I understand the timing.**



**I have been told by City Staff that the 2009 Recreation Parks and Culture Strategic Master Plan is being used selectively by staff as background to guide policy decisions. I am concerned by any reliance on a policy document that has not been presented to City Council for consideration and adoption.**

**The outcome of this review is that a current Open Space Master Plan is essential to the preparation of a Trails Master Plan. The City of Guelph does not have a current Open Space Master Plan. The preparation of a Trails Master Plan is greatly hindered by the absence of an Open Space Master Plan.**

### **Comments of the Trails Update Report**

- **The 2005 Trails Master Plan was hampered by a lack of understanding that the City of Guelph made a commitment in 1970 to the establishing of the Hanlon Creek Conservation Area extending from the headwater springs near Forestall Road to the confluence with the Speed river.**
- **The 1975 District Plan for the Southview District, which followed the successful completion of the City-Of-Guelph led campaign to acquire the Kortright Waterfowl Park Lands, called for: "*preservation and conservation of natural areas... - particularly the Hanlon Creek and Speed River floodplains and the Kortright Waterfowl Park*". The Plan added that all "*the designated area of the Hanlon Creek watershed be acquired and maintained as a Conservation Area and utilized as an open space resource*"**
- **This lack of recognition of the extent of the Hanlon Creek Conservation Area is continued in the current trails update where trails in the upper watershed are not identified as being in the Hanlon Creek Conservation Area, and trails in the lower portion near the confluence are similarly not identified as being**

part of the trail system set out in the Hanlon Creek Conservation Area Master Plan approved jointly by the City of Guelph and the GRCA.

- The to-be-completed listing in the update fails to note two important bridges long promised as part of the trail system - a bridge over the Eramosa at Victoria and one over the Speed at the Hanlon Expressway.
- The 2005 Trails Master Plan suggested a pedestrian bridge at Victoria be built as part of the reconstruction of the Victoria Road bridge. In February 2008 City Council approved the funds needed to add the pedestrian bridge to the road-bridge project. For reasons never explained staff failed to have the bridge constructed. Where the allocated funds are remains a mystery to me.
- Another omission is the absence of planning to acquire the south bank land along the Eramosa River from Gordon Street to Victoria to allow a fully-public trail along the abandoned Guelph-Toronto radial rail line. Acquisition of the river corridor to the top of the steep slope was strongly recommended in the River System Management Plan in 1993 and the 2005 Trails Master Plan included as a desired connection the *"popular and heavily-used informal or unofficial trail routes on land owned by the University of Guelph and the Cutten Club."*