

**Minutes of Guelph City Council  
Held in the Council Chambers, Guelph City Hall on  
April 27, 2015 at 5:30 p.m.**

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**Attendance**

Council: Mayor Guthrie  
Councillor P. Allt  
Councillor B. Bell  
Councillor C. Billings  
Councillor C. Downer  
Councillor D. Gibson  
Councillor Gordon  
Councillor Hofland  
Councillor MacKinnon  
Councillor Piper  
Councillor Salisbury  
Councillor Van Hellemond  
Councillor Wettstein

Staff: Ms. A. Pappert, CAO  
Mr. M. Amorosi, Deputy CAO of Corporate Services  
Mr. A. Horsman, Deputy CAO of Infrastructure, Development & Enterprise  
Mr. D. Thomson, Deputy CAO of Public Services  
Mr. S. O'Brien, City Clerk  
Ms. J. Sweeney, Council Committee Coordinator

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**Call to Order (5:30 p.m.)**

Mayor Guthrie called the meeting to order.

**Authority to Resolve into a Closed Meeting of Council**

Moved by Councillor Van Hellemond  
Seconded by Councillor Allt

That the Council of the City of Guelph now hold a meeting that is closed to the public, pursuant to Section 239 (2) (b), (e) and (f) of the *Municipal Act* with respect to personal matters about identifiable individuals; litigation or potential litigation; and advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege.

CARRIED

**Closed Meeting (5:31 p.m.)**

**Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and General Nature Thereof**

There were no disclosures.

The following matters were considered:

**C.2015.13 Report of the Infrastructure, Development & Enterprise Committee  
– Citizen Appointments**

**C.2015.14 Report of the Public Services Committee – Citizen Appointments**

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**C-2015.15 Guelph Storm License Agreement**

**C-2105.16 Litigation or Potential Litigation Update**

**Rise and recess from Closed Meeting (7:00 p.m.)**

*Council recessed.*

**Open Meeting** (7:00 p.m.)

Mayor Guthrie called the meeting to order.

**Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and General Nature Thereof**

There were no disclosures.

**Presentations**

- a) Ms. Colleen Clack, General Manager of Culture, Tourism and Community Investments, advised 2015 is the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Lieutenant Colonel John McCrae writing the poem "In Flanders Fields". She introduced The Honourable William C. Winegard who will read the poem.

Dr. William Winegard recited the poem "In Flanders Fields".

- b) Dr. Rob Taylor, CEO of the Institute of Public Administration of Canada presented the City of Guelph with a National Leadership Award.
- c) The Mayor presented Courtney Ivany with the Duke of Edinburgh Bronze Level Award.

**Confirmation of Minutes**

- 1. Moved by Councillor Piper  
Seconded by Councillor Wettstein

- 1. That the minutes of the Council Meetings held March 9, 11, 23 and 25, 2015 and the minutes of the Closed Meeting of Council held March 25, 2015 be confirmed as recorded and without being read.

*VOTING IN FAVOUR: Mayor Guthrie, Councillors Allt, Bell, Billings, Downer, Gibson, Gordon, Hofland, MacKinnon, Piper, Salisbury, Van Hellemond and Wettstein (13)*  
*VOTING AGAINST: (0)*

CARRIED

**Consent Reports**

**Audit Committee Second Consent Report**

The following item was extracted:

**AUD-2015.8 Internal Audit Work Plan**

**Closed Meeting of Council First Consent Report**

Councillor Bell and Downer presented the Closed Meeting of Council First Consent Report.

2. Moved by Councillor Bell  
Seconded by Councillor Salisbury

**CM-2015.13 Citizen Appointments to the Economic Development Advisory Committee, Environmental Advisory Committee, Heritage Guelph and River Systems Advisory Committee**

Economic Development Advisory Committee

1. That Greg Sayer be appointed to the Economic Development Advisory Committee for a term ending November 30, 2016 or until such time as successors are appointed.

Environmental Advisory Committee

2. That Matt Wilson and Lynette Renzetti be appointed to the Environmental Advisory Committee for a term ending November 30, 2016 or until such time as successors are appointed.

Heritage Guelph

3. That Lyn Allingham be appointed to Heritage Guelph for a term ending November 30, 2016 or until such time as successors are appointed.

River Systems Advisory Committee

4. That Beth Anne Fischer and April Wepler be appointed to the River Systems Advisory Committee for a term ending November 30, 2016 or until such time as a successor is appointed.

*VOTING IN FAVOUR: Mayor Guthrie, Councillors Allt, Bell, Billings, Downer, Gibson, Gordon, Hofland, MacKinnon, Piper, Salisbury, Van Hellemond and Wettstein (13)*

*VOTING AGAINST: (0)*

CARRIED

3. Moved by Councillor Downer  
Seconded by Councillor Wettstein

**CM-2015.14 Citizen Appointments to Guelph Sports Hall of Fame Board of Directors, Guelph Museums Advisory Committee and Wellbeing Grant Allocation Panel**

Guelph Sports Hall of Fame Board of Directors

1. That Larry Townsend and Michael MacIntyre be appointed to the Guelph Sports Hall of Fame Board of Directors for a term ending November 30, 2018 or until such time as successors are appointed.

Guelph Museums Advisory Committee

2. That Paul Baker and Robert Hohenadel be appointed to the Guelph Museums Advisory Committee for a term ending November 30, 2016 or until such a time as successors are appointed.

Wellbeing Grant Allocation Panel

3. That Paula Russell, Greg Sayer, Ruth vanLoon and Kovarthanan Konesavarathan be appointed to the Wellbeing Grant Allocation Panel for a term ending November 30, 2015 or until such time as successors are appointed.

*VOTING IN FAVOUR: Mayor Guthrie, Councillors Allt, Bell, Billings, Downer, Gibson, Gordon, Hofland, MacKinnon, Piper, Salisbury, Van Hellemond and Wettstein (13)*

*VOTING AGAINST: (0)*

CARRIED

**Corporate Services Committee Second Consent Report**

The following item was extracted:

**CS-2015.12          2015 Property Tax Policy**

**Infrastructure, Development & Enterprise Committee Third Consent Report**

Councillor Bell presented the Infrastructure, Development & Enterprise Committee Third Consent Report.

4. Moved by Councillor Bell  
Seconded by Councillor Salisbury

That the April 27, 2015 Infrastructure, Development & Enterprise Committee Third Consent Report as identified below, be adopted:

**IDE-2015.6          Community CarShare Co-operative Parking at City-Owned Facilities**

WHEREAS non-commercial carshare services are part of a suite of options that support the City of Guelph in meeting its transportation demand management (TDM) policy objectives to support sustainable transportation alternatives,

AND WHEREAS the use of off-street municipal parking space, where appropriate and available, may be reserved for carshare services for the purposes of supporting TDM;

1. The Deputy CAO of Infrastructure, Development and Enterprise Services is authorized to enter into and execute a Parking Agreement between The

People's Car Co-operative Inc. o/a Community CarShare and the City, in a form substantially as described in the report dated April 8, 2015, with the final form and content to the satisfaction of the City Solicitor.

2. The Deputy CAO of Infrastructure, Development and Enterprise Services is authorized to approve and execute amendments to the Parking Agreement, provided that such amendments are to the satisfaction of the City Solicitor, to add or change parking locations, upon requests by carshare services, to reserve a non-revenue generating parking space at a city-owned facility, and to make other amendments to the agreement provided it is in accordance with the general terms therein.

**IDE-2015.8 Sign By-law Variance – 435 Stone Road West**

1. That the report from Infrastructure, Development and Enterprise dated April 8, 2015 regarding a sign by-law variance for 435 Stone Road West, be received.
2. That the request for a variance from the Sign By-law for 435 Stone Road West to permit one (1) sign with an area of 5.7m<sup>2</sup> to be located on the second storey of a building face fronting a public road allowance, be approved with a condition that restricts illumination to be within the hours of operation of Stone Road Mall.

*VOTING IN FAVOUR: Mayor Guthrie, Councillors Allt, Bell, Billings, Downer, Gibson, Gordon, Hofland, MacKinnon, Piper, Salisbury, Van Hellemond and Wettstein (13)*  
*VOTING AGAINST: (0)*

CARRIED

**Public Services Committee Second Consent Report**

Councillor Downer presented the Public Services Committee Second Consent Report.

5. Moved by Councillor Downer  
Seconded by Councillor Billings

That the April 27, 2015 Public Services Committee Second Consent Report as identified below, be adopted:

**PS-2015.9 Cenotaph Policy**

1. That the Public Services Report # PS-15-16 "Cenotaph Policy" dated April 7, 2015, be received.
2. That staff be given approval to correct any errors or omissions on the Guelph Cenotaph as well as add any new names in the future, subject to the criteria set out in this report.

*VOTING IN FAVOUR: Mayor Guthrie, Councillors Allt, Bell, Billings, Downer, Gibson, Gordon, Hofland, MacKinnon, Piper, Salisbury, Van Hellemond and Wettstein (13)*

VOTING AGAINST: (0)

CARRIED

**Council Consent Agenda**

6. Moved by Councillor Billings  
Seconded by Councillor Hofland

That the April 27, 2015 Consent Agenda as identified below, be adopted:

**CON-2015.16 Annual Asphalt Contract 2-1501**

1. That the tender of Capital Paving Inc., Guelph be accepted and that the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to sign the agreement for Contract 2-1501 for the Annual Asphalt Contract for a total tendered price of \$2,058,032.50 with actual payment to be made in accordance with the terms of the contract.

**CON-2015.17 Proposed Demolition of 1211, 1221 and 1231 Gordon Street, Ward 6**

1. That Report 15-39 regarding the proposed demolition of three (3) single detached dwellings at 1211, 1221 and 1231 Gordon Street, legally described as Concession 7 Part Lot; Registered Plan 61R522 Part 1 and Parts 2 to 5; City of Guelph, from Infrastructure, Development and Enterprise dated April 27, 2015, be received.
2. That the proposed demolition of three (3) detached dwellings at 1211, 1221 and 1231 Gordon Street be approved.
3. That the applicant be required to implement all tree preservation/compensation measures in accordance with the approved Environmental Impact Report (EIR) and as further specified through Conditions of Site Plan Approval and/or the approved tree permit issued under the City's Private Tree Protection By-law.
4. That the applicant be required to implement mitigation measures identified in the EIR and in compliance with the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Act regarding the removal/relocation of bats from the three (3) detached dwellings prior to demolition.
5. That a Tree Permit under the Private Tree Protection By-law be obtained from the City prior to the issuance of a demolition permit for any of the dwellings.

VOTING IN FAVOUR: Mayor Guthrie, Councillors Allt, Bell, Billings, Downer, Gibson, Gordon, Hofland, MacKinnon, Piper, Salisbury, Van Hellemond and Wettstein (13)

VOTING AGAINST: (0)

CARRIED

**Extracted Items**

**AUD-2015.8 Internal Audit 2015 Work Plan**

7. Moved by Councillor Wettstein  
Seconded by Councillor MacKinnon
1. That the recommendations in report "CAO-A-1504, Internal Audit – 2015 Work Plan", be approved.
  2. That staff explore the feasibility of amending the 2015 Internal Audit Work Plan to include the Corporate Energy Program audit and report back to the Audit Committee on the ability to carry out this audit.

*VOTING IN FAVOUR: Mayor Guthrie, Councillors Allt, Bell, Billings, Downer, Gibson, Gordon, Hofland, MacKinnon, Piper, Salisbury, Van Hellemond and Wettstein (13)*  
*VOTING AGAINST: (0)*

CARRIED

**CS-2105.12 2015 Property Tax Policy**

Mr. Mark Amorosi, Deputy CAO Corporate Services, introduced Janice Sheehy, General Manager Finance/Treasurer.

Mr. James Krauter, Manager of Taxation and Revenue, provided clarification with respect to the taxation breakdown.

It was requested that the clauses be voted on separately.

8. Moved by Councillor Hofland  
Seconded by Councillor Allt
- That the following tax policies be incorporated into the tax ratio, tax rate, and capping by-laws and submitted to Council on April 27, 2015:
- a) That the multi-residential ratio be reduced from 2.0819 to 2.0399.

*VOTING IN FAVOUR: Councillors Allt, Bell, Downer, Gordon, Hofland, MacKinnon, Piper and Salisbury (8)*  
*VOTING AGAINST: Mayor Guthrie, Councillors Billings, Gibson, Van Hellemond and Wettstein (5)*

CARRIED

9. Moved by Councillor Hofland  
Seconded by Councillor Allt
- That the following tax policies be incorporated into the tax ratio, tax rate, and capping by-laws and submitted to Council on April 27, 2015:
- b) That the industrial tax ratio be reduced from 2.4174 to 2.3111.

*VOTING IN FAVOUR: Councillors Allt, Bell, Downer, Gordon, Hofland, MacKinnon, Piper and Salisbury (8)*

*VOTING AGAINST: Mayor Guthrie, Councillors Billings, Gibson, Van Hellemond and Wettstein (5)*

CARRIED

10. Moved by Councillor Hofland  
Seconded by Councillor Allt

That the following tax policies be incorporated into the tax ratio, tax rate, and capping by-laws and submitted to Council on April 27, 2015:

- c) That all other class ratios and vacancy discounts remain the same as 2014;
- d) That the capping parameters used for 2014 be adopted for 2105; and
- e) That all other tax policies, including optional property classes, graduated tax rates, relief to charities, low income and disabled persons, as detailed in Schedule 1, remain the same as 2014.

*VOTING IN FAVOUR: Mayor Guthrie, Councillors Allt, Bell, Billings, Downer, Gibson, Gordon, Hofland, MacKinnon, Piper, Salisbury, Van Hellemond and Wettstein (13)*

*VOTING AGAINST: (0)*

CARRIED

11. Moved by Councillor Hofland  
Seconded by Councillor Allt

That the 2015 City of Guelph Property Tax Policies as set out in Schedule 1 be approved.

*VOTING IN FAVOUR: Councillors Allt, Bell, Downer, Gordon, Hofland, MacKinnon, Piper, Salisbury and Wettstein (9)*

*VOTING AGAINST: Mayor Guthrie, Councillors Billings, Gibson and Van Hellemond (4)*

CARRIED

### **Special Resolutions**

Councillor Bell's motion for which notice was given April 13, 2015.

Mr. Jack Weiner, spoke in support of the construction of a small footbridge that would connect Crane Park to Ptarmigan Trail. He advised that a professional engineer has volunteered his services to design the structure and volunteers would build the footbridge. He further advised of donations received that would cover the cost. He requested that the City support this initiative by forwarding documents to the Grand River Conservation Authority for approval, City officials visit the site to ensure construction codes are met and grant permission for construction to proceed by the end of July.



## Main Motion

12. Moved by Councillor Bell  
Seconded by Councillor Salisbury
1. THAT the matter of the gift of a little foot bridge to connect Crane Park to Ptarmigan Trail be referred to the Public Services Committee.
  2. THAT the Public Services Committee report back to Council in July with a decision whether the community can proceed in August with the construction of the bridge.

## Amendment

13. Moved by Councillor Downer  
Seconded by Councillor Piper

That the Public Services Committee report back to Council in July on process, timelines and project status.

*VOTING IN FAVOUR: Mayor Guthrie, Councillors Allt, Downer, Gordon, Hofland, MacKinnon, Piper, Van Hellemond and Wettstein (9)*

*VOTING AGAINST: Councillors Bell, Billings, Gibson and Salisbury, (4)*

CARRIED

## Main Motion as Amended

14. Moved by Councillor Bell  
Seconded by Councillor Salisbury
1. THAT the matter of the gift of a little foot bridge to connect Crane Park to Ptarmigan Trail be referred to the Public Services Committee.
  2. That the Public Services Committee report back to Council in July on **process, timelines and project status.**

*VOTING IN FAVOUR: Mayor Guthrie, Councillors Allt, Bell, Billings, Downer, Gibson, Gordon, Hofland, MacKinnon, Piper, Salisbury, Van Hellemond and Wettstein (13)*

*VOTING AGAINST: (0)*

CARRIED

## By-laws

15. Moved by Councillor Salisbury  
Seconded by Councillor Wettstein

That By-laws Numbered (2015)-19887 to (2015)-19898, inclusive, are hereby passed.

It was requested that By-laws Numbered (2015)-19896 and (2015)-19897 be voted on separately.

Mr. Todd Salter, General Manager Planning, Urban Design & Building Services, advised that the decision of Council of April 13, 2015 is reflected in the by-laws.

Mr. Darrell Mast, Associate Solicitor, advised there are ramifications to the City if the by-laws are not approved.

16. Moved by Councillor Bell  
Seconded by Councilor Downer

That the Council of the City of Guelph now hold a meeting that is closed to the public, pursuant to Section 239 (2) (f) of the *Municipal Act* with respect to receiving advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege.

CARRIED

Council recessed into closed Session at 8:53 p.m.

Council resumed in public session at 9:08 p.m.

17. Moved by Councillor Salisbury  
Seconded by Councillor Wettstein

That By-law Number (2105)-19896, is hereby passed.

*VOTING IN FAVOUR: Mayor Guthrie, Councillors Allt, Bell, Billings, Downer, Gibson, Hofland, MacKinnon, Piper, Salisbury, Van Hellemond and Wettstein (12)*

*VOTING AGAINST: Councillor Gordon (1)*

CARRIED

18. Moved by Councillor Salisbury  
Seconded by Councillor Wettstein

That By-law Number (2105)-19897, is hereby passed.

*VOTING IN FAVOUR: Mayor Guthrie, Councillors Allt, Bell, Billings, Downer, Gibson, Hofland, MacKinnon, Piper, Salisbury, Van Hellemond and Wettstein (12)*

*VOTING AGAINST: Councillor Gordon (1)*

CARRIED

19. Moved by Councillor Salisbury  
Seconded by Councillor Wettstein

That By-law Number (2105)-19898, is hereby passed.

*VOTING IN FAVOUR: Mayor Guthrie, Councillors Allt, Bell, Billings, Downer, Gibson, Gordon, Hofland, MacKinnon, Piper, Salisbury, Van Hellemond and Wettstein (13)*

*VOTING AGAINST: (0)*

CARRIED

20. Moved by Councillor Salisbury  
Seconded by Councillor Allt

That By-law Numbers (2015)-19887 to (2015)-19895, inclusive, are hereby passed.

*VOTING IN FAVOUR: Mayor Guthrie, Councillors Allt, Bell, Billings, Downer, Gibson, Gordon, Hofland, MacKinnon, Piper, Salisbury, Van Hellemond and Wettstein (13)*  
*VOTING AGAINST: (0)*

CARRIED

**Mayor's Announcements**

Councillor Gibson apologized to Councillors Allt and Hofland for a tweet, which he does not endorse.

Mayor Guthrie congratulated Councillor Salisbury on obtaining his Masters in Planning.

**Adjournment (9:17 p.m.)**

21. Moved by Councillor Downer  
Seconded by Councillor Piper

That the meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED

*Minutes to be confirmed on May 25, 2015.*

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Mayor Guthrie

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Stephen O'Brien - City Clerk