



**Minutes of Guelph City Council
Held in the Council Chambers, Guelph City Hall on
November 27, 2017 at 6:01 p.m.**

Attendance

Council: Mayor C. Guthrie
Councillor P. Allt
Councillor B. Bell
Councillor C. Billings
Councillor C. Downer
Councillor D. Gibson
Councillor J. Gordon

Councillor J. Hofland
Councillor M. MacKinnon
Councillor L. Piper
Councillor M. Salisbury
Councillor K. Wettsteibn

Absent: Councillor A. Van Hellemond

Staff: Mr. S. Stewart, Acting Chief Administrative Officer
Ms. C. Clack, Deputy DCAO of Public Services
Mr. T. Lee, Deputy CAO of Corporate Services
Ms. K. Dedman, Acting Deputy CAO of Infrastructure, Development and Enterprise
Mr. J. Krauter, Manager of Taxation and Revenue/Deputy Treasurer
Ms. K. Newland, Manager, Finance Client Services
Mr. S. O'Brien, City Clerk
Ms. D. Tremblay, Council Committee Coordinator

Call to Order (6:01 p.m.)

Mayor Guthrie called the meeting to order.

Authority to Resolve into a Closed Meeting of Council

1. Moved by Councillor MacKinnon
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) and (d) of the Municipal Act with respect to personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees and labour relations or employee negotiations.

Carried

Closed Meeting (6:03 p.m.)

Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and General Nature Thereof

There were no disclosures.

The following matters were considered:

- C-CON-2017.18 Public appointment to Guelph Sports Hall of Fame Directors**
C-CON-2017.19 2018 Non-Union Compensation Increase

Rise and recess from Closed Meeting (6:50 p.m.)

Council recessed.

Open Meeting (6:55 p.m.)

Mayor Guthrie called the meeting to order.

Closed Meeting Summary

Mayor Guthrie spoke regarding the matters addressed in closed and identified the following:

Minutes – Council Closed Session - September 25 and October 5 2017

These minutes were adopted by Council.

C-CON-2017.18 Public appointment to Guelph Sports Hall of Fame Directors

Information was received and Council will report out under Special Resolutions.

C-CON-2017.19 2018 Non-Union Compensation Increase

Information was received and Council will report out as there will be a change to operating budget recommendation that will be referred to December 5th.

Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and General Nature Thereof

Councillor MacKinnon declared a pecuniary interest regarding the public appointment to the Committee of Adjustment because one of the applicants is his business partner and he did not discuss or vote on the matter.

Councillor MacKinnon declared a pecuniary interest regarding the 2018 Downtown Business Association budget as he is a business owner in the downtown core.

Mayor Guthrie declared a pecuniary interest regarding budget expansions included in the 2018 Operating Budget referral with regards to his relationship with the Guelph Royals baseball organization.

Confirmation of Minutes

1. Moved by Councillor Downer
Seconded by Councillor Wettstein

That the minutes of the Council Meetings held October 5, 10, 23, 26 and November 2, 8, 2017 and the Committee of the Whole meetings held October 2, 2017 be confirmed as recorded and without being read.

Voting in Favour: Mayor Guthrie, Councillors Alt, Bell, Billings, Downer, Gibson, Gordon, Hofland, MacKinnon, Piper, Salisbury and Wettstein (12)

Voting Against: (0)

Carried

Committee of the Whole Consent Reports

The following items were extracted:

COW-CS-2017.18 Shared Cost Allocation Basis – Wellington-Dufferin-Guelph Public Health

Balance of Committee of the Whole Consent Items

2. Moved by Councillor Piper
Seconded by Councillor Downer

That the balance of the, 2017 Committee of the Whole Consent Report as identified below, be adopted:

COW-CS-2017.19 Changes to the Vacant Unit Tax Rebate Program

Recommendation:

1. That the vacant unit tax rebate program be eliminated effective January 1, 2018.
2. That a reduction of \$470,000 be shown in the 2018 operating budget.

COW-PS-2017.13 Street Tree Ownership and Maintenance

Recommendation:

That the current street tree ownership and maintenance practices provided by Parks Operations and Forestry, as described in ATT-1 of the report titled Street Tree Ownership and Maintenance, dated November 6, 2017, be approved.

COW-PS-2017.14 Bicycle Skills Facility

Recommendation:

1. That staff be directed to engage the community, and plan and design a bicycle skills facility that will be owned and operated by the City of Guelph.
2. That Council endorse the staff recommendation that the Eastview Community Park be the preferred location for the bicycle skills facility.
3. That staff be directed to report to Council prior to the 2019 budget process.

COW-PS-2017.15 Speedvale Avenue Bridge Underpass

Recommendation:

1. That staff be directed to report back to Council in 2018 on alternative trail design options within the identified study area on the west side of the

river. Alternative trail design options will have no minimum design criteria and will comply with the Official Plan, Zoning By-law and provincial legislation.

2. That staff consider future capital budget requirements for a possible alternative trail under Speedvale Avenue as part of the 2019 Capital budget process.

COW-AUD-2017.10 Internal Audit Work Plan 2018-2020

Recommendation:

That the report CAO-A-1708, "Internal Audit Work Plan 2018-2020" dated November 6, 2017 be approved.

Voting in Favour: Mayor Guthrie, Councillors Allt, Bell, Billings, Downer, Gibson, Gordon, Hofland, MacKinnon, Piper, Salisbury and Wettstein (12)

Voting Against: (0)

Carried

COW-CS-2017.20R Fall 2017 Public Appointments to Various Advisory Boards and Committees

3. Moved by Councillor Hofland
Seconded by Councillor Gordon

Recommendation:

1. That Joanne O'Halloran be reappointed to the Accessibility Advisory Committee for a term ending November, 2018.
2. That Lynn Jeurond, Donna McMurdo and Deborah Stienstra be appointed to the Accessibility Advisory Committee for a term ending November, 2018.
4. That Alastair McCluskey be reappointed to the Downtown Advisory Committee for a term ending November, 2018.
5. That Robert Routledge be appointed to the Downtown Advisory Committee for a term ending November, 2018.
6. That Adam Miller be reappointed to the Environmental Advisory Committee for a term ending November, 2018.
7. That Jayne Osborn be reappointed to the Guelph Museums Advisory Committee for a term ending November, 2018.
8. That Brian Skerrett be appointed to Heritage Guelph for a term ending November, 2018.
9. That Julia Grady be appointed to the Public Art Advisory Committee for a term ending November, 2018.
10. That Alex Grosse be appointed to the River Systems Advisory Committee for a term ending November, 2018.

11. That staff be directed to conduct further recruitment to fill the remaining two vacancies on the River Systems Advisory Committee.
12. That Lynn Broughton and Jennifer Whyte be reappointed to the Tourism Advisory Committee for a term ending November, 2018.
13. That staff be directed to conduct further recruitment to fill the remaining vacancy on the Tourism Advisory Committee.
14. That Justine Kraemer, Dominica McPherson, Steven Petric and Kayla Weiler be reappointed to the Transit Advisory Committee for a term ending November, 2018.
15. That Bonnie Burgess be appointed to the Transit Advisory Committee for a term ending November, 2018.
16. That Bassim Abbassi be reappointed to the Waste Resource Innovation Centre Public Liaison Committee for a term ending November, 2018.
17. That staff be directed to conduct further recruitment to fill the remaining vacancy on the Waste Resource Innovation Centre Public Liaison Committee.
18. That David Worden be appointed to the Water Conservation and Efficiency Public Liaison Advisory Committee for a term ending November, 2018.

Voting in Favour: Mayor Guthrie, Councillors Allt, Bell, Billings, Downer, Gibson, Gordon, Hofland, MacKinnon, Piper, Salisbury and Wettstein (12)

Voting Against: (0)

Carried

Councillor MacKinnon did not partake in any discussion or voting on the matter.

4. Moved by Councillor Salisbury
Seconded by Councillor Allt

Recommendation:

3. That David Gundrum be appointed to the Committee of Adjustment for a term ending November, 2018.

Voting in Favour: Mayor Guthrie, Councillors Allt, Bell, Billings, Downer, Gibson, Gordon, Hofland, Piper, Salisbury and Wettstein (11)

Voting Against: (0)

Carried

Council Consent Agenda

The following items were extracted:

CON-2017.53 2017 Q3 Operating Variance Report

Items for Discussion

COW-CS-2017.18 Shared Cost Allocation Basis – Wellington-Dufferin-Guelph Public Health

5. Moved by Councillor Hofland
 Seconded by Councillor Wettstein

Recommendation:

That staff be directed to update the agreement among the County of Wellington, County of Dufferin and City of Guelph to reflect the continued use of the population numbers as produced by the Statistics Canada Census and to update the version of the Statistics Canada Census used in this calculation in the budget year following the year in which new information is released, as well as other administrative matters.

Voting in Favour: Mayor Guthrie, Councillors Allt, Bell, Billings, Downer, Gibson, Gordon, Hofland, MacKinnon, Piper, Salisbury and Wettstein (12)

Voting Against: (0)

Carried

CON-2017.53 2017 Q3 Operating Variance Report

Trevor Lee, Deputy CAO of Corporate Services, provided opening remarks regarding the rationale of moving this time to the November 27, 2017 agenda.

6. Moved by Councillor Billings
 Seconded by Councillor Bell

Recommendation:

That report CS-2017-37 titled 2017 Q3 Operating Variance Report and dated November 27, 2017, be received.

Voting in Favour: Mayor Guthrie, Councillors Allt, Bell, Billings, Downer, Gibson, Gordon, Hofland, MacKinnon, Piper, Salisbury and Wettstein (12)

Voting Against: (0)

Carried

CON-2017.54 2018 Tax-Supported Operating Budget – Revised

Trevor Lee, Deputy CAO, Corporate Services provided a summary of the revisions to the proposed 2018 Tax-Supported Operating Budget.

Councillor MacKinnon did not partake in any discussion or voting on the matter.

7. Moved by Councillor Piper
Seconded by Councillor Gibson

Recommendation:

That the recommendations referred on November 8, 2017 be amended as follows and be referred to December 5, 2017:

2. That the 2018 Downtown Guelph Business Association budget with gross expenditures of \$655,410 and a total levy of \$605,000 be approved:

Voting in Favour: Mayor Guthrie, Councillors Allt, Bell, Billings, Downer, Gibson, Gordon, Hofland, Piper, Salisbury and Wettstein (11)

Voting Against: (0)

Carried

Mayor Guthrie left the Chair and Councillor Downer assumed the Chair.

8. Moved by Councillor Piper
Seconded by Councillor Gibson

Recommendation:

That the recommendations referred on November 8, 2017 be amended as follows and be referred to December 5, 2017:

1. That the Executive Team recommended Tax-Supported Operating Budget, as amended, with a net levy requirement of \$231,368,103 or 1.75 per cent above the 2017 net tax levy operating budget be approved, including:
 - i. A base operating budget, including reserve and reserve fund transfers (Tab 8), user fee increases, and assessment growth, totaling a net levy requirement of \$230,523,903 or 1.38 per cent above last year;
 - ii. Impacts from other levels of government and regulatory compliance totaling a net levy requirement of \$844,200 or 0.37 per cent above last year;
 - iii. That the proposed user fees (Tab 9) be approved.

That the following budget submissions be considered:

1. City department budget expansions totaling a net levy requirement of \$3,194,028 or 1.40 per cent;
2. An additional contribution towards the City's long-term goal of sustainable capital funding in the form of the Dedicated Infrastructure Levy of 1.00 per cent of the overall 2018 net levy;
3. Local Board expansions totaling a net levy requirement of \$567,409 or 0.25 per cent.

Voting in Favour: Councillors Allt, Bell, Billings, Downer, Gibson, Gordon, Hofland, MacKinnon, Piper, Salisbury, and Wettstein (11)

Voting Against: (0)

Carried

Mayor Guthrie resumed the Chair

Special Resolutions

CON-2017.4 **Public Appointments to the Guelph Sports Hall of Fame Directors**

9. Moved by Councillor Hofland
 Seconded by Councillor Allt

Recommendation:

That Adam Stewart be appointed to the Guelph Sports Hall of Fame Directors for a term ending November, 2018 or until such time as a successor is appointed.

Voting in Favour: Mayor Guthrie, Councillors Bell, Billings, Downer, Gibson, Gordon, Hofland, MacKinnon, Piper, Salisbury and Wettstein (12)

Voting Against: (0)

Carried

By-laws

10. Moved by Councillor Allt
 Seconded by Councillor Hofland

That By-laws Numbered (2017)-20227 to (2017)-20230, inclusive, are hereby passed.

Voting in Favour: Mayor Guthrie, Councillors Allt, Bell, Billings, Downer, Gibson, Gordon, Hofland, MacKinnon, Piper, Salisbury and Wettstein (12)

Voting Against: (0)

Carried

Adjournment (7:33 p.m.)

11. Moved by Councillor Bell
 Seconded by Councillor Billings

That the meeting be adjourned.

Carried

Minutes to be confirmed on December 18, 2017.

Mayor Guthrie

Stephen O'Brien - City Clerk