

Committee of the Whole Meeting Agenda

Consolidated as of June 28, 2019

Tuesday, July 2, 2019 – 2:00 p.m.
Council Chambers, Guelph City Hall, 1 Carden Street

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Call to Order – Mayor

Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and General Nature Thereof

Open Meeting - 2:00 p.m.

Staff Recognitions:

1. **Employment Coordination Committee Guelph-Wellington – 2019 Mentor of the Year Award – City of Guelph Mentors** (item has been moved to the September 3, 2019 Committee of the Whole Agenda)
2. **Canadian Public Relations Society - Hamilton - Public Relations Champion of the Year Award**
Peter Busatto, General Manager, Environmental Services
3. **Association of Municipal Clerks and Treasurers - Executive Diploma in Municipal Management**
William Bond, Zoning Inspector III
Nicholas Rosenberg, Program Manager, Building Permits
4. **American Water Works Association - Exemplary Source Water Protection Award**
Water Services Department
5. **2019 Guelph YMCA-YWCA Woman of Distinction Award**
Conestoga College- Human Resources Diploma (item has been moved to the September 3, 2019 Committee of the Whole Agenda)

Consent Agenda – Governance

Chair – Mayor Guthrie

The following resolutions have been prepared to facilitate Council's consideration of various matters and are suggested for consideration. If Council wishes to address a specific report in isolation of the Consent Agenda, please identify the item. It will be extracted and dealt with separately as part of the Items for Discussion.

CS-2019-61 2018-2022 Council Composition and Employment Status Review

Recommendation:

1. That a Council Composition and Employment Status Review be conducted by a third party subject matter expert during the 2018-2022 term of Council with the intent that any proposed changes to be subsequently approved by Council take effect for the 2022-2026 term of office.
2. That the costs associated with the Council Composition and Employment Status Review, as outlined within report CS-2019-61, dated July 2, 2019, be referred to the 2020 budget process.

CS-2019-68 2020 Council and Committee Meeting Schedule

Recommendation:

That the 2020 Council and Committee Meeting Schedule, included as Attachment-1 to Report CS-2019-68, titled 2020 Council and Committee Meeting Schedule, dated July 2, 2019, be approved.

Service Area Chair and Staff Announcements

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

Ten-Minute Break for Service Area Change

Consent Agenda – Infrastructure Development and Enterprise Services

Chair – Councillor Gibson

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IDE-2019-68**Sign By-law Variance - 100 Gordon Street****Recommendation:**

That the request for a variance from Table 1, Row 6 of Sign By-law Number (1996)-15245, as amended, to permit a building sign with an area of 2.29m² to be located on the first storey of a building face fronting an adjacent property at a distance of 2.82m from the property line of 100 Gordon Street, be approved.

IDE-2019-69**Sign By-law Variances - 43 Arthur Street South****Correspondence:**

R. Forrest Smith

Heather Barker and Jason Bull

Barb Baker

Trinsa Lindblad

Recommendation:

1. That the request for a variance from Table 1, Row 4 of Sign By-law Number (1996)-15245, as amended, to permit an illuminated building sign with an area of 16.03m² to be located on the third storey of a building face, fronting an adjacent property at 43 Arthur Street South, be approved.
2. That the request for a variance from Table 1, Row 4 of Sign By-law Number (1996)-15245, as amended, to permit an illuminated building sign with an area of 12.48m² to be located on the first storey of a building face, fronting an adjacent property at 43 Arthur Street South, be approved.
3. That the request for a variance from Table 1, Row 4 of Sign By-law Number (1996)-15245, as amended, to permit an illuminated building sign with an area of 3.77m² to be located above the first storey of a building face, fronting the road allowance at 43 Arthur Street South, be approved.
4. That the request for a variance from Table 1, Row 4 of Sign By-law Number (1996)-15245, as amended, to permit a non-illuminated building sign with an area of 2.66m² to be located 1.32m above the ground at 43 Arthur Street South, be approved.

IDE-2019-16**On-Street Parking Policy Review****Recommendation:**

1. That following Traffic Investigation Policies dated June 16, 2003, to be rescinded:
 - Parking and Stopping Restrictions at School Crossings Policy 019;
 - On-street Parking Changes (Convenience Request) Policy 020;
 - On-street Parking Changes (Safety Request) Policy 021;
 - Parking Restrictions at Kiss 'N Ride Zones Policy 022;
 - Parking on Multi-lane Highways (marked four or more lanes) Policy 023;
 - Parking Restrictions in New Subdivisions Policy 024;

- Overnight Parking Prohibitions Policy 025;
- Stopping Restrictions at School Bus Loading Zones Policy 026;
- Parking and Stopping Restrictions at School Crossings Policy 027;
- Public Loading Zones Policy 028;

2. That the attached On-Street Parking Policies be adopted by Council and be in effect as of August 1st, 2019.

IDE-2019-70 Private Well and Septic System Decommissioning Grant

Recommendation:

1. That Council approves the Private Well and Septic Decommissioning Grant Program Terms and Conditions included as part of Attachment 1 to the report.
2. That Council delegates authority to the Deputy CAO of Infrastructure, Development and Enterprise to approve, execute and amend related documents, including agreements, if any, required to implement and optimize the Private Well and Septic System Decommissioning Grant Program, subject to approved Council funding and the satisfaction of the Deputy CAO of Infrastructure, Development and Enterprise and the City Solicitor;
3. That staff be directed to report back to the Committee of a Whole as part of the Water Services Annual Report on program participation achieved through the Private Well and Septic System Decommissioning Grant Program.

Items for Discussion – Infrastructure Development and Enterprise Services

The following items have been extracted from Consent Agenda and will be considered separately. These items have been extracted either at the request of a member of Council or because they include a presentation and/or delegations.

IDE-2019-73 Setting the Course: A Continuous Improvement and Employee Engagement Service Area Initiative

Presentation:

Marina Grassi, Strategic Business Advisor
Kerry Pletch, Human Resource Manager, Talent Organizational Development

Recommendation:

That Report IDE-2019-73 "Setting the Course: A Continuous Improvement and Employee Engagement Service Area Initiative" dated July 2, 2019 be received.

IDE-2019-71

**Downey Road Transportation Improvement Plan –
Implementation Update**

Presentation:

Steve Anderson, Supervisor, Traffic Engineering

Correspondence:

Susanne Johnson

Recommendation:

1. That staff be directed to implement Phase 2 of the recommendations proposed in the 2017 Downey Road Transportation Improvement Plan (COW-IDE-2016.5), which includes the installation of speed cushions in three locations between Niska Road and Teal Drive.
 2. That staff be directed to continue monitoring the traffic operations along Downey Road including intersection operations at Niska Road following the road re-opening.
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Service Area Chair and Staff Announcements

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Ten-Minute Break for Service Area Change

Consent Agenda – Corporate Services

Chair – Councillor MacKinnon

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CS-2019-69

Vacant and Excess Land Subclass Review

Recommendation:

That the commercial and industrial vacant and excess land subclass discounts be phased out over two years beginning in 2020; reducing the discount from 30 per cent to 15 per cent in 2020 and fully eliminating the discount in 2021.

CS-2019-21

2019 First Tri-annual Capital Variance Report

Recommendation:

1. That the report CS-2019-21, titled 2019 First Tri-annual Capital Variance Report and dated July 2, 2019, be received.
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2. That \$1,100,000 be transferred from capital account WT0013 Burke Treatment to WT0041 Membro Well Facility Upgrades for the new works required as per the Ministry of Environment, Conservation and Parks change in the Water Street Wellfield permit to take water (PTTW).

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Adjournment

From: R Forrest Smith

Subject: Illuminate Building Signs 43 Arthur Street South

Dear Mayor and Council

I have just learned that Fusion Homes has applied to install illuminated signs on 43 Arthur Street South contrary to what is now permitted. Now the information I have is a picture of the building with a sign superimposed on it--very sketchy. My concern is "Light Pollution" and it's impact on "night sky", humans, and the environment.

So I would like to confirm that the following are provided for in the design of the exterior lighting of these signs and any other exterior lighting in my neighbourhood:

- **Light fixtures are fully shielded and thus emit no light upward;**
- **"Warm-white" or filtered LEDs (CCT < 3,000 K; S/P ratio < 1.2) are used to minimize blue emission;**
- **Adaptive controls like dimmers, and timers, are use and provision is made to dim or turning off the lights during silent hours;**
- **Only the necessary amount of light (lumens) are used for each sign; and**
- **Only the exact space is illuminated and only in the amount required for the tasks.**

I would like to think the city by-laws already address the issue of light pollution at night (aka "Dark Sky") from any exterior lighting and so apologize if I am raising issues you have in hand. I am new to Guelph so I am not familiar with your by-laws. I might also add that four of the foregoing points will also address energy conservation (warm-white LED's are slightly less efficient) and mitigate climate change.

By all means approve this request having first assured that the above items are addressed or the builder undertakes as part of the process to address the foregoing points and provide a signed and sealed attestation of same by a professional engineer.

For further information on light pollution see <https://www.darksky.org/light-pollution/>

Thanks in advance for considering my concerns.

R Forrest Smith

From: Heather Barker

Subject: Sign By-law Variance Application - 43 Arthur St. S.

Good afternoon,

As owners of Arthur St. S., we would like to submit a statement in opposition to the the sign by-law variance application regarding 43 Arthur St. S. Please let us know if you require any additional information in order for this statement to be considered by the city.

Given the enormity of the proposed size (more than 80 times the size limit indicated in the by-law) and its incredibly close proximity to our balcony and windows, we are extremely concerned about the amount of light that will be emitted by the sign, leading to light pollution that will interfere with enjoyment of our balcony and light shining into the unit itself. Not only is this a significant concern to us at present as resident owners, but it also has significant potential to devalue our unit (and others in close proximity to the sign) for future resale.

Furthermore, the proposed location of this sign makes it difficult to imagine how any anticipated benefits (to the distillery and Fusion Homes) that could potentially outweigh the drawbacks (to the Guelph citizens who are Metalworks owners and residents). The sign will be visible primarily from the balconies of 53 Arthur St S. The other two proposed signs will (presumably) face the nearby roads and/or the river walk, attracting customers to the distillery, without these negative impacts on Metalworks owners.

It is our sincere hope that the City of Guelph will uphold its responsibility to its citizens and oppose this variance application.

Respectfully

Heather Barker & Jason Bull

Good morning,

I am writing in response to the proposed change to allow illuminated signs at 43 Arthur St S. Please find below my written submission to The Committee of the Whole meeting Tuesday, July 2.

Re: Sign By-Law Variance application 43 Arthur St S

To: The Committee of the Whole

As a resident of 53 Arthur St. S. and facing the side of 43 Arthur St S where one of the proposed signs is to be added, I, as well as other residents, will be negatively impacted by an illuminated sign. There are already five bright lights illuminating this side of the building which are disturbing as they shine directly across from my patio. I am concerned about the impact of additional lighting on the enjoyment of my outdoor space during the evening with the proposed increased lighting. I have spoken to neighbours who share my concerns.

I am further apprehensive about the placement of the other 2 proposed signs, as I am not informed of their proposed location and whether or not they will also impact the enjoyment of my property.

I have included a photo to indicate the proximity of the proposed sign. Unfortunately, time was not permitting for me to include night photos which would better demonstrate my reasons for challenging this request as it is the illumination that I oppose. I would expect it to be the same as the current illuminated sign on the opposite side of the building which produces substantial light.

I respectfully ask that City Council deny this adjustment to allow an illuminated sign on the side of 43 Arthur St. S facing 53 Arthur St. S., or if passed to require implementation of mitigating factors to off-set the negative impact to myself and fellow residents.

Thank you for your consideration,

Barb Baker



From: Trinsa Lindblad

Subject: Signs at 43 Arthur St S

Good morning

I am writing regarding the proposal to erect illuminated signs at 43 Arthur St S I live at 53 Arthur St S My unit will face these signs I strongly oppose the erection of these signs I do not want to look at them from my living room window or my balcony nor do I want them shining into my bedroom at night Unfortunately I am working when the hearing takes place and will not be able to attend I feel this matter should be brought to the residents of the building for discussion

Respectfully
Trinsa Lindblad

From: Susanne Johnson

Subject: Controlling speed on Downey Road

To who it may concern.

My husband and I have lived on Foxwood Cres. for 31 years and have seen Downey Rd get busier as the years past.

We have always driven out of Foxwood Cres. by way of Niska Rd turning left on to Downey Rd.

For the last 4-6years we have had to leave Foxwood Cres turn left on to Tanager Dr turning right on to Trendell Ln then left on to Ptarmigan Dr to go around to the lights at Downey Rd then turn left at the lights because trying to pull out and turn left from Niska Rd on to Downey Rd in the morning or evening is too risky with the traffic racing along Downey Rd to pull out.

The city has tried a few things to slow traffic down with no difference.

We have a son who lives in Brossard Quebec. The city of Brossard has got the city traffic controlled to a good speed with surprisingly little expense. They have "all way" stop signs at the streets and it works.

What I have to suggest to slow down the cars on Downey Dr coming in from Cambridge area or heading out to Cambridge or Hwy 24.

I suggest that all way stop signs be put at the intersections of Woodland Glen Dr and Downey Rd, Niska Rd and Downey Rd, Hazelwood Dr and Downey Dr, Quail Creek Dr and Pheasant Run Dr and Downey Dr and lastly Teal Dr and Downey Rd. Having these stop signs will also make it safer for parents and children to cross the street.

Please consider my suggestions and at the very least look into the traffic control that Brossard has in place as it works.

Please contact me for more info if you wish, but I truly hope you will take my suggestions seriously as we have a real problem here and it isn't going away any time soon.

Yours truly
Susanne Johnson