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## **The Regional Municipality of Durham**

### **MINUTES**

#### **SPECIAL MEETING OF**

#### **REGIONAL COUNCIL**

**Wednesday, April 12, 2023**

The Council of The Regional Municipality of Durham met in the Council Chambers, Regional Headquarters Building, 605 Rossland Road East, Whitby, Ontario at 9:30 AM. Electronic participation was offered for this meeting.

Regional Chair Henry assumed the Chair.

#### **1. Traditional Territory Acknowledgment**

Regional Chair Henry read the following land acknowledgement:

We are currently located on land which has long served as a site of meeting and exchange among the Mississaugas Peoples and is the traditional and treaty territory of the Mississaugas of Scugog Island First Nation. We honour, recognize and respect this nation and Indigenous Peoples as the traditional stewards of the lands and waters on which we meet today.

#### **2. Roll Call**

The following members were present:

Councillor Anderson  
Councillor Ashe  
Councillor Barton  
Councillor Brenner  
Councillor Carter  
Councillor Chapman  
Councillor Collier\*  
Councillor Cook\*  
Councillor Crawford  
Councillor Dies  
Councillor Foster  
Councillor Garrod  
Councillor Jubb  
Councillor Kerr  
Councillor Leahy  
Councillor Lee\*  
Councillor Marimpietri  
Councillor McDougall

Councillor Neal\*  
Councillor Pickles  
Councillor Roy  
Councillor Schummer\*  
Councillor Shahid  
Councillor Woo  
Councillor Wotten  
Councillor Yamada  
Regional Chair Henry

**\* indicates members who participated electronically, all other members participated in person**

All members of Council were present with the exception of Councillors Leahy, Mulcahy and Nicholson

Councillor Leahy attended the meeting at 9:51 AM

### **3. Declarations of Interest**

There were no declarations of pecuniary interest made.

#### **Public Meetings Regarding Proposed Development Charges By-laws and Supporting Background Studies**

Chair Henry advised that this portion of the Council meeting will be for the three public meetings regarding the three proposed development charge by-laws and supporting background studies. The meetings will occur in this order:

1. The Region-wide Development Charge Background Study and proposed By-law;
2. The proposed Regional Transit Development Charge amending By-law and supporting Background Study; and,
3. The proposed GO Transit Development Charge amending By-law and supporting Background Study.

These public meetings are required pursuant to Section 12 of the Development Charges Act, 1997 as part of the process that Council must follow before passing a development charges by-law. This process also included the release of the proposed by-laws and background studies to the public on March 28, 2023.

The purpose of the public meetings is twofold:

- first, to provide the public with information relating to each of the Development Charge background studies and proposed by-laws through Report #2023-F-10 under “Reports Related to Delegations/Presentations” in today’s agenda; and
- second, to allow any person who attends the meetings to make representation relating to the proposed by-laws and background studies. Teleconference and video options have been made available to the public to facilitate public participation

Written submissions received by the Regional Clerk by 5 p.m. on May 5, 2023, including those opinions expressed verbally at today’s public meetings, will be considered in the preparation of the final development charge recommendations and by-laws scheduled to be presented to Regional Council for approval at a special meeting on June 14, 2023.

#### **4. Presentations**

##### **4.1 Mary Simpson, Director of Risk Management, Economic Studies & Procurement Division re: 2023 Development Charges Statutory Public Meetings**

Mary Simpson, Director of Risk Management, Economic Studies & Procurement Division, provided presentations with respect to each of the 2023 Development Charges Statutory Public Meetings. Prior to presenting, M. Simpson introduced a number of staff who were instrumental in the project.

#### **5. Delegations**

##### **5.1 Delegations further to Public Notice regarding the New By-law to Replace Regional Development Charge By-law No. 28-2018**

Chair Henry advised that the first public meeting relates to the proposed Region-wide Development Charge By-law and the related background study.

Mary Simpson provided a presentation with respect to the new By-law to Replace Regional Development Charge By-law No. 28-2018. Highlights of the presentation included:

- Statutory Public Meeting #1
- Purpose of the Public Meetings
- Purpose of Development Charges (DCs)
- How a DC By-law is Developed
- How DC Rates are Determined
- Development Charge Calculation
- Incorporating Changes in the DCA
- Implications of Recent Changes to the DCA

- Proposed Policy Changes
- Policies and Exemptions Maintained
- Service Areas in the 2023 DC Background Study and By-law
- Population and Employment Forecasts
- Employment and Non-Residential GFA Forecasts
- Proposed Capital Forecast (Hard Services)
- Proposed Capital Forecast (Soft Services)
- Proposed Residential DC Rates (\$ per unit)
- Proposed Region-wide Residential DC Rates
- Changes in Proposed Residential DC Rates
- Proposed Non-Residential DC Rates (\$ per sq. ft.)
- Proposed Region-wide Non-Residential DC Rates
- Changes in Proposed Non-Residential DC Rates
- Comparison of GTA Municipalities DC Rates
- Summary
- Next Steps
- Public Input

Staff responded to questions from Council.

Regional Chair Henry advised that no members of the public have registered to speak on this matter, but in the interest of transparency he asked if there were any members of the public who wished to make a submission or ask any questions on this particular matter. He asked a second and third time. Being none, he advised the portion of the public meeting with regard to the proposed Region-wide Development Charge By-law and the related background study is closed.

5.2 Delegations further to Public Notice regarding the Proposed Amendments to Regional Transit Development Charge By-law No. 39-2022

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Chair Henry advised that the second public meeting relates to the proposed Regional Transit Development Charge amending by-law and related background study.

Mary Simpson provided a presentation with respect to the proposed amendments to Regional Transit Development Charge By-law No. 39-2022. Highlights of the presentation included:

- Statutory Public Meeting #2
- Proposed Policy Changes
- Next Steps
- Public Input

Staff responded to questions from Council.

Regional Chair Henry advised that no members of the public have registered to speak on this matter, but in the interest of transparency he asked if there were any members of the public who wished to make a submission or ask any questions on this particular matter. He asked a second and third time. Being none, he advised the portion of the public meeting with regard to the Regional Transit Development Charge amending By-law is closed.

5.3 Delegations further to Public Notice regarding the Proposed Amendments to GO Transit Development Charge By-law No. 86-2001

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Chair Henry advised that the third public meeting relates to the proposed GO Transit Development Charge amending By-law and related background study.

Mary Simpson provided a presentation with respect to the proposed amendments to GO Transit Development Charge By-law No. 86-2001. Highlights of the presentation included:

- Statutory Public Meeting #3
- Proposed Policy Changes
- Next Steps
- Public Input

Regional Chair Henry advised that no members of the public have registered to speak on this matter, but in the interest of transparency he asked if there were any members of the public who wished to make a submission or ask any questions on this particular matter. He asked a second and third time. Being none, he advised the portion of the public meeting with regard to the GO Transit Development Charge amending by-law is closed.

**6. Communications**

There were no communications to consider.

**7. Reports related to Delegations/Presentations**

7.1 Public Meetings Regarding Proposed Development Charge By-laws and Supporting Background Studies (2023-F-10)

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[CARRIED ON A RECORDED VOTE]

Moved by Councillor Ashe, Seconded by Councillor Foster,  
(78) A) That Report #2023-F-10 of the Commissioner of Finance be received for information; and

- B) That all submissions received by Regional Council, including those opinions expressed verbally at the April 12, 2023 public meeting and any written submissions received by the Regional Clerk by 5 p.m. on May 5, 2023, be received and referred to Regional staff for consideration in the preparation of the final development charge (DC) recommendations and by-laws scheduled to be presented to Regional Council for approval at a special meeting held on June 14, 2023.

CARRIED ON THE FOLLOWING  
RECORDED VOTE:

| <u>Yes</u>             | <u>No</u> |
|------------------------|-----------|
| Councillor Anderson    | None      |
| Councillor Ashe        |           |
| Councillor Barton      |           |
| Councillor Brenner     |           |
| Councillor Carter      |           |
| Councillor Chapman     |           |
| Councillor Collier     |           |
| Councillor Cook        |           |
| Councillor Crawford    |           |
| Councillor Dies        |           |
| Councillor Foster      |           |
| Councillor Garrod      |           |
| Councillor Jubb        |           |
| Councillor Kerr        |           |
| Councillor Leahy       |           |
| Councillor Lee         |           |
| Councillor Marimpietri |           |
| Councillor McDougall   |           |
| Councillor Neal        |           |
| Councillor Pickles     |           |
| Councillor Roy         |           |
| Councillor Schummer    |           |
| Councillor Shahid      |           |
| Councillor Wotten      |           |
| Councillor Yamada      |           |
| Regional Chair Henry   |           |

Members Absent: Councillor Mulcahy  
Councillor Nicholson  
Councillor Woo

Declarations of Interest: None

**8. By-laws**

There were no by-laws to consider.

**9. Confirming By-law**

25-2023      Being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of the Council of The Regional Municipality of Durham at its meeting on the 12th day of April, 2023.

Moved by Councillor Ashe, Seconded by Councillor Barton,  
(79)      That By-law Number 25-2023 being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of the Council of the Regional Municipality of Durham at their meeting held on April 12, 2023 be passed.

CARRIED

**10. Adjournment**

Moved by Councillor Chapman, Seconded by Councillor Kerr,  
(80)      That the meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 11:03 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

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John Henry, Regional Chair & CEO

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Alexander Harras, Regional Clerk