

# COUNCIL Highlights

## Special Meeting of Council re Tax Appeals – September 23, 2024

**Below are highlights of what Council adopted at Special Meeting of Council re Tax Appeals on September 23, 2024. The wording is meant to be highlights and does not reflect the actual motion.**

- Pursuant to Sections 357 and 358 of the *Municipal Act*, Council received applications for the cancellation, reduction or refund of taxes levied in the years 2022, 2023 and 2024. Pursuant to Section 357(1) and Section 358(1) of the *Municipal Act*, notices of cancellation or reduction of taxes have been sent to persons who owned property which:
  - i) business ceased to be liable to be taxed at the rate it was taxed, or
  - ii) was razed by fire, or demolished, or
  - iii) was overcharged by a clerical error, or
  - iv) was overcharged by gross error;Having heard the applications, each application was resolved according to the lists presented by the Director of Financial Services/Chief Financial Officer/City Treasurer. Uncollectable invoices in the amount of \$5,694.72 will be written off.

## Regular Council Meeting – September 23, 2024

**Below are highlights of what Council Committee recommended when it convened on Monday, September 23, 2024. The recommendations are subject to ratification at the next scheduled Council meeting of October 7, 2024 unless the item is pulled and ratified on September 23, 2024. The wording is meant to be highlights and does not reflect the actual motion.**

- The report regarding accessibility and sidewalks was received and forwarded to staff for consideration to prioritize within long term planning tools for sidewalks and signage at the Mississauga Street West, Quinn Avenue, and Woodside Drive intersection.
- Report CS-24-37 regarding the audited financial statements for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2023, were approved.
- Further to the confidential report regarding the City of Orillia's participation and financial contribution to the Lake Simcoe Regional Conservation Authority, the confidential direction to staff was adopted.
- The request for \$1,500 from the Solid Waste Operating Budget for Waste Management Advisory Committee initiatives to continue the city-wide Garage Sale Day in 2025 was received and referred to the 2025 Budget deliberations. Subject to Budget approval, staff were directed to work with members of the Garage Sale Working Group to develop a communications plan for the city-wide Garage Sale Day in 2025.
- The creation of a Community Connection Centre with System Navigation was supported, in principle. The request for \$100,000 for the Addiction and Overdose

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Crisis Working Group to partner with community organizations in the development of a Community Connection Centre with System Navigation was referred to the 2025 Budget deliberations. The Addiction and Overdose Crisis Working Group was directed to report back to Council by April 2025.

- Traffic and Parking Regulation By-law Number 2007-55 was amended to allow overnight parking in the following parks between November 15 and April 15 of each year between 9:00 PM and 7:00 AM, provided a seasonal parking permit is displayed:
  - Walter Henry Park (maximum 7 spaces)
  - West Ridge Park (maximum 4 spaces)
  - Clayt French Park (maximum 13 spaces in southerly lot);
- Chapter 454 of the City of Orillia Municipal Code - User Fees - Property Services be amended as set out in Schedule "B" to the Report DSE-24-45 dated September 6, 2024 to implement a seasonal parking permit fee of \$375 plus HST.
- Traffic and Parking Regulation By-law Number 2007-55 was amended as set out in Schedule "A" to Report DSE-24-45 to allow overnight parking in the following parks between November 15 and April 15 of each year between 7 p.m. and 7 a.m., provided a seasonal parking permit is displayed:
  - Walter Henry Park (maximum 3 spaces)
  - West Ridge Park (maximum 3 spaces)
  - Clayt French Park (maximum 4 spaces in southerly lot)
- Chapter 454 of the City of Orillia Municipal Code - User Fees - Property Services was amended as set out in Schedule "B" to the report to implement a seasonal parking permit fee of \$375 plus HST.
- The report regarding a comprehensive review of the City's existing stormwater operations and maintenance plans, as well as the feasibility and costs associated with Microbial Source Tracking to determine the specific types and sources of contamination that result in public beach swim advisories was received and referred to the 2025 Budget deliberations for consideration.
- The report regarding 2025 Solid Waste Management fees was referred to the 2025 Budget deliberations and referenced as change request WME1.04.
- The report regarding 2025 Water and Wastewater fees was referred to the 2025 Budget deliberations and referenced as change request WWW1.3.
- Policy 2.6.1.2. - Community Safety Zones was adopted as set out in Schedule "A" to Report DSE-24-44.
- The Semi-Annual Statement of Expenses for members of Council were received as information.
- Staff were directed to submit an application to the Ontario Ministry of Sport as part of Stream 1 of the Community Sport and Recreation Infrastructure Fund for the Barnfield Point Recreation Centre re-roofing project, with a total budget of \$1,000,000. The request for funding through the Community Sport and Recreation Infrastructure Fund was supported. Subject to the grant application being approved, a financial

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commitment for the project submitted for any required capital co-funding that is necessary to complete the project was approved. The Mayor and Clerk were authorized to administer and execute the associated agreement for Stream 1 of the Community Sport and Recreation Infrastructure Fund.

- Staff were directed to submit an application to the Ontario Ministry of Sport as part of Stream 2 of the Community Sport and Recreation Infrastructure Fund for an Intergenerational Skatepark, Adventure Playground, and Eight-Court Pickleball Complex to be located at Foundry Park, with a total budget of \$2,000,000. The request for funding through the Community Sport and Recreation Infrastructure Fund be supported. Subject to the grant application being approved, a financial commitment for the project submitted for any required capital co-funding that is necessary to complete the project was approved. Staff was directed to include a Capital Project submission in the Draft 2025 Budget, which includes the grant and co-funding amount, with the execution contingent on grant funds received as applied. The Mayor and Clerk were authorized to administer and execute the associated agreement for Stream 2 of the Community Sport and Recreation Infrastructure Fund.
- The following policies were repealed:
  - Policy 1.6.1.7. - Sidewalks - Patios
  - Policy 1.6.1.9. - Road Allowance - Car Dealerships
  - Policy 1.6.2.1. - City Centre Sub-Leases
  - Policy 1.6.2.2. - Refreshment Vehicle Stall Leases
  - Policy 7.1.2.1. - Scout Valley
  - Policy 7.1.2.2. - Veterans' Park

Chapter 700 of the City of Orillia Municipal Code - Business Licensing was amended as set out in Schedule "A" to Report CS-24-42. Policy 7.3.6.2. - Eviction was amended as set out in Schedule "B" to Report CS-24-42. Policy 7.1.1.1. - Couchiching Beach Park Closing Main Road was amended as set out in Schedule "C" to Report CS-24-42.

- The 2025 Council Meeting Schedule was adopted as set out in Schedule "A" to Report CS-24-29.
- The recommendations of Council Committee were referred to the next regular meeting of Council to be held Monday, October 7, 2024, with the exception of the following item(s) which were referred to the Consent Agenda on September 23, 2024:
  - Departmental Report Number 6 - Corporate Services Department - re Community Sport and Recreation Infrastructure Grant
  - Departmental Report Number 7 - Corporate Services Department - re City of Orillia Policy Manual - Corporate Services Review
  - Department Report Number 8 - Corporate Services Department - re 2025 Council Meeting Schedule

Council reconvened at 4:31 p.m.



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Below are highlights of what Council adopted when it convened on Monday, September 23, 2024. The wording is meant to be highlights and does not reflect the actual motion.

- Council adopted the recommendations as set out on the Consent Agenda for the regular meeting of Council held on Monday, September 23, 2024 with the exception of the following, which included changes to the original motion.
  - The correspondence from the Downtown Orillia Business Improvement Area Board regarding a request to dissolve the Downtown BIA Parking Working Group was received and referred to the Downtown BIA Parking Working Group for comments back to Council.
- Further to correspondence regarding a deputation request from the Orillia Pickleball Club, staff were directed to prepare a letter of support, on behalf of Council, for the Orillia Pickleball Club to help in their fundraising efforts for an eight-court pickleball complex.
- **A recorded vote was held for the following:**
  - Further to the Public Meeting of Council held on September 9, 2024, Council approved the Zoning By-law Amendment Application No. D14-933, as set out in Schedule "B2" to the Supplementary Memos to Report DSE-24-15 dated August 13, 2024 and September 17, 2024 from the Development Services and Engineering Department to implement the zoning-related initiatives contained in the City of Orillia's 2023 Affordable Housing Action Plan with the exception that dormitory, emergency shelter, respite care facility, safe bed facility, and youth transitional housing be removed from the zoning by-law amendment, the zoning only will be applicable to non-profit, charitable and government organizations.  
**Carried.**  
**Yes – Coun. Durnford, Czetwerzuk, Leatherdale, Smith, Cipolla, Fallis, Mayor McIsaac**  
**No – Coun. Campbell, Lauer**

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