

**CITY OF VAUGHAN  
REPORT NO. 54 OF THE  
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE (2)**

***For consideration by the Council  
of the City of Vaughan  
on November 17, 2020***

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The Committee of the Whole met at 1:01 p.m., on November 10, 2020.

Council Member	In-Person	Electronic Participation
Councillor Marilyn Iafrate, Chair	X	
Hon. Maurizio Bevilacqua, Mayor		X
Regional Councillor Mario Ferri		X
Regional Councillor Gino Rosati		X
Regional Councillor Linda D. Jackson		X
Councillor Tony Carella		X
Councillor Rosanna DeFrancesca		X
Councillor Sandra Yeung Racco		X
Councillor Alan Shefman		X

The following items were dealt with:

**1. INTERNAL AUDIT REPORT – AUDIT OF THE VAUGHAN BUSINESS ENTERPRISE CENTRE**

**The Committee of the Whole recommends approval of the recommendation contained in the following report of the Director of Internal Audit, dated November 10, 2020:**

**Recommendation**

1. That the Internal Audit Report on the audit of the Vaughan Business Enterprise Centre be received.

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**2. 2021 BUDGET DIRECTIONS REPORT**

The Committee of the Whole recommends approval of the recommendations contained in the following report of the Deputy City Manager, Corporate Services and Chief Financial Officer, dated November 10, 2020:

**Recommendations**

1. That Council endorse development of the 2021 Tax Supported Operating Budget with a 0% tax rate increase for 2021; and
2. That Council endorse development of the 2021 Rate Supported Operating Budget with a 2.9% combined water and wastewater rate increase for 2021 to match the expected Regional rate increase of 2.9%; and a 4.5% average stormwater rate increase for 2021.

**3. CITY OF VAUGHAN'S FINANCIAL CONDITION ASSESSMENT**

The Committee of the Whole recommends approval of the recommendation contained in the following report of the Deputy City Manager, Corporate Services and Chief Financial Officer, dated November 10, 2020:

**Recommendation**

1. That the report and Financial Condition Assessment attached be received.

**4. CITY OF VAUGHAN'S CORPORATE DEBT POLICY**

The Committee of the Whole recommends approval of the recommendations contained in the following report of the Deputy City Manager, Corporate Services and Chief Financial Officer, dated November 10, 2020:

**Recommendations**

1. That the Corporate Debt Policy be approved; and
2. That the Policy attached be approved.

**5. DEVELOPMENT CHARGE ADMINISTRATION UNDER BILL 108 AND BILL 197**

The Committee of the Whole recommends approval of the recommendation contained in the following report of the Deputy City Manager, Corporate Services and Chief Financial Officer, dated November 10, 2020:

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**Recommendation**

1. That Council delegate authority to the Deputy City Manager, Corporate Services, City Treasurer and Chief Financial Officer (CFO) to execute a tri-party Development Charge Rate Agreement with the Regional Municipality of York, in a form satisfactory to the Deputy City Manager, Administrative Services and City Solicitor.

**6. MAPLE GO STATION – MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH METROLINX**

**The Committee of the Whole recommends approval of the recommendations contained in the following report of the Deputy City Manager, Infrastructure Development, dated November 10, 2020:**

**Recommendations**

1. That the Mayor and the City Clerk be authorized to execute a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Metrolinx, and related agreements / documentation as indicated in the MOU, on behalf of the City with respect to the City-owned elements of the Maple GO Station project;
2. That Council authorize the creation of a new 2020 capital project in the amount of \$488,175 plus applicable taxes and administration recovery for the replacement of an existing City watermain in the vicinity of the new bridge, with funding from the water infrastructure reserve;
3. That the City's contribution to the new pedestrian and cycling bridge over Major Mackenzie Drive be funded from part of the proceeds of the sale of lands to Metrolinx;
4. That the inclusion of this matter on a Public Committee or Council agenda with respect to amending the Capital Budget identified as "Capital Budget Amendment – Watermain replacement in the vicinity of the Maple GO Station project" is deemed sufficient notice pursuant to Section 2(1)(c) of By-Law 394-2002, as amended; and
5. That all necessary by-laws be enacted.

**7. 2020 ORDER OF VAUGHAN RECIPIENTS**

**The Committee of the Whole recommends approval of the recommendations contained in the following report of the Deputy City Manager, Administrative Services and City Solicitor, dated November 10, 2020:**

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### **Recommendations**

1. That Council endorse the individuals recommended by the Order of Vaughan Selection Committee and set out in Confidential Attachment 1 to this report, as the 2020 recipients of the Order of Vaughan; and
2. That the names of the individual recipients be made public following notification by the Mayor.

### **8. DEMOLITION AND NEW CONSTRUCTION – SINGLE DETACHED DWELLING WITH ATTACHED GARAGE LOCATED AT 45 NAPIER STREET, KLEINBURG-NASHVILLE HERITAGE CONSERVATION DISTRICT**

**The Committee of the Whole recommends approval of the recommendation contained in the following report of the Deputy City Manager, Infrastructure Development, dated November 10, 2020:**

#### **Recommendation**

The Deputy City Manager, Infrastructure Development, on behalf of Heritage Vaughan forwards the following recommendation from its meeting of October 21, 2020 (Item 1, Report No. 7), for consideration:

- 1) That the recommendation contained in the report of the Deputy City Manager, Infrastructure Development, dated October 21, 2020, be approved.

#### **Recommendation and Report of the Deputy City Manager, Infrastructure Development, dated October 21, 2020:**

THAT Heritage Vaughan Committee recommend Council approve the proposed demolition of the existing dwelling, detached garage and the construction of a detached 2-storey dwelling with underground parking and an attached garage, a pool and a cabana located at 45 Napier Street under Section 42 of Ontario Heritage Act, subject to the following conditions:

- a) Any significant changes to the proposal by the Owner may require reconsideration by the Heritage Vaughan Committee, which shall be determined at the discretion of the Deputy City Manager, Planning & Growth Management;
- b) That Heritage Vaughan Committee recommendations to Council do not constitute specific support for any Development Application under the Ontario Planning Act or permits currently under review or to be submitted in the future by the Owner as it relates to the subject application;

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- c) That the Owner submit Building Permit stage architectural drawings and building material specifications to the satisfaction of the Chief Building Official; and
- d) A demolition permit for the removal of the existing building and detached garage shall not be issued until a Building Permit has been obtained for the construction of the proposed 2-storey dwelling with underground parking and attached garage in accordance with the KNHCD Plan.

**9. REQUEST FOR ROAD CLOSURE AT NAPIER ST. AND STEGMAN'S MILL**

**The Committee of the Whole recommends:**

- 1) That the recommendations contained in the following resolution of Councillor Iafrate dated November 10, 2020, be approved;
- 2) That staff report back to the January 2021 Committee of the Whole meeting on preliminary findings and a work plan; and
- 3) That the comments by the following speakers be received:
  - 1. Maria Pizzitola, Kellam Street, Kleinburg;
  - 2. Frank Fallico, Kellam Street, Kleinburg;
  - 3. Ivan Barichello, Napier Street, Kleinburg;
  - 4. Mark Bonitatibus, John Street, Kleinburg; and
  - 5. Jeff Reeves, Napier Street, Kleinburg.

**Member's Resolution**

Submitted by Councillor Iafrate

**Whereas**, Napier St. is a non-urban road within the historic village of Kleinburg; and

**Whereas**, Napier St. does not have sidewalks; and

**Whereas**, non local traffic cuts through from Kellam St. (off Islington Ave.) to Napier St. and goes out to Stegman's Mill in order to bypass the All-Way Stop sign at Islington Avenue and Stegman's Mill; and

**Whereas**, residents are impacted by heavy truck traffic through the narrow streets regardless of the fact that heavy trucks are banned from using Islington Avenue in the Kleinburg community; and

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**Whereas**, the intersection of Napier Street and Stegman's Mill has sightline issues due to the topography of the area and thus very dangerous; and

**Whereas**, the residents of the area have submitted a petition asking that Napier Street be converted to a dead-end street at Stegman's Mill.

**It is therefore recommended that** staff review the request and prepare a report on the feasibility of closing part or all of Napier St. at Stegman's Mill, and

**that** staff carry out the necessary studies and public consultation as deemed necessary, and

**that** staff report their findings to a future Committee of the Whole upon completion of their review.

### 10. **#LetsJustBecause - COMMUNITY INITIATIVE**

The Committee of the Whole recommends:

- 1) That the recommendations contained in the following resolution of Deputy Mayor, Local and Regional Councillor Ferri dated November 10, 2020, be approved; and
- 2) That the comments by Ms. Melissa Louise, Wigwoss Drive, Woodbridge, be received.

#### **Member's Resolution**

Submitted by Deputy Mayor, Local and Regional Councillor Ferri

**Whereas**, the global COVID-19 pandemic has resulted in hardship and challenges for residents, businesses and communities across Canada and around the world; and

**Whereas**, the City launched the Guardians of our Government communications campaign to recognize the work undertaken by members of Vaughan's administration, and, in particular, front-line staff and first-responders, who continue to go above and beyond to keep neighbourhoods clean and people safe; and

**Whereas**, the citizens of Vaughan have come together to provide support for those impacted because of the unprecedented challenges caused by COVID-19; and

**Whereas**, one of the many different examples of good news efforts is the #LetsJustBecause social media community initiative – founded by Vaughan resident Melissa Louise; and

**Whereas**, the #LetsJustBecause initiative is a call to action that encourages people to share good news stories over social media about

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the compassionate work undertaken by the community to support neighbours and businesses in Vaughan; and

**Whereas**, as we prepare for the holiday season, we must be even more mindful of undertaking sincere and genuine acts of compassion and support for Vaughan's people and businesses.

It is therefore recommended that:

1. Vaughan Council proclaim its support for the #LetsJustBecause social media community initiative; and
2. That the proclamation be posted on the City's website and the Corporate and Strategic Communications department be directed to promote the above-noted proclamation through the corporate channels.

### 11. **RESPECT AND RELIEF FOR WWII VETERAN JOHN HENRY ROYCE, KLEINBURG RESIDENT**

The Committee of the Whole recommends:

- 1) That the recommendations contained in the following resolution of Mayor Bevilacqua dated November 10, 2020, be approved; and
- 2) That City staff review and defer outstanding water bills due to financial hardships on a case-by-case basis until a high-water consumption relief program and policy is approved by Council, which will be retroactive to the beginning of this term of Council.

#### **Member's Resolution**

Submitted by Mayor Bevilacqua

**Whereas**, the City of Vaughan takes great pride in honouring, recognizing and respecting the many brave men and women who served and continue to serve this country; and

**Whereas**, the entire community is invited and encouraged to learn more about the City's 2020 Remembrance Day virtual event and exhibit at [vaughan.ca/RemembranceDay](http://vaughan.ca/RemembranceDay) and to view the digital Remembrance Day exhibit "*The War Effort Seen Through Their Eyes: Recollections and Mementos of the World Wars*"; and

**Whereas**, citizens can also pay tribute to veterans and soldiers by sharing personal thoughts of gratitude and remembrance on the City's virtual Poppy Wall. Digital messages will be collected until Wednesday, November 11 and then featured in an online display; and

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**Whereas**, all Members of Council wish to recognize the heroism of Kleinburg resident John Henry Royce, a 97-year-old veteran of the Second World War. The family of Mr. Royce recently sent correspondence (dated November 4, 2020) to the Mayor's Office regarding a water bill received from Alectra Utilities amounting to approximately \$6,433.49 and requested steps be taken to provide relief; and

**Whereas**, it is incumbent upon all levels of government to ensure respect and relief are shown to Canada's veterans and all people more broadly. The City offers pocketbook relief in the form of the Elderly Home Assistance Program and the Seniors, Low-Income Seniors & Low-Income Disabled Persons' Property Tax Deferral Program, among other initiatives; and

**Whereas**, the City remains committed to finding other ways to provide relief to all residents, including a current study underway for a comprehensive review of the existing rate structure for the delivery of water and wastewater services to residents and businesses, such as the costs to provide the service, future asset management reserve requirements and structure of the rate to ensure transparency, fairness and sustainability; and

**Whereas**, a component of the study is to consider the feasibility, cost and logistics of a high-water consumption forgiveness program; and

**Whereas**, staff will be reporting to Council in Q2 of 2021 with an update on the study, including an approach to address instances of accidental high-water consumption, including but not limited to, plumbing leaks.

*It is therefore recommended:*

1. *That City staff take the appropriate steps to ensure the \$6,433.49 (approximate) water bill from Alectra Utilities for Mr. John Henry Royce, resident of Pennon Road in Kleinburg, be entirely waived.*

**12. CEREMONIAL PRESENTATION – NATIONAL PROCUREMENT INSTITUTE (NPI) INC. – 25TH ANNUAL ACHIEVEMENT OF EXCELLENCE IN PROCUREMENT (AEP) AWARD FOR 2020**

The City of Vaughan's Procurement Department was awarded the National Procurement Institute (NPI) Inc.'s 25<sup>th</sup> Annual Achievement of Excellence in Procurement (AEP) Award for 2020.

**13. OTHER MATTERS CONSIDERED BY THE COMMITTEE**

**13.1. RECESS INTO CLOSED SESSION**

The Committee of the Whole recessed into Closed Session at 2:15 p.m. for the purpose of considering the following matter:



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**Item 11:**

**RESPECT AND RELIEF FOR WWII VETERAN JOHN HENRY ROYCE,  
KLEINBURG RESIDENT**

(personal matters about an identifiable individual)

**The Committee of the Whole reconvened into open session at 3:40 p.m. with the following members present:**

<b>Council Member</b>	<b>In-Person</b>	<b>Electronic Participation</b>
<b>Councillor Marilyn Iafrate, Chair</b>	<b>X</b>	
<b>Hon. Maurizio Bevilacqua, Mayor</b>		<b>X</b>
<b>Regional Councillor Mario Ferri</b>		<b>X</b>
<b>Regional Councillor Gino Rosati</b>		<b>X</b>
<b>Regional Councillor Linda D. Jackson</b>		<b>X</b>
<b>Councillor Tony Carella</b>		<b>X</b>
<b>Councillor Rosanna DeFrancesca</b>		<b>X</b>
<b>Councillor Sandra Yeung Racco</b>		<b>X</b>
<b>Councillor Alan Shefman</b>		<b>X</b>

**13.2 CONSIDERATION OF AD-HOC COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**The Committee of the Whole recommends:**

**That the following Ad-Hoc Committee reports be received:**

- 1. Smart City Task Force meeting of October 21, 2020 (Report No. 2);**
- 2. Heritage Vaughan Committee meeting of October 21, 2020 (Report No. 7);**
- 3. Older Adult Task Force meeting of October 26, 2020 (Report No. 4); and**
- 4. Accessibility Advisory Committee meeting of October 27, 2020 (Report No. 4).**

**13.3 STAFF COMMUNICATIONS**

**The Committee of the Whole recommends that the following Staff Communications be received:**

**SC1 – Memorandum from the Deputy City Manager, Corporate Services, City Treasurer and Chief Financial Officer and the Director of Procurement Services dated November 2, 2020;**

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**SC2 – Memorandum from the Deputy City Manager,  
Infrastructure Development and the Director of  
Infrastructure Delivery dated November 6, 2020; and**

**SC3 – Memorandum from the Deputy City Manager,  
Infrastructure Development and the Director of  
Infrastructure Planning and Corporate Asset  
Management dated November 6, 2020.**

**14. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE (CLOSED SESSION) RESOLUTION  
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The following resolution was passed to enable Committee of the Whole (Closed Session) to resolve into closed session for the purpose of discussing the following:

- 1. PROPERTY MATTER TELECOMMUNICATION TOWER  
REQUEST ONTARIO SOCCER CENTRE SITE 7601 MARTIN  
GROVE ROAD**  
(acquisition or disposition of land)
- 2. PROPERTY MATTER LEASE RENEWAL WITH ROGERS  
COMMUNICATIONS INC. TESTON ROAD AND DUFFERIN  
STREET**  
(acquisition or disposition of land)
- 3. PROPERTY MATTER TELECOMMUNICATION TOWER  
REQUEST CONCORD THORNHILL REGIONAL PARK 299  
RACCO PARKWAY**  
(acquisition or disposition of land)
- 4. HUMAN RIGHTS CLAIMS AND RESPONSES**  
(solicitor/client privilege)
- 5. WARD 3 CIVIC HERO AWARD**  
(personal matters about identifiable individuals)

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The meeting adjourned at 3:56 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Councillor Marilyn Iafrate, Chair