

EXTRACT FROM COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OF DECEMBER 11, 2017

Item 13, Report No. 44, of the Committee of the Whole, which was adopted without amendment by the Council of the City of Vaughan on December 11, 2017.

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HOUSING FOR PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES

The Committee of the Whole recommends approval of the recommendation contained in the following resolution submitted by Councillor Alan Shefman and Local and Regional Councillor Sunder Singh, dated December 5, 2017:

Member's Resolution

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3. That within the study, staff provide options for consideration by Council; and

That this study be presented to Council by the end of June 2018.



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Respectfully submitted,

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Attachment

1. News Report from CTV News dated October 31, 2017



Developers would get break on fees for affordable housing units in Barrie

Adam Ward, CTV Barrie

Published Tuesday, October 31, 2017 12:01PM EDT

The City of Barrie wants to move ahead with a new plan to address the affordable housing crisis.

Councillors voted in favour of a plan to give developers a break on fees for affordable housing units on Monday night. The fees are typically paid to the city in lieu of building parkland.

“Barrie has the third highest rent in the country. We have a real affordable housing crisis in the city right now where people on modest income cannot afford rent,” says Barrie Mayor Jeff Lehman.

The new plan will reduce or cancel fees for units built with a commitment of offering lower rent prices for a 10-year period.

“This is part of our attempt to get more affordable housing built in Barrie. When a charitable group or a not-for-profit housing provider wants to build affordable housing in our city, they could potentially be exempt from some of those dollars.”

The decision still has to be ratified by council at its next meeting.

A report released by PadMapper.com earlier this month found that the average price of a one-bedroom apartment in Barrie rose 4.2 per cent to \$1,250.