



MINUTES

STRATEGIC MEETING OF COUNCIL

**March 21, 2023, 9:30 AM
IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER**

PRESENT: Councillor G-C. Carra (Remote Participation)
Councillor C. Walcott
Councillor E. Spencer
Councillor K. Penner (Partial Remote Participation)
Councillor T. Wong
Councillor J. Wyness
Councillor J. Mian
Councillor S. Sharp (Partial Remote Participation)
Councillor R. Pootmans
Councillor P. Demong
Councillor D. McLean (Partial Remote Participation)
Councillor R. Dhaliwal
Councillor A. Chabot (Partial Remote Participation)
Councillor S. Chu
Mayor J. Gondek

ALSO PRESENT: City Manager D. Duckworth
City Solicitor and General Counsel J. Floen
General Manager C. Arthurs
General Manager K. Black
General Manager S. Dalglish
Chief Financial Officer C. Male
General Manager D. Morgan
Acting General Manager R. Vanderputten
City Clerk K. Martin
Legislative Advisor S. Lancashire

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Gondek called the meeting to order at 9:32 a.m.

ROLL CALL

Councillor Dhaliwal, Councillor McLean, Councillor Mian, Councillor Penner, Councillor Pootmans, Councillor Sharp, Councillor Spencer, Councillor Walcott, Councillor Wong, Councillor Wyness, Councillor Carra, Councillor Chabot, Councillor Chu, Councillor Demong, and Mayor Gondek

2. OPENING REMARKS

Mayor Gondek provided opening remarks and Councillor Spencer provided a traditional land acknowledgement.

Councillor Wong introduced a group of Grade 6 students from St. Joseph School (Ward 7) along with their teacher Karen Spelay.

Mayor Gondek recognized 2023 March 21 as the International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination.

A presentation entitled "International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination" was distributed.

Mayor Gondek recognized 2023 March 31 as Transgender Day of Visibility.

3. QUESTION PERIOD

1. Councillor Wong

Topic: Update on downtown revitalization discussion.

2. Councillor Chabot

Topic: 311 responses to stormwater drain issues.

3. Councillor McLean

Topic: Engagement with the Federal Government regarding gun control legislation.

4. CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA

Moved by Councillor Pootmans
Seconded by Councillor Dhaliwal

That the Agenda for the 2023 March 21 Strategic Meeting of Council be confirmed.

MOTION CARRIED

5. ITEMS FROM OFFICERS, ADMINISTRATION AND COMMITTEES

None

6. CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

Moved by Councillor Wong
Seconded by Councillor Walcott

That pursuant to Sections 16 (Disclosure harmful to business interests of a third party), 21 (Disclosure harmful to intergovernmental relations), 23 (Local public body confidences), 24 (Advice from officials), and 25 (Disclosure harmful to economic and other interests of a public body) of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*, Council now move into Closed Meeting, at 9:57 a.m. in the Council Boardroom, to discuss confidential matters with respect to the following Items:

- 6.1.1 YYC Matters (Verbal), C2023-0333
- 6.1.2 Approaches for Determining Local Access Fees (Verbal), C2023-0324

- 6.1.3 Financial Update – Continuation of Item 12.2.2 from 14 March 2023 Closed Session of Council (Verbal), C2023-0325

For: (15): Councillor Carra, Councillor Walcott, Councillor Spencer, Councillor Penner, Councillor Wong, Councillor Wyness, Councillor Mian, Councillor Sharp, Councillor Pootmans, Councillor Demong, Councillor McLean, Councillor Dhaliwal, Councillor Chabot, Councillor Chu, and Mayor Gondek

MOTION CARRIED

By General Consent, Council modified the lunch and afternoon recesses to the Call of the Chair.

Councillor Carra (Remote Member) left the Closed Meeting at 10:43 a.m. and joined at 10:50 a.m.

Council recessed at 12:02 p.m. and reconvened in Closed Meeting at 1:18 p.m. with Mayor Gondek in the Chair.

Councillor McLean (Remote Member) joined the meeting at 3:09 p.m.

Council reconvened in public meeting at 3:30 p.m. with Mayor Gondek in the Chair.

ROLL CALL

Councillor Wyness, Councillor Carra, Councillor Chabot, Councillor Chu, Councillor Demong, Councillor Dhaliwal, Councillor McLean, Councillor Mian, Councillor Penner, Councillor Pootmans, Councillor Spencer, Councillor Walcott, Councillor Walcott, and Mayor Gondek

Absent from Roll Call: Councillor Sharp

Moved by Councillor Walcott
Seconded by Councillor Mian

That Council rise and report.

MOTION CARRIED

6.1 ITEMS FROM OFFICERS, ADMINISTRATION AND COMMITTEES

6.1.1 YYC Matters (Verbal), C2023-0333

Administration in attendance during the Closed Meeting discussions with respect to Confidential Verbal Report C2023-0333:

Clerks: K. Martin and C. Nelson. City Manager: D. Duckworth. Law: J. Floen and S. Swinn. Advice: S. Dalglish, R. Vanderputten, K. Black, D. Morgan, C. Male, C. Arthurs, H. Domzal, N. Pili, K. Cote, A. Chan, S. Ohama, and K. Engel.

A Confidential presentation entitled "YYC Matters" was distributed with respect to Confidential Verbal Report C2023-0333.

Council recessed to the Call of the Chair at 3:34 p.m. and reconvened in public meeting at 3:36 p.m. with Mayor Gondek in the Chair.

Councillor Sharp (Remote Member) joined the meeting at 3:37 p.m.

Moved by Councillor Wong
Seconded by Councillor Penner

That with respect to Confidential Verbal Report C2023-0333, the following be adopted:

That Council delete Recommendation 1 in the Confidential Presentation in its entirety and renumber the remaining recommendations accordingly.

For: (13): Councillor Carra, Councillor Walcott, Councillor Spencer, Councillor Penner, Councillor Wong, Councillor Wyness, Councillor Mian, Councillor Sharp, Councillor Pootmans, Councillor Demong, Councillor Dhaliwal, Councillor Chabot, and Mayor Gondek

Against: (2): Councillor McLean, and Councillor Chu

MOTION CARRIED

Moved by Councillor Wong
Seconded by Councillor Penner

That with respect to Confidential Verbal Report C2023-0333, the following be adopted, **as amended**:

That Council:

1. Direct that the Closed Meeting discussions **and Confidential Presentation** remain Confidential pursuant to Sections 21 (Disclosure harmful to intergovernmental relations), 23 (Local public body confidences and 24 (Advice from officials) of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*; **and**

2. Notwithstanding Recommendation 1, direct Administration to finalize and release the 2023 YYC Matters campaign priorities per discussions and continue planning and implementation in lead up to the provincial election.

For: (13): Councillor Carra, Councillor Walcott, Councillor Spencer, Councillor Penner, Councillor Wong, Councillor Wyness, Councillor Mian, Councillor Sharp, Councillor Pootmans, Councillor Demong, Councillor Dhaliwal, Councillor Chabot, and Mayor Gondek

Against: (2): Councillor McLean, and Councillor Chu

MOTION CARRIED

6.1.2 Approaches for Determining Local Access Fees (Verbal), C2023-0324

Administration in attendance during the Closed Meeting discussions with respect to Confidential Verbal Report C2023-0324:

Clerks: K. Martin and C. Nelson. City Manager: D. Duckworth. Law: J. Floen and L. Bonnett. Advice: S. Dalglish, R. Vanderputten, K. Black, D.

Morgan, C. Male, C. Arthurs, H. Domzal, N. Pili, C. Stewart, O. Shyllon, and K. Wyllie.

A Confidential document entitled "Amendment – Confidential Distribution" was distributed with respect to Confidential Verbal Report C2023-0324.

Moved by Councillor Walcott
Seconded by Councillor Penner

That with respect to Confidential Verbal Report C2023-0324, the following be adopted:

That Council delete Recommendation 2 in the Confidential Presentation in its entirety and replace it with a new Recommendation 2 contained in the Confidential Distribution.

For: (5): Councillor Carra, Councillor Walcott, Councillor Penner, Councillor Pootmans, and Mayor Gondek

Against: (10): Councillor Spencer, Councillor Wong, Councillor Wyness, Councillor Mian, Councillor Sharp, Councillor Demong, Councillor McLean, Councillor Dhaliwal, Councillor Chabot, and Councillor Chu

MOTION DEFEATED

Moved by Councillor Spencer
Seconded by Councillor Chabot

That with respect to Confidential Verbal Report C2023-0324, the following be adopted:

That Council:

1. Adopt Confidential Recommendation 1 in the Confidential Presentation;

For: (14): Councillor Carra, Councillor Walcott, Councillor Spencer, Councillor Wong, Councillor Wyness, Councillor Mian, Councillor Sharp, Councillor Pootmans, Councillor Demong, Councillor McLean, Councillor Dhaliwal, Councillor Chabot, Councillor Chu, and Mayor Gondek

Against: (1): Councillor Penner

MOTION CARRIED

Moved by Councillor Spencer
Seconded by Councillor Chabot

That with respect to Confidential Verbal Report C2023-0324, the following be adopted:

That Council:

2. Adopt Confidential Recommendation 2 in the Confidential Presentation;

For: (3): Councillor Carra, Councillor Walcott, and Councillor Pootmans

Against: (12): Councillor Spencer, Councillor Penner, Councillor Wong, Councillor Wyness, Councillor Mian, Councillor Sharp, Councillor Demong, Councillor McLean, Councillor Dhaliwal, Councillor Chabot, Councillor Chu, and Mayor Gondek

MOTION DEFEATED

Moved by Councillor Spencer
Seconded by Councillor Chabot

That with respect to Confidential Verbal Report C2023-0324, the following be adopted:

That Council:

3. Direct that Closed Meeting discussions and the Confidential Presentation and Attachments 2 and 3 be held confidential pursuant to Section 24 (Advice from officials) of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*, to be reviewed by 2028 March 21; and
4. Direct that notwithstanding recommendation 3, the Confidential Presentation may be released to the Executive Leadership Team, to be further shared with Administration only where required to support next steps.

For: (15): Councillor Carra, Councillor Walcott, Councillor Spencer, Councillor Penner, Councillor Wong, Councillor Wyness, Councillor Mian, Councillor Sharp, Councillor Pootmans, Councillor Demong, Councillor McLean, Councillor Dhaliwal, Councillor Chabot, Councillor Chu, and Mayor Gondek

MOTION CARRIED

6.1.3 Financial Update - Continuation of Item 12.2.2 from 14 March 2023
Closed Session of Council (Verbal), C2023-0325

Administration in attendance during the Closed Meeting discussions with respect to Confidential Verbal Report C2023-0325:

Clerks: K. Martin and C. Nelson. City Manager: D. Duckworth. Law: J. Floen. Advice: S. Dalgleish, R. Vanderputten, K. Black, D. Morgan, C. Male, C. Arthurs, H. Domzal, N. Pili, L. Tochor, C. Jacyk, and S. Brandt.

Moved by Councillor Dhaliwal
Seconded by Councillor Pootmans

That with respect to Confidential Verbal Report C2023-0325, the following be adopted:

That Council:

1. Receive the presentation for the Corporate Record; and

- 2. Direct that the Closed Meeting discussions and the Confidential Presentation be held confidential pursuant to Sections 16 (Disclosure harmful to business interests of a third party), 24 (Advice from officials), and 25 (Disclosure harmful to economic and other interests of a public body) of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*, to be reviewed by 2025 December 31.

For: (15): Councillor Carra, Councillor Walcott, Councillor Spencer, Councillor Penner, Councillor Wong, Councillor Wyness, Councillor Mian, Councillor Sharp, Councillor Pootmans, Councillor Demong, Councillor McLean, Councillor Dhaliwal, Councillor Chabot, Councillor Chu, and Mayor Gondek

MOTION CARRIED

7. BRIEFINGS

None

8. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Councillor Walcott
Seconded by Councillor Pootmans

That this Council adjourn at 3:46 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED

CONFIRMED BY COUNCIL ON

 MAYOR

 CITY CLERK