



MINUTES
STRATEGIC MEETING OF COUNCIL

March 17, 2025, 9:30 AM
IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER

PRESENT:

Councillor P. Demong
Councillor K. Penner
Councillor J. Wyness
Councillor T. Wong
Councillor E. Spencer
Councillor R. Dhaliwal
Councillor J. Mian
Councillor D. McLean
Councillor S. Chu
Councillor C. Walcott
Councillor S. Sharp
Councillor G-C. Carra
Councillor A. Chabot
Mayor J. Gondek

ALSO PRESENT:

Chief Administrative Officer D. Duckworth
Chief Operating Officer S. Dalgleish
City Solicitor and General Counsel J. Floen, KC
A/Chief Financial Officer L. Tochor
General Manager C. Arthurs
General Manager K. Black
General Manager D. Morgan
A/General Manager C. Bowen
A/General Manager R. Vanderputten
City Clerk K. Martin
Legislative Coordinator M. A. Cario
Legislative Specialist A. Lennox

1. CALL TO ORDER

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

ROLL CALL

Councillor Carra, Councillor Chabot, Councillor Chu, Councillor Dhaliwal, Councillor Mian, Councillor Penner, Councillor Sharp, Councillor Spencer, Councillor Wong, Councillor Wyness, and Mayor Gondek

Absent from Roll Call: Councillor Demong, Councillor McLean, and Councillor Walcott

2. OPENING REMARKS

Mayor Gondek provided opening remarks.

Councillor Chu provided a traditional land acknowledgement.

3. QUESTION PERIOD

None

4. CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA

Moved by Councillor Mian

Seconded by Councillor Dhaliwal

That the Agenda for the 2025 March 17 Strategic Meeting of Council be confirmed.

MOTION CARRIED

5. ITEMS FROM OFFICERS, ADMINISTRATION AND COMMITTEES

5.1 Approach to 2025 November Adjustments, C2025-0185

Moved by Councillor Penner

Seconded by Councillor Walcott

That pursuant Section 23 (Local public body confidences) of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*, Council now move into Closed Meeting, at 10:23 a.m., in the Council Boardroom, to discuss confidential matters with respect to Item 5.1 Approach to 2025 November Adjustments, C2025-0185.

For: (9): Councillor Demong, Councillor Penner, Councillor Wyness, Councillor Spencer, Councillor Dhaliwal, Councillor Mian, Councillor Walcott, Councillor Carra, and Mayor Gondek

Against: (5): Councillor Wong, Councillor McLean, Councillor Chu, Councillor Sharp, and Councillor Chabot

MOTION CARRIED

Administration in attendance during the Closed Meeting discussions with respect to Report C2025-0185:

Clerks: K. Martin, M. A. Cario, J. Booth, and A. Adegunwa. Chief Administrative Officer: D. Duckworth. Law: J. Floen. Advice: S. Dalgleish, L. Tochor, C. Arthurs, K. Black, C. Bowen, D. Morgan, R. Vanderputten, J. Kapala, C. An, M. Jankovic, H. Kathol, E. Lee, M. McClurg, R. De Ciancio, and B. Whelbourn.

Mayor Gondek left the Chair at 10:49 a.m. and Deputy Mayor Wyness assumed the Chair.

Mayor Gondek resumed the Chair at 10:52 a.m.

Council reconvened in public meeting at 12:04 p.m. with Mayor Gondek in the Chair.

ROLL CALL

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

Absent from Roll Call: Councillor Wong

Moved by Councillor Penner
Seconded by Councillor Mian

That pursuant to Section 6(1) of Procedure Bylaw 35M2017, Council suspend Section 78(1)(a) of the Procedure Bylaw to forego the lunch recess in order to complete the remainder of the Agenda.

MOTION CARRIED

Moved by Councillor Spencer
Seconded by Councillor Penner

That Council rise and report.

MOTION CARRIED

Moved by Councillor Wong
Seconded by Councillor Mian

That with respect to Report C2025-0185, the following be adopted:

That with respect to Recommendation 1, the following words be inserted after "Attachment 1":

“, accomplishing the features on slide 5 of Attachment 1”.

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

Against: (1): Councillor Chabot

MOTION CARRIED

Moved by Councillor Mian
Seconded by Councillor Walcott

That with respect to Report C2025-0185, the following be adopted, **as amended**:

That Council:

1. Approve the plan for the 2025 November Adjustments to the 2023-2026 Service Plans and Budgets on slide 4 of Attachment 1, **accomplishing the features on slide 5 of Attachment 1**;

For: (10): Councillor Demong, Councillor Penner, Councillor Wyness, Councillor Wong, Councillor Spencer, Councillor Dhaliwal, Councillor Mian, Councillor Walcott, Councillor Sharp, and Mayor Gondek

Against: (3): Councillor McLean, Councillor Chu, and Councillor Chabot

MOTION CARRIED

Moved by Councillor Mian
Seconded by Councillor Walcott

That with respect to Report C2025-0185, the following be adopted, **as amended**:

That Council:

2. Direct that the Closed Meeting discussions **and** Confidential Attachment 2 be held confidential pursuant to Section 23 (Local public body confidences) of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*, to be reviewed no later than 2026 December 31; and
3. Direct that, notwithstanding Recommendation 2, the Closed Meeting discussions **and** Confidential Attachment 2 be released to Corporate Planning and Performance, to be further shared with Administration, only where required, to support next steps.

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

MOTION CARRIED

6. CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

None

7. BRIEFINGS

None

8. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Councillor Penner
Seconded by Councillor Sharp

That this Council adjourn at 12:41 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED

CONFIRMED BY COUNCIL ON

MAYOR

CITY CLERK

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