General Committee Minutes

Council Chambers, City Hall

June 23, 2025

Present: Councillor Baldwin
Councillor Beamer, Chair
Councillor Bierk
Councillor Crowley
Councillor Duguay
Councillor Lachica
Mayor Leal
Councillor Parnell
Councillor Riel
Councillor Vassiliadis

Regrets: Councillor Haacke

Staff: Colton Ambrosio, Support Specialist, Clerk and Council
Brad Appleby, Director, Planning, Development and Urban Design
Ian Boland, Manager, Water Resource System
Sarah Dilamarter, Junior Planner
Nolan Drumm, Land Use Planner
Rob Dunford, Transportation Planning Manager
Natalie Garnett, Deputy City Clerk
Greg Giles, Director, Engineering and Capital Works (Acting)
Aylin Hearnes, Asset Management Specialist
Daryl Julott, Director, Economic Development
John Kennedy, City Clerk
Sheldon Laidman, Commissioner, Community Services
Jennifer McFarlane, Commissioner, Municipal Operations (Acting)
Blair Nelson, Commissioner, Infrastructure, Planning & Growth Management
Yvette Peplinskie, Director, Financial Services
David Potts, Commissioner, Legislative Services, City Solicitor
Jasbir Raina, Chief Administrative Officer
Ilmar Simanovskis, Commissioner, Municipal Operations
Anne Taylor Scott, Manager, Development Planning
Brendan Wedley, Director, Strategic Communications & Service Peterborough

Closed Session - 3:00 p.m., Sutherland Room

Moved by Councillor Parnell

That Committee enter Closed Session to discuss one item under Section 239(2)(c)a proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality, one item under Section 239(2)(e) litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the municipality, one item under Section 239(2)(b) personal matters about an identifiable, including municipal or local board employees and one item under Section 239(2)(f) advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose.

Carried

Open Session

The Open Session was called to order at 4:15 p.m.

Adoption of Minutes

Moved by Councillor Vassiliadis

That the General Committee meeting minutes of May 12, May 20 and June 2, 2025 be approved.

For (10): Councillor Baldwin, Councillor Beamer, Chair, Councillor Bierk, Councillor Crowley, Councillor Duguay, Councillor Lachica, Mayor Leal, Councillor Parnell, Councillor Riel, and Councillor Vassiliadis

Carried (10 to 0)

Report of Closed Session

Land Acquisition

Moved by Mayor Leal

That Council approve the recommendation outlined in Report LSRS25-006, dated June 23, 2025, of the Commissioner, Legislative Services as follows:

That, respecting a proposed land acquisition, staff be directed to proceed as outlined in Closed Session Report LSRS25-006 dated June 23, 2025, of the Commissioner, Legislative Services.

For (10): Councillor Baldwin, Councillor Beamer, Chair, Councillor Bierk, Councillor Crowley, Councillor Duguay, Councillor Lachica, Mayor Leal, Councillor Parnell, Councillor Riel, and Councillor Vassiliadis

Carried (10 to 0)

Appeal

Moved by Councillor Duguay

That Council approve the recommendation outlined in Report IPGPL25-033, dated June 23, 2025, of the Commissioner of Infrastructure, Planning and Growth

Management and of the City Solicitor as follows:

That, respecting an appeal before the Ontario Land Tribunal filed by Aird & Berlis LLP on behalf of the County of Peterborough regarding City Council's Notice of Intention to Designate 470 Water Street under Part IV, Section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act, staff be directed to proceed as outlined in Closed Session Report IPGPL25-033.

For (8): Councillor Baldwin, Councillor Beamer, Chair, Councillor Crowley, Councillor Duguay, Mayor Leal, Councillor Parnell, Councillor Riel, and Councillor Vassiliadis

Against (2): Councillor Bierk, and Councillor Lachica

Carried (8 to 2)

Appointments

Moved by Councillor Bierk

Closed Session Report LSCLK25-013, June 23, 2025

That staff be directed to proceed as amended respecting the 2024 Civic Awards.

For (10): Councillor Baldwin, Councillor Beamer, Chair, Councillor Bierk, Councillor Crowley, Councillor Duguay, Councillor Lachica, Mayor Leal, Councillor Parnell, Councillor Riel, and Councillor Vassiliadis

Carried (10 to 0)

Indemnity

Moved by Mayor Leal

That Council approve the recommendation outlined in Report LSOCS25-010, dated June 23, 2025 of the City Solicitor as follows:

That staff be directed to proceed as outlined in Closed Session Report LSOCS25-010 dated June 23, 2025 of the City Solicitor respecting Director's Indemnity.

For (10): Councillor Baldwin, Councillor Beamer, Chair, Councillor Bierk, Councillor Crowley, Councillor Duguay, Councillor Lachica, Mayor Leal, Councillor Parnell, Councillor Riel, and Councillor Vassiliadis

Carried (10 to 0)

Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest

Councillor Duguay declared a conflict with Report IPGPL25-031, Zoning By-law Amendment for 780 Argyle Street, as a family member is working on this file.

Consent Items

Moved by Councillor Vassiliadis

That Report IPGENG25-018, Request for Crossing Guard at St. Paul's Street and Herbert Street, be approved on Consent.

For (10): Councillor Baldwin, Councillor Beamer, Chair, Councillor Bierk, Councillor Crowley, Councillor Duguay, Councillor Lachica, Mayor Leal, Councillor Parnell, Councillor Riel, and Councillor Vassiliadis

Carried (10 to 0)

Request for a Crossing Guard at St. Paul's Street and Herbert Street, Report IPGENG25-018

That Council approve the recommendations outlined in Report IPGENG25-018, dated June 23, 2025, of the Commissioner, Infrastructure, Planning and Growth Management as follows:

a) That a crossing guard be implemented at the intersection of St. Paul's Street and Herbert Street during the school admission and dismissal times; and

b) That funding in the amount of $14,000 plus annual increases for the crossing guard at the intersection of St. Paul's Street and Herbert Street be included in future Operating Budgets for Adult Crossing Guards; and

c) That By-law 23-075 being a By-law to Regulate Speed Limits be amended to modify the existing boundary of the speed limit on St. Paul's Street, to encompass the proposed school crossing.

Presentations

Charlotte Street Reconstruction and Streetscape Project, Report IPGACP25-016

Moved by Councillor Lachica

That Council approve the recommendations outlined in Report IPGACP25-016 dated June 23, 2025, of the Commissioner of Infrastructure, Planning and Growth Management as follows:

a) That the presentation by AECOM regarding the proposed conceptual streetscape design for Charlotte Street from Park Street North to Aylmer Street North be received for information;

b) That the Proposed Conceptual Design as shown in Report IPGACP25-016 be approved for Charlotte Street from Park Street North to Aylmer Street North and that staff be directed to proceed with detailed engineering and tender preparation including consultation with effected property owners and business operators regarding project timelines, and measures appropriate to mitigating potential effects of the project as much as practicable; and

c) That Charlotte Street – Water St. to Park St. (Q#18-005) budget be adjusted as follows:

i. The $1,100,000 Canada Community Building Fund (CCBF) federal allocation to the Charlotte St. - Water St. to Park St. (Q#18-005) be eliminated with the funding returned to the CCBF reserve and reallocated within the 2026 budget.

ii. The Charlotte St. - Water St. to Aylmer St. $490,000 budget (Q #19-093) be transferred to the Charlotte St. - Water St. to Park St. project (Q#18-005).

iii. That $27,600,000 be pre-committed from the 2026 to 2029 capital budgets, of which $10,791,100 is DMAF funding.

For (10): Councillor Baldwin, Councillor Beamer, Chair, Councillor Bierk, Councillor Crowley, Councillor Duguay, Councillor Lachica, Mayor Leal, Councillor Parnell, Councillor Riel, and Councillor Vassiliadis

Carried (10 to 0)

Committee recessed at 5:33 p.m. and reconvened at 6:00 p.m.

Public Meetings under the Planning Act - 6:00 p.m.

Councillor Parnell, Chair of Planning, assumed the Chair.

Zoning By-law Amendment, 1341 Water Street, Report IPGPL25-032

The following people spoke to the application:

Judy Vye, PCC26, 36 Champlain Crescent
Blair Johnston, 301 Carnegie Avenue
Donald Dubecky, Champlain Crescent
Eldon Theodore, MHBC Planning Limited

Moved by Councillor Baldwin

That the question be put.

For (9): Councillor Baldwin, Councillor Beamer, Chair, Councillor Crowley, Councillor Duguay, Councillor Lachica, Mayor Leal, Councillor Parnell, Councillor Riel, and Councillor Vassiliadis

Against (1): Councillor Bierk

Carried (9 to 1)

Moved by Councillor Duguay

That the Zoning By-law application for 1341 Water Street, be deferred pending confirmation from the applicant on the intended use of the property.

For (9): Councillor Baldwin, Councillor Beamer, Chair, Councillor Bierk, Councillor Crowley, Councillor Duguay, Councillor Lachica, Mayor Leal, Councillor Riel, and Councillor Vassiliadis

Against (1): Councillor Parnell

Carried (9 to 1)

Zoning By-law Amendment for 1545 Monaghan Road, Report IPGPL25-029

Moved by Mayor Leal

That Council approve the recommendation outlined in Report IPGPL25-029, dated June 23, 2025, of the Commissioner of Infrastructure, Planning and Growth Management as follows:

That Section 376, Special Districts, of Zoning By-law 1997-123, be modified by adding Regulation 376.3(i) in accordance with Exhibit D of Report IPGPL25-029.

For (10): Councillor Baldwin, Councillor Beamer, Chair, Councillor Bierk, Councillor Crowley, Councillor Duguay, Councillor Lachica, Mayor Leal, Councillor Parnell, Councillor Riel, and Councillor Vassiliadis

Carried (10 to 0)

Zoning By-law Amendment for 780 Argyle Street, Report IPGPL25-031

Due to his previously declared conflict, Councillor Duguay did not discuss or vote on this item.

The following people spoke to the application:

Laura Stone, One Community Planning Inc.

Moved by Mayor Leal

That Council approve the recommendations outlined in Report IPGPL25-031, dated June 23, 2025 of the Commissioner of Infrastructure, Planning and Growth Management as follows:

a) That a new Section 402 be added to the Zoning By-law 1997-123, consisting of Special District 372 (SP.372), in accordance with the draft Zoning By-law Amendment attached as Appendix B to Report IPGPL25-031; and

b) That the subject property be rezoned from UC, UC-366 – University and College District to SP.372 – Residential District in accordance with the draft Zoning By-law Amendment attached as Appendix B to Report IPGPL25-031.

For (9): Councillor Baldwin, Councillor Beamer, Chair, Councillor Bierk, Councillor Crowley, Councillor Lachica, Mayor Leal, Councillor Parnell, Councillor Riel, and Councillor Vassiliadis

Conflict (1): Councillor Duguay

Carried (9 to 0)

Zoning By-law Amendment for 250-258 Reid Street and 324 Sherbrooke Street, Report IPGPL25-030

The following people spoke to the application:

Aditya Srinivas, EcoVue Consulting Services Inc.

Moved by Councillor Duguay

That Council approve the recommendations outlined in Report IPGPL25-030, dated June 23, 2025 of the Commissioner of Infrastructure, Planning and Growth Management as follows:

a) That a new Section 401 be added to the Zoning By-law 1997-123, consisting of Special District 371 (SP.371), in accordance with the draft Zoning By-law Amendment attached as Appendix C to report IPGPL25-030; and

b) That the subject properties be rezoned from SP.241-184 – Commercial District, SP.241-184-H – Commercial District and R,1, R.2, R.3 – Residential District to SP.371 – Commercial District, in accordance with the draft Zoning By-law Amendment attached as Appendix C to report IPGPL25-030.

For (10): Councillor Baldwin, Councillor Beamer, Chair, Councillor Bierk, Councillor Crowley, Councillor Duguay, Councillor Lachica, Mayor Leal, Councillor Parnell, Councillor Riel, and Councillor Vassiliadis

Carried (10 to 0)

Committee recessed at 8:10 p.m., and reconvened at 8:22 p.m.

Committee Reports

December 31, 2024 Financial Report (Unaudited), Report FCSFS25-013

Moved by Councillor Riel

That Council approve the recommendations outlined in Report FCSFS25-013, dated June 23, 2025, of the Commissioner of Finance and Corporate Support Services as follows:

a) That the December 31, 2024, Quarterly Financial Update Report (Unaudited) attached as Appendix A to Report FCSFS25-013, dated June 23, 2025, be received;

b) That the unspent 2024 reserve commitment of $200,000 from the Home Ownership Loan Fund reserve to the 2024 Home Ownership operating budget be transferred to the 2025 Home Ownership operating budget, to support Habitat for Humanity's Leahy's Lane Phase II development;

c) That the following year end entries be approved, transferring funds to/from reserves:

i. $8,893 representing 100% of the Police Services 2024 year-end surplus be transferred to the Police Special Projects Reserve;

ii. $50,000 of the 2024 operating surplus funds be transferred to the Organizational Development Reserve;

d) That the 2026 budget for Capital Project #18-148 Improvements to Morrow Park be pre-committed for $1,600,000.

For (10): Councillor Baldwin, Councillor Beamer, Chair, Councillor Bierk, Councillor Crowley, Councillor Duguay, Councillor Lachica, Mayor Leal, Councillor Parnell, Councillor Riel, and Councillor Vassiliadis

Carried (10 to 0)

Notice of Public Meeting – Amended Development Charges City-wide Background Study, Report FCSFS25-012

Moved by Councillor Riel

That Report FCSFS25-012, dated June 23, 2025, of the Commissioner, Finance & Corporate Support Services be deferred to the August cycle.

Withdrawn

Moved by Councillor Parnell

That Council approve the recommendations outlined in Report FCSFS25-012, dated June 23, 2025, of the Commissioner, Finance & Corporate Support Services as follows:

That Report FCSFS25-012, advising Council that a public meeting will be held on August 5, 2025, at 4:45 pm in Council Chambers to present the Amended City-wide Development Charge Background Study and to hear public delegations, be received.

For (10): Councillor Baldwin, Councillor Beamer, Chair, Councillor Bierk, Councillor Crowley, Councillor Duguay, Councillor Lachica, Mayor Leal, Councillor Parnell, Councillor Riel, and Councillor Vassiliadis

Carried (10 to 0)

2025 Asset Management Plan, Report IPGACP25-013

Moved by Councillor Lachica

That Council approve the recommendation outlined in Report IPGACP25-013, dated June 23, 2025, of the Commissioner, Infrastructure, Planning and Growth Management as follows:

That the 2025 City of Peterborough Asset Management Plan be approved.

For (10): Councillor Baldwin, Councillor Beamer, Chair, Councillor Bierk, Councillor Crowley, Councillor Duguay, Councillor Lachica, Mayor Leal, Councillor Parnell, Councillor Riel, and Councillor Vassiliadis

Carried (10 to 0)

Armour Road Traffic Operations Review – Parkhill Road to Nassau Mills Road, Report IPGENG25-017

Moved by Councillor Riel

That the General Committee approve the recommendations outlined in Report IPGENG25-017, dated June 23, 2025, of the Commissioner of Infrastructure, Planning and Growth Management as follows:

a) That the seven Short-Term Objectives outlined in report IPGENG25-017 be approved and that staff be directed to proceed with implementation of these seven Short-Term Objectives in 2025;

b) That a Capital project for Armour Road Corridor Improvements be approved to implement the Medium-Term Objective outlined in report IPGENG25-017;

c) That a $300,000 budget amount for the 2026 Capital budget for Armour Road Corridor Improvements be pre-committed; and

d) That By-laws be passed to amend the appropriate Schedules and Articles of By-law 13-098 (Community Safety Zone), By-law 23-075 (Speed), and By-law 09-136 (Parking) to authorize the implementation of the Short-Term and Medium-Term Objectives as outlined in recommendations a) and b).

For (10): Councillor Baldwin, Councillor Beamer, Chair, Councillor Bierk, Councillor Crowley, Councillor Duguay, Councillor Lachica, Mayor Leal, Councillor Parnell, Councillor Riel, and Councillor Vassiliadis

Carried (10 to 0)

Growing Canada’s Community Canopies (GCCC) Tree Planting Project, Report MOPW25-014

Moved by Councillor Lachica

That Council approve the recommendations outlined in Report MOPW25-014, dated June 23, 2025, of the Commissioner of Municipal Operations as follows:

a) That $580,000 be transferred from the Tree Removal By-law Planting Program (2025 Capital budget #22-018) to the GCCC Tree Planting project (2025 Capital Budget #25-088);

b) That $955,900 be transferred from the Derecho Tree Replacement project (2024 Capital Budget #25-003) be allocated to the GCCC Tree Planting project (2025 Capital Budget #25-088); and

c) That $321,100 be pre-committed against the 2026 Capital Budget for the FCM GCCC Tree Planting project (2025 Capital Budget #25-088).

For (10): Councillor Baldwin, Councillor Beamer, Chair, Councillor Bierk, Councillor Crowley, Councillor Duguay, Councillor Lachica, Mayor Leal, Councillor Parnell, Councillor Riel, and Councillor Vassiliadis

Carried (10 to 0)

Homelessness Winter Shelter Options, Report CSSS25-008

Moved by Councillor Riel

~~That Council approve the recommendations outlined in Report CSSS25-008 dated June 23, 2025 of the Commissioner of Community Services, as follows:~~

~~a) That $1,050,000 million of the City's 2026 Operating Budget be pre-committed to maintain existing homelessness services that were funded through reserve in 2025, including:~~

- ~~$269,280 to enhance the Trinity Overnight Drop-In Program.~~
- **$250,000 increase to the Housing Stability Fund (HSF).**
- **$285,600 to expand Brock Mission's 24/7 capacity.**
- ~~$244,800 to expand the operating hours at the Trinity daytime program.~~

b) That the Commissioner of Community Services be authorized to do such things as execute such documents as necessary in consultation with the Treasurer and in forms acceptable to the City Solicitor to implement the components of this report.

Moved by Councillor Crowley

Amending motion - Additional Overnight Space:

That Council approve the additional next steps recommendations outlined in Report CSSS25-008 dated June 23, 2025 of the Commissioner of Community Services, as follows:

1. That an Overnight Warming Space be approved to operate from November 1, 2025 to April 30, 2026 to be funded with a pre-commitment of the 2026 operating budget of $300,000 and $150,000 from the Social Services Reserve for the 2025 portion;

2. That the Commissioner of Community Services be authorized to do such things as necessary in consultation with the Treasurer and in forms acceptable to the City Solicitor to implement the components of this report including the determination of the location for such Warming Space and the operator.

For (5): Councillor Bierk, Councillor Crowley, Councillor Lachica, Mayor Leal, and Councillor Riel
Against (5): Councillor Baldwin, Councillor Beamer, Chair, Councillor Duguay, Councillor Parnell, and Councillor Vassiliadis

Lost (5 to 5)

Moved by Councillor Bierk

That the rules be suspended to permit the balance of the agenda to be completed after 10 p.m.

For (10): Councillor Baldwin, Councillor Beamer, Chair, Councillor Bierk, Councillor Crowley, Councillor Duguay, Councillor Lachica, Mayor Leal, Councillor Parnell, Councillor Riel, and Councillor Vassiliadis

Carried (10 to 0)

It was requested that the four items in a) be separated for vote.

Moved by Councillor Riel

- $269,280 to enhance the Trinity Overnight Drop-In Program.

For (5): Councillor Baldwin, Councillor Bierk, Councillor Crowley, Councillor Lachica, and Councillor Riel

Against (5): Councillor Beamer, Chair, Councillor Duguay, Mayor Leal, Councillor Parnell, and Councillor Vassiliadis

Lost (5 to 5)

Moved by Councillor Riel

- **$250,000 increase to the Housing Stability Fund (HSF).**

For (10): Councillor Baldwin, Councillor Beamer, Chair, Councillor Bierk, Councillor Crowley, Councillor Duguay, Councillor Lachica, Mayor Leal, Councillor Parnell, Councillor Riel, and Councillor Vassiliadis

Carried (10 to 0)

Moved by Councillor Riel

- **$285,600 to expand Brock Mission’s 24/7 capacity.**

For (10): Councillor Baldwin, Councillor Beamer, Chair, Councillor Bierk, Councillor Crowley, Councillor Duguay, Councillor Lachica, Mayor Leal, Councillor Parnell, Councillor Riel, and Councillor Vassiliadis

Carried (10 to 0)

Moved by Councillor Riel

- $244,800 to expand the operating hours at the Trinity daytime program.

For (5): Councillor Baldwin, Councillor Bierk, Councillor Crowley, Councillor Lachica, and Councillor Riel

Against (5): Councillor Beamer, Chair, Councillor Duguay, Mayor Leal, Councillor Parnell, and Councillor Vassiliadis

Lost (5 to 5)

Moved by Councillor Riel

b) That the Commissioner of Community Services be authorized to do such things as execute such documents as necessary in consultation with the Treasurer and in forms acceptable to the City Solicitor to implement the components of this report.

For (10): Councillor Baldwin, Councillor Beamer, Chair, Councillor Bierk, Councillor Crowley, Councillor Duguay, Councillor Lachica, Mayor Leal, Councillor Parnell, Councillor Riel, and Councillor Vassiliadis

Carried (10 to 0)

2025 Asset Management Plan Water Services, Report MOWAT25-005

Moved by Councillor Riel

That Council approve the recommendation outlined in Report MOWAT25-005, dated June 23, 2025, of the Commissioner, Municipal Operations as follows:

That the 2025 City of Peterborough Asset Management Plan for Water Services be approved.

For (10): Councillor Baldwin, Councillor Beamer, Chair, Councillor Bierk, Councillor Crowley, Councillor Duguay, Councillor Lachica, Mayor Leal, Councillor Parnell, Councillor Riel, and Councillor Vassiliadis

Carried (10 to 0)

Notice of Motion

Moved by Councillor Crowley

Whereas the City of Peterborough values global cooperation, cultural exchange, and the promotion of peace and mutual understanding; and

Whereas many municipalities across Ontario have successfully formed Sister City (twinning) partnerships that foster international friendship, cultural programming, and shared municipal knowledge; and

Whereas establishing a Sister City relationship with a municipality in Ukraine would demonstrate solidarity with the people of Ukraine and strengthen Canada–Ukraine ties at the local government level;

Now therefore be it resolved that:

Council direct staff to prepare a report on the development of a policy to guide the City in its consideration of Sister City (twinning) requests.

For (7): Councillor Beamer, Chair, Councillor Bierk, Councillor Crowley, Councillor Lachica, Mayor Leal, Councillor Riel, and Councillor Vassiliadis

Against (3): Councillor Baldwin, Councillor Duguay, and Councillor Parnell

Carried (7 to 3)

Adjournment

Moved by Councillor Vassiliadis

That this meeting be adjourned at 11:13 p.m.

For (10): Councillor Baldwin, Councillor Beamer, Chair, Councillor Bierk, Councillor Crowley, Councillor Duguay, Councillor Lachica, Mayor Leal, Councillor Parnell, Councillor Riel, and Councillor Vassiliadis

Carried (10 to 0)

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John Kennedy

City Clerk

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Councillor Beamer

Chair