

Present:

Mayor David Ryan

Councillors:

K. Ashe
M. Brenner
S. Butt
I. Cumming
B. McLean
D. Pickles

Also Present:

M. Carpino - Interim Chief Administrative Officer
K. Bentley - Director, City Development & CBO
P. Bigioni - Director, Corporate Services & City Solicitor
B. Duffield - (Acting) Director, Community Services
J. Eddy - Director, Human Resources
J. Hagg - Fire Chief
J. Flowers - CEO & Director of Public Libraries, Pickering Public Library
R. Holborn - Director, Engineering Services
F. Jadoon - Director, Economic Development & Strategic Projects
S. Karwowski - Director, Finance & Treasurer
S. Cassel - City Clerk
C. Rose - Chief Planner
V. Plouffe - Manager, Facilities Capital Projects
R. Perera - Committee Coordinator

1. Roll Call

The City Clerk certified that all Members of Council were present and participating electronically in accordance with By-law 7771/20.

2. Invocation

Mayor Ryan called the meeting to order and led Council in the saying of the Invocation.

3. Indigenous Land Acknowledgment Statement

Mayor Ryan read the Indigenous Land Acknowledgment Statement.

4. Disclosure of Interest

No disclosures of interest were noted.

5. Adoption of Minutes

Resolution # 495/21

Moved by Councillor Brenner
Seconded by Councillor McLean

Special Council Minutes, December 14, 2020
Council Minutes, December 14, 2020
Executive Committee Minutes, January 4, 2021
Special Council Minutes, January 4, 2021
Planning & Development Committee Minutes, January 4, 2021

Carried

6. Presentations

There were no presentations.

7. Delegations

7.1 John Henry, Regional Chair, The Regional Municipality of Durham
Re: Annual Update on Durham Region's Progress

John Henry, Regional Chair, The Regional Municipality of Durham, joined the electronic meeting via audio connection to provide the Region's annual update. Chair Henry noted a number of key accomplishments within Durham including the Ontario Power Generation's Small Modular Reactor development and the Centre for Canadian Nuclear Sustainability. He further added that the Province's decision to support the Durham Live development would be a good economic driver for Durham Region, as it would bring approximately 10,000 jobs, intersection improvements, traffic studies for future improvements, and affordable housing components to Durham Region once completed. Chair Henry stated that the Pickering Airport and the surrounding federal lands were another future economic development growth opportunity, adding that 11 major Durham Region Transit (DRT) projects were underway, which included the Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) System that would connect Oshawa to Scarborough along Highway 2. He noted that both the Federal and Provincial governments had announced significant funding for broadband, adding that the Region is looking forward to securing the funding necessary to achieve a vision of a fully connected Durham. He advised that Durham Region and York Region have undertaken a joint study to identify the preferred method of addressing future capacity limitations of the existing outfall at the Duffin Creek Water Pollution Control Plant. Chair Henry also noted that several road widenings are underway, in design or construction phases, to

continue to address the City of Pickering's growing traffic capacity. Chair Henry concluded his delegation through a video presentation of the work being undertaken and the priorities of the Region.

A question and answer period ensued between Members of Council and Chair Henry regarding:

- whether all long-term care facilities had received the COVID-19 vaccination;
- the COVID-19 Vaccination roll out schedule for Police, Fire, and Ambulance workers;
- the status of the Metrolinx Bus Rapid Transit plans;
- opposition to the development of a rail service line through the middle of Kingston Road and clarification that the Kingston Road transit corridor was intended for buses; and,
- the status of extending Whites Road from Taunton to Highway 407, and the status of the widening of Brock Road from Taunton Road to Whitevale Road.

7.2 Clint Scott, Community Outreach Officer
Pickering Auxiliary Rescue Association (PARA) Marine Search and Rescue
Re: 2020 Year in Review & 2021 Strategic Plan

Clint Scott, Community Outreach Officer, PARA Marine Search and Rescue, joined the electronic meeting via audio connection to provide an annual update on PARA Marine Search & Rescue through the aid of a PDF presentation.

Highlights of the presentation included:

- timelines of the 50 plus years of service and the organization's new branding;
- an overview of the four pillars of the 2021-2025 Strategic & Business Plan which include strengthening the organization, developing crews, ensuring SAR readiness, and planning for the future;
- the increased number of calls that PARA Marine Search & Rescue had received originating from local fire and police;
- key performance indicators, noting that the response time was 23.18 minutes;
- the 2020 mandate to change the brand from Pickering Auxiliary Rescue Association to PARA Marine Search & Rescue to be more inclusive of the three communities they serve which include Whitby, Ajax, and Pickering;
- replacing the current vessel between 2025 and 2030 and leveraging the most current technologies including more near shore operating capabilities; and,

- funding framework for the organization, noting that the mission is to raise \$1.5 million to \$2 million for a new replacement vessel.

A question and answer period ensued between Members of Council and Clint Scott, regarding:

- whether PARA Marine Search & Rescue had been affected by the milfoil weeds located in the Frenchman's Bay and possible partnerships or suggestions that PARA may have to address the issue with Council requesting that Staff follow up with Mr. Scott after the meeting for further discussion;
- the process to become a volunteer member for PARA Marine Search & Rescue;
- the impact of ice in the Frenchman's Bay on operations and current safety measures in place;
- the number of search and rescue incidents reported in Pickering; and,
- when a new vessel would be needed and the status of the fundraising for the new vessel.

- 7.3 Eileen Higdon
Re: Report CLK 01-21
Ward Boundary Review
- Interim Report – Watson & Associates Economists Ltd.

Eileen Higdon withdrew her delegation and did not connect to the electronic Council Meeting.

- 7.4 Eileen Higdon
Re: Report LEG 01-21
Broadband Service for Whitevale and Green River - ICON Grant Funding Stage 2

Eileen Higdon withdrew her delegation and did not connect to the electronic Council Meeting.

- 7.5 David Grey Eagle, Special envoy for Grand Chief Wabiska Mukwa
Metis Nation of Ontario
Re: Per United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (UNDRIP) Simple Signature Protocol – Seaton Lands and All Lands in Pickering

David Grey Eagle, Special Envoy for Grand Chief Wabiska Mukwa, Metis Nation of Ontario, joined the electronic meeting via audio connection. He provided a message from Grand Chief Wabiska Mukwa which spoke to the Supreme Court recognizing the Metis of Eastern Canada in 2016 in its landmark case Daniels v. Canada, noting that the Metis had filed a land claim and trespass in the Ontario

Superior Court in 2020. Mr. Grey Eagle further commented on the United Nations declaration of the rights of Indigenous Peoples which is referred to as UNDRIP. Mr. Grey Eagle concluded his delegation by asking that the Metis Nation of Ontario be consulted on the Seaton lands and other lands in the City of Pickering.

7.6 Jennifer O’Connell, MP, Pickering-Uxbridge
Re: Federal government Update on the COVID-19 Pandemic, the Universal Broadband Fund, and other issues

Jennifer O’Connell, MP, Pickering –Uxbridge, joined the electronic meeting via audio connection and outlined initiatives undertaken by the Federal Government pertaining to the COVID-19 pandemic, the COVID-19 vaccination, and long-term care facilities. Ms. O’Connell noted that while there is a delay in receiving vaccinations from Pfizer, they expect to meet their timelines to deliver vaccines to all Canadians by September 2021. Ms. O’Connell expressed her disappointment in the Province’s decision to not support the projects from Pickering or Uxbridge under the Canada Infrastructure Plan, adding that she would continue to work towards diversifying infrastructure in the region. She further noted that the Infrastructure Minister had announced a \$1.5 billion for a three year period for Green and Inclusive Community buildings. She stated that the Universal Broadband Fund (UBF) would strive to connect 98% of Canadian households with high speed internet by 2026, outlining the different streams of the UBF. Ms. O’Connell concluded her delegation by noting the Federal Government’s commitment to providing and improving broadband service.

A question and answer period ensued between Members of Council and Jennifer O’Connell, regarding:

- whether the UBF would apply to upgrading copper wires in Pickering;
- the distribution plan of the COVID-19 Vaccinations, once received by provinces and territories, being the responsibility of the individual jurisdictions;
- the availability of federal funding for broadband services as it relates to the ICON program underway for broadband in Whitevale and Green River;
- possible grant programs for capital infrastructure projects;
- the status of the high frequency rail and moving the project forward with the new Minister of Infrastructure;
- funding for the removal of milfoil weeds in the Frenchman’s bay and maintaining and expanding the Pickering waterfront; and,
- whether there would be a national investigation and a national strategy for long-term care facilities.

8. Correspondence

- 8.1 Corr. 01-21
Ralph Walton, Regional Clerk
The Regional Municipality of Durham
Re: Response to November 25, 2020 Notice of Motion regarding Minister's Zoning Orders (2020-P-30)

Resolution # 496/21

Moved by Councillor McLean
Seconded by Councillor Brenner

That Corr. 01-21, from Ralph Walton, Regional Clerk, the Regional Municipality of Durham, dated December 17, 2020, regarding the Response to November 25, 2020 Notice of Motion regarding Minister's Zoning Orders (2020-P-30), be endorsed.

Carried Unanimously on a Recorded Vote

- 8.2 Corr. 02-21
Sylvia Jones, Solicitor General
Office of the Solicitor General
Re: The Deadline for the Completion and Adoption of a Community Safety and Well-Being (CSWB) Plan

Resolution # 497/21

Moved by Councillor Brenner
Seconded by Councillor Butt

1. That Corr. 02-21, from Sylvia Jones, Solicitor General, Office of the Solicitor General, dated December 24, 2020, regarding the deadline for the completion and adoption of a Community Safety and Well-Being (CSWB) Plan, be received for information; and,
2. That Corr. 02-21, be referred to the (Acting) Director, Community Services, for inclusion in the City of Pickering 2021 Community Safety Well-Being work plan with a report back no later than the June 2021 Council Meeting.

Carried

- 8.3 Corr. 03-21
Jennifer O'Connell
Member of Parliament, Pickering-Uxbridge
Re: Universal Broadband Fund (UBF)

Resolution # 498/21

Moved by Councillor Brenner
Seconded by Councillor Butt

That Corr. 03-21, from Jennifer O'Connell, Member of Parliament, dated January 7, 2021, regarding the Universal Broadband Fund (UBF), be received for information.

Carried

- 8.4 Corr. 04-21
Ralph Walton, Regional Clerk
The Regional Municipality of Durham
Re: Request from the Region of Durham that the Region of York affirm by Resolution its support for the Lake Simcoe Solution as Documented in the Upper York Sewage Solutions (UYSS) Environmental Assessment

Discussion ensued between Members of Council regarding their opposition to the Province's decision to direct sewage to Pickering, noting that the sewage should go to Lake Simcoe as outlined in the studies.

Resolution # 499/21

Moved by Councillor Pickles
Seconded by Councillor Brenner

That Corr. 04-21, from Ralph Walton, Regional Clerk, the Regional Municipality of Durham, dated January 6, 2021, regarding the Request from the Region of Durham that the Region of York affirm by Resolution its support for the Lake Simcoe Solution as Documented in the Upper York Sewage Solutions (UYSS) Environmental Assessment, be endorsed.

Carried Unanimously on a Recorded Vote

- 8.5 Corr. 05-21
Nicole Gibson, Executive Director
Ajax-Pickering Board of Trade
Re: Evidence Based Decision Making Critical to the Survival of Small Business

Resolution # 500/21

Moved by Councillor Butt
Seconded by Councillor Pickles

1. That Corr. 05-21, from Nicole Gibson, Executive Director, Ajax-Pickering Board of Trade, dated January 11, 2021, regarding the Evidence Based Decision Making Critical to the Survival of Small Business, be endorsed; and,
2. That a copy of this Resolution be forwarded to the Hon. Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario, the Hon. Peter Bethlenfalvy, MPP, Pickering- Uxbridge, and, Rod Phillips, MPP, Ajax.

Carried

9. Report EC 01-21 of the Executive Committee held on January 4, 2021

- 9.1 Director, Corporate Services & City Solicitor, Report CLK 01-21
Ward Boundary Review
- Interim Report – Watson & Associates Economists Ltd.

Council Decision:

That Report CLK 01-21, regarding the Ward Boundary Review Interim Report, from Watson & Associates Economist Ltd., be received for information.

- 9.2 Director, Engineering Services, Report ENG 01-21
Municipal Bridge Maximum Gross Vehicle Weight Restrictions
- By-law to establish a load limit for certain bridges under the jurisdiction of the City of Pickering

Council Decision:

1. That the attached draft By-law limiting the gross vehicle weight of any vehicle or any class thereof, passing over certain bridges, under the jurisdiction of The Corporation of the City of Pickering be enacted; and,
2. That the appropriate officials of the City of Pickering be authorized to take the necessary actions as indicated in this report.

- 9.3 Director, Corporate Services & City Solicitor, Report LEG 01-21
Broadband Service for Whitevale and Green River - ICON Grant Funding Stage 2

Members of Council requested that Staff follow up with Jennifer O'Connell to inquire about the applicability of the project to Federal funding programs.

Council Decision:

1. That Council approve payment by the City of \$150,000.00 towards the project to deliver broadband services to the residents and businesses of Green River and Whitevale, which payment will be made by the City upon receipt of the written commitment of Vianet Inc. to proceed with and complete construction of the project;
2. That staff be directed to continue working with Vianet Inc. to complete its submission of an application for grant funding from the Province's Improving Connectivity for Ontario (ICON) Program by January 27, 2021; and,
3. That appropriate City of Pickering officials be authorized to take the actions necessary to implement the recommendations in this report.

9.4 Director, City Development & CBO, Report PLN 01-21
Pickering Environmental Schools Grant
- Results of the First Year of Funding

Council Decision:

1. That Report PLN 01-21 of the Director, City Development & CBO on the results of the Pickering Environmental Schools Grant be received for information; and,
2. That a copy of Report PLN 01-21 be forwarded to the Durham Catholic District School Board (DCDSB) and Durham District School Board (DDSB) Trustees for City of Pickering, DCDSB and DDSB Directors of Education, DCDSB Superintendent of Facilities Services, DDSB EcoSchools Facilitator, DDSB Education Officer (Curriculum Grades 7-12) and eLearning Administrator, DDSB, Administrative Assistant, Student Achievement & Curriculum Department.

Resolution # 501/21

Moved by Councillor Brenner
Seconded by Councillor Cumming

That Report EC 01-21 of the Executive Committee Meeting held on January 4, 2021 be adopted.

Carried

10. Report PD 01-21 of the Planning & Development Committee held on January 4, 2021

- 10.1 Director, Corporate Services & City Solicitor, Report LEG 02-21
2364722 Ontario Inc. – Plan of Subdivision 40M-2565
- Final Assumption of Plan of Subdivision
 - Lots 1 to 14, Blocks 15 to 21, Plan 40M-2565
 - Blocks 110 to 116, Plan 40M-1390
 - File: 40M-2565

Council Decision:

1. That Gablehurst Crescent within Plan 40M-2565 be assumed for public use;
2. That works and services required by the Subdivision Agreement within Plan 40M-2565 and Blocks 110 to 116, Plan 40M-1390, which are constructed, installed or located on lands dedicated to, or owned by the City, or on lands lying immediately adjacent thereto, including lands that are subject to easements transferred to the City, be accepted and assumed for maintenance;
3. That 2364722 Ontario Inc. be released from the provisions of the Subdivision Agreement and any amendments thereto relating to Plan 40M-2565; and,
4. That the appropriate City of Pickering officials be authorized to take the actions necessary to implement the recommendations in this report.

- 10.2 Director, City Development & CBO, Report PLN 02-21
Zoning By-law Amendment Application A 04/20
Ann Harbour Estates Ltd.
Part Lot 22, Range 3 B.F.C.; Now Part 1, 40R-20148
(631 Liverpool Road)

Council Decision:

That Zoning By-law Amendment Application A 04/20, submitted by Ann Harbour Estates Ltd., to permit a permanent private school use and four apartment dwelling units on lands municipally known as 631 Liverpool Road, be approved, and that the draft Zoning By-law Amendment set out in Appendix I to Report PLN 02-21 be finalized and forwarded to Council.

Resolution # 502/21

Moved by Councillor Pickles
Seconded by Councillor Butt

That Report PD 01-21 of the Planning & Development Committee Meeting held on January 4, 2021 be adopted.

Carried

11. Reports – New and Unfinished Business

- 11.1 Director, Economic Development & Strategic Projects, Report CAO 01-21 2021 Pre-Budget Approval – Study of the Financial, Economic, and Social Impacts of the Retirement of the Pickering Nuclear Generating Station
- Request for Proposal No. RFP2020-9

A question and answer period ensued between Members of Council and Fiaz Jadoon, Director, Economic Development & Strategic Projects, regarding:

- the total cost of the project and the funding that would be provided from the City;
- the social impact of the initiative and when the study would take place;
- ensuring that an interim update from the consultant is provided to Council; and,
- assurance that the study would not affect the timing and the manner of Ontario Power Generation's decommissioning.

Mr. Jadoon was requested to provide periodic matrix updates to Council as it pertains to the status and process of the Study.

Resolution # 503/21

Moved by Councillor Butt
Seconded by Councillor Cumming

1. That Proposal No. RFP2020-9 submitted by AECOM Canada Ltd., dated October 20, 2020, to undertake a study on the financial, economic and social impacts on the retirement of the Pickering Nuclear Generation Station in the amount of \$280,148.67 (HST included) be accepted;
2. That Council authorize the Director, Finance & Treasurer to finance the net project cost of \$252,282.00 as follows:
 - a) The sum of \$84,094.00 to be funded from property taxes;
 - b) The sum of \$84,094.00 to be funded by The Regional Municipality of Durham; and,

- c) The sum of \$84,094.00 to be funded by the Ontario Power Generation's Centre for Canadian Nuclear Sustainability;
3. That the appropriate City of Pickering officials be authorized to take the necessary actions as indicated in this report; and,
4. The City Clerk forward a copy of Report Number CAO 01-21 to The Regional Municipality of Durham and Ontario Power Generation.

Carried

- 11.2 (Acting) Director, Community Services, Report CS 10-21
Facilities Asset Management System
- Renewal of VFA Software Subscription and Services

A brief question and answer period ensued between Members of Council and Brian Duffield, (Acting) Director, Community Services, regarding whether the VFA software was new, whether regular upgrades were made by the vendor to keep the software current and whether the database was stored on City servers.

Resolution # 504/21

Moved by Councillor Butt
Seconded by Councillor Brenner

1. That Quote #Q-194376-1 for the VFA Facilities Asset Management System software subscription for a five year period, submitted by Accruent in the amount of \$200,828 (HST included) be accepted;
2. That the total gross project cost of \$200,828.00 (HST included), and the total net project cost of \$180,852.00 (net of HST rebate), be approved;
3. That Council authorize the Director, Finance & Treasurer to finance Year 1 subscription fees for net cost of \$34,065.00, and five year sum of \$180,852 (net HST rebate) be provided for in the 2021 Current Budget, to be funded from property taxes; and,
4. That the appropriate City of Pickering officials be authorized to take the necessary action to give effect hereto.

Carried

- 11.3 (Acting) Director, Community Services, Report CS 11-21
Pre-budget Approval - Don Beer Arena, Rink 3 Refrigeration Plant Upgrades
(Phase 1)

A question and answer period ensued between Members of Council and Staff regarding:

- impacts to the project due to the removal of the ice in the Arena caused by the lockdown;
- whether the removal of the ice would enable the project to move forward more effectively and efficiently; and,
- using the shutdown time advantageously so that the work could be completed prior to August and the next ice season.

Resolution # 505/21

Moved by Councillor Brenner
Seconded by Councillor Pickles

1. That Report CS 11-21 from the (Acting) Director, Community Services for pre-budget approval of the Rink 3 Refrigeration Plant Rebuild at Don Beer Arena be received;
2. That Council grant pre-2021 Capital Budget approval and authorize the Director, Finance & Treasurer to fund the sum of \$240,000.00 from Federal Gas Tax (FGT) Reserve Fund; and,
3. That the appropriate City of Pickering officials be authorized to take the necessary action to give effect hereto.

Carried

11.4 Director, Finance & Treasurer, Report FIN 01-21
Council Budget Meeting Dates

A question and answer period ensued between Members of Council and Stan Karwowski, Director, Finance & Treasurer, regarding:

- whether the revised dates were for the current and the capital budget;
- whether the new financial software had been implemented or deferred;
- the accessibility of the budget documentation for members of the public; and,
- the timeline for posting the budget documentation for public access and public notification of the meeting dates.

Resolution # 506/21

Moved by Councillor Cumming
Seconded by Councillor McLean

1. That Report FIN 01-21 of the Director, Finance & Treasurer be received;
2. That the 2021 Budget Meeting Dates, previously approved through Resolution #442/20, be changed to March 4 and 5, 2021; and,
3. That the City Clerk be directed to give notice of the new meeting dates on the City's website.

Carried

11.5 Director, Finance & Treasurer, Report FIN 02-21
Property Tax Deferral Program

Stan Karwowski, Director, Finance & Treasurer, provided an overview of the tax deferral program noting that interested taxpayers would complete an application on the City's website and if eligible, would have the late payment fees (penalty and interest) waived for the months of March, April and May. Mr. Karwowski further outlined the communication strategy in place to notify the public of the program.

Resolution # 507/21

Moved by Councillor Brenner
Seconded by Councillor Cumming

1. That Report FIN 02-21 of the Director, Finance & Treasurer be received;
2. That the Director, Finance & Treasurer be authorized to develop a 2021 Property Tax Deferral Program for the residential property tax class and that the property tax payments be deferred and interest and penalty be waived for up to ninety days for those that meet the criteria; and,
3. That the appropriate City of Pickering officials be authorized to take the necessary actions as indicated in this report.

Carried

11.6 Director, City Development & CBO, Report PLN 06-21
Environmental Registry Posting 019-2811 Comments on the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing's authority to address site plan matters and apply inclusionary zoning as part of a ministerial zoning order

Members of Council expressed their support for Report PLN 06-21, noting their opposition to the Province dictating the site plan approval process.

Resolution # 508/21

Moved by Councillor Brenner
Seconded by Councillor Cumming

1. That the comments in Report PLN 06-21 on Environmental Registry Posting (ERO) 019-2811 regarding certain legislative provisions in the Planning Act that enable the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing to address site plan matters and apply inclusionary zoning as part of a ministerial zoning order, be endorsed;
2. That the Province repeal recent changes through Bill 197 which provide enhanced powers that enable the Province to address site plan matters as part of a ministerial zoning order on the basis that:
 - a. municipalities are better positioned to carry out this function;
 - b. the site plan control process administered by the local municipality provides the best and only mechanism for ensuring the public and community interest is maintained and upheld where the land use zoning for a development is approved through a ministerial zoning order;
 - c. the Province does not have the local or technical expertise (engineering, urban design, landscaping, transportation, and fire), processes, or the same established working relationships to replace or fulfill these functions, which may result in delays or longer processes; and,
 - d. exemption from or uploading of these functions may also result in many practical challenges in terms of how detailed conditions will be formulated, finalized, and implemented in co-ordination with local municipal planning staff and various service agencies;
3. That the Province repeal recent changes through Bill 197 which provide enhanced powers that enable the Province to apply inclusionary zoning as part of a ministerial zoning order on the basis that:
 - a. municipalities are better positioned to administer inclusionary zoning;

- b. inclusionary zoning should not be arbitrarily administered in the absence of a required analysis and where associated municipal planning policies and regulations are not in place; and,
 - c. requiring the provision of affordable housing without the necessary supportive tools, financing, policy, and regulatory framework, may result in projects not being viable or appropriately located or sized, among other issues;
4. That should these enhanced powers around site plans and inclusionary zoning be maintained:
- a. consideration be given to scoping these powers to certain areas of the province or jurisdictions that are not well equipped to handle these functions in an expeditious manner;
 - b. municipalities be consulted extensively when the Province is considering exempting a project from site plan approval and/or assuming oversight for the process and when implementing inclusionary zoning requirements;
 - c. stringent criteria be developed in consultation with municipalities as to which specific projects qualify to be exempt from local site plan control;
 - d. details be provided on how these procedural and logistical matters would be addressed; in particular, clarification should be provided around who will be responsible for handling ongoing implementation matters after the approvals are in place such as necessary changes and inspections;
 - e. the proponent be required to complete and/or satisfactorily address the necessary technical studies, agreements, and matters of interest that are ordinarily addressed through the City's site plan control process to ensure there will not be any unacceptable impacts on or off the site or to the municipality as a result of the development; and,
 - f. provision be made for financial compensation to municipalities and, where applicable, conservation authorities, by the proponent or the Province for time spent by staff on reviewing and commenting functions on these applications to offset the foregone planning application/review fee revenue that would otherwise have been collected by the municipality;

5. That the Province provide further clarification on how exactly the enhancements related to site plan matters and inclusionary zoning support:
 - a. the delivery of transit station infrastructure;
 - b. optimization of surplus lands and what is meant by the term “surplus lands” in this context; and,
 - c. what constitutes a strategic project in this context;
6. That staff be directed to respond to ERO posting 019-2811 with a copy of Report PLN 06-21 and Council’s resolution thereon, and that a copy of Report PLN 06-21 be forwarded to the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, MPP Peter Bethlenfalvy, the Regional Municipality of Durham, and other Durham Area Municipalities.

Carried Unanimously on a Recorded Vote

Resolution # 509/21

Moved by Councillor Brenner
Seconded By Councillor Butt

That the rules of procedure be suspended to allow the introduction of a motion regarding a Submission on Long-Term Care due to its urgent nature.

Carried on a Two-Thirds Vote

11.7 Submission on Long-Term Care

Discussion ensued between Members of Council regarding the motion addressing the concerns expressed by residents regarding long-term care facilities.

Resolution # 510/21

Moved by Councillor Brenner
Seconded By Councillor McLean

Whereas the neglect, underfunding and overcrowding of Ontario’s long-term-care facilities and its impacts has worsened with the COVID-19 pandemic;

And Whereas these conditions have struck residents living in these facilities the hardest, resulting in thousands of needless deaths;

And Whereas immediate measurable action is required to address this crisis and save the lives of our vulnerable seniors and their caregivers;

And Whereas while there have been steps taken to prioritize vaccinations that will ultimately help to prevent the spread of COVID-19 in long-term care facilities, steps must be taken to focus on several longer-term systemic initiatives that will fundamentally change the relationships among government, businesses and our elders and related health-care staff;

And Whereas we believe that the residents of the City of Pickering and across Ontario want immediate action on these above-noted items and we urge our political leaders to take these actions to heart and move with haste to save lives;

And Whereas the Commission will receive written submissions from the public prior to the deadline of January 31, 2021;

Now therefore be it resolved that the Council of the Corporation of the City of Pickering make the following submission of recommendations to Ontario's Long-Term Care COVID-19 Commission:

1. The Province of Ontario immediately reinstate the mandatory inspection regime and introduce mandatory public reporting of all long-term care facilities, focus on infections, medical supply and long-term care staff availability, and appropriate access to local hospitalization and specialized care. And that provincial and municipal inspectors be deployed to assist this program;
2. The Province of Ontario and the Government of Canada provide the immediate emergency funds to hire additional full-time long-term care staff and raise the wages for all long-term care workers as the Government of Quebec has recently instituted;
3. The Province of Ontario establish an emergency rapid response task force comprised of trained infection-control health-care workers available to act immediately as emergencies are identified;
4. The Government of Canada and the Province of Ontario appoint independent federal and provincial ombuds respectively, with a national regulatory authority attached to Health Canada to receive and review all complaints and investigations from long-term care residents, their families and long-term care staff to oversee strict new long-term care standards related to ensuring humane care and residents' rights, staffing, and pay levels, building designs and usage of funds; and,

5. That the Clerk, on behalf of the Council of The Corporation of the City of Pickering, forward this resolution in advance of the January 31, 2021 deadline to Ontario's Long-Term Care COVID-19 Commission, and copies be sent to the Prime Minister, Durham MPs, Premier of Ontario, Durham MPPs and Region of Durham Council.

Carried Unanimously on a Recorded Vote

12. Motions and Notice of Motions

12.1 City of Pickering Trade Centre

Discussion ensued between Members of Council regarding:

- finding a new location for the Pickering Markets and a stimulating location for a Trade Centre which would assist small business and attract new businesses to the City;
- an alternative site for Pickering Markets not being a suitable location for a Trade Centre due to its operational days;
- ensuring that the proposed Trade Centre does not affect the future Durham Live Convention Centre;
- ensuring that the City would not be spending money to support businesses outside of Pickering noting that many of the vendors at the Pickering Markets were from outside of Pickering; and,
- the motion providing an opportunity for City Staff to explore possibilities and report back to Council on the associated impacts.

Resolution # 511/21

Moved by Councillor Brenner
Seconded by Councillor McLean

Whereas, the Pickering Markets has been an integral part of our business and community landscape for nearly half a century;

And Whereas, as Ontario's largest market, it was a vibrant, eclectic, and multicultural destination for residents in Pickering, and across the GTA;

And Whereas, the COVID-19 restrictions and shutdowns have resulted in the permanent closure of the Pickering Markets, housing over 400 small businesses;

And Whereas, the City of Pickering recognizes the important role that the Pickering Markets has played in supporting entrepreneurs and small businesses over the past four decades;

And Whereas, buying local provides much-needed support to local businesses, and aides in Ontario's economic and social recovery from the pandemic;

And Whereas, there is an opportunity to support the vendors displaced by the closure of the Pickering Markets, by launching a new iteration at a different location, thereby achieving Provincial objectives set out in the 'Support Local' campaign;

Now Therefore be it resolved that the Council for The Corporation of the City of Pickering recognizes the importance of supporting local businesses, especially during the COVID-19 pandemic, and the need to assist displaced vendors from the Pickering Market closure, and:

1. Directs through the Office of the Interim CAO, the Director of Economic Development & Strategic Projects to undertake research to identify an appropriate site location for a City of Pickering Trade Centre; and,
2. That staff work with appropriate community stakeholders to facilitate discussions between various parties that may be interested in leasing space, relocating or investing towards a potential trade centre in Pickering, and provide a status report to Council no later than the end of June 2021.

Carried Unanimously on a Recorded Vote

13. By-laws

13.1 By-law 7807/21

Being a by-law to limit the gross vehicle weight of any vehicle or any class thereof passing over a bridge under the jurisdiction of the Corporation of the City of Pickering pursuant to the *Highway Traffic Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c.H.8, as amended.

13.2 By-law 7808/21

Being a By-law to amend Restricted Area (Zoning) By-law 2511, as amended, to implement the Official Plan of the City of Pickering, Region of Durham, in Rotary Frenchman's Bay West Park (A 10/18)

13.3 By-law 7809/21

Being a By-law to adopt Amendment 41 to the Official Plan for the City of Pickering (OPA 19-004/P)

13.4 By-law 7810/21

Being a By-law to amend Zoning By-law 7553/17, as amended, to implement the Official of the City of Pickering, Region of Durham, Part of Lot 21, Concession 1 South, Now Part 2, 40R-18785 in the City of Pickering (A 01/20)

13.5 By-law 7811/21

Being a by-law to amend Zoning Restricted Area (Zoning) By-law 2520, as amended, to implement the Official Plan of the City of Pickering, Region of Durham, on Part Lot 22, Range 3 B.F.C.; Now Part 1, 40R-20148, in the City of Pickering. (A 04/20)

13.6 By-law 7812/21

Being a by-law to exempt Part of Lots 196 and 197, Plan 40M-2631, being Parts 1, 2, 3 and 4, Plan 40R-31202, Pickering from the part lot control provisions of the *Planning Act*.

13.7 By-law 7813/21

Being a by-law to appoint Catalina Blumenberg as the Deputy Clerk for The Corporation of the City of Pickering

Resolution # 512/21

Moved by Councillor Ashe
Seconded by Councillor Cumming

That By-law Nos. 7807/21 through 7813/21 be approved.

Carried

14. Confidential Council – Public Report

Mayor Ryan stated that prior to the Regular Council Meeting, an In-camera session was held at 6:00 p.m. in accordance with the provisions of the *Municipal Act* and Procedure By-law 7665/18 to consider personal matters about identifiable individuals as it relates to appointments to the Pickering Anti-Black Racism Taskforce.

- 14.1 (Acting) Director, Community Services, Confidential Report CS 12-21 Carried
Recommended Community Appointments to the Pickering Anti-Black Racism Taskforce

Resolution # 513/21

Moved by Councillor Cumming
Seconded by Councillor McLean

1. That the following individuals be appointed to the Pickering Anti-Black Racism Taskforce (PABRT), for a term ending November 14, 2022 or until a successor is appointed:

Suzanne Charles
Jennifer Smith
Angela Graham
Nikosa Holland
Claudia Farinha
Angella Vincent
Zhora Adatia
Romina Diaz-Matus
Gena Chang-Campbell
Heather Douglas
Floyd Heath
Odessa Grignon
Norman Sinclair
Dennis Governor
Catherine Mosca
Andrea Davis
Andre Laylor
Karla Noronha
Temitope Olanbiwonnu
Michelle Francis; and,

2. That Council provide staff the authority to take actions deemed necessary to advise the appointees and initiate regularly scheduled meetings of the taskforce, consistent with PABRT Terms of Reference.

Carried

15. Other Business

- 15.1 Councillor Pickles gave notice that he would be bringing forward a Notice of Motion regarding a signalized intersection at South Usman Road and Brock Road.

16. Confirmation By-law

By-law Number 7814/21

Councillor Ashe, seconded by Councillor Butt moved for leave to introduce a By-law of the City of Pickering to confirm the proceedings of January 25, 2021.

Carried

17. Adjournment

Moved by Councillor Pickles
Seconded by Councillor Ashe

That the meeting be adjourned.

Carried

The meeting adjourned at 9:18 pm.

Dated this 25th of January, 2021.

David Ryan, Mayor

Susan Cassel, City Clerk