

### **Town of Oakville**

### **Council Minutes**

Date: June 20, 2022 Time: 6:30 p.m.

Location: Council Chamber

Mayor and Council: Mayor Burton

Councillor Adams
Councillor Chisholm
Councillor Duddeck
Councillor Elgar
Councillor Gittings
Councillor Grant

Councillor Haslett-Theall

Councillor Knoll

Councillor Lishchyna Councillor Longo Councillor O'Meara Councillor Robertson

Regrets: Councillor Parmar

Councillor Sandhu

Staff: J. Clohecy, Chief Administrative Officer

N. Sully, Commissioner of Corporate Services and Treasurer

C. Bell, Commissioner of Community Services

N. Garbe, Commissioner of Community Development P. Fu, Commissioner of Community Infrastructure

D. Carr, Town Solicitor

J. Clarke, Director of Strategy, Policy and Communications

V. Tytaneck, Town Clerk

J. Warren, Council and Committee Coordinator

The Town of Oakville Council met in regular session this 20th day of June, 2022 in the Council Chamber of the Oakville Municipal Building, 1225 Trafalgar Road, Oakville commencing at 6:30 p.m.

### 1. O Canada

# 2. Regrets

As noted above.

# 3. Declarations of Pecuniary Interest

No declarations of pecuniary interest were declared.

# 4. Confirmation of Minutes of the previous Council Meeting(s)

- 4.1 Minutes of the Regular Session of Council, MAY 25, 2022
- 4.2 Confidential Minutes of the Closed Session of Council, MAY 25, 2022
- 4.3 Minutes of the Regular Session of Planning and Development Council, JUNE 7, 2022

## 4.4 Minutes of the Special Council Meeting, JUNE 14, 2022

Moved by Councillor Elgar Seconded by Councillor Duddeck

- 1. That the minutes of the regular session and closed session of Council dated May 25, 2022, be approved.
- 2. That the minutes of the Planning and Development Council dated June 7, 2022, be approved.
- 3. That the minutes of the special session of Council dated June 14, 2022, be approved.

**CARRIED** 

## 5. Public Presentation(s)

There were no public presentations.

### 6. Committee of the Whole

Moved by Councillor Longo Seconded by Councillor Haslett-Theall

That this meeting proceed into a Committee of the Whole session.

CARRIED

In accordance with Section 2(8) of the Procedure By-law, the items were considered out of order.

### 7. Consent Item(s)

### 7.1 March 31st, 2022 Financial Results

Moved by Councillor Adams

- 1. That the staff report dated June 7, 2022, entitled *March 31st, 2022 Financial Results* from the Finance department, be received.
- 2. That the 2022 capital budget be amended to add \$17,500 to project 21102104 2273 Trafalgar Rd Land Purchase project funded from the Capital Reserve to undertake comprehensive environmental testing.

**CARRIED** 

### 7.2 Town of Oakville Seniors Services Terms of Reference Update

Moved by Councillor Adams

That the report entitled "Town of Oakville Seniors Services Terms of Reference Update", be received for information.

CARRIED

# 7.3 2022 Corporate Asset Management Plan – Part A

Moved by Councillor Adams

- That the 2022 Corporate Asset Management Plan Part A report from the Asset Management department be received;
- 2. That the 2022 Corporate Asset Management Plan Part A as included in Appendix A be approved.

### CARRIED

# 7.4 Ontario Social Gaming Licence; Senior Services

Moved by Councillor Adams

That the report "Ontario Social Gaming Licence; Seniors Services" be received for information.

CARRIED

### 7.5 Additional Council Meeting on September 20, 2022 at 6:30 p.m.

Moved by Councillor Adams

That an additional Council meeting be approved on September 20, 2022

CARRIED

## 8. Confidential Consent Item(s)

There were no Confidential Consent Items.

# 9. Discussion Item(s)

### 9.1 Development Charges Background Study

Moved by Councillor Knoll

- 1. That the staff report dated June 7, 2022, entitled *Development Charges Background Study* from the Finance department, be received.
- 2. That the minutes of the Development Charges Steering Committee meeting on April 22, 2022 be approved.

**CARRIED** 

### 9.2 2019–2022 Strategic Plan Accomplishments

Moved by Councillor O'Meara

That the 2019-2022 Strategic Plan Accomplishments report from the Strategy, Policy and Communications department, be received.

#### CARRIED

# 9.3 North Park Development Update – Community Centre, Library and Park

Moved by Councillor Haslett-Theall

- That the report North Park Development Update: Community Centre, Library and Park, from the Community Services Commission, Facilities and Construction Management, Recreation and Culture, Parks and Open Space and Finance departments, dated June 14, 2022 be received.
- 2. That the 2022 capital budget be amended to add \$33,088,300 for the North Park Community Centre, Library and Park and that the additional funding be provided from Parks and Recreation development charges (\$15,670,400), Parks and Recreation development charges debt (\$10,000,000), Library development charges (\$5,787,900) and capital reserve (\$1,630,000).

CARRIED

# 9.4 Notice of Motion re: Notice of Motion re: GTA West Corridor (Highway 413)

Moved by Councillor Duddeck Seconded by Councillor Chisholm

WHEREAS the Province of Ontario initiated an Environment Assessment process in 2007 for the planning and construction of the proposed Highway 413;

WHEREAS the final recommendation of the Stage 1 Provincial Environmental Assessment (2012) was to first put in place the transportation system management components, rapid transit, freight rail improvements and expansion of existing highways prior to construction of a new expressway;

WHEREAS the Stage 2 Environmental Assessment (new expressway) undertaken by the previous provincial government was shelved because of strong objections by an Expert Panel in the fields of rural development, renewable cities, agriculture, environment, and efficient transportation who

sounded alarms over predicted irreversible ecological harm caused by the uncontrolled, low density urban sprawl enabled by the Corridor;

WHEREAS the current Provincial Government revived the \$6+ billion Highway 413 proposal in 2018, saying it could relieve congestion issues in the fast-growing Toronto suburbs and boost Ontario's economy;

WHEREAS a significant number of reputable organizations have demanded cancellation of the Highway 413 project, including: Environmental Defense, the David Suzuki Foundation, the Federation of Urban Neighborhoods, Gravel Watch, Halton Environmental Network, National Farmers' Union-Ontario, Rescue Lake Simcoe Coalition, Transport Action Ontario, Greenbelt Council; as well as formal opposition of Councils from the municipalities of Burlington, Halton Hills, Caledon, Orangeville, Vaughan, Brampton, Mississauga, King and the City of Toronto;

WHEREAS the Federal Government has decided to conduct an Impact Assessment study for the proposed Highway 413;

WHEREAS Ontario farming and food processing together employ one million persons and generate over \$35 billion economic benefits annually;

WHEREAS the Greater Golden Horseshoe is the third largest agricultural producer in North America after California and Chicago;

WHEREAS the Province of Ontario is proposing to develop the Highway 413 by razing 809 hectares of pristine farmlands, some of which are Class A and Class B farmlands and many of which will immediately cease to be farmed and other lands which over time will be developed for non-agricultural uses;

WHEREAS the Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs has not completed an Agricultural Impact Assessment for the proposed Highway 413;

WHEREAS the proposed Highway 413 will cut across 85 waterways, and destroy protected Greenbelt lands including 7 entire woodlots, 220 important wetlands and valley land features, 10 different species-at-risk and hundreds of acres of vulnerable wildlife habitat;

WHEREAS the Greenbelt Plan's permission for new infrastructure which negatively impacts key natural heritage features, key hydrologic features or key hydrologic areas requires determination that there is "no reasonable alternative" and that this has not been established through a planning process;

WHEREAS the Toronto and Region Conservation Authority (TRCA), which is the regulatory authority for developments in flood plains, wetlands, and valley lands, has also raised concerns about the potential impact of the proposed Highway 413 as well as the streamlined Environmental Assessment process;

WHEREAS the Town of Oakville has declared a climate emergency and approved a Climate Action Plan with a target to be a net zero carbon community by 2050;

WHEREAS responding to the climate emergency requires immediate reevaluation of all transportation plans as the transportation sector is the highest single source of emissions;

WHEREAS the Province must take immediate measures to decrease GHGs through alternatives such as increasing public transit, including the necessary local public transit networks, to enable broad access to the higher order transit including high speed electric trains;

WHEREAS the Highway 407 was created as a truck by-pass in order to relieve congestion on Highway 401, but the Highway 407 was tolled, thereby limiting the amount of relief provided by the Highway 407;

WHEREAS it is well known that, as new road capacity (lane-km) is constructed, traffic demand grows to fill this capacity by the phenomenon known as "induced demand", resulting in roads that are as congested as they were prior to the expansion of the road;

WHEREAS several reasonable highway network management alternatives to the proposed Highway 413 exist and were recommended by the Expert Panel, including possible subsidies or congestion pricing that would shift truck traffic to the under-utilized Highway 407;

WHEREAS the proposed Highway 413 will allocate limited Provincial funds to the movement of vehicular traffic instead of much needed transit investments for complete transit-oriented communities;

WHEREAS transit investments and good land use planning decisions are vital to creating complete transit-oriented communities which are economically vibrant, where people and goods are moved seamlessly, and where multiple modes of transportation support the community including a focus on active transportation;

WHEREAS the proposed Highway 413 will lead to greater demand for development with more than 13,350 hectares of Whitebelt lands in the Greater Golden Horseshoe (Caledon and Vaughan) being impacted, leading to greater urban sprawl and development that is not supportive of transit investment;

WHEREAS analysis has shown (https://ontario.transportaction.ca) that investment in various unfunded rapid transit projects, including GO Transit, 407 Transitway and LRT/BRT projects which can move 4-10 times the number of people as the proposed Highway 413, for the same invested dollars:

WHEREAS the 407 Transitway has been planned for decades but has no approved funding for its construction;

WHEREAS the Town of Oakville has consistently supported development of the transit-oriented communities,' to support long term inter-regional transportation solutions and to enhance integration of our existing communities and supported rail integrated communities along both the GO Transit rail lines and the 407 rail transitway;

WHEREAS uncontrolled urban growth threatens these resources and is widely seen to embed unsustainable infrastructure maintenance costs, deepen traffic congestion problems, increase transportation-related emissions of greenhouse gases and smog precursors, and reinforce social divisions;

WHEREAS planning and infrastructure decisions affect the shape of communities for decades, even centuries to come;

WHEREAS Transit Oriented Communities (TOC) positively contribute toward more environmentally friendly and economically sustainable communities, reduce the reliance on car-dependent trips for all members of the community, therefore reducing Vehicle Kilometers Travelled (VKT) and reducing the high costs of auto ownership thus contributing to achieving affordable housing outcomes; and

WHEREAS strategic land-use planning requires public policy that communicates TOCs as integral to a community's long-term vision with supportive official plan and zoning provisions that facilitate density and mixed land use;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED.

THAT Oakville Town Council does not support the proposed Highway 413 at this time;

THAT Oakville Town Council continues to support an integrated GTHA rail transit network which includes high speed rapid rail transit running beside the Highway 407 (407 Transitway);

THAT Oakville Town Council supports a complete Federal Environmental Impact Study pursuant to s.9(1) of the Impact Assessment Act (I.A.A.), prior to any advancement of the proposed Highway 413 project;

THAT Oakville Town Council requests that the Province undertake an economic evaluation and time travel analysis of Highway 407 versus the proposed Highway 413 including the potential for congestion and non-peak hour pricing or other highway management alternatives;

THAT Oakville Town Council requests the Province of Ontario work with 407 International Inc. to devise strategies to increase 407 ETR usage and enforce penalties provided to encourage efforts at congestion relief on the 401 Hwy and all surrounding roads;

THAT the capital cost for the proposed 413 Hwy be re-designated to the expansion of long term, environmentally sustainable rapid transit throughout the GTA;

THAT Oakville Town Council recommends that the Province undertake a comprehensive economic benefits analysis of the potential for TOCs along the 407 Transitway, GO Rail Transit Network and new LRT/BRT lines versus the cost of urban sprawl triggered by the proposed Highway 413;

THAT the Province undertake an integrated review of the Provincial Growth Plan for the Greater Golden Horseshoe and the Metrolinx Regional Transportation Plan to develop a sustainable communities strategy to provide consistent and comprehensive policies for achieving affordable housing near TOC stations. This should include policies to support intensification within the Built-Up Area, particularly within MTSAs and along high frequency (15 minutes or less, peak hour) bus transit;

THAT the Province must also update its affordable housing program to recognize the relationship between housing affordability and transit including the positive role of having housing near rail transit TOC stations to improve the operational efficiency of the Provincial investment in mass rail transit:

THAT Ontarians need serious, transparent, and accountable infrastructure planning processes, based on clear and consistent rules designed to advance the environmental, social, and economic sustainability of their communities; and

THAT a copy of this resolution be provided to the Regions of York, Peel and Halton, the Cities of Richmond Hill, Vaughan, Brampton, Mississauga, Toronto, Burlington and the Towns of Milton, Caledon, and Halton Hills; and

FURTHER THAT this resolution be forwarded to: Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario; Peter Bethlenfalvy, Minister of Finance; Caroline Mulroney, Minister of Transportation; Kinga Surman, Minister of Infrastructure and Transit-Oriented Communities; David Piccini, Minister of Environment and Climate Change; Stan Cho, Associate Minister of Transportation (GTA); Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing; Lisa Thompson, Minister of the Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs; Victor Fedeli, Minister of Economic Development, Job Creation and Trade; Andrea Horwath, Leader of the Official Opposition & Ontario NDP Party; Steven Del Duca, Leader of the Ontario Liberal Party; All Members of Federal Parliament in Halton Region; All Members of Provincial Parliament in Halton; All Members of Halton Regional Council: All Town Clerks in Halton Region: Justin Trudeau, Prime Minister of Canada; Chrystia Freeland, Federal Minister of Finance; Omar Alghabra, Federal Minister of Transport; Marie Claude Bibeau, Minister of Agriculture and Agri-Food; Melanie Joly, Federal Minister of Economic Development; Dominic Leblanc, Federal Minister of Infrastructure and Communities; Jonathan Wilkinson, Federal Minister of Natural Resources; Steven Guilbeault, Federal Minister of Environment and Climate Change; Wayne Emmerson, Chairman and CEO, York Region: John Mackenzie, CEO, Toronto And Region Conservation Authority; Phil Verster, President and CEO, Metrolinx.

For (13): Mayor Burton, Councillor Adams, Councillor Chisholm, Councillor Duddeck, Councillor Elgar, Councillor Gittings, Councillor Grant, Councillor Haslett-Theall, Councillor Knoll, Councillor Lishchyna, Councillor Longo, Councillor O'Meara, and Councillor Robertson

Absent (2): Councillor Parmar, and Councillor Sandhu CARRIED unanimously on a recorded vote (13 to 0)

# 10. Confidential Discussion Item(s)

### 10.2 OEC Update

Moved by Councillor Duddeck

### **CLOSED SESSION**

That Council resolve into a closed meeting session for the purpose of dealing with the security of the property of the municipality, advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose, a trade secret or scientific, technical, commercial, financial or labour relations information, supplied in confidence to the municipality or local board, which, if disclosed, could reasonably be expected to prejudice significantly the competitive position or interfere and a position, plan, procedure, criteria or instruction to be applied to any negotiations carried on or to be carried on by or on behalf of the municipality or local board with respect to Item 10.1 - OEC Update - Legal and 10.2 - OEC Update.

**CARRIED** 

### **RECESS**

The meeting recessed at 8:13 p.m. and reconvened in closed session at 8:23p.m

Council resolved back into open session at 9:18 p.m.

Moved by Councillor Gittings

That the confidential briefing report dated June 14, 2022 addressed to Douglas Carr, Town Solicitor from Sean McCaughan, Chief Strategy and Growth Officer of Oakville Enterprises Corporation attached as Confidential Appendix A and distributed to the Mayor and Members of Council only, be received.

**CARRIED** 

### 10.1 OEC Update - Legal

Staff direction was provided in closed session.

# 11. Advisory Committee Minutes

There were no advisory committee minutes.

### 12. Rise and Report to Council

Moved by Councillor Elgar

That this committee rise and report.

CARRIED

The Mayor arose and reported that the Committee of the Whole has met and as made recommendations on Consent Items 7.1, 7.2, 7.3, 7.4 and 7.5, Discussion Items 9.1, 9.2, 9.3 and 9.4, Confidential Discussion Items 10.1 and 10.2 as noted by the Clerk.

Moved by Councillor Knoll Seconded by Councillor Chisholm

That the report and recommendations of the Committee of the Whole be approved.

# 13. Information Items (Circulated Electronically)

- 13.1 Council Information Items from May 11, 2022 June 7, 2022
- 13.2 Memo Community Services Commission re: Full scale and in person 2022 Canada Day Event
- 13.3 Memo Oakville Transit re: On-Demand Pilot Survey

# 14. Status of Outstanding Issues

14.1 Status of Outstanding Issues for June 2022

### 15. New Business

There was no new business.

# 16. Regional Reports and Question Period Regarding Town Boards and Advisory Committees

# 17. Requests for Reports

There were no requests for reports.

# 18. Consideration and Reading of By-Laws

### 18.1 By-law 2022-058

A by-law to dedicate certain land as part of a public highway (Block 349, Plan 20M-1139 – Kaitting Trail, Block 350, Plan 20M-1139 – Preserve Drive)

# 18.2 By-law 2022-083

A by-law to confirm the proceedings of a meeting of Council.

Moved by Councillor Lishchyna Seconded by Councillor Longo

That the by-laws noted above be passed.

CARRIED

# 19. Adjournment

The Mayor adjourned the meeting at 9:24 p.m.

Vicki Tytaneck, Town Clerk