



Council Meeting

Minutes

C#07-24

Wednesday, March 27, 2024, 9:30 a.m.

Council Chambers

225 East Beaver Creek Road

Richmond Hill, Ontario

A Council meeting of the Council of the City of Richmond Hill was held on Wednesday, March 27, 2024 at 9:30 a.m. in Council Chambers via videoconference.

Council Members present in Council Chambers:

Mayor West
Regional and Local Councillor Chan
Regional and Local Councillor DiPaola
Councillor Davidson
Councillor Thompson
Councillor Cui
Councillor Cilevitz
Councillor Shiu

Council Member present via videoconference:

Councillor Liu

Staff Members present in Council Chambers:

D. Joslin, City Manager
S. Adams, Commissioner of Corporate and Financial Services
G. Galanis, Acting Commissioner of Planning and Building Services
P. Masaro, Commissioner of Infrastructure and Engineering Services
T. Steele, Commissioner of Community Services
A. Dimilta, City Solicitor
H. Punia, Chief of Staff to the Mayor
K. Davey, Communications Consultant to the Mayor
M. Flores, Director, Policy Planning
D. Giannetta, Acting Director, Development Planning
G. Li, Director, Financial Services and Treasurer

P. Chow, Manager, Policy
S. DeMaria, Manager, Development Planning
K. Faria, Senior Planner - Development
I. Trieger, Financial Management Advisor
S. Huycke, City Clerk
R. Ban, Deputy City Clerk
K. Hurley, Council/Committee Coordinator
C. Connolly, Legislative Services Assistant

Staff Members present via videoconference:

C. Debi, Director, Strategic Communications
D. Guy, Director, Community Standards
D. Terziewski, Director, Infrastructure Planning and Development Engineering
L. De Jesus, Manager, Capital Infrastructure Programming and Project Management Office
J. Smith, Urban Design/Heritage Planner
P. Vega, Urban Design/Heritage Planner

1. Call to Order

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

Committee consented to recess the meeting between 11:50 a.m. and 1:00 p.m.

Mayor West transferred the Chair to Regional and Local Councillor Chan between:

- 1:13 p.m. and 1:15 p.m. during consideration of Item 15.3.3.9.

2. Land Acknowledgement

We are gathering on lands that have been home to First Nations Peoples from time immemorial. We acknowledge that what we now call Richmond Hill is on the Treaty Lands and Territory of the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation and the Mississauga and Chippewa Nations of the Williams Treaty. We also recognize that we are on part of the traditional territories of the Haudenosaunee and the Huron Wendat.

We would also like to acknowledge all First Nation, Inuit and Métis peoples from across North America, also known as Turtle Island, who now reside in the City of Richmond Hill. We are committed to rebuilding constructive and cooperative relationships.

3. National Anthem

The National Anthem was played.

4. Public Forum (not exceeding fifteen minutes)

John Li, 206 Brookside Road, addressed Council regarding enhancing municipal operational transparency for democratic governance. He expressed his concerns related to the 5-minute time limit allocated to delegations and the availability of municipal documents. J. Li requested that Council put forward a by-law that would mandate public information be accessible for a minimum of 10 years, and that there be more flexibility with the speaking times allotted to Members of Council and residents during meetings.

5. Council Announcements

Councillor Cui advised that he hosted a seniors open house last Saturday at the Elgin West Community Centre and extended his thanks to everyone for their support, including Members of Council who were in attendance.

6. Introduction of Emergency/Time Sensitive Matters

There were no emergency/time sensitive matters raised by Members of Council.

7. Adoption of Agenda

Moved by: Regional and Local Councillor DiPaola

Seconded by: Councillor Davidson

That the agenda be adopted as distributed by the Clerk with the following additions:

a) Public Forum by John Li, 206 Brookside Road, regarding Enhancing Municipal Operational Transparency for Democratic Governance – (Item 4.1);

b) Delegation by Liz Bick, 39 Centre Street West, regarding Notice of Intention to Designate 37 and 39 Centre Street West - (Item 14.1);

c) Delegation by Howard Doughty, 10 Cheval Court, regarding the Report from Suzanne Craig, Integrity Commissioner, titled "Formal Code of Conduct Complaint #01101023 Investigation Report of Committee of Adjustment Member John Li" - (Item 14.2);

d) Delegation by Elena Smith, 10 Cheval Court, regarding the Report from Suzanne Craig, Integrity Commissioner, titled "Formal Code of Conduct Complaint #01101023 Investigation Report of Committee of Adjustment Member John Li" - (Item 14.3);

- e) Delegation by Jo Anne Langshaw, 42 Roseview Avenue, regarding the Report from Suzanne Craig, Integrity Commissioner, titled "Formal Code of Conduct Complaint #01101023 Investigation Report of Committee of Adjustment Member John Li" - (Item 14.4);
- f) Delegation by Wilhelm Bleek, 136 Centre Street West, regarding the Report from Suzanne Craig, Integrity Commissioner, titled "Formal Code of Conduct Complaint #01101023 Investigation Report of Committee of Adjustment Member John Li" - (Item 14.5);
- g) Delegation by Brian Chapnik, 110 Arnold Crescent, regarding the Report from Suzanne Craig, Integrity Commissioner, titled "Formal Code of Conduct Complaint #01101023 Investigation Report of Committee of Adjustment Member John Li" - (Item 14.6);
- h) Alex Wong, 35 Leno Mills Avenue, regarding the Report from Suzanne Craig, Integrity Commissioner, titled "Formal Code of Conduct Complaint #01101023 Investigation Report of Committee of Adjustment Member John Li" - (Item 14.7);
- i) Delegation by John Li, 206 Brookside Road, regarding the Report from Suzanne Craig, Integrity Commissioner, titled "Formal Code of Conduct Complaint #01101023 Investigation Report of Committee of Adjustment Member John Li" - (Item 14.8);
- j) Delegation by Carla Worden, 1393 Bethesda Sideroad, regarding the Feasibility of Meeting Provincial Housing Targets in Richmond Hill - (Item 14.9);
- k) Delegation by Alex Rust, 11210 Leslie Street, regarding the Feasibility of Meeting Provincial Housing Targets in Richmond Hill - (Item 14.10);
- l) Correspondence received regarding the Report from Suzanne Craig, Integrity Commissioner, dated March 4, 2024, titled "Formal Code of Conduct Complaint #01101023 Investigation Report of Committee of Adjustment Member John Li" - (Item 15.6);
- m) Additional By-law 42-24 being A By-law to Remove Certain Lands from Part Lot Control - (Item 18.13).

Carried Unanimously

8. Disclosures of Pecuniary Interest and General Nature Thereof

Mayor West declared a pecuniary interest on Item 15.3.3.9 regarding the Notice of Intention to Designate 124 Richmond Street (Staff Report SRPBS.24.026) as his brother is the owner of the subject property. Mayor West did not participate in the discussion or voting on this item.

9. Adoption of Previous Council Minutes

9.1 Council Public Meeting C#04-24 held February 27, 2024

Moved by: Councillor Cilevitz
Seconded by: Regional and Local Councillor Chan

That the minutes of Council Public Meeting C#04-24 held on February 27, 2024 be adopted.

Carried

9.2 Council Meeting C#05-24 held February 28, 2024

Moved by: Councillor Cilevitz
Seconded by: Regional and Local Councillor Chan

That the minutes of Council Meeting C#05-24 held on February 28, 2024 be adopted.

Carried

10. Identification of Items Requiring Separate Discussion

Council consented to separate items 15.1, 15.3.3.4, 15.3.3.9, 15.3.6 and 15.3.10 for discussion.

11. Adoption of the Remainder of Agenda Items

On a motion of Councillor Cilevitz, seconded by Councillor Cui, Council adopted unanimously those items not identified for separate discussion.

12. Public Hearing(s)

There were no public hearings.

13. Presentation(s)

There were no presentations.

14. Delegation(s)

14.1 Liz Bick, 39 Centre Street West, regarding Notice of Intention to Designate 37 and 39 Centre Street West - (refer to Item 15.3.3.4)

Liz Bick, owner of 37 and 39 Centre Street West, addressed Council regarding the Notice of Intention to Designate 37 and 39 Centre Street West. She shared information regarding her family's history living at the property and growing up in Richmond Hill, advised of their intent to preserve the property and pass it down to future generations of her family,

and noted the many renovations they have undertaken to their home to maintain and restore its historical features. L. Bick advised that she did not want her property designated, citing the potential difficulties that would result, and requested that Council not approve the recommendations to designate 37 and 39 Centre Street West.

14.2 Howard Doughty, 10 Cheval Court, regarding the Report from Suzanne Craig, Integrity Commissioner, titled "Formal Code of Conduct Complaint #01101023 Investigation Report of Committee of Adjustment Member John Li" - (refer to Item 15.1)

Howard Doughty, 10 Cheval Court, addressed Council regarding the Report from Suzanne Craig, Integrity Commissioner, titled "Formal Code of Conduct Complaint #01101023 Investigation Report of Committee of Adjustment Member John Li". He noted the overall apathy that existed within the community related to local decision making, shared his concerns regarding the information and recommendations contained in the Integrity Commissioner's Report, and advised of his support of Member Li and the issues he had identified with the overall planning process. H. Doughty advised that he did not support the recommendation of the Integrity Commissioner to remove Member Li from the City of Richmond Hill Committee of Adjustment.

14.3 Elena Smith, 10 Cheval Court, regarding the Report from Suzanne Craig, Integrity Commissioner, titled "Formal Code of Conduct Complaint #01101023 Investigation Report of Committee of Adjustment Member John Li" - (refer to Item 15.1)

Elena Smith, 10 Cheval Court, addressed Council regarding the Report from Suzanne Craig, Integrity Commissioner, titled "Formal Code of Conduct Complaint #01101023 Investigation Report of Committee of Adjustment Member John Li". She shared past experiences and interactions she has had with Member Li, advised of her concerns regarding the recommendations contained in the Integrity Commissioner's Report, and highlighted the information contained in the Report specific to the development of a Procedure and Rules Policy for the Committee of Adjustment. E. Smith requested that the only action taken be that Member Li be reprimanded and not removed from the City of Richmond Hill Committee of Adjustment.

14.4 Jo Anne Langshaw, 42 Roseview Avenue, regarding the Report from Suzanne Craig, Integrity Commissioner, titled "Formal Code of Conduct Complaint #01101023 Investigation Report of Committee of Adjustment Member John Li" - (refer to Item 15.1)

Jo Anne Langshaw, 42 Roseview Avenue, addressed Council regarding the Report from Suzanne Craig, Integrity Commissioner, titled "Formal Code of Conduct Complaint #01101023 Investigation Report of Committee of Adjustment Member John Li". She advised of her concerns with the operations and oversight of the City of Richmond Hill Committee of Adjustment and advised that her concerns were not with Member Li. J. Langshaw shared her experiences with the City of Richmond Hill Committee of Adjustment related to a neighbouring property on Roseview Avenue and her support of Member Li; and requested that going forward, Committee of Adjustment meetings be recorded for visibility and transparency.

14.5 Wilhelm Bleek, 136 Centre Street West, regarding the Report from Suzanne Craig, Integrity Commissioner, titled "Formal Code of Conduct Complaint #01101023 Investigation Report of Committee of Adjustment Member John Li" - (refer to Item 15.1)

Wilhelm Bleek, 136 Centre Street West, addressed Council regarding the Report from Suzanne Craig, Integrity Commissioner, titled "Formal Code of Conduct Complaint #01101023 Investigation Report of Committee of Adjustment Member John Li". He shared that he had a personal friendship with Member Li and described his character and how it may be perceived by others. W. Bleek advised of his concerns regarding the City of Richmond Hill Committee of Adjustment and the sense of mistrust within the community, and suggested that Member Li be permitted to honourably resign from the Committee.

14.6 Brian Chapnik, 110 Arnold Crescent, regarding the Report from Suzanne Craig, Integrity Commissioner, titled "Formal Code of Conduct Complaint #01101023 Investigation Report of Committee of Adjustment Member John Li" - (refer to Item 15.1)

Brian Chapnik, 110 Arnold Crescent, addressed Council regarding the Report from Suzanne Craig, Integrity Commissioner, titled "Formal Code of Conduct Complaint #01101023 Investigation Report of Committee of Adjustment Member John Li". He advised that he had reviewed the Integrity Commissioner's Report and had concerns regarding the integrity of the information and recommendations. B. Chapnik spoke to the

character of Member Li as a Member of the Committee of Adjustment and the complaints that were filed with the Integrity Commissioner, and requested that Council vote against the recommendations in the Report to remove Member Li from the Committee of Adjustment.

14.7 Alex Wong, 35 Leno Mills Avenue, regarding the Report from Suzanne Craig, Integrity Commissioner, titled "Formal Code of Conduct Complaint #01101023 Investigation Report of Committee of Adjustment Member John Li" - (refer to Item 15.1)

Alex Wong, 35 Leno Mills Avenue, addressed Council regarding the Report from Suzanne Craig, Integrity Commissioner, titled "Formal Code of Conduct Complaint #01101023 Investigation Report of Committee of Adjustment Member John Li". He advised that he had reviewed the Integrity Commissioner's Report and the information contained within it, shared his concerns regarding the operations of the City of Richmond Hill Committee of Adjustment, as well as his concerns with the recommendations of the Integrity Commissioner.

14.8 John Li, 206 Brookside Road, regarding the Report from Suzanne Craig, Integrity Commissioner, titled "Formal Code of Conduct Complaint #01101023 Investigation Report of Committee of Adjustment Member John Li" - (refer to Item 15.1)

John Li, 206 Brookside Road, addressed Council regarding the Report from Suzanne Craig, Integrity Commissioner, titled "Formal Code of Conduct Complaint #01101023 Investigation Report of Committee of Adjustment Member John Li". He spoke to key points made within the Report, shared his concerns related to the operations of the City of Richmond Hill Committee of Adjustment, and discussed the events and factors that led up to the complaints being filed with the Integrity Commissioner. J. Li advised that his efforts have been to promote transparency and to encourage reform within the Committee of Adjustment and its processes.

14.9 Carla Worden, 1393 Bethesda Sideroad, regarding the Feasibility of Meeting Provincial Housing Targets in Richmond Hill - (refer to Item 15.3.6)

Carla Worden, 1393 Bethesda Sideroad, addressed Council regarding the Feasibility of Meeting Provincial Housing Targets in Richmond Hill. She expressed concern that her request prior to the meeting to transfer her speaking time to another member of the community was not

accommodated, and asked her local Councillor to put a motion on the floor to defer consideration of staff report SRPBS.24.038 until this person was able to provide their comments on the topic.

14.10 Alex Rust, 11210 Leslie Street, regarding the Feasibility of Meeting Provincial Housing Targets in Richmond Hill - (refer to Item 15.3.6)

Alex Rust, 11210 Leslie Street, submitted a request to appear as delegation to address Council on this matter but was not in attendance.

15. Committee and Staff Reports

15.1 Report from Suzanne Craig, Integrity Commissioner, dated March 4, 2024, titled “Formal Code of Conduct Complaint #01191023 Investigation Report of Committee of Adjustment Member John Li”

Moved by: Councillor Cilevitz
Seconded by: Councillor Davidson

- a) That the investigation report from Suzanne Craig, Integrity Commissioner, dated March 4, 2024, titled “Formal Code of Conduct Complaint #01191023 Investigation Report of Committee of Adjustment Member John Li”, be received;
- b) That Committee of Adjustment Member John Li be and is hereby reprimanded (pursuant to Section 223.4(5) of the *Municipal Act, 2001*), for violating the Code of Conduct for Local Boards as detailed in the Integrity Commissioner’s report, dated March 4, 2024;
- c) That, as recommended by the Integrity Commissioner, John Li’s appointment to the Committee of Adjustment be rescinded pursuant to Section 12.10 of the Code of Conduct for Local Boards effective March 27, 2024.

A recorded vote was taken on Clause a):

In favour: (9): Councillor Cilevitz, Mayor West, Councillor Liu, Regional and Local Councillor DiPaola, Councillor Thompson, Councillor Davidson, Councillor Shiu, Regional and Local Councillor Chan, Councillor Cui

Opposed: (0): None

Clause a) Carried Unanimously (9 to 0)

A recorded vote was taken on Clause b):

In favour: (9): Councillor Cilevitz, Regional and Local Councillor DiPaola, Councillor Liu, Councillor Davidson, Regional and Local Councillor Chan, Councillor Thompson, Councillor Shiu, Councillor Cui, Mayor West

Opposed: (0): None

Clause b) Carried Unanimously (9 to 0)

A recorded vote was taken on Clause c):

In favour: (9): Councillor Cilevitz, Councillor Davidson, Councillor Thompson, Mayor West, Councillor Cui, Councillor Liu, Regional and Local Councillor DiPaola, Councillor Shiu, Regional and Local Councillor Chan

Opposed: (0): None

Clause c) Carried Unanimously (9 to 0)

The complete motion to read as follows:

Moved by: Councillor Cilevitz
Seconded by: Councillor Davidson

- a) That the investigation report from Suzanne Craig, Integrity Commissioner, dated March 4, 2024, titled “Formal Code of Conduct Complaint #01191023 Investigation Report of Committee of Adjustment Member John Li”, be received;
- b) That Committee of Adjustment Member John Li be and is hereby reprimanded (pursuant to Section 223.4(5) of the *Municipal Act, 2001*), for violating the Code of Conduct for Local Boards as detailed in the Integrity Commissioner’s report, dated March 4, 2024;
- c) That, as recommended by the Integrity Commissioner, John Li’s appointment to the Committee of Adjustment be rescinded pursuant to Section 12.10 of the Code of Conduct for Local Boards effective March 27, 2024.

Carried Unanimously

15.2 Minutes - Affordable Housing Strategy Implementation Committee AHSIC#03-23 held October 17, 2023

Moved by: Councillor Cilevitz
Seconded by: Councillor Cui

a) That the minutes of the Affordable Housing Strategy Implementation Committee AHSIC#03-23 held October 17, 2023, be received.

Carried Unanimously

15.3 Minutes - Committee of the Whole Meeting CW#04-24 held March 20, 2024

That the minutes of Committee of the Whole meeting CW#04-24 held March 20, 2024 be adopted as circulated and the following recommendations be approved:

15.3.1 Minutes - Accessibility Advisory Committee meeting AAC#04-23 held November 2, 2023 - (CW Item 11.1)

Moved by: Councillor Cilevitz

Seconded by: Councillor Cui

a) That the minutes of Accessibility Advisory Committee meeting AAC#04-23 held November 2, 2023 be adopted.

Carried Unanimously

15.3.2 Minutes - Heritage Richmond Hill meeting HRH#02-24 held February 15, 2024 - (CW Item 11.2)

Moved by: Councillor Cilevitz

Seconded by: Councillor Cui

a) That the minutes of Heritage Richmond Hill meeting HRH#02-24 held February 15, 2024, be adopted.

Carried Unanimously

15.3.3 Extracts - Heritage Richmond Hill meeting HRH#03-24 held March 7, 2024 - (CW Item 11.3)

15.3.3.1 SRPBS.24.009 - Notice of Intention to Designate 18 Arnold Crescent - City File D12-07001 - (CW Item 11.3.1)

Moved by: Councillor Cilevitz

Seconded by: Councillor Cui

a) That staff report SRPBS.24.009 regarding Notice of Intention to Designate 18 Arnold Crescent be received;

b) That City Council state its intention to designate the property at 18 Arnold Crescent under Part IV, Section 29 of the *Ontario Heritage Act* in recognition of its cultural heritage significance, and in accordance with the Statement of Significance: 18 Arnold Crescent included as Attachment A to staff report SRPBS.24.009;

c) That staff be directed to publish and serve Council's Notice of Intention to Designate as per the requirements of the *Ontario Heritage Act*;

d) That if there are no objections to the designation in accordance with the provisions of the *Ontario Heritage Act*, that staff be directed to place a designation by-law before Council at a future Council meeting for adoption;

e) That staff be authorized and directed to do all things necessary to give effect to this resolution.

Carried Unanimously

15.3.3.2 SRPBS.24.019 - Notice of Intention to Designate 90 Centre Street East - City File D12-07097 - (CW Item 11.3.2)

Moved by: Councillor Cilevitz

Seconded by: Councillor Cui

a) That the recommendation of Heritage Richmond Hill, and staff report SRPBS.24.019 regarding Notice of Intention to Designate 90 Centre Street East, be received for information only.

Carried Unanimously

15.3.3.3 SRPBS.24.020 - Notice of Intention to Designate 11 Centre Street West - City File D12-07103 - (CW Item 11.3.3)

Moved by: Councillor Cilevitz

Seconded by: Councillor Cui

- a) That staff report SRPBS.24.020 regarding Notice of Intention to Designate 11 Centre Street West be received;
- b) That City Council state its intention to designate the property at 11 Centre Street West under Part IV, Section 29 of the *Ontario Heritage Act* in recognition of its cultural heritage significance, and in accordance with the Statement of Significance: 11 Centre Street West included as Attachment A to staff report SRPBS.24.020;
- c) That staff be directed to publish and serve Council's Notice of Intention to Designate as per the requirements of the *Ontario Heritage Act*;
- d) That if there are no objections to the designation in accordance with the provisions of the *Ontario Heritage Act*, that staff be directed to place a designation by-law before Council at a future Council meeting for adoption;
- e) That staff be authorized and directed to do all things necessary to give effect to this resolution.

Carried Unanimously

15.3.3.4 SRPBS.24.021 - Notice of Intention to Designate 37 and 39 Centre Street West - City File D12-07108 - (CW Item 11.3.4)

Moved by: Councillor Cilevitz
Seconded by: Councillor Davidson

- a) That staff report SRPBS.24.021 regarding Notice of Intention to Designate 37 and 39 Centre Street West be received;
- b) That City Council state its intention to designate the properties at 37 and 39 Centre Street West under Part IV, Section 29 of the *Ontario Heritage Act* in recognition of its cultural heritage significance, and in accordance with the Statement of Significance: 37 and 39 Centre Street West included as Attachment A to staff report SRPBS.24.021;

- c) That staff be directed to publish and serve Council's Notice of Intention to Designate as per the requirements of the *Ontario Heritage Act*;
- d) That if there are no objections to the designation in accordance with the provisions of the *Ontario Heritage Act*, that staff be directed to place a designation by-law before Council at a future Council meeting for adoption;
- e) That staff be authorized and directed to do all things necessary to give effect to this resolution.

A recorded vote was taken:

In favour: (4): Councillor Cilevitz, Councillor Davidson, Mayor West, Councilor Shiu

Opposed: (4): Councillor Cui, Regional and Local Councillor Chan, Councillor Thompson, Regional and Local Councillor DiPaola

Absent: (1): Councillor Liu

Motion Failed to Carry on a Tie Vote (4 to 4)

Moved by: Councillor Cilevitz

Seconded by: Councillor Davidson

- a) That the recommendation of Heritage Richmond Hill, and staff report SRPBS.24.021 regarding Notice of Intention to Designate 37 and 39 Centre Street West, be received for information only.

Carried Unanimously

15.3.3.5 SRPBS.24.022 - Notice of Intention to Designate 13076 Leslie Street - City File D12-07289 - (CW Item 11.3.5)

Moved by: Councillor Cilevitz

Seconded by: Councillor Cui

- a) That staff report SRPBS.24.022 regarding Notice of Intention to Designate 13076 Leslie Street be received;
- b) That City Council state its intention to designate the property at 13076 Leslie Street under Part IV, Section

29 of the *Ontario Heritage Act* in recognition of its cultural heritage significance, and in accordance with the Statement of Significance: 13076 Leslie Street included as Attachment A to staff report SRPBS.24.022;

c) That staff be directed to publish and serve Council's Notice of Intention to Designate as per the requirements of the *Ontario Heritage Act*;

d) That if there are no objections to the designation in accordance with the provisions of the *Ontario Heritage Act*, that staff be directed to place a designation by-law before Council at a future Council meeting for adoption;

e) That staff be authorized and directed to do all things necessary to give effect to this resolution.

Carried Unanimously

15.3.3.6 SRPBS.24.023 - Notice of Intention to Designate 32 Richmond Street - City File D12-07354 - (CW Item 11.3.6)

Moved by: Councillor Cilevitz

Seconded by: Councillor Cui

a) That staff report SRPBS.24.023 regarding Notice of Intention to Designate 32 Richmond Street be received;

b) That City Council state its intention to designate the property at 32 Richmond Street under Part IV, Section 29 of the *Ontario Heritage Act* in recognition of its cultural heritage significance, and in accordance with the Statement of Significance: 32 Richmond Street included as Attachment A to staff report SRPBS.24.023;

c) That staff be directed to publish and serve Council's Notice of Intention to Designate as per the requirements of the *Ontario Heritage Act*;

d) That if there are no objections to the designation in accordance with the provisions of the *Ontario Heritage Act*, that staff be directed to place a designation by-law before Council at a future Council meeting for adoption;

e) That staff be authorized and directed to do all things necessary to give effect to this resolution.

Carried Unanimously

15.3.3.7 SRPBS.24.024 - Notice of Intention to Designate 42 Richmond Street - City File D12-07356 - (CW Item 11.3.7)

Moved by: Councillor Cilevitz

Seconded by: Councillor Cui

a) That staff report SRPBS.24.024 regarding Notice of Intention to Designate 42 Richmond Street be received;

b) That City Council state its intention to designate the property at 42 Richmond Street under Part IV, Section 29 of the *Ontario Heritage Act* in recognition of its cultural heritage significance, and in accordance with the Statement of Significance: 42 Richmond Street included as Attachment A to staff report SRPBS.24.024;

c) That staff be directed to publish and serve Council's Notice of Intention to Designate as per the requirements of the *Ontario Heritage Act*;

d) That if there are no objections to the designation in accordance with the provisions of the *Ontario Heritage Act*, that staff be directed to place a designation by-law before Council at a future Council meeting for adoption;

e) That staff be authorized and directed to do all things necessary to give effect to this resolution.

Carried Unanimously

15.3.3.8 SRPBS.24.025 - Notice of Intention to Designate 111 Richmond Street - City File D12-07365 - (CW Item 11.3.8)

Moved by: Councillor Cilevitz

Seconded by: Councillor Cui

a) That staff report SRPBS.24.025 regarding Notice of Intention to Designate 111 Richmond Street be received;

b) That City Council state its intention to designate the property at 111 Richmond Street under Part IV, Section 29 of the *Ontario Heritage Act* in recognition of its cultural heritage significance, and in accordance with the Statement of Significance: 111 Richmond Street included as Attachment A to staff report SRPBS.24.025;

c) That staff be directed to publish and serve Council's Notice of Intention to Designate as per the requirements of the *Ontario Heritage Act*;

d) That if there are no objections to the designation in accordance with the provisions of the *Ontario Heritage Act*, that staff be directed to place a designation by-law before Council at a future Council meeting for adoption;

e) That staff be authorized and directed to do all things necessary to give effect to this resolution.

Carried Unanimously

15.3.3.9 SRPBS.24.026 - Notice of Intention to Designate 124 Richmond Street - City File D12-07368 - (CW Item 11.3.9)

Moved by: Councillor Cilevitz

Seconded by: Councillor Davidson

a) That staff report SRPBS.24.026 regarding Notice of Intention to Designate 124 Richmond Street be received;

- b) That City Council state its intention to designate the property at 124 Richmond Street under Part IV, Section 29 of the *Ontario Heritage Act* in recognition of its cultural heritage significance, and in accordance with the Statement of Significance: 124 Richmond Street included as Attachment A to staff report SRPBS.24.026;
- c) That staff be directed to publish and serve Council's Notice of Intention to Designate as per the requirements of the *Ontario Heritage Act*;
- d) That if there are no objections to the designation in accordance with the provisions of the *Ontario Heritage Act*, that Staff be directed to place a designation by-law before Council at a future Council meeting for adoption;
- e) That staff be authorized and directed to do all things necessary to give effect to this resolution.

Carried Unanimously

15.3.3.10 SRPBS.24.027 - Notice of Intention to Designate 10350 Yonge Street - City File D12-07476 - (CW Item 11.3.10)

Moved by: Councillor Cilevitz
Seconded by: Councillor Cui

- a) That staff report SRPBS.24.027 regarding Notice of Intention to Designate 10350 Yonge Street be received;
- b) That City Council state its intention to designate the property at 10350 Yonge Street under Part IV, Section 29 of the *Ontario Heritage Act* in recognition of its cultural heritage significance, and in accordance with the Statement of Significance: 10350 Yonge Street included as Attachment A to staff report SRPBS.24.027;
- c) That staff be directed to publish and serve Council's Notice of Intention to Designate as per the requirements of the *Ontario Heritage Act*;

d) That if there are no objections to the designation in accordance with the provisions of the *Ontario Heritage Act*, that staff be directed to place a designation by-law before Council at a future Council meeting for adoption;

e) That staff be authorized and directed to do all things necessary to give effect to this resolution.

Carried Unanimously

15.3.3.11 SRPBS.24.035 - Notice of Intent to Demolish Garage at 34 Roseview Avenue - City File D12-07380 - (CW Item 11.3.11)

Moved by: Councillor Cilevitz

Seconded by: Councillor Cui

a) That staff report SRPBS.24.035 regarding Notice of Intent to Demolish Garage at 34 Roseview Avenue be received;

b) That the frame garage at 34 Roseview Avenue does not merit cultural heritage designation under Part IV of the *Ontario Heritage Act*, and consequently, that the owner's request to demolish proceed through the applicable permit process.

Carried Unanimously

15.3.4 SRPBS.24.012 - Request for Approval - Zoning By-law Amendment and Draft Plan of Subdivision Applications - Minoos Mahroo and Ebrahim Javady Torabi - 551 and 561 16th Avenue - City Files D02-21010 and SUB-22-0008 - (CW Item 11.4) - (By-law 13-24)

Moved by: Councillor Cilevitz

Seconded by: Councillor Cui

a) That the Zoning By-law Amendment and draft Plan of Subdivision applications submitted by Minoos Mahroo and Ebrahim Javady Torabi for lands known as Part of Lots 23 and 24, Registered Plan 3806 (Municipal Addresses: 551 and 561 16th Avenue), City Files D02-21010 and SUB-22-0008, be approved, subject to the following:

i) that a portion of the subject lands be rezoned from “Special Residential One (SR-1) Zone” to “Low Density Residential Six (R6) Zone” under By-law 255-96, as amended, with site specific development standards for the lands zoned “Special Residential One (SR-1) Zone” and “Low Density Residential Six (R6) Zone” under By-law 255-96, as amended, as set out in Appendix “C” to Staff Report SRPBS.24.012;

ii) that the amending Zoning By-law be brought forward to the March 27, 2024 Council meeting for consideration and enactment;

iii) that the draft Plan of Subdivision as depicted on Map 5 to Staff Report SRPBS.24.012 be draft approved, subject to the conditions as set out in Appendix “D” hereto;

iv) that prior to draft approval being granted, the applicant pay the applicable processing fee in accordance with the City’s Tariff of Fees By-law 94-23; and,

b) That 36.84 persons equivalent of additional servicing allocation be assigned to the subject lands, to be released by the Commissioner of Planning and Building Services in accordance with By-law 109-11, as amended.

Carried Unanimously

15.3.5 SRPBS.24.029 - Request for Approval - Servicing Allocation and Financial Contribution Request - Gil Shcolyar - 20 Bedford Park Avenue - City File D06-20035 - (CW Item 11.5)

Moved by: Councillor Cilevitz

Seconded by: Councillor Cui

a) That the request by Gil Shcolyar for 20.68 persons equivalent of servicing allocation for the lands known as Lot 27, Registered Plan 10030 (Municipal Address: 20 Bedford Park Avenue), City File D06-20035, be assigned to the development to be constructed on the subject lands, to be released by the Commissioner of Planning and Building Services in accordance with By-law 109-11, as amended;

b) That Council direct City staff to accept a one-time financial contribution of \$34,399.58 from the applicant as compensation to

satisfy the “best efforts” requirements of the Source Protection Plan under the Clean Water Act, 2006; and,

c) That the one-time financial contribution of \$34,399.58 be directed to the Mill Pond Park Renewal project.

Carried Unanimously

15.3.6 SRPBS.24.038 - Feasibility of Meeting Provincial Housing Targets in Richmond Hill - (CW Item 11.6)

Moved by: Regional and Local Councillor DiPaola

Seconded by: Councillor Cilevitz

a) That the report regarding Feasibility of Meeting Provincial Housing Targets in Richmond Hill be received for information.

b) That the City Clerk be directed to send a copy of Staff Report SRPBS.24.038 to the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing.

Carried Unanimously

15.3.7 SRCFS.24.010 - Council-Staff Relations Policy - (CW Item 11.7)

Moved by: Councillor Cilevitz

Seconded by: Councillor Cui

a) That staff report SRCFS.24.010, titled Council-Staff Relations Policy, be received;

b) That the Council-Staff Relations Policy, Attachment “A” to staff report SRCFS.24.010, be approved.

Carried Unanimously

15.3.8 SRCFS.24.011 - 2023 Council and Committee Remuneration and Expenses - (CW Item 11.8)

Moved by: Councillor Cilevitz

Seconded by: Councillor Cui

a) That staff report SRCFS.24.011, regarding 2023 Council and Committee Remuneration and Expenses, be received.

Carried Unanimously

15.3.9 SRCS.24.03 - Non-Competitive Acquisition of Five Articulating Sidewalk Tractors - (CW Item 11.9)

Moved by: Councillor Cilevitz
Seconded by: Councillor Cui

- a) That the contract for the provision of five articulating sidewalk tractors with attachments be awarded non-competitively to Joe Johnson Equipment Inc., a subsidiary of Federal Signal Corporation at a cost not exceeding \$864,000 (exclusive of taxes), pursuant to Appendix “B”, Part I, section (c) of Procurement By-Law 113-16; and
- b) That the Commissioner of Community Services be authorized to execute any and all necessary documentation to affect the contract.

Carried Unanimously

15.3.10 SRIES.24.003 - Traffic Safety and Operations Strategy (TSOS) Implementation - (CW Item 11.10) - (By-laws 21-24 and 35-24)

Moved by: Councillor Shiu
Seconded by: Regional and Local Councillor Chan

- a) That report SRIES.24.003 regarding Traffic Safety and Operations Strategy Implementation be received;
- b) That Council approve the 18 traffic calming locations and associated traffic measures outlined in Attachment 1 to Staff Report SRIES.24.003;
- c) That Council adopt the traffic policies included in Attachment 3 to Staff Report SRIES.24.003;
- d) That By-Law 21-24 (Attachment 4) be brought forward to the March 27th, 2024 Council Meeting for enactment to amend Article “1” of Municipal Code, Chapter 1030, in order to designate 86 roadway segments in the City as Community Safety Zones; and
- e) That By-Law 35-24 (Attachment 5) be brought forward to the March 27th, 2024 Council Meeting for enactment to amend Chapter 1116 of the Municipal Code, to implement the parking regulation changes on various roadways in the City.

Carried Unanimously

15.3.11 SRIES.24.011 - Pavement Condition Data Collection Services on Designated Roadways within the City of Richmond Hill - (CW Item 11.11)

Moved by: Councillor Cilevitz
Seconded by: Councillor Cui

a) That the contract for Pavement Condition Data Collection Services on Designated Roadways within the City be awarded non-competitively to Stantec Consulting Ltd. at a cost not exceeding \$195,000 (net of the HST rebate) for a contract duration of three (3) years, pursuant to Appendix “B”, Part I, Section (c) of Procurement By-Law 113-16; in order to ensure compatibility with existing RoadMatrix software used and maintained by the City of the Richmond Hill staff;

b) That the Commissioner of Infrastructure and Engineering Services be authorized to execute any necessary documentation to execute the contract.

Carried Unanimously

15.3.12 Correspondence from Liz Bick, 37 and 39 Centre Street West, dated March 18, 2024, regarding Notice of Intention to Designate 37 and 39 Centre Street West - (CW Item 11.12)

Moved by: Councillor Cilevitz
Seconded by: Councillor Cui

a) That the correspondence from Liz Bick, 37 and 39 Centre Street West, dated March 18, 2024, regarding Notice of Intention to Designate 37 and 39 Centre Street West, be received.

Carried Unanimously

15.3.13 Member Motion - Regional and Local Councillor DiPaola - The City of Richmond Hill's Cybersecurity Program - (CW Item 12.1)

Moved by: Councillor Cilevitz
Seconded by: Councillor Cui

Whereas several municipalities, including most recently the city of Hamilton, have experienced costly breaches of their cybersecurity measures; and

Whereas the City of Richmond Hill has counter cyberattack measures and policies in place and uses the ISO 27001 standards to measure the effectiveness of its cybersecurity.

Now Therefore Be It Resolved:

That City of Richmond Hill Staff report to Council before Summer Recess with details about the City’s cybersecurity measures, including current compliance with any standards the City uses to guide its cybersecurity programs.

That the report include a rough cost estimate for any additional cybersecurity measures that may be required to protect the City, and a rough cost estimate to obtain formal certification of the City’s cybersecurity programs.

That the report be presented in a Closed Session meeting if staff determine that the content of the report considers the security of City property or other factors for which a closed session meeting is permitted.

Carried Unanimously

15.3.14 Member Motion - Regional and Local Councillor Chan - Federal Infrastructure Funding to Support Growth - (CW Item 12.2)

Moved by: Councillor Cilevitz

Seconded by: Councillor Cui

Whereas, Canada is experiencing record population growth, having welcomed 1.25 million new Canadians last year alone; and

Whereas, according to the Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation (CMHC) at least 3.5 million additional homes are needed in Canada by 2030, and municipalities need to build or expand the infrastructure to accommodate this growth; and

Whereas, the Federation of Canadian Municipalities has estimated that the cost of the municipal infrastructure required to support housing development is, on average, in the range of \$107,000 per unit; and

Whereas, according to Statistics Canada the cost of upgrading existing municipal infrastructure to keep it in a state of good repair is in the range of \$170 billion; and

Whereas, non-residential construction price inflation has risen by 29% since the end of 2020 and municipalities are facing soaring costs for infrastructure projects without a corresponding growth in revenue; and

Whereas, unlike federal and provincial revenues, municipal tax revenue has not increased in recent years along with inflation, economic growth, or population growth; and

Whereas, municipalities are facing a gap in federal infrastructure funding as the 10-year Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program has come to an end, the Canada Community-Building Fund is being renegotiated and the Permanent Public Transit Fund is set to start in 2026;

Whereas, The Canada Community-Building Fund (CCBF), which was formerly known as the federal Gas Tax Fund, provides more than \$2 billion in annual capital funding directly to municipalities through a predictable allocation mechanism, and municipalities of all sizes use the CCBF to deliver direct results for Canadians by building and renewing critical core public infrastructure, including water infrastructure, local roads, public transit and community, and cultural and recreational facilities;

Now Therefore Be It Resolved:

That Council for the City of Richmond Hill requests that the Federal government work with municipalities and agreement signatories to maintain the Canada Community-Building Fund as a source of direct, predictable, long-term funding for local infrastructure priorities; and be it further resolved

That Council for the City of Richmond Hill requests the Federal government commit, in Budget 2024, to the next generation of infrastructure programs, including a new program for water and wastewater infrastructure and an increase to the Disaster Mitigation and Adaptation Fund; and be it further resolved

That Council for the City of Richmond Hill requests that the Federal government engage with provinces, territories and municipalities to negotiate a “Municipal Growth Framework” to modernize the way that municipalities are funded in order to enable Canada’s long-term growth; and be it further resolved

That the City Clerk send this resolution to the Prime Minister of Canada, Finance Minister of Canada, Housing, Infrastructure and Communities Minister of Canada, the Leader of the Official Opposition of Canada, and Leaders of other Federal Parties, the Local Members of Parliament, Federation of Canadian Municipalities, Big City Mayors' Caucus, as well as York Region and its member municipalities.

Carried Unanimously

15.4 SRCFS.24.008 - 2024 Development Charges Update - Council Adoption

Moved by: Councillor Cilevitz

Seconded by: Councillor Cui

a) That staff report SRCFS.24.008 regarding 2024 Development Charges Update - Council Adoption, be received;

b) That draft By-laws 6-24, 7-24, 8-24, 9-24, and 10-24 for City-wide Development Charges be adopted;

c) That draft By-laws 11-24, and 12-24 for Area Specific Development Charges be adopted;

d) That the revised Development Charges Interest Policy be adopted (attached as Appendix "C" to staff report SRCFS.24.008);

e) That the City-wide Development Charges Deferral Policy for the Large Office Buildings in the Richmond Hill Centre – Pilot Program be adopted (attached as Appendix "D" to staff report SRCFS.24.008);

f) That the City-wide Development Charges Deferral for Office Buildings Policy be adopted (attached as Appendix "E" to staff report SRCFS.24.008);

g) That the City-wide Development Charges Deferral for Charitable Non-Profit Organizations Policy be adopted (attached as Appendix "F" to staff report SRCFS.24.008);

h) That the following Area Specific Development Charges By-law be repealed:

- By-law 41-19 Oak Ridges-Lake Wilcox Greenfield Development Area;
- By-law 42-19 North Leslie West Development Area;

- By-law 43-19 North Leslie East Development Area;
- By-law 44-19 West Gormley Development Area;
- By-law 45-19 Elgin West Development Area;
- By-law 46-19 Headford Storm North of Rouge Development Area.

i) That Tariff of Fees By-law 94-23 be amended by deleting and replacing Schedule H - Legal Services with the recommended fee as outlined in Appendix “G” to staff report SRCFS.24.008;

j) That Tariff of Fees By-law 94-23 be amended by deleting and replacing Schedule F - Financial Services with the recommended fee as outlined in Appendix “H” to staff report SRCFS.24.008.

Carried Unanimously

15.5 SRPBS.24.036 - Request for Direction - Official Plan and Zoning By-law Amendment Applications - 9218 Yonge Street Inc. - 9218 Yonge Street - City Files D01-21010 and D02-21020

Moved by: Councillor Cilevitz

Seconded by: Councillor Cui

a) That staff report SRPBS.24.036 be received for information purposes;

b) That the Ontario Land Tribunal (OLT) be advised that Council supports the revised development proposal dated March, 2024 submitted by 9218 Yonge Street Inc. for lands known as 9218 Yonge Street (City Files D01-21010 and D02-21020), for the primary reasons outlined in staff report SRPBS.24.036, subject to the following:

- i. that the OLT be requested to approve the implementing Official Plan Amendment substantially in accordance with the document contained in Appendix “B” to staff report SRPBS.24.036, to the satisfaction of the Commissioner of Planning and Building Services;
- ii. that the OLT be requested to withhold the issuance of its Final Order with respect to the related Zoning By-law Amendment until such time as the City advises the Tribunal that the implementing Zoning By-law Amendment has been finalized to the satisfaction of the Commissioner of Planning and Building Services.

c) That upon the recommendation of the Commissioner of Planning and Building Services, the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to enter into Minutes of Settlement and any further agreements or documentation;

d) That the authority to assign servicing allocation to the proposed development on the subject lands be delegated to the Commissioner of Planning and Building Services subject to the criteria in the City's Interim Growth Management Strategy, and that the assigned servicing allocation be released in accordance with the provisions of By-law 109-11, as amended;

e) That appropriate City staff be directed to appear at the Ontario Land Tribunal as necessary in support of Council's position concerning the subject applications.

Carried Unanimously

15.6 Correspondence received regarding the Report from Suzanne Craig, Integrity Commissioner, dated March 4, 2024, titled "Formal Code of Conduct Complaint #01101023 Investigation Report of Committee of Adjustment Member John Li" - (refer to Item 15.1)

Moved by: Councillor Cilevitz

Seconded by: Councillor Cui

That the following correspondence regarding the Report from Suzanne Craig, Integrity Commissioner, dated March 4, 2024, titled "Formal Code of Conduct Complaint #01101023 Investigation Report of Committee of Adjustment Member John Li" be received:

1. Gary Zikovitz, 44 Penwick Crescent, dated March 25, 2024.
2. Alex Wong, 35 Leno Mills Avenue, received March 26, 2024.
3. John Li, 206 Brookside Road, dated March 26, 2024.

Carried Unanimously

16. Other Business

There were no other business items.

17. Emergency/Time Sensitive Matters

There were no emergency/time sensitive matters.

18. By-laws

Moved by: Regional and Local Councillor DiPaola

Seconded by: Councillor Cui

That the following By-laws be approved:

By-law 6-24 - A By-Law to enact a City-wide Engineering Services Development Charges By-law for the City of Richmond Hill

By-law 7-24 - A By-Law to enact a City-wide Public Works Development Charges By-law for the City of Richmond Hill

By-law 8-24 - A By-Law to enact a City-wide Fire Protection Services Development Charges By-law for the City of Richmond Hill

By-law 9-24 - A By-Law to enact a City-wide Parks and Recreation Services Development Charges By-law for the City of Richmond Hill

By-law 10-24 - A By-Law to enact a City-wide Library Services Development Charges By-law for the City of Richmond Hill

By-law 11-24 - A By-Law to Establish an Area Specific Development Charges By-law for the City of Richmond Hill - Bayview North East Development Area

By-law 12-24 - A By-Law to Establish an Area Specific Development Charges By-law for the City of Richmond Hill - Headford Excluding Storm Development Area

By-law 13-24 - A By-law to Amend By-law 255-96, as amended, of The Corporation of the City of Richmond Hill

By-law 21-24 - A By-law to amend Chapter 1030 of the City of Richmond Hill Municipal Code, being By-law 147-05, as amended, relating to designation of Community Safety Zones

By-law 35-24 - A By-law to amend Chapter 1116 of the City of Richmond Hill Municipal Code, being By-law 402-89, as amended, relating to parking regulation

By-law 37-24 - A By-Law to assume aboveground and belowground municipal services

By-law 38-24 - A By-Law to assume aboveground and belowground municipal services

By-law 42-24 - A By-law to Remove Certain Lands from Part Lot Control

Carried

19. Closed Session

There were no closed session items.

20. By-law to Confirm the Proceedings of Council at this Meeting

20.1 By-law 41-24

Moved by: Regional and Local Councillor Chan
Seconded by: Councillor Cui

That By-law 41-24, A By-law to confirm the proceedings of Council at this meeting, be passed.

Carried

21. Adjournment

Moved by: Councillor Thompson
Seconded by: Councillor Cui

That the meeting be adjourned.

Carried

The meeting was adjourned at 1:25 p.m.

David West, Mayor

Stephen M.A. Huycke, City Clerk