Council Meeting

Minutes

C#09-26
Wednesday, May 27, 2026, 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, May 27, 2026 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 Liu
Councillor Cilevitz
Councillor Shiu

Council Member present via videoconference:

Councillor Cui

Staff Members present in Council Chambers:

S. Adams, Commissioner of Corporate and Financial Services
M. Flores, 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
D. Giannetta, Director, Development Planning
B. Scopacasa, Manager, Development Planning
F. Suppa, Director, Infrastructure Planning and Development Engineering
G. La Moglie, Senior Planner - Development
D. Pigliacelli, Planner I - Development
S. Huycke, City Clerk

R. Ban, Deputy City Clerk
C. Connolly, Council/Committee Coordinator
K. Hurley, Council/Committee Coordinator

Staff Members present via videoconference:

D. Guy, Director, Community Standards
G. Li, Director, Financial Services and Treasurer
H. Ng, Manager, Transportation and Traffic

1. Call to Order

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

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)

Ryhana Wong-Jeffers, 103 Jefferson Forest Drive, shared her concerns regarding school safety, accessibility, transportation accountability, and infrastructure design within local educational environments. She expressed her hope for modernization and safer systems to reflect the changed society which we live in to better protect the safety of students within the community.

5. Council Announcements

Councillor Thompson wished Richmond Hill resident Ryan Tverberg of the Toronto Marlies good luck as he competes in the Eastern Conference Finals for the American Hockey League and gave a shout out to the Montreal Canadiens as they compete in the Stanley Cup playoffs.

Councillor Thompson reminded everyone that he would be hosting his annual Eco Family Fest on Saturday at Town Park and Elgin Barrow Arena and residents interested in attending can pre-register on his website to get their ticket.

Councillor Cilevitz also gave a shout out to the Montreal Canadiens as they compete in the Stanley Cup playoffs.

Councillor Cilevitz shared that her Voices From The Hill event this past Sunday at the Richmond Hill Centre for the Performing Arts was very well attended and extended her thanks to all of the staff, volunteers and sponsors who contributed to a successful event.

Councillor Cilevitz acknowledged that June was Pride Month and that the Pride flag would be flown for the entire month in recognition and support of the 2SLGBTQI+ communities.

Councillor Davidson highlighted the 5 outdoor concerts scheduled to take place at Lake Wilcox this summer with the first one being tomorrow night and reminded residents interested in attending that paid parking is in effect so get parking passes in advance.

Regional and Local Councillor Chan shared that this past Saturday he hosted his Spring Fair at Richmond Green and expressed heartfelt thanks to everyone who was in attendance and to the staff from his office and Event Services who contributed to the event's success and noted that leftover food was donated to a good cause.

Regional and Local Councillor Chan advised that as part of Seniors Month he would be hosting a Seniors Health and Safety Fair on June 1st at Elgin Barrow Arena with representation from York Region Paramedic Services, York Region Police and Richmond Hill Fire and Emergency Services for the panel discussion and encouraged residents to attend and bring their questions for the panel.

Regional and Local Councillor DiPaola shared that this past Saturday he along with York Region Paramedic Services hosted a CPR and AED Community Safety Seminar at Elgin West Community Centre and expressed his thanks and appreciation to York Region Paramedic Services for a successful event that was well attended.

Regional and Local Councillor DiPaola advised that on June 10th he would be hosting a free family barbeque at Richmond Green Park and noted that anyone interested in attending could register on his website.

Councillor Shiu advised that on Saturday from 1pm to 6pm he would be hosting a Ward 6 Soccer Tournament at Langstaff Park Soccer Field noting that many local

businesses would be in attendance to showcase their services and products to the community.

Mayor West extended his thanks to fellow Members of Council and staff who participated in the Mayor for a Day event with Mayor Karina and shared how inspired he was by the many students who applied and shared their ideas.

Mayor West highlighted that National AccessAbility Week (NAAW) would be taking place May 31st to June 6th and the progress that has been made in making the community more accessible and encouraged everyone to participate in Red Shirt Day on June 3rd in support of this initiative.

Mayor West extended best wishes to all those celebrating Eid al-Adha today and hoped they had a meaningful celebration.

Mayor West shared that this past Sunday was the annual Walk for Hill House Hospice and expressed his thanks to Hill House Hospice for the important work that do for the community.

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: Councillor Cilevitz
Seconded by: Councillor Liu

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

a) Delegation by Jo Fox, SFCT Richmond Hill, regarding the Radio-Communication and Broadcasting Antenna System Application Public Consultation Application submitted for 1124 Elgin Mills Road East - (Item 14.2);

b) Delegation by Michael Theodores, 481 Major Mackenzie Drive East, regarding the Revised Official Plan and Zoning By-law Amendment Applications submitted by Norfolk Development Inc. for 162, 166, 170, 174, 178, and 182 Norfolk Avenue - (Item 14.3);

c) Correspondence received regarding Traffic Regulation Changes - (Item 15.5);

d) Correspondence received regarding the Revised Official Plan and Zoning By-law Amendment Applications submitted by Norfolk Development Inc. for 162, 166, 170, 174, 178, and 182 Norfolk Avenue - (Item 15.6);

e) Delegation by Mike Lesychyn, 11 Baynards Lane, regarding Traffic Regulation Changes - (Item 14.4).

Carried

8. Disclosures of Pecuniary Interest and General Nature Thereof

There were no disclosures of pecuniary interest by Members of Council under the *Municipal Conflict of Interest Act*.

9. Adoption of Previous Council Minutes

9.1 Council Meeting C#08-26 held May 13, 2026

Moved by: Councillor Davidson
Seconded by: Councillor Shiu

That the minutes of Council Meeting C#08-26 held on May 13, 2026, be adopted.

Carried

10. Identification of Items Requiring Separate Discussion

Council consented to separate items 15.2.2, 15.2.4 and 15.3 for discussion.

11. Adoption of the Remainder of Agenda Items

On a motion of Councillor Liu, seconded by Councillor Thompson, Council adopted those items not identified for separate discussion.

12. Public Hearing(s)

There were no public hearings.

13. Presentation(s)

13.1 Presentation by Carmine Stumpo, President and CEO, Mackenzie Health, regarding their annual update on hospital operations and growth plans at Mackenzie Richmond Hill Hospital and Cortellucci Vaughan Hospital

Carmine Stumpo, President and CEO, Mackenzie Health, made a presentation to Council regarding their annual update on hospital operations and growth plans at Mackenzie Richmond Hill Hospital and Cortellucci Vaughan Hospital. He provided an overview of Mackenzie Health and the core and specialized services that they delivered to the community and shared various statistics to demonstrate activity across the two hospitals and community-based locations. He identified challenges

that Mackenzie Health worked through as part of their daily operations, highlighted the components of their 2025-2028 Strategic Plan: Delivering today, building for tomorrow, and advised of new services and the activation of shelled floors at Cortellucci Vaughan Hospital to unlock its full value for patients. C. Stumpo concluded his presentation by highlighting the need for modernization and expansion, advising of the community fundraising initiatives that they hold annually, and expressed his thanks to Mayor West and Members of Council.

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

a) That the presentation by Carmine Stumpo, President and CEO, Mackenzie Health, regarding their annual update on hospital operations and growth plans at Mackenzie Richmond Hill Hospital and Cortellucci Vaughan Hospital, be received with thanks.

Carried Unanimously

14. Delegation(s)

14.1 Cheyenne Zierler, Shared Tower Inc., regarding the Radio-Communication and Broadcasting Antenna System Application Public Consultation Application submitted for 1124 Elgin Mills Road East - (refer to Item 15.3)

Cheyenne Zierler, Shared Tower Inc., addressed Council regarding the Radio-Communication and Broadcasting Antenna System Application Public Consultation Application submitted for 1124 Elgin Mills Road East. She reviewed the federal and municipal framework for the installation of telecommunications towers noting the role of a municipal council to make a decision based on the merits of the application and whether the required process was followed. C. Zierler stressed the technical need for the telecommunications tower because of the existing gap in the wireless network, advised that they completed the City's consultation process and responded to applicable questions, and requested a decision of concurrence for the proposed telecommunications tower.

14.2 Jo Fox, SFCT Richmond Hill, regarding the Radio-Communication and Broadcasting Antenna System Application Public Consultation Application submitted for 1124 Elgin Mills Road East - (refer to Item 15.3)

Jo Fox, SFCT Richmond Hill, addressed Council regarding the Radio-Communication and Broadcasting Antenna System Application Public Consultation Application submitted for 1124 Elgin Mills Road East. She cited reasons to support a decision of non-concurrence for the proposed telecommunications tower, reviewed the decision-making process for cell towers in Canada, and shared that in her opinion there was inadequate public consultation for this proposal. J. Fox identified negative impacts of cell towers and shared her concerns with various parts of the Public Information Package that was circulated.

14.3 Michael Theodores, 481 Major Mackenzie Drive East, regarding the Revised Official Plan and Zoning By-law Amendment Applications submitted by Norfolk Development Inc. for 162, 166, 170, 174, 178, and 182 Norfolk Avenue - (refer to Item 15.2.4)

Michael Theodores, 481 Major Mackenzie Drive East, addressed Council regarding the Revised Official Plan and Zoning By-law Amendment Applications submitted by Norfolk Development Inc. for 162, 166, 170, 174, 178, and 182 Norfolk Avenue. He expressed concern regarding the notification for the applications and advised of his concerns with the height and density of the proposed development and the impact it would have on area traffic. M. Theodores further advised of his concerns regarding the need for improved GO Transit service in the area, as further detailed in his correspondence distributed as Item 15.6.

14.4 Mike Lesychyn, 11 Baynards Lane, regarding Traffic Regulation Changes - (refer to Item 15.2.2)

Mike Lesychyn, 11 Baynards Lane, addressed Council regarding the Traffic Regulation Changes. He advised of his concerns with the proposed parking restrictions for Baynards Lane that would only permit cars to park on one side of the street as it would pose a safety risk for children walking home from school and needing to cross the street amongst parked cars, and also the potential issues this could cause for emergency service vehicles needing to access the street.

15. Committee and Staff Reports

15.1 Minutes - Budget Committee of the Whole meeting BCW#01-26 held May 12, 2026

That the minutes of Budget Committee of the Whole meeting BCW#01-26 held May 12, 2026, be approved as circulated and the following recommendations approved:

15.1.1 SRCFS.26.009 - Year-End Operating Results as of December 31, 2025 - (BCW Item 5.1)

Moved by: Councillor Liu
Seconded by: Councillor Thompson

a) That the 2025 Operating Results be received for information purposes;

b) That the 2025 Operating Budget carryforward items of $190,600 listed in Appendix “B” to staff report SRCFS.26.009 be approved and carried over to the 2026 Operating Budget;

c) That the Library surplus allocation be approved:

i. 2025 Library surplus of $385,600 be transferred back to the City’s Infrastructure Repair and Replacement Reserve Fund; and

ii. Future Library Year-End surplus be transferred to the City, and

iii. The City’s Treasurer be authorized to determine the allocation of the surplus as per the City’s surplus allocation By-law 109-13.

d) That the surplus allocation and deficit funding as detailed in Appendix “C” to staff report SRCFS.26.009, be approved:

i. 2025 Operating Fund surplus of $2,862,400 be transferred to the Transportation Network Repair and Replacement Reserve Fund;

ii. 2025 Water & Wastewater Fund deficit of $1,770,100 be funded from the Water Rate Stabilization Reserve; and

iii. 2025 Stormwater Management Fund surplus of $312,200 be transferred to the Water Quality Protection Reserve Fund.

Carried

15.1.2 SRCFS.26.015 - 2025 Investment Portfolio Results - (BCW Item 5.2)

Moved by: Councillor Liu
Seconded by: Councillor Thompson

a) That staff report SRCFS.26.015 regarding 2025 Investment Portfolio Results, be received for information purposes; and

b) That the updated Investment Policy be approved as provided in Appendix “D” to staff report SRCFS.26.015.

Carried

15.1.3 SRCFS.26.013 - 2025 Reserve and Reserve Fund Status - (BCW Item 5.3)

Moved by: Councillor Liu
Seconded by: Councillor Thompson

a) That staff report SRCFS.26.013 regarding 2025 Reserve and Reserve Fund Status be received for information purposes; and

b) That the Winter Snow Removal Reserve established in 1993 be closed and By-law 391-93 repealed.

Carried

15.1.4 SRCFS.26.012 - 2025 Development Charges, Cash in Lieu of Parkland and Community Benefits Charge Reserve Funds Statement - (BCW Item 5.4)

Moved by: Councillor Liu
Seconded by: Councillor Thompson

a) That staff report SRCFS.26.012 regarding 2025 Development Charges, Cash in Lieu of Parkland and Community Benefits Charge Reserve Funds Statement, be received;

b) That the 2025 Development Charges, Cash in Lieu of Parkland and Community Benefits Charge Reserve Funds Statement be made available to the public on the City of Richmond Hill website as outlined in staff report SRCFS.26.012; and

c) That a copy of the 2025 Development Charges, Cash in Lieu of Parkland and Community Benefits Charge Reserve Funds Statement be submitted to the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing.

Carried

15.1.5 SRCM.26.09 - 2025 Grant Portfolio Update - (BCW Item 5.5)

Moved by: Councillor Liu
Seconded by: Councillor Thompson

a) That staff report SRCM.26.09 regarding 2025 Grant Portfolio Update, be received for information.

Carried

15.2 Minutes - Committee of the Whole meeting CW#07-26 held May 20, 2026

That the minutes of Committee of the Whole meeting CW#07-26 held May 20, 2026, be approved as circulated and the following recommendations approved:

15.2.1 SRCFS.26.016 - 2026 Final Levy By-Law and Tax Rates - (CW Item 11.1) - (By-law 46-26)

Moved by: Councillor Liu
Seconded by: Councillor Thompson

a) That staff report SRCFS.26.016 regarding 2026 Final Levy By-Law and Tax Rates be received;

b) That By-law 46-26 be enacted in the form of the draft By-law attached as Appendix “A” to staff report SRCFS.26.016, amended to reflect five installments on August 4, September 1, October 1, November 2, and December 1, 2026 for residential property owners under the Pre-authorized Debit Program for Taxes, to establish and adopt tax rates for 2026 on the assessment in each property class;

c) That the billing and collection of taxes, special assessments, defaulted fines and fees including the tax installment due dates for residential and non-residential properties be authorized;

d) That the Treasurer be provided delegated authority to adjust billing and collection of taxes, special assessments, defaulted fines

and fees including the tax installment due dates for residential and non-residential properties in the event of a postal service disruption.

Carried

15.2.2 SRIES.26.003 - Traffic Regulation Changes - (CW Item 11.2) - (By-laws 26-26, 27-26, 28-26 and 29-26)

Main Motion:

Moved by: Councillor Cui
Seconded by: Councillor Cilevitz

a) That staff report SRIES.26.003 regarding Traffic Regulation Changes, be received;

b) That Council approve the speed limit, parking, stopping and turn restriction regulation changes outlined in staff report SRIES.26.003;

c) That proposed By-law 26-26, attached as Attachment 6 to staff report SRIES.26.003, be enacted to amend the Speed Restrictions - Roads By-law, as amended (Municipal Code Chapter 1126) in order to reduce the speed limit on the identified roads to 40 km/h;

d) That proposed By-law 27-26, attached as Attachment 7 to staff report SRIES.26.003, be enacted to amend the Parking Regulation By-law, as amended (Municipal Code Chapter 1116) in order to implement the recommended parking and stopping regulation changes;

e) That proposed By-law 28-26, attached as Attachment 8 to staff report SRIES.26.003, be enacted to amend the Intersection Control By-law, as amended (Municipal Code Chapter 1128) in order to implement the recommended intersection control changes; and

f) That proposed By-Law 29-26, attached as Attachment 9 to staff report SRIES.26.003, be enacted to amend the U-Turn Prohibition Regulation By-law, as amended (Municipal Code Chapter 1135) in order to implement the recommended changes to U-turn prohibitions.

An Amendment was:

Moved by: Councillor Cui
Seconded by: Councillor Shiu

That clause d) of the main motion be amended to read as follows:

“d) That proposed By-law 27-26 regarding Parking Regulation By-law, as amended (Municipal Code Chapter 1116), be referred back to staff for the appropriate amendments to remove Baynards Lane and that the By-law be brought forward to a future Council Meeting to be enacted.”

Motion to Amend Failed to Carry

Main Motion:

Moved by: Councillor Cui
Seconded by: Councillor Cilevitz

a) That staff report SRIES.26.003 regarding Traffic Regulation Changes, be received;

b) That Council approve the speed limit, parking, stopping and turn restriction regulation changes outlined in staff report SRIES.26.003;

c) That proposed By-law 26-26, attached as Attachment 6 to staff report SRIES.26.003, be enacted to amend the Speed Restrictions - Roads By-law, as amended (Municipal Code Chapter 1126) in order to reduce the speed limit on the identified roads to 40 km/h;

d) That proposed By-law 27-26, attached as Attachment 7 to staff report SRIES.26.003, be enacted to amend the Parking Regulation By-law, as amended (Municipal Code Chapter 1116) in order to implement the recommended parking and stopping regulation changes;

e) That proposed By-law 28-26, attached as Attachment 8 to staff report SRIES.26.003, be enacted to amend the Intersection Control By-law, as amended (Municipal Code Chapter 1128) in order to implement the recommended intersection control changes; and

f) That proposed By-Law 29-26, attached as Attachment 9 to staff report SRIES.26.003, be enacted to amend the U-Turn Prohibition Regulation By-law, as amended (Municipal Code Chapter 1135) in order to implement the recommended changes to U-turn prohibitions.

An Amendment was:

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

That clause d) of the main motion be amended to read as follows:

"d) That proposed By-law 27-26 regarding Parking Regulation By-law, as amended (Municipal Code Chapter 1116), be referred back to staff:

i. To further consider the proposed parking and stopping restrictions on Blackmore Avenue in future parking reviews; and

ii. Place a revised by-law 27-26, not including Blackmore Avenue, on a future Council agenda."

A recorded vote was taken:

In favour: (4): Councillor Shiu, Councillor Cui, Regional and Local Councillor DiPaola, Regional and Local Councillor Chan

Opposed: (5): Councillor Cilevitz, Mayor West, Councillor Thompson, Councillor Liu, Councillor Davidson

Motion to Amend Failed to Carry (4 to 5)

Main Motion:

Moved by: Councillor Cui
Seconded by: Councillor Cilevitz

a) That staff report SRIES.26.003 regarding Traffic Regulation Changes, be received;

b) That Council approve the speed limit, parking, stopping and turn restriction regulation changes outlined in staff report SRIES.26.003;

c) That proposed By-law 26-26, attached as Attachment 6 to staff report SRIES.26.003, be enacted to amend the Speed Restrictions - Roads By-law, as amended (Municipal Code Chapter 1126) in order to reduce the speed limit on the identified roads to 40 km/h;

d) That proposed By-law 27-26, attached as Attachment 7 to staff report SRIES.26.003, be enacted to amend the Parking Regulation By-law, as amended (Municipal Code Chapter 1116) in order to

implement the recommended parking and stopping regulation changes;

e) That proposed By-law 28-26, attached as Attachment 8 to staff report SRIES.26.003, be enacted to amend the Intersection Control By-law, as amended (Municipal Code Chapter 1128) in order to implement the recommended intersection control changes; and

f) That proposed By-Law 29-26, attached as Attachment 9 to staff report SRIES.26.003, be enacted to amend the U-Turn Prohibition Regulation By-law, as amended (Municipal Code Chapter 1135) in order to implement the recommended changes to U-turn prohibitions.

Carried Unanimously

15.2.3 SRIES.26.006 - 2026 Asset Management Progress Report - (CW Item 11.3)

Moved by: Councillor Liu
Seconded by: Councillor Thompson

a) That staff report SRIES.26.006 regarding the 2026 Asset Management Progress Report be received;

b) That the City's 2026 Asset Management Progress Report, attached as Attachment 1 to staff report SRIES.26.006, be received for information;

c) That the City Clerk circulate this report to the Ontario Ministry of Infrastructure.

Carried

15.2.4 SRPBS.26.030 - Request for Approval - Revised Official Plan and Zoning By-law Amendment Applications - Norfolk Development Inc. - 162, 166, 170, 174, 178, and 182 Norfolk Avenue - City Files OPA-23-0002 and ZBLA-23-0003 - (CW Item 11.5)

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

a) That staff report SRPBS.26.030 regarding the proposed Revised Official Plan and Zoning By-law Amendment Applications submitted

by Norfolk Development Inc. for 162, 166, 170, 174, 178, and 182 Norfolk Avenue. be received for information purposes only;

b) That the Ontario Land Tribunal (OLT) be advised that Council supports the revised development proposal submitted by Norfolk Development Inc. for lands municipally known as 162, 166, 170, 174, 178, and 182 Norfolk Avenue, City Files OPA-23-0002 and ZBLA-23-0003, for the primary reasons outlined in SRPBS.26.030, subject to the following:

i. that the OLT be requested to withhold the issuance of its Final Order with respect to the related Official Plan and Zoning By-law Amendments until such time as the City advises the Tribunal that the implementing Official Plan and Zoning By-law Amendments have 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 the City Clerk be authorized to enter into any necessary Minutes of Settlement or further agreements or documentation with respect to the applicant's development proposal;

d) 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.

A recorded vote was taken:

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

Opposed: (0): None

Carried Unanimously (9 to 0)

15.2.5 Correspondence received regarding the Revised Official Plan and Zoning By-law Amendment Applications submitted by Norfolk Development Inc. for 162, 166, 170, 174, 178, and 182 Norfolk Avenue - (CW Item 11.6)

Moved by: Councillor Liu
Seconded by: Councillor Thompson

That the correspondence regarding the Revised Official Plan and Zoning By-law Amendment Applications submitted by Norfolk Development Inc. for 162, 166, 170, 174, 178, and 182 Norfolk Avenue, be received as follows:

1. Michael Theodores, 481 Major Mackenzie Drive East, received May 19, 2026.

Carried

15.2.6 Member Motion - Mayor West - Urging Parliament to enact a Canadian Chinese Heritage Month - (CW Item 12.1)

Moved by: Councillor Liu
Seconded by: Councillor Thompson

Whereas, Canada is strengthened by its cultural diversity, and the contributions of Chinese Canadians have been integral to the social, economic, and cultural fabric of the nation;

Whereas, Chinese Canadians have played a significant role in the development of Canada, including contributions to the building of the Canadian Pacific Railway, entrepreneurship, public service, and community leadership;

Whereas, Chinese Canadians have faced historical injustices, including the Chinese Head Tax and the Chinese Exclusion Act, and continue to demonstrate resilience and commitment to building an inclusive Canada;

Whereas, recognizing and celebrating the heritage, culture, and contributions of Chinese Canadians promotes greater understanding, inclusion, and unity across all communities in Canada;

Whereas, other cultural heritage months have been established to recognize and celebrate the contributions of diverse communities across Canada;

Whereas, Chinese organizations across Canada and United Against Hate Canada have urged Parliament to enact a Canadian Chinese Heritage Month and called on municipalities to voice their support,

Therefore be it resolved that:

1. Richmond Hill Council recognizes the contributions of the Chinese community to the success and growth to the City of Richmond Hill, Ontario and Canada;
2. Richmond Hill Council proclaims February as Chinese Heritage Month;
3. The City of Richmond Hill Council urge Parliament to enact a Bill recognizing Canadian Chinese Heritage Month;
4. That a copy of this resolution be sent to all local Members of Parliament and Prime Minister's Office.

Carried

15.3 SRPBS.26.024 - Request for Comments - Radio-Communication and Broadcasting Antenna System Application Public Consultation Application - 1124 Elgin Mills Road East - City File TELE-25-0001 - (CW Item 11.4)

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

a) That staff report SRPBS.26.024 regarding an application for public consultation related to the construction of a proposed radio-communication and broadcasting antenna system submitted by Shared Tower Inc. for the lands municipally known as 1124 Elgin Mills Road East, City File TELE-25-0001, be received.

A recorded vote was taken:

In favour: (7): Councillor Liu, Councillor Shiu, Regional and Local Councillor Chan, Councillor Cilevitz, Councillor Davidson, Councillor Thompson, Councillor Cui

Opposed: (2): Regional and Local Councillor DiPaola, Mayor West

Motion Carried (7 to 2)

15.4 Correspondence from Marvin Rotrand, United Against Hate Canada, dated May 19, 2026, regarding the Member Motion submitted by Mayor West regarding Urging Parliament to enact a Canadian Chinese Heritage Month - (refer to Item 15.2.6)

Moved by: Councillor Liu
Seconded by: Councillor Thompson

a) That the correspondence from Marvin Rotrand, United Against Hate Canada, dated May 19, 2026, regarding the Member Motion submitted by Mayor West regarding Urging Parliament to enact a Canadian Chinese Heritage Month, be received.

Carried

15.5 Correspondence received regarding Traffic Regulation Changes - (refer to Item 15.2.2)

Moved by: Councillor Liu
Seconded by: Councillor Thompson

That the correspondence regarding Traffic Regulation Changes, be received as follows:

1. Leo Pan, 17 Red Oak Drive, dated May 23, 2026.

Carried

15.6 Correspondence received regarding the Revised Official Plan and Zoning By-law Amendment Applications submitted by Norfolk Development Inc. for 162, 166, 170, 174, 178, and 182 Norfolk Avenue - (refer to Item 15.2.4)

Moved by: Councillor Liu
Seconded by: Councillor Thompson

That the correspondence regarding the Revised Official Plan and Zoning By-law Amendment Applications submitted by Norfolk Development Inc. for 162, 166, 170, 174, 178, and 182 Norfolk Avenue, be received as follows:

1. Michael Theodores, 481 Major Mackenzie Drive East, received May 26, 2026.

Carried

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: Councillor Davidson
Seconded by: Councillor Liu

That the following By-laws be approved:

By-law 26-26 - A By-Law to amend Schedule “A”, as amended, being Chapter 1126 of the City of Richmond Hill Municipal Code, relating to the Speed of Motor Vehicles

By-law 27-26 - 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 28-26 - A By-Law to amend Schedule “A”, as amended, being Chapter 1128 of the City of Richmond Hill Municipal Code, relating to the erection of stop signs

By-law 29-26 - A By-Law to amend Chapter 1135 of the City of Richmond Hill Municipal Code, relating to U-turn prohibitions

By-law 46-26 - A By-Law to provide for the levy and collection of the sums required by The Corporation of the City of Richmond Hill for 2026 and to provide for the mailing of notices demanding payment of taxes for 2026

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 56-26

Moved by: Councillor Davidson
Seconded by: Councillor Shiu

That By-law 56-26, A By-law to confirm the proceedings of Council at this meeting, be passed.

Carried

21. Adjournment

Moved by: Councillor Thompson
Seconded by: Councillor Liu

That the meeting be adjourned.

Carried

The meeting was adjourned at 12:27 p.m.

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David West, Mayor

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Stephen M.A. Huycke, City Clerk