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Council and General Committee Meetings held on November 24, 2008**

**COUNCIL**

**STUDENT MAYORS**

Student Mayor Daniel Gary of St. Bernadette Public School provided comments at the end of his term as Student Mayor. Daniel stated that he had gained insight into what the City has to offer the community. He noted that during his time as Student Mayor he visited Victoria Village and was amazed with the facilities. He mentioned the computer lab, woodworking shop, gym and rooms available to rent for various functions. Daniel commented that he believes the City has tight controls regarding garbage disposal and mentioned that the City's landfill won an award for the lining used to protect the water.

Daniel stated that he is thankful for the facilities in Ward 7, namely the Holly Community Centre and Maple Avenue Youth Centre. Daniel shared that Councillor Brassard provided him with a tour of City Hall including the traffic monitoring area. He noted that he attended a meeting with Councillor Brassard and the Chief Administrative Officer, attended a Rogers Television recording session and participated in a flag raising ceremony. He mentioned that he and his father had previously volunteered at the Salvation Army soup kitchen and that he appreciates that City Council encourages and helps local organizations along with supporting local talent. Daniel concluded that he appreciates Barrie as a fine waterfront city and all of the volunteers and people who work in the City. He thanked City Council and his parents for the opportunity to be a Student Mayor.

Student Mayor Tanner Tuplin of Maple Grove Public School provided comments at the end of his term as Student Mayor. Tanner thanked the Mayor and Council for the privilege of being Student Mayor and the ability to attend meetings and the opportunity to speak at Council. He noted that he was originally worried about being "sworn" into office as he misunderstood the meaning of the process but was relieved once he realized what it really meant. Tanner noted that he had gained new knowledge of the City after his term as Student Mayor and stated that he is assured that important issues are being decided by a democracy. He concluded that the City is organized and unbiased and he really enjoyed his term as Student Mayor.

Mayor Aspden presented Daniel and Tanner with certificates commemorating their term of office as Student Mayors and thanked them for their participation in the Student Mayor Program.

**PRESENTATION - BARRIE JUNIOR FIRE CHIEF FOR A DAY CONTEST**

Mayor Aspden, Fire Chief John Lynn and Fire Prevention Officer, Shane Edwards presented Rachel McRae with a certificate congratulating her as the winner of the "Barrie Junior Fire Chief for a Day" contest. Mr. Edwards explained that the annual Fire Station Open House was held during Fire Prevention Week and children had the opportunity to fill out a ballot to be Barrie's Fire Chief for the Day. Mr. Edwards explained that approximately 400 ballots were collected and Rachel's name was drawn. He noted that on Tuesday, November 18, the Station Four crew picked Rachel up from her school (St. Catherine of Siena) in a Fire Truck and brought her to Station One. Rachel spent the morning at Station One where she took a ride in the bucket of the Tower apparatus and learned about hose streams and the different roles of a firefighter. The afternoon was spent at Station Three where Rachel was shown the medical supplies on the truck and how to use them. He noted that Rachel was also a media star appearing on A News that same evening and in the Barrie Examiner on November 20.

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**CONGRATULATIONS EXTENDED TO THE CALGARY STAMPEDERS**

Council approved a resolution to extend congratulations on behalf of the City of Barrie to the Calgary Stampeders, the 2008 Grey Cup Champions.

**DRAFT PLAN OF SUBDIVISION AND REZONING FOR 254 PENETANGUISHENE ROAD**

Council approved the rezoning of lands owned by Reidco North Limited located at 254 Penetanguishene Road, from Agriculture A to Multiple Residential Dwelling Second Density Townhouse RM@-TH and Multiple Residential Dwelling Second Density RM2 SP H with Special and Holding Provisions subject to the following:

- a) That a 2.0 metre road widening be dedicated to the City along the full frontage of Penetanguishene Road.
- b) That the owner reimburse the City of Barrie in the amount of \$3,352.84 for previously front-ended costs towards the Grove Street Sanitary Pump Station.

The Holding provision pertains to Block 7, where the lands cannot be occupied for their intended use until the H provision has been lifted. The H shall not be lifted until a site plan has been registered which includes, but is not limited to, the following provisions:

- a) That vehicular access shall be restricted and designed from Penetanguishene Road.
- b) That a southbound right taper be provided to the access to Penetanguishene Road.
- c) That the 1.5 metre wide sidewalk be extended along the full frontage of the development on Penetanguishene Road, all to the satisfaction of the Engineering Department.
- d) That the access be partially illuminated to improve visibility at the entrance to the development.
- e) That the siting of the buildings and structures, grading and servicing of the lands shall be implemented to achieve a minimum 3.0 metre landscape buffer from the southerly property line which includes the preservation of the existing trees and vegetation as identified by the Tree Preservation Plan prepared by John D. Bell Associates, dated May 21, 2008.
- f) That the southerly property limit be fenced with a 1.5 metre chain link fence where it abuts the stormwater management facility.
- g) That the architectural design of the buildings fronting or flanking onto Penetanguishene Road shall be designed to a scale and appearance as that of the front face of the buildings. Reversed lot frontage shall not be permitted.

The Special Zoning Provisions shall pertain to Block 7 proposed for a student housing project and will require the following standards:

- a) That all units shall include a minimum of 4 bedrooms;
- b) That a maximum of 80% gross floor area, as a percentage of maximum lot area be permitted;
- c) That parking in the front yard be permitted; and

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d) That the off-street parking standard be established at 1 space per 2.5 persons accommodated.

The plan of subdivision prepared by the Jones Consulting Group, dated March 25, 2008 for lands owned by Reidco North Limited, located at 254 Penetanguishene Road, was draft plan approved subject to the conditions outlined in Appendix "A" to staff report PLN049-08.

Condition #6 in Appendix "A" to staff report PLN049-08 was deleted and will be replaced with the following:

6. The Owner must make an appropriate financial contribution to cover associated expenses for previously front ended servicing costs. A letter of clearance from the Trustee for the Georgian Glen Landowners Group is required prior to registration of the draft plan.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Mayor Aspden announced that the City of Barrie has been chosen as an Olympic Torch Relay Community. He noted that Barrie residents will have the opportunity to catch the Olympic Spirit by getting to see the Olympic Flame in person on the evening of December 29, 2009 as it passes through Barrie on its way towards Vancouver for the 2010 Olympic Winter Games. The 2010 Olympic Torch relay is presented by Coca-Cola and RBC and will reach over 90 percent of Canadians within a one-hour drive. For further information please visit website [www.vancouver2010.com](http://www.vancouver2010.com) or for information on how Barrie residents can apply to be torchbearers please visit website [www.icoke.ca](http://www.icoke.ca) and [www.rbc.com/carrythetorch](http://www.rbc.com/carrythetorch).

Mayor Aspden announced that the City of Barrie is undertaking a citizen survey by randomly contacting 1000 local residents over a 10 day period. He explained that Environics Research Group has been retained by the City of Barrie to conduct 20-minute telephone interviews with residents across the City. He noted that the reason for the survey is to better evaluate how the City's doing and identify where opportunities for improvements exist.

Councillor Lehman and Mayor Aspden extended birthday wishes to Leo Rutter. Councillor Lehman noted that Mr. Rutter is in his 47<sup>th</sup> year of service with the Downtown Business Improvement Association (BIA) and thanked him for the years of service he has given to the community.

Councillor Lehman announced that the Farmer's Market was a great success during the past weekend. He noted that the butcher shop reported record sales and that the rotunda was full of residents attending the market, indicating that the Farmers Market is thriving.

Councillor Prince announced that the Canadian Cancer Society is hosting a fashion fundraiser entitled, "Fashion Cures" on Wednesday November 26<sup>th</sup> from 7 pm until 9 pm at the Army Navy Air Force Club on George Street in Barrie. He noted that tickets are \$25 and that a Silent Auction will be taking place during the event.

Councillor Ramsay announced that the site plan submitted by the Royal Victoria Hospital for the hospital expansion and cancer care facility located at 201 Georgian Drive received approval on consent earlier in the evening. He expressed his gratitude to the members of the working committee and to City staff for their hard work on the complex project. Councillor Ramsay also noted that the tender for the required traffic lights along Georgian Drive has been issued.

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**ANNOUNCEMENTS (CONTINUED)**

Councillor Ramsay announced that Council approved a resolution approving the rezoning of lands owned by Reidco North Limited located at 254 Penetanguishene Road, from Agriculture A to Multiple Residential Dwelling Second Density Townhouse and Multiple Residential Dwelling Second Density. He noted that this was the first project to be approved under the Georgian College Neighbourhood Strategy and thanked City Staff for all of their hard work on the project.

Councillor Moore announced that Barrie's Chief of Police, Wayne Frechette would be appearing on "Talk Local" a public forum program on Rogers Television on Tuesday November 25<sup>th</sup> from 9 pm until 10 pm. Councillor Moore encouraged citizens to watch the show and call in with questions they may have for the Chief.

Councillor Ward announced that the Simcoe Muskoka District Health Unit is holding a number of flu clinics in the City of Barrie. He explained that these clinics provide the opportunity for members of the public to receive the flu shot free of charge. Councillor Ward noted that two upcoming clinics that will be held in Barrie, the first on Wednesday, November 26<sup>th</sup>, from 10 am until 5 pm at the Zehrs on Big Bay Point Road (620 Yonge Street) and the second on Saturday, November 29<sup>th</sup>, from 10 am until 5pm at the Kozlov Centre (400 Bayfield Street). Councillor Ward encouraged residents seeking further information to visit the Health Unit's website at [www.simcoemuskokahealth.org](http://www.simcoemuskokahealth.org).

Mayor Aspden announced that the City of Barrie's Winter Recreation Guide will be delivered to Barrie residents in the Barrie Examiner's free Wednesday November 26<sup>th</sup>, 2008 paper. For further information please visit the City of Barrie's website at [www.barrie.ca](http://www.barrie.ca)

Mayor Aspden reminded residents that overnight parking on any street or part of a street within the City of Barrie is prohibited between the hours of 12 midnight and 7 am from November 1, 2008 to April 15, 2008. Anyone parking during this time is subject to a \$20.00 fine. He noted that the Downtown Business Improvement Area on street parking is prohibited between the hours of 3 am and 6 am.

Mayor Aspden welcomed Barbara Roth the new Director of Leisure, Transit and Facilities on behalf of City Council. He noted that Barbara will be responsible for the general and financial management of one of the Corporations most diverse and dynamic departments. Mayor Aspden explained that Ms. Roth brings with her a wealth of experience including working for the Town of Markham as Director of Recreation. Barbara holds a Masters Certificate in Municipal Management from the Schulich Executive Education Centre at York University, a Diploma in Recreation Facilities Management from Seneca College, and administrative and leisure studies from York and Brock Universities.

Mayor Aspden congratulated Mayor Jackson and the Town of Innisfil's Council and staff on the grand opening of the new Innisfil Recreational Complex and YMCA. Mayor Aspden noted that he attended the grand opening ceremonies on Friday November 21, 2008.

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**GENERAL COMMITTEE**

**PRESENTATION – TELECARE SERVICES BARRIE AND ORILLIA**

Mr. Ron Walker, Treasurer of Telecare addressed committee regarding the services being offered by Telecare to residents of Barrie and Orillia. Mr. Walker explained that Telecare offers a crisis, support and distress telephone line. He noted that the purpose of the telephone line is to listen to those in need and offer referrals to agencies and professionals. Telecare is a non-profit, volunteer organization which provides 24/7, 365 days a week telephone service. The telephone line is free, confidential, anonymous and non-judgemental. He provided an overview of the history of Telecare and its operations locally, nationally and internationally.

Mr. Walker noted that Telecare is down about 40 centres, due to lack of volunteers and difficult finances. Mr. Walker explained that they need community and financial support. Volunteers are also needed to take calls and to serve on their Board. He encouraged individuals to call 705-327-2383 if they wish to volunteer or provide a donation. Mr. Walker concluded by noting that the distress line can be reached by contacting 705-325-9534.

**PRESENTATION – 2008 WORK PLANS**

The City of Barrie Executive Management Team presented the 2009 Work Plans. Jon Babulic, Chief Administrative Officer noted that the 2009 Work Plans are the foundation for the preparation of the base budget. He commented that last year, significant changes were made to the budget process including introducing the concept of the base budget, program changes and performance indicators. He indicated that these efforts were geared towards taking the budget process and turning it into a planning process.

Ed Archer, General Manager of Corporate Services highlighted the processes, objectives and Barrie's Planning and Budgeting Framework. He indicated that the Work Plans will establish a standard approach for identifying service needs and priorities and start the annual budget process by matching resources with planned outputs and anticipated service demands. The plans will make departmental performance visible, clarify accountability relationships and manage service expectations. The work plans will also identify "ongoing processes" and "projects"; assign resources and identify performance indicators.

Mr. Archer explained that every department work plan includes processes and projects. He noted that discrepancy between hours required and hours available represents a potential disconnect between planned service levels and the City's capacity to provide service. He noted that work plans support the City of Barrie's initiative to reach Level Four certification by the National Quality Institute (NQi). The work plan development process will be an important tool for demonstrating how the Corporation is making the type of process improvements anticipated from NQi's Progressive Excellence Program.

Ed Archer, General Manager of Corporate Services; Richard Forward, General Manager of Infrastructure, Development and Culture and Jim Sales, General Manager of Community Operations outlined and explained the projects, processes, challenges and staff hours associated with each department within their divisions.

Jim Sales, General Manger of Community Operations identified that the next steps include finalizing the 2009 Business Plan and Budget; monitoring the work plan progress and identifying improvement opportunities.

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**The following matters will be considered by City Council on December 1, 2008:**

**TANGIBLE CAPITAL ASSET POLICY**

The Committee recommended approval of the Tangible Capital Asset ("TCA") Policy, presented as Appendix "A" to the Report of the Finance Committee, dated November 18, 2008.

**2009 BUSINESS PLAN AND BUDGET UPDATE**

The Committee approved a recommendation to receive the 2009 Business Plan and Budget Update.

Staff will prepare the 2009 Business Plan and Budget with the following three directions:

- a) Increase reliance on non-tax revenues (i.e. user fees);
- b) Build plans that assume fee discounts and exemptions will be minimized; and
- c) Compared to previous budgets, place increased emphasis on debt minimization and building reserve flexibility.

**PRATT – FERNDALE TOWNHOUSES SUBDIVISION - ACCEPTANCE OF MUNICIPAL SERVICES**

The Committee approved a recommendation to accept the "as-constructed" municipal services within, and complementary to, the Pratt – Ferndale Townhouses Plan of Subdivision described as Registered Plan 51M-840 (Ministry File 43T-040831). A by-law will be prepared to assume the streets within the plan of subdivision as public highways subject to the satisfaction of the City Solicitor, City Clerk, Director of Engineering, Barrie Hydro, and subject to the following conditions:

- a) That a Letter of Credit, in the amount of \$22,629.03 be held until the completion of the one (1) year maintenance period at which time a final inspection of the works, within and associated with this plan, will be performed with the Developer.
- b) That a Letter of Credit, in the amount of \$125,750.00 be held for the purpose of securing the Developer's fair share contribution for the future cost of the permanent stormwater management facility on the north side of Harvie Road, identified as Pond "B" within the Whiskey Creek Master Drainage Plan. This security amount will be held until the construction of this permanent pond at which time the Developer will provide his fair share contribution.
- c) That the Developer provide the City of Barrie with written authorization to allocate, if necessary, the Letter of Credit retained for the permanent stormwater management facility (\$125,750.00) as a maintenance security to ensure the Developer's maintenance obligations for the temporary stormwater management facility, until such time that the permanent stormwater management facility (Pond "B") is operational.
- d) That a Letter of Credit in the amount of \$43,765.00 be held for the purpose of securing certain uncompleted works, such as decommissioning of the temporary stormwater management pond, and the installation of acoustic fencing and masonry columns associated with the development of Block 1. This security amount will be held until the work has been completed.

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**SITE PLAN APPROVAL - ROYAL VICTORIA HOSPITAL EXPANSION**

The Committee recommended approval of the site plan application by the Royal Victoria Hospital for the hospital expansion and cancer care facility located at 201 Georgian Drive subject to the conditions identified in Appendix "A" to Staff Report PLN063-08.

**APPOINTMENT TO THE COMMITTEE OF ADJUSTMENT**

The Committee approved a recommendation to appoint Councillor Alex Nuttall to the Committee of Adjustment, replacing Councillor Jerry Moore for a term of office to expire on November 30, 2010.

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