



## Town of Aurora Council Meeting Revised Agenda

**Date:** Tuesday, February 28, 2023  
**Time:** 7 p.m.  
**Location:** Council Chambers, Aurora Town Hall

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<b>1. Call to Order</b>	
Additional Items are marked with an asterisk(*).	
According to the Procedure By-law, the consent of at least a two-thirds majority vote of Members present is required to permit the addition of delegations 6.3, 6.4, 6.5, 6.6, and 6.7 the agenda.	
<b>2. Land Acknowledgement</b>	
<b>3. Approval of the Agenda</b>	
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## **7. Consent Agenda**

<b>7.1</b>	<b>Council Meeting Minutes of January 31, 2023</b>	<b>32</b>
	1. That the Council meeting minutes of January 31, 2023, be adopted as circulated.	
<b>7.2</b>	<b>Council Closed Session Minutes of January 31, 2023 (confidential attachment)</b>	
	1. That the Council Closed Session minutes of January 31, 2023, be adopted as circulated.	
<b>7.3</b>	<b>Council Closed Session Public Meeting Minutes of January 31, 2023</b>	<b>51</b>
	1. That the Council Closed Session Public meeting minutes of January 31, 2023, be adopted as circulated.	
<b>7.4</b>	<b>Council Workshop/Education Session Minutes of February 7, 2023</b>	<b>54</b>
	1. That the Council Workshop/Education Session minutes of February 7, 2023, be adopted as circulated.	
<b>7.5</b>	<b>Public Planning Meeting Minutes of January 24, 2023</b>	<b>57</b>
	1. That the Public Planning meeting minutes of January 24 2023, be adopted as circulated.	
<b>7.6</b>	<b>Special Council Public Planning Meeting Minutes of January 30, 2023</b>	<b>63</b>
	1. That the Special Council Public Planning meeting minutes of January 30, 2023, be adopted as circulated.	
<b>7.7</b>	<b>Central York Fire Services - Joint Council Committee Meeting Minutes of January 10, 2023</b>	<b>68</b>
	1. That the Central York Fire Services - Joint Council Committee meeting minutes of January 10, 2023, be received for information.	

**7.8 Correspondence from Pickleball Ontario; Re: Letter of Support - February 16, 2023 - Pickleball Opportunities**

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1. That the letter of support from Pickleball Ontario of February 16, 2023 regarding Pickleball Opportunities be received for information.

**8. Standing Committee Reports**

That the Standing Committee Reports, items 8.1 to 8.2 inclusive, be received and the recommendations carried by the Committee approved.

**8.1 General Committee Meeting Report of February 7, 2023**

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**8.1.1 Memorandum from Councillor Gaertner; Re: Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority Board Meeting Highlights of November 18, November 25, and December 16, 2022**

Memorandum

1. That the memorandum regarding Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority Board Meeting Highlights of November 18, November 25, and December 16, 2022, be received for information.

**8.1.2 CS23-008 - Bill 5, Stopping Harassment and Abuse by Local Leaders Act, 2022**

Report

1. That Report No. CS23-008 be received for information.

**8.1.3 CS23-006 - Active Transportation and Traffic Safety Advisory Committee**

Report Attachment 1 Attachment 2

1. That Report No. CS23-006 be received; and
2. That the Terms of Reference (Attachment 1) for the Active Transportation and Traffic Safety Advisory Committee be approved; and
3. That the amended Terms of Reference (Attachment 2) for the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee be approved.

**8.1.4 CS23-007 - Business Licensing By-law Amendments - Taxicab Tariffs**

## Report Attachment 1

1. That Report No. CS23-007 be received; and
2. That staff bring forward amendments to Schedule 13 and Appendix 'A' of the Town's Business Licensing By-law No. 5630-14 to a future Council meeting to remove taxicab tariffs; and
3. That staff be directed to implement regulatory framework to regulate Vehicles for Hire (VFH) in Aurora for the purpose of consumer protection and public safety.

## **8.2 General Committee Meeting Report of February 21, 2023**

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### **8.2.1 PDS23-016 - Application for Draft Plan of Subdivision and Zoning By-law Amendment Approval, 5-70 Archerhill Court Lots 1 to 14 and Archerhill Court, Plan 65M-2494 File Numbers: SUB-2021 and ZBA-2021-06**

#### Report Figures-1-4 Attachment 1 Attachment 2

1. That Report No. PDS23-016 be received; and
2. That Draft Plan of Subdivision application SUB-2021-02 be approved, as shown in Figure 4 of this report and subject to the Conditions of Draft Plan Approval as outlined in Appendix 'A'; and
3. That the corresponding Zoning By-law Amendment application ZBA-2021-06 be approved, to rezone the subject lands from "Estate Residential (ER)" to "Detached Third Density Residential (R3-X) Exception Zone", "Detached Fourth Density Residential (R4)", "Detached Fourth Density Residential (R4-X) Exception Zone", "Detached Fourth Density Residential (R4-X2) Exception Zone", "Public Open Space (O1)", and "Environmental Protection (EP)" with site specific zoning standards as outlined in Appendix 'B' of this report; and
4. That the appropriate servicing be allocated to the development (138 units); and
5. That an implementing Zoning By-law Amendment be brought forward to a future Council meeting for enactment; and

6. That a By-law to stop up, close and convey Archerhill Court to the owner of the subject lands be brought forward to a future Council meeting for enactment.

#### **8.2.2 CMS23-006 - Church Street School - Asset Management**

##### Report

1. That Report No. CMS23-006 be received; and
2. That a new capital project with total budget authority of \$173,000 be approved for the refinishing and repainting of Brevik Hall, Aurora room, boardroom, gallery, and ancillary spaces in the Church Street school to be funded from the facility asset management reserve; and
3. That a new capital project with total budget authority of \$187,000 be approved for the refinishing and repainting of Aurora Museum & Archives and Aurora Cultural Centre administrative spaces to be funded from the facility asset management reserve.

#### **8.2.3 CMS23-004 - Office Furniture and Contract Award**

##### Report

1. That Report No. CMS23-004 be received; and
2. That Council authorize Non-Standard procurement, under section 2.7 of the procurement policy for Piggyback Purchasing, to award the supply, delivery, and installation of systems furniture to Teknion under the terms of the Vendor of Record (VOR) agreement; and
3. That Council approve the procurement as a standing offer as defined under section 5.2 Standing Offers in the Procurement Policy.

#### **8.2.4 CS23-009 - Council Compensation Ad Hoc Committee**

##### Report Attachment 1

1. That Report No. CS23-009 be received; and
2. That the Terms of Reference (Attachment 1) for the Council Compensation Ad Hoc Committee be approved.

9.	Consideration of Items Requiring Discussion (Regular Agenda)	
10.	Motions	
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14.1	By-law Number XXXX-23 Being a By-law to confirm actions by Council resulting from a Council meeting on February 28, 2023	96
15.	Adjournment	

# Delegation Request

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**Council or Committee \***

Council

**Council or Committee Meeting Date \* ?**

2023-2-28



**Subject \***

Aurora FLL Robotics Team will present their green energy EV charging solution and participation at international robotics competition

**Full Name of Spokesperson and Name of Group or Person(s) being Represented (if applicable) \***

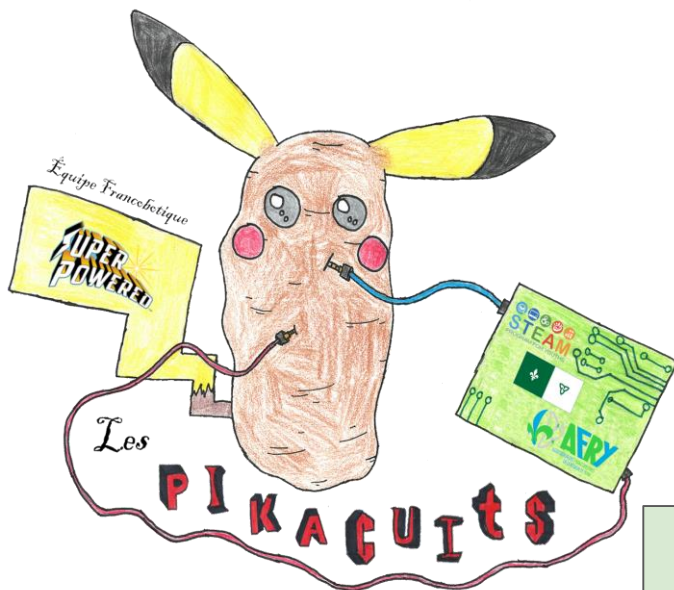
Équipe Francobotique, Student Robotics Team representing I'AFRY, Head Coach Renée Northrup



**CHALLENGE**

**Dynamite FLL Team!**

- Best in Ontario!
- Best in Canada!



All-girl, French-language  
robotics team based in Aurora!

We'll be representing  
Canada at an  
**INTERNATIONAL** robotics  
competition in May!



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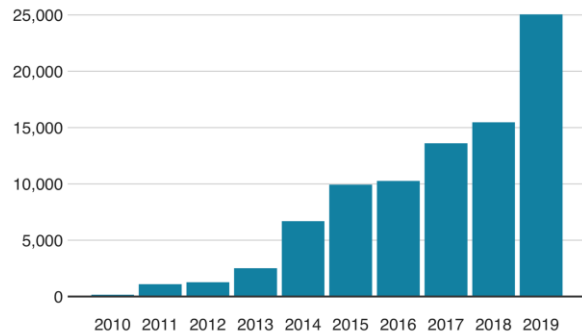
## Our Problem Statement:

Switching to electric vehicles can greatly *reduce greenhouse gas emissions* and help *combat global warming*, but their use will significantly *increase our demand for electricity* and their environmental benefits depend on the *sources of this electricity*.

How can we provide additional, locally-generated, renewable energy to power our electric vehicles without requiring major infrastructure changes?

### Zero-emission cars on the rise

Total UK annual registrations of battery electric cars



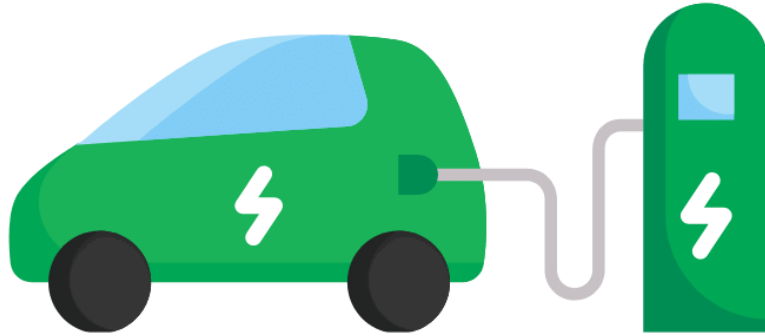
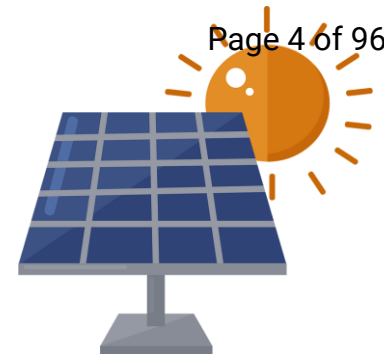
Note: 2019 shows data from January to September

Source: SMMT



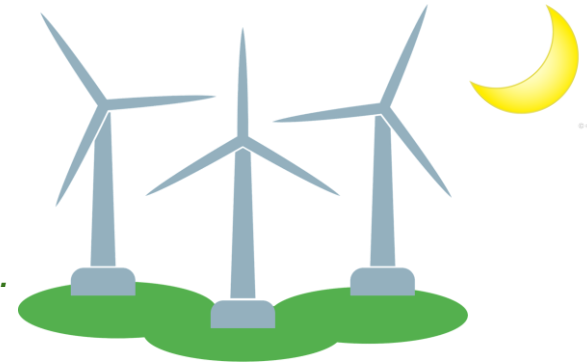
## Our Solution:

Governments around the world are installing large numbers of public electric vehicle charging stations. Most of these charging stations are being installed where people work, play and live.



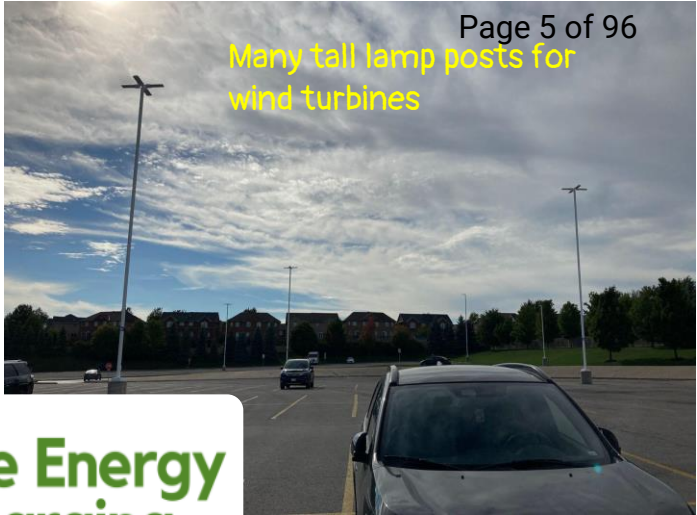
Since *daytime charging aligns with peak solar output* and *nighttime charging aligns with wind output*, our solution seeks to retrofit existing infrastructure near public charging stations with a combination of solar and wind energy sources.

Renewable energy will be *generated on-site* and used to charge the vehicles parked there, using the EVs themselves as a *large collective battery*. This will help offset the need for additional energy generation and storage, and will *prioritize the use of renewable energies*.





Full sun for lamp  
post solar panels



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Many tall lamp posts for  
wind turbines

# Can Renewable Energy power EV Charging Stations in the future?



Charging stations in middle  
of parking lot; suitable for a  
solar awning above them



Large flat roof for solar panel installation

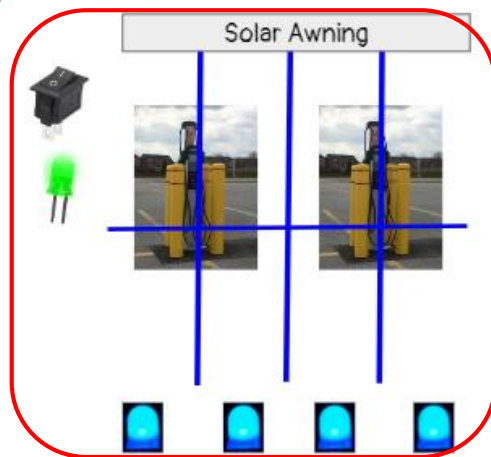


4 retrofit phases to choose from!  
All provide GREEN energy!



### Model Design #3:

Upper Canada Mall with Final Components



Model kill switch



Month of Year (1-12)



Choose month to get monthly average wind and sun intensities.



# Cost Analysis of Upper Canada Mall Model Site

17600 Yonge St, Newmarket, ON L3Y 4Z1

On our cost analysis,  
we have our 4 retrofit  
phases.

Retrofit Phase	Details	Initial Installation Costs**	Annual Green Energy Provided	Annual GHG Emissions Savings	Annual Energy Savings
	Cost Analysis Expert: <b>Michael Scott</b> RESCo Energy Inc.	<b>\$0.33/W</b> for solar on rooftop <b>\$0.66/W</b> for solar on awning and lamppost retrofit	Sum of monthly power averages	<b>Ontario:</b> 40 g CO2/kWh  <b>0.17 metric tons :</b> 1000 km	<b>Ontario:</b> 13 cents/kWh
<b>Phase 1:</b> Mall rooftop solar panels	Solar panels on mall roof <b>12 642 m<sup>2</sup></b> of rooftop covered ( <a href="#">Google Maps estimation</a> - setback and roof furniture reductions)	Solar Panel Cost: <b>\$1.8 million</b>  Installation Cost: <b>\$792 685</b>  Total Cost: <b>\$2.6 million</b>	Solar Energy: 3.06 GWh	Total GHG Offset: <b>122.4 metric tons</b>  Equivalent km driven by the average car: <b>720 000 km</b>	Cost Savings: <b>\$397 796</b>  Payback Period: <b>6.5 years</b>
<b>Phase 2:</b> Construction of solar awning above charging stations	Solar awning to over 8 parking spaces 11.2 m x 10.4 m of rooftop available ( <b>116.48 m<sup>2</sup></b> )	Solar Panel Cost: <b>\$16 388</b>  Installation Cost: <b>\$14 421</b>  Total Cost: <b>\$30 809</b>	Solar Energy: <b>28.2 MWh</b>	Total GHG Offset: <b>1.1 metric tons</b>  Equivalent km driven by the average car: <b>6 471 km</b>	Cost Savings: <b>\$3 665</b>  Payback Period: <b>8.4 years</b>
<b>Phase 3:</b> Retrofit of tall lamp posts with wind turbine and 2 solar panels  + annual maintenance	<b>46 tall lamp posts</b> Height before retrofit: 12.3 m Height after retrofit: 15.8 m	Total Solar Cost: <b>\$35 077</b>  Total Turbine Cost: <b>\$113 620</b>  Total Cost: <b>\$148 697</b>	Solar Panels: <b>22.3 MWh</b>  Wind Turbine: <b>59.1 MWh</b>  Total Energy: <b>81.4 MWh</b>	Total GHG Offset: <b>3.24 metric tons</b>  Equivalent km driven by the average car: <b>19 059 km</b>	Cost Savings: <b>\$10 531</b>  Payback Period: <b>14.1 years</b>
<b>Phase 4:</b> Retrofit of small lamp posts with wind turbine and 2 solar panels  + annual maintenance	<b>32 shorter lamp posts</b> Height before retrofit: 6.4 m Height after retrofit: 8.9 m	Total Solar Cost: <b>\$24 401</b>  Total Turbine Cost: <b>\$43 488</b>  Total Cost: <b>\$67 889</b>	Solar Panels: <b>15.5 MWh</b>  Wind Turbine: <b>15.5 MWh</b>  Total Energy: <b>31 MWh</b>	Total GHG Offset: <b>1.23 metric tons</b>  Equivalent km driven by the average car: <b>7 235 km</b>	Cost Savings: <b>\$3 991</b>  Payback Period: <b>17 years</b>

\*\* Installation costs determined by working backwards from actual installation costs of Upper Canada Mall quote from RESCo Energy Inc.



They validated  
our cost  
analysis!

giga	G	1000000000	10 <sup>9</sup>
mega	M	1000000	10 <sup>6</sup>
kilo	k	1000	10 <sup>3</sup>

# Upper Canada Mall, Google Maps TOP VIEW

## Area calculations for rooftop solar panel installation



$$\text{Total cm}^2 = 7,13 + 3,9 + 3,6 + 5,28 + 5,05 + 9 + 7$$

$$= 40,96 \text{ cm}^2$$

$$\text{Total m}^2 \text{ actual} = 40,96 \text{ cm}^2 \left( \frac{2777,8 \text{ cm}}{1 \text{ cm}} \right) \left( \frac{2777,8 \text{ cm}}{1 \text{ cm}} \right) = \boxed{316054,4 \text{ m}^2}$$

$$50 \text{ m} : 1,8 \text{ cm}$$

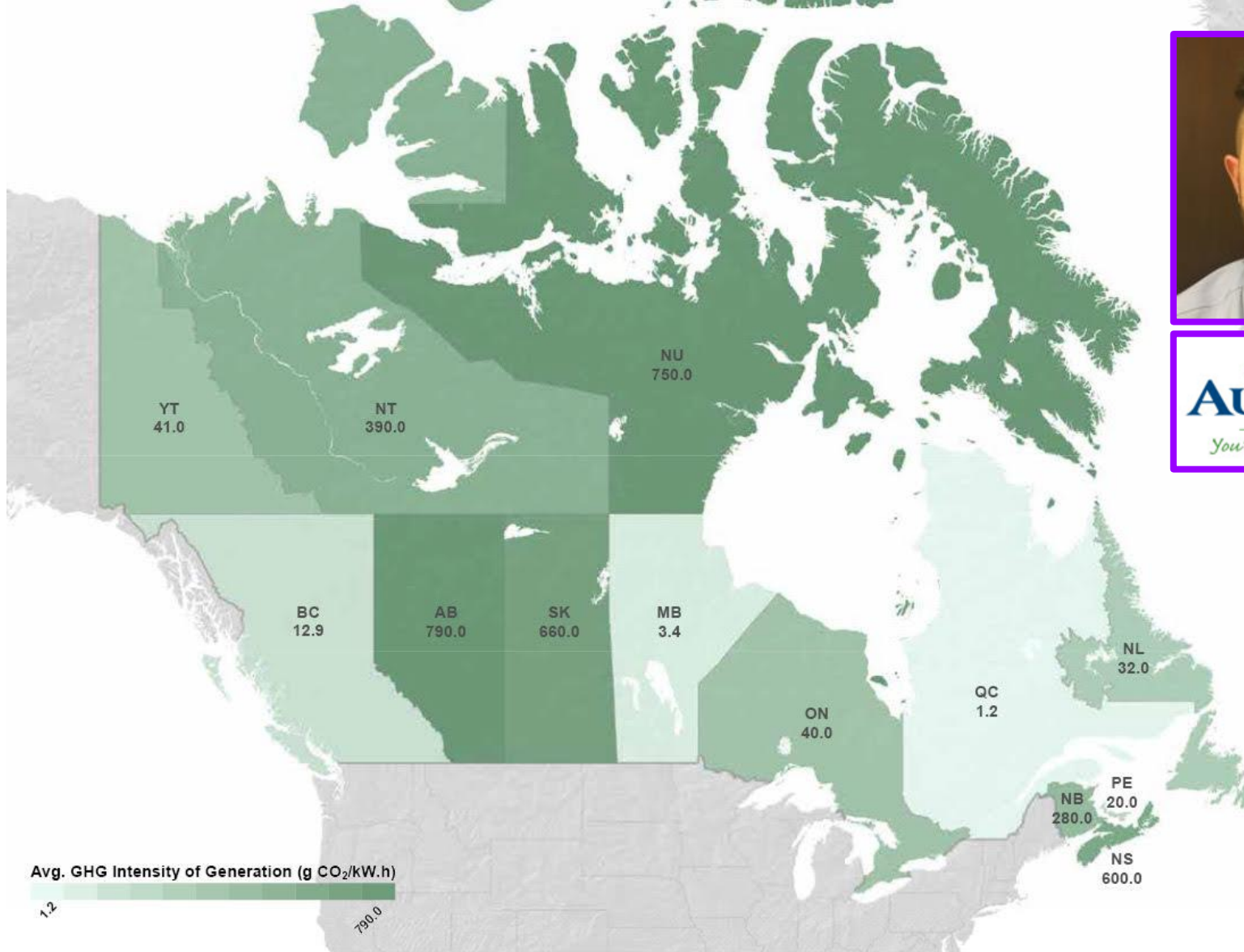
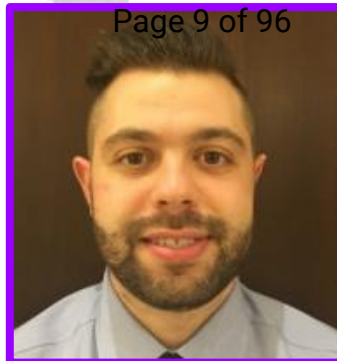
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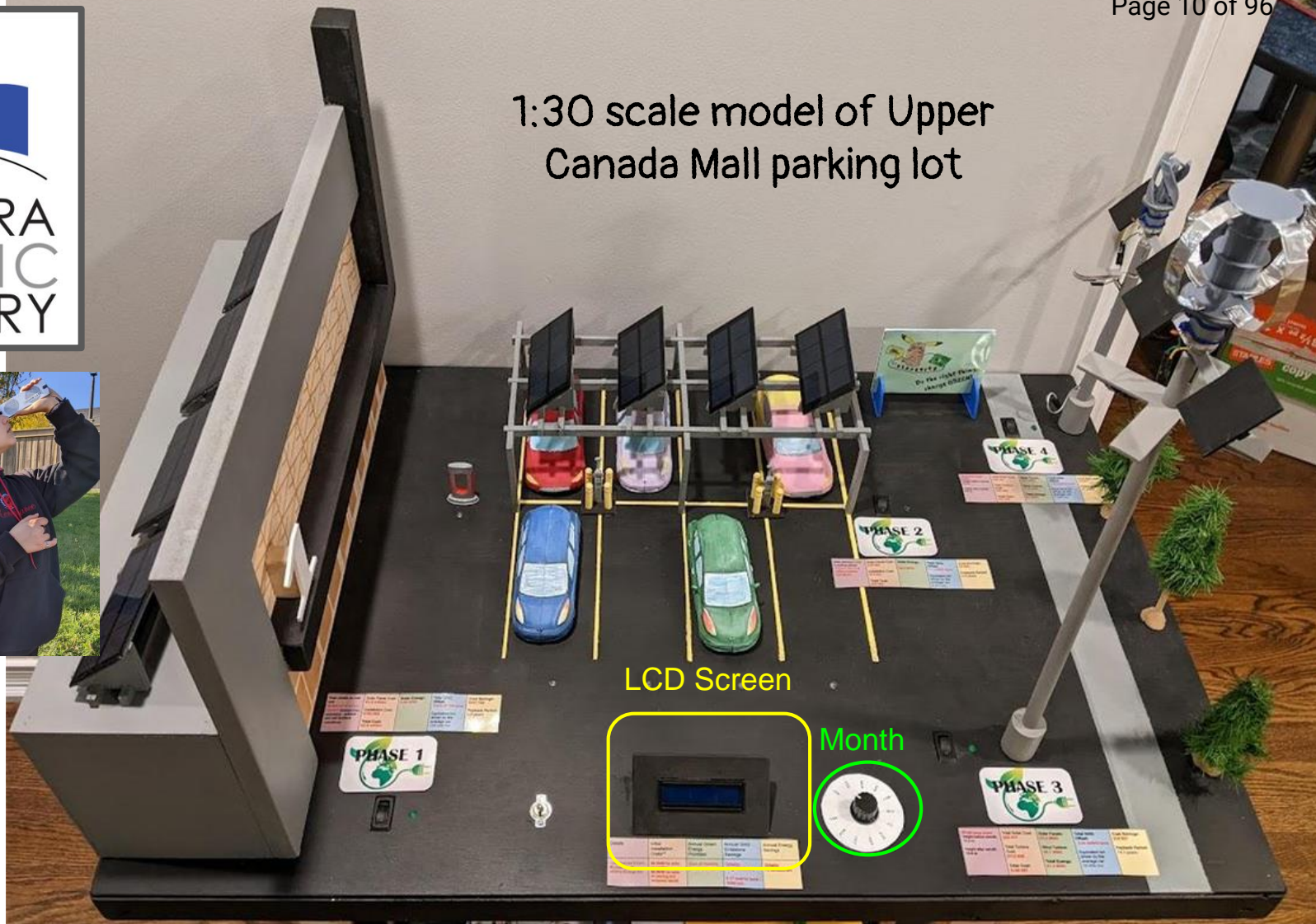
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RESCo Energy Inc







## 1:30 scale model of Upper Canada Mall parking lot





# Proposed Green Energy Retrofits

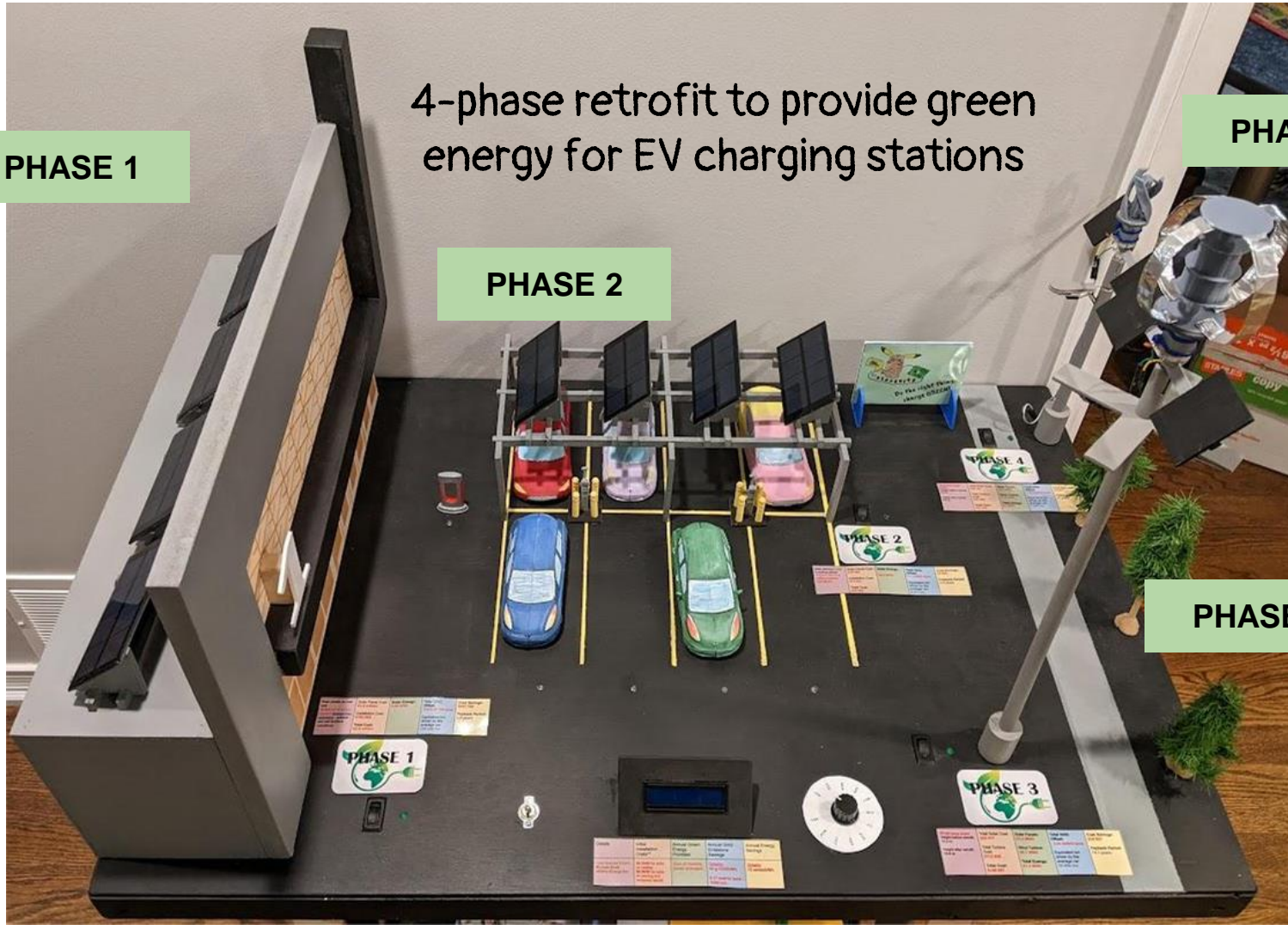
4-phase retrofit to provide green energy for EV charging stations

PHASE 1

PHASE 2

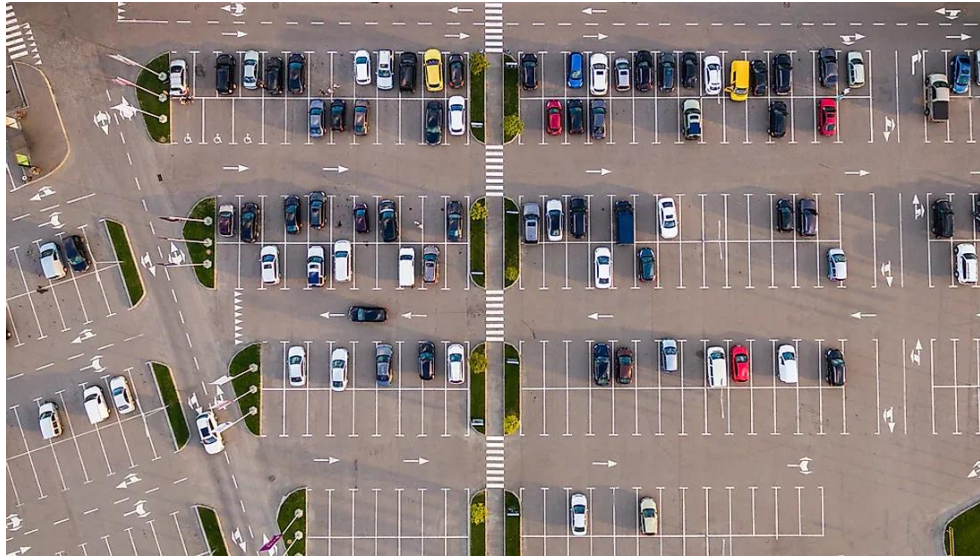
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PHASE 3



# Seeing is believing!

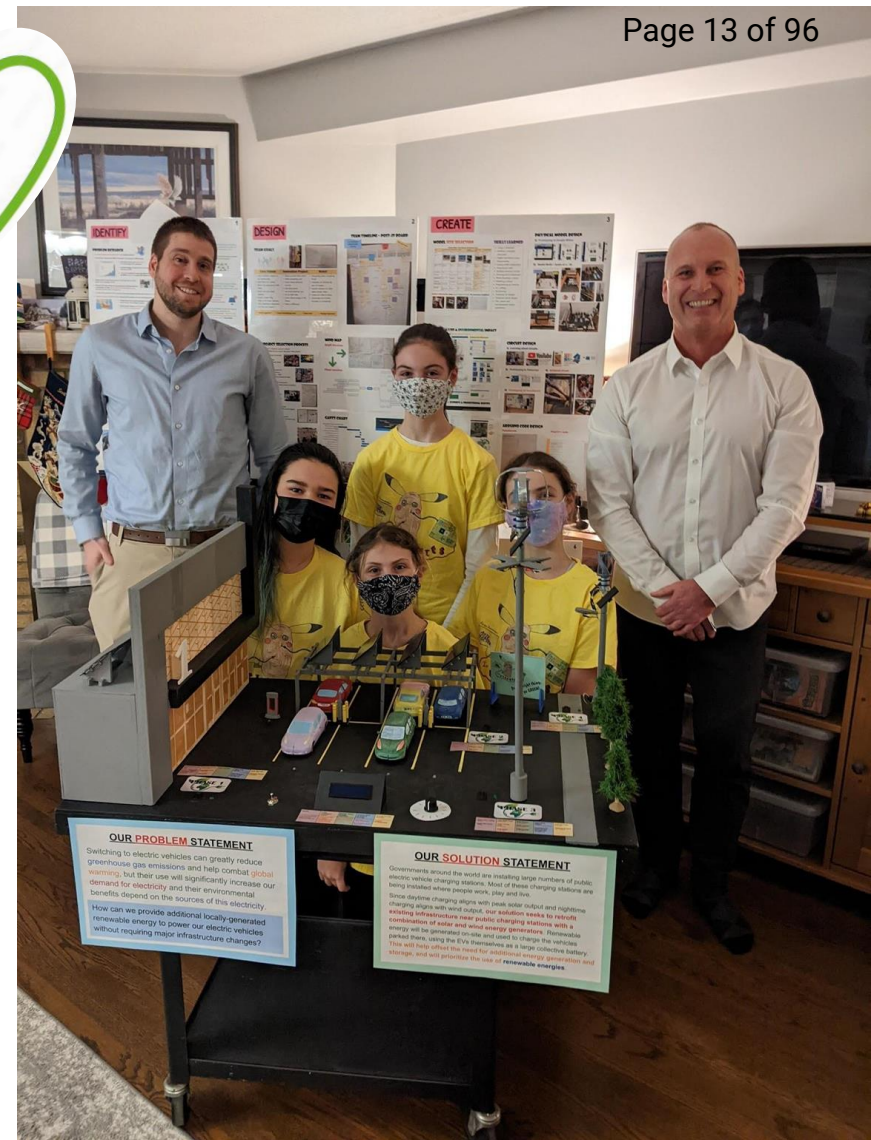
Our switch to electric vehicles is only as green as the power used to charge them!

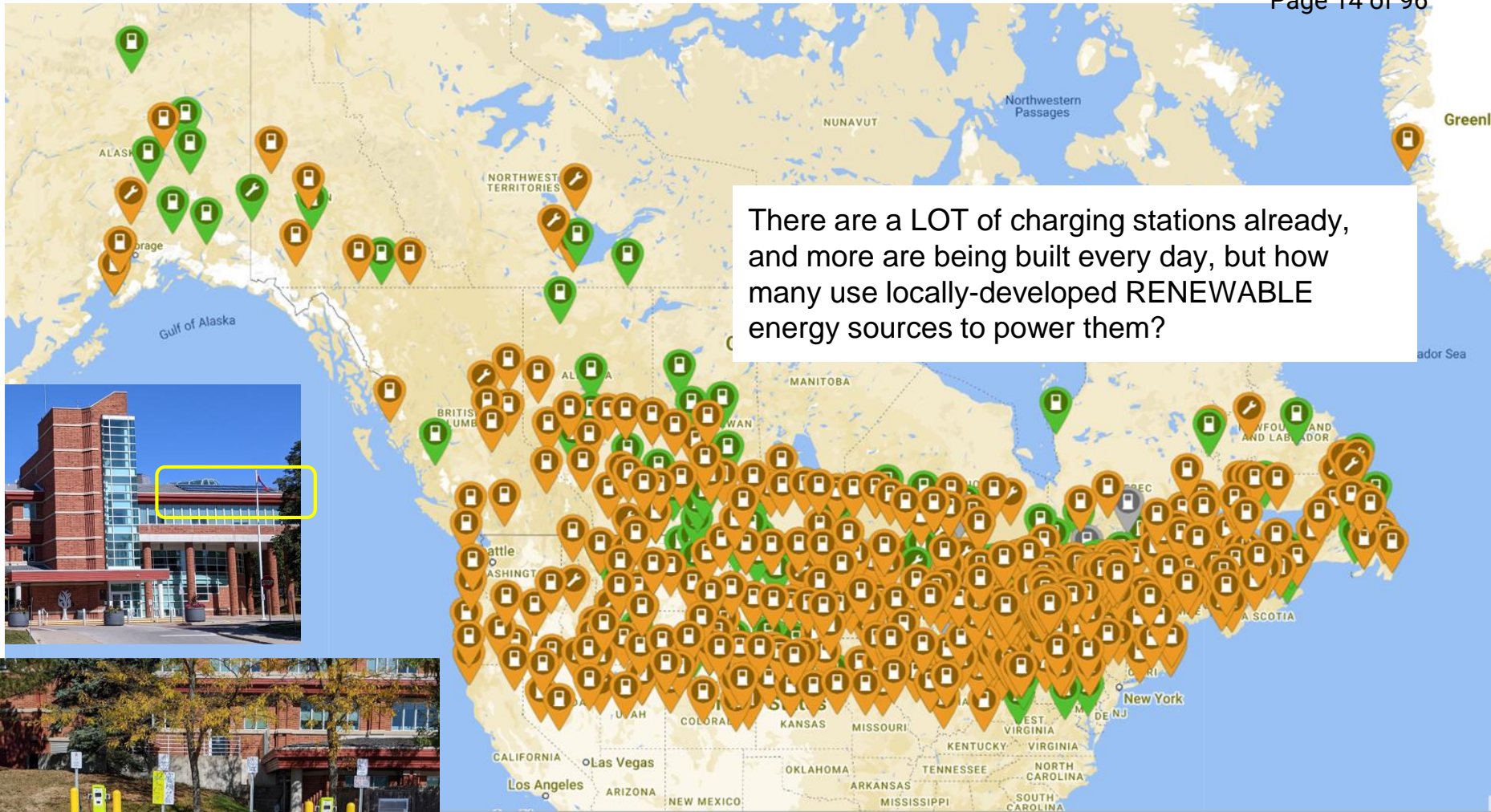






Oxford Properties is going to look into **implementing our solutions** at **UCM** and their **other properties** all over the **globe!**







# Teamwork Makes the Dream Work!



Green energy retrofit calculator

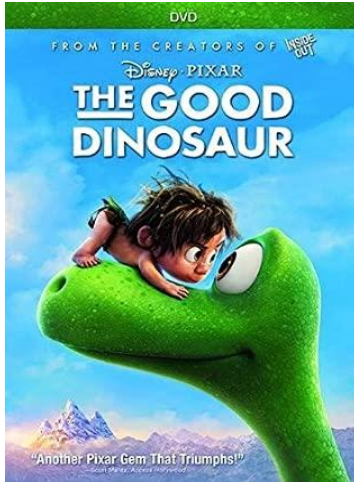


Would the Town of Aurora be interested in collaborating with us on this next step of our innovation project?



# Spot the Robot

5 Runs (410 pts) ... *Perfect game!!*



# FIRST LEGO LEAGUE RAZORBACK® OPEN INVITATIONAL

May 18-21, 2023 • University of Arkansas • Fayetteville, Arkansas

10 robotics workshops offered  
to 2 local elementary schools!



← 80 champion teams  
from 12 different countries!

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## SPONSOR BENEFITS



Merci de la part de toute l'équipe!  
Thank you for supporting our FLL team.

<b>Platinum Sponsor</b>  <b>\$2000 +</b>	<b>Media coverage:</b> Your company publicly thanked as a major sponsor <b>Pit banner (displayed during competitions):</b> Large logo of business <b>Team flag:</b> Large logo of business <b>Team T-shirt:</b> Large logo of business <b>Team flyer:</b> Large logo of business <b>Other:</b> Optional photo of sponsor with team members  Listed in our team binders and on our team website, and thanked with a personalized thank you card at the end of our FLL season.
<b>Gold Sponsor</b>  <b>\$1000 - \$1999</b>	<b>Pit banner (displayed during competitions):</b> Medium logo of business <b>Team flag:</b> Medium logo of business <b>Team T-shirt:</b> Medium logo of business <b>Team flyer:</b> Medium logo of business  Listed in our team binders and on our team website, and thanked with a personalized thank you card at the end of our FLL season.
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<b>Bronze Sponsor</b>  <b>\$100 - \$249</b>	<b>Team flyer:</b> Small logo of business  Listed in our team binders and on our team website, and thanked with a personalized thank you card at the end of our FLL season.
<b>Team Supporters</b>  <b>&lt; \$100</b>	We will include your name in our list of team supporters. Thank you!

For more information about Équipe Francobotique, visit:  
<https://sites.google.com/view/equipefrancobotique>

For more information about the FIRST LEGO LEAGUE Challenge program, visit:  
<https://www.firstroboticscanada.org/fll/challenge/>



# FLL Champions!!!!



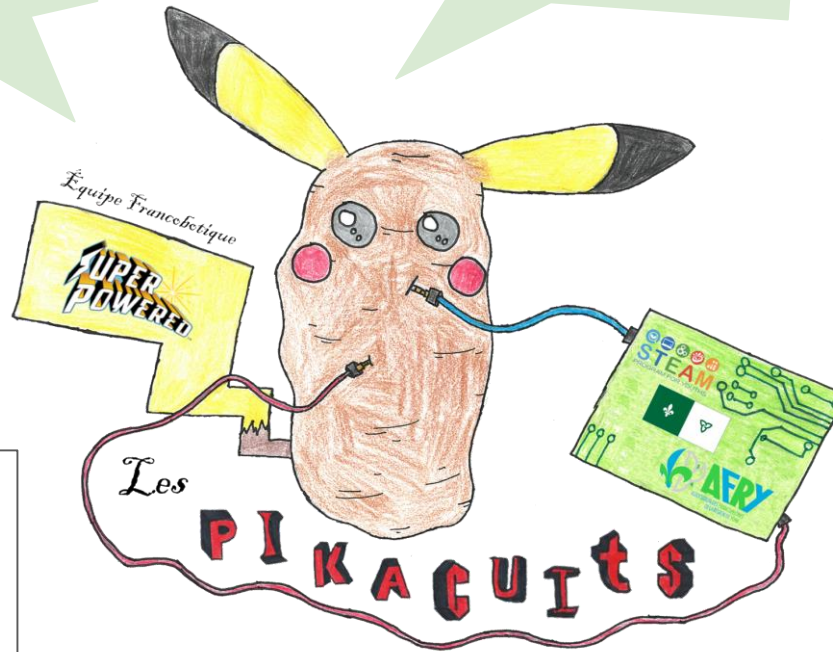


# Les Pikacuits de l'Équipe Francobotique

Any feedback for us?

Any questions or  
suggestions?

Thank you for your  
time and your  
support.



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Council

**Council or Committee Meeting Date \* ?**

2023-2-28



**Subject \***

CS23-008 -Bill 5 - Stopping Harassment and Abuse by Local Leaders Act, 2022

**Full Name of Spokesperson and Name of Group or Person(s) being Represented (if applicable) \***

Jeffrey A. Abrams, Principles Integrity, Integrity Commissioner for the Town of Aurora

**Brief Summary of Issue or Purpose of Delegation \***

As requested by Committee the integrity commissioner will be present at Council to provide their perspective on concerns and missed opportunities arising from the potential implementation of Bill 5, and will be available to answer questions.

**Have you been in contact with a Town staff or Council member regarding your matter of interest?**

\*

☒ Yes

☐ No

**Full name of the Town staff or Council member with whom you spoke**

Town Clerk

**Date you spoke with Town staff or a Council member**

2023-2-9



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2023-2-28



**Subject \***

Future of Pickleball

**Full Name of Spokesperson and Name of Group or Person(s) being Represented (if applicable) \***

GORD KERR Aurora Pickleball Group, Aurora Senior Centre Group Jane Snape

**Brief Summary of Issue or Purpose of Delegation \***

To discuss the future of Pickleball in Aurora, the resurfacing of existing outdoor courts and the retrofitting existing tennis courts.

The construction of new facilities for a 10 to 20 court facility for outdoor play.

How to get more indoor courts now for the growing sport members.

Putting Aurora on a 5 year maintenance and construction plan for pickleball courts.

**Have you been in contact with a Town staff or Council member regarding your matter of interest?**

\*

☒ Yes

☐ No

**Full name of the Town staff or Council member with whom you spoke**

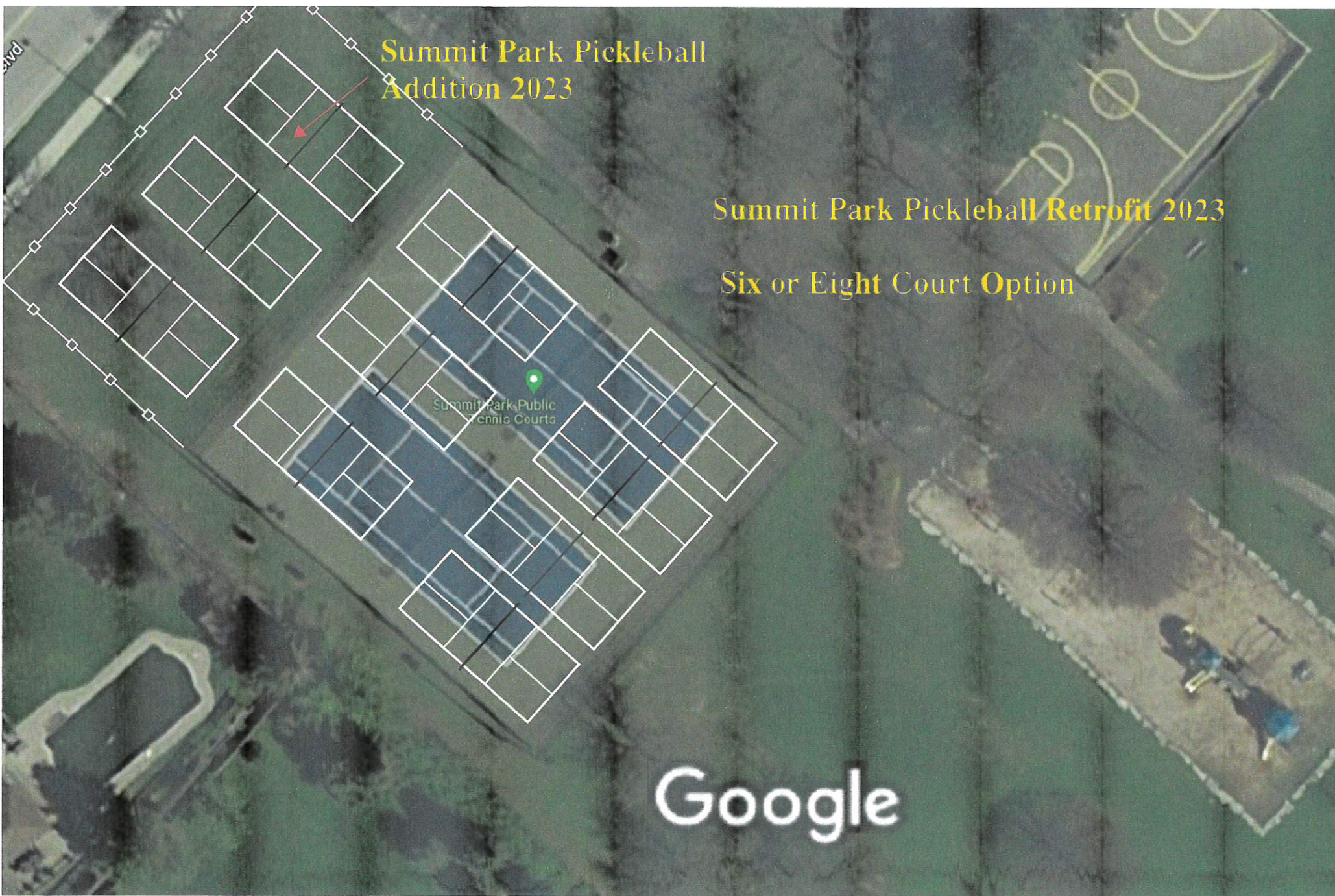
Ron Weese, Rachel Gilliland

**Date you spoke with Town staff or a Council member**

2023-1-9









## Summit Park Pickleball Addition 2023





## Thomas Phillips Dr



Thomas Phillips Pickleball courts are existing asphalt that have no fence around them. How do you expect us to play on these courts, we are not going to run around to pick up ball and interfere with the basketball player's, this is not safe. The grass to asphalt edge is a tripping hazard, before you fall into the swale.

The lines are in poor condition as there has been a lack of maintenance.

An 8 ft high fence needs to be installed, with one man gate. then a Plexipave coloured surface can be applied the following year. This will help with the major Pickleball court shortage.

Edward Coltham Park



The existing Pickleball courts here are a disgrace and should be changed to Road Tennis as they are unsafe to play on. No Fence and a tripping hazard at court edge.

DO it wright and install a proper facility in this empty area.

You have existing Water Power and Washrooms just expand the parking lot and this can be completed for 2025.

There is room to install a new 12 court facility in this unused open area regrading the existing the the swale and CB to the north

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**Subject \***

Pickleball - Indoor

**Full Name of Spokesperson and Name of Group or Person(s) being Represented (if applicable) \***

Jane Snape -

**Brief Summary of Issue or Purpose of Delegation \***

To advise Council of the current state of Indoor Pickleball in Aurora with a request to include Indoor Pickleball facilities in the Parks and Recreation Master Plan.

**Have you been in contact with a Town staff or Council member regarding your matter of interest? \***

☒ Yes

☐ No

**Full name of the Town staff or Council member with whom you spoke**

Councillor Rachel Gilliland

**Date you spoke with Town staff or a Council member**

2023-2-16





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**Council or Committee \***

Accessibility Advisory Committee

**Council or Committee Meeting Date \* ?**

2023-2-28



**Subject \***

Pickleball - Opportunities

**Full Name of Spokesperson and Name of Group or Person(s) being Represented (if applicable) \***

Michael Bowcott

**Brief Summary of Issue or Purpose of Delegation \***

The purpose of my delegation is to speak to motion 10.3 - Pickleball. Pickleball is the fastest growing sport in North America. Some see it as a sport (competitive), game (social) and others, a therapy. Municipalities will face increased pressure to provide more opportunities to play pickleball, but they will also face challenges to find suitable locations that can support the increasing demand for pickleball. I created the Richmond Hill Pickleball Network with over 900+ members, and I am the president of the Richmond Hill Pickleball Club. We are the group supporting the City of Richmond Hills proposal to build 16 dedicated pickleball courts at David Dunlop Park.

**Have you been in contact with a Town staff or Council member regarding your matter of interest? \***

☒ Yes

☐ No

**Full name of the Town staff or Council member with whom you spoke**

Rachel Gilliland

**Date you spoke with Town staff or a Council member**

2023-2-27



# Delegation Request

This request and any written submissions or background information for consideration by either Council or Committees of Council is being submitted to Legislative Services.

**Council or Committee \***

Accessibility Advisory Committee

**Council or Committee Meeting Date \* ?**

2023-2-28



**Subject \***

Pickleball Opportunities

**Full Name of Spokesperson and Name of Group or Person(s) being Represented (if applicable) \***

Bill Maron Total Tennis Inc.

**Brief Summary of Issue or Purpose of Delegation \***

I hope to speak to the potential of operating a successful two-sport facility. My company operated an indoor/outdoor tennis and pickleball club in London, Ontario from 2018 to end of 2022 with 450 tennis members and 700 pickleball members.

**Have you been in contact with a Town staff or Council member regarding your matter of interest? \***

☒ Yes

☐ No

**Full name of the Town staff or Council member with whom you spoke**

Ron Weese

**Date you spoke with Town staff or a Council member**

2023-2-16



# Delegation Request

This request and any written submissions or background information for consideration by either Council or Committees of Council is being submitted to Legislative Services.

**Council or Committee \***

Council

**Council or Committee Meeting Date \* ?**

2023-2-28



**Subject \***

Mrakas' Notice of Motion - re: 672 and 684 Henderson Drive

**Full Name of Spokesperson and Name of Group or Person(s) being Represented (if applicable) \***

George Skoulikas

**Brief Summary of Issue or Purpose of Delegation \***

In support of the Mayor's motion

**Have you been in contact with a Town staff or Council member regarding your matter of interest? \***

☐ Yes

☒ No

**I acknowledge that the Procedure By-law permits five (5) minutes for Delegations. \***

☒ Agree

# Delegation Request

This request and any written submissions or background information for consideration by either Council or Committees of Council is being submitted to Legislative Services.

**Council or Committee \***

Council

**Council or Committee Meeting Date \* ?**

2023-2-28



**Subject \***

Re: Motion for Bill 5- The Stopping Harassment and Abuse by Local Leaders Act

**Full Name of Spokesperson and Name of Group or Person(s) being Represented (if applicable) \***

The Women of Ontario Say No- Jenna Weck and Emily McIntosh

It is our understanding the hired IC Jeffery Abrams will be sharing his thoughts on Bill 5 legislation. From a conversation he has with us yesterday, he stated he will be sharing his views with a focus on the pragmatism of the Bill. We want to ensure that an alternate lens is applied to any decision-making council will be making tonight with respect to a motion of support for Bill 5- The Stopping Harassment and Abuse by Local Leaders Act, as pragmatism is only one element for consideration.

We now have over 24 municipalities on board (and growing every week), with a specific endorsement of Bill 5. We are looking to our municipally elected representative to champion legislation that will help ensure the workplace is safe and that there is basic human rights protection for all persons.

As Council is aware, this bill died last session provincially when the provincial election was called. This bill is now re-introduced as Bill 5. This is a non-partisan issue. Given this is the third time the bill is on the floor, continued advocacy is absolutely necessary. The bill "requires that codes of conduct for municipal councillors and members of local boards include requirements for those councillors and members to comply with workplace violence and harassment policies, and creates an integrity commissioner and judicial process to remove them from office for egregious acts of sexual, emotional and psychological misconduct" (Hansard - Wednesday, August 10, 2022 | GovtMonitor). Collective accountability is critical in good governance and this is applicable to all municipally elected officials.

We also have a 2:53 minute video of one of the people directly affected by this gap in legislation that we would like to share. I can send by phone, if you provide a number I can send it to. This delegation request, albeit last minute is imperative for full context to the initial deputation delivered. It will not be duplicate content. We understand we will likely be placed last on the agenda, but will be there in person.

**Have you been in contact with a Town staff or Council member regarding your matter of interest?**

\*

☒ Yes

☐ No

**Full name of the Town staff or Council member with whom you spoke**

**Date you spoke with Town staff or a Council member**

Councillor Gilliland

2023-2-28



**I acknowledge that the Procedure By-law permits five (5) minutes for Delegations. \***

☒ Agree



**Town of Aurora  
Council  
Meeting Minutes**

**Date:** Tuesday, January 31, 2023  
**Time:** 7 p.m.  
**Location:** Council Chambers, Aurora Town Hall

**Council Members:** Mayor Tom Mrakas (Chair)  
Councillor Ron Weese  
Councillor Rachel Gilliland  
Councillor Wendy Gaertner  
Councillor Michael Thompson  
Councillor John Gallo  
Councillor Harold Kim

**Other Attendees:** Doug Nadorozny, Chief Administrative Officer  
Allan Downey, Director of Operations  
Robin McDougall, Director of Community Services  
Marco Ramunno, Director of Planning and Development Services  
Techa van Leeuwen, Director of Corporate Services  
Rachel Wainwright-van Kessel, Director of Finance  
Daniel Bitonti, Acting Manager, Corporate Communications  
Jason Gaertner, Manager, Financial Management  
Patricia De Sario, Town Solicitor  
Michael de Rond, Town Clerk  
Linda Bottos, Council/Committee Coordinator  
Palak Mehta, Council/Committee Coordinator

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**1. Call to Order**

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

Council consented to recess the meeting at 9:06 p.m. and reconvened the meeting at 9:16 p.m.

## 2. Land Acknowledgement

Mayor Mrakas acknowledged that the meeting took place on Anishinaabe lands, the traditional and treaty territory of the Chippewas of Georgina Island, recognizing the many other Nations whose presence here continues to this day, the special relationship the Chippewas have with the lands and waters of this territory, and that Aurora has shared responsibility for the stewardship of these lands and waters. It was noted that Aurora is part of the treaty lands of the Mississaugas and Chippewas, recognized through Treaty #13 and the Williams Treaties of 1923.

## 3. Approval of the Agenda

**Moved by** Councillor Gaertner

**Seconded by** Councillor Gilliland

That the revised agenda as circulated by Legislative Services, including the addition of Delegation 6.3 - Boris Gartsbein, Resident; Re: Motion 10.1 - Councillor Gilliland; Re: Feasibility of Snow Windrow Removal Assistance Program, be approved.

Yeas (7): Mayor Mrakas, Councillor Weese, Councillor Gilliland, Councillor Gaertner, Councillor Thompson, Councillor Gallo, and Councillor Kim

**On a two-thirds majority vote the motion  
Carried (7 to 0)**

## 4. Declarations of Pecuniary Interest and General Nature Thereof

There were no declarations of pecuniary interest under the *Municipal Conflict of Interest Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. M.50*.

## 5. Community Presentations

None.

## 6. Delegations

### 6.1 John Caprara, Resident; Re: Motion 10.1 - Councillor Gilliland; Re: Feasibility of Snow Windrow Removal Assistance Program

John Caprara spoke in support of Councillor Gilliland's motion.

**Moved by** Councillor Gaertner

**Seconded by** Councillor Gilliland

That the comments of the delegation be received and referred to Motion 10.1.

Yeas (7): Mayor Mrakas, Councillor Weese, Councillor Gilliland, Councillor Gaertner, Councillor Thompson, Councillor Gallo, and Councillor Kim

**Carried (7 to 0)**

**6.2 John Nowell, Resident (written delegation); Re: Motion 10.1 - Councillor Gilliland; Re: Feasibility of Snow Windrow Removal Assistance Program**

The Town Clerk read aloud the written delegation from John Nowell in support of Councillor Gilliland's motion.

**Moved by** Councillor Gilliland

**Seconded by** Councillor Gallo

That the comments of the delegation be received and referred to Motion 10.1.

Yeas (7): Mayor Mrakas, Councillor Weese, Councillor Gilliland, Councillor Gaertner, Councillor Thompson, Councillor Gallo, and Councillor Kim

**Carried (7 to 0)**

**6.3 Boris Gartsbein, Resident; Re: Motion 10.1 - Councillor Gilliland; Re: Feasibility of Snow Windrow Removal Assistance Program**

Boris Gartsbein spoke in support of Councillor Gilliland's motion.

**Moved by** Councillor Gallo

**Seconded by** Councillor Gilliland

That the comments of the delegation be received and referred to Motion 10.1.

Yeas (7): Mayor Mrakas, Councillor Weese, Councillor Gilliland, Councillor Gaertner, Councillor Thompson, Councillor Gallo, and Councillor Kim

**Carried (7 to 0)**

**7. Consent Agenda**

**Moved by** Councillor Kim

**Seconded by** Councillor Thompson



That the Consent Agenda, items 7.1 to 7.5 inclusive, be approved.

Yeas (7): Mayor Mrakas, Councillor Weese, Councillor Gilliland, Councillor Gaertner, Councillor Thompson, Councillor Gallo, and Councillor Kim

**Carried (7 to 0)**

**7.1 Council Meeting Minutes of December 13, 2022**

1. That the Council meeting minutes of December 13, 2022, be adopted as circulated.

**Carried**

**7.2 Council Closed Session Minutes of December 13, 2022**

1. That the Council Closed Session minutes of December 13, 2022, be adopted as circulated.

**Carried**

**7.3 Council Closed Session Public Meeting Minutes of December 13, 2022**

1. That the Council Closed Session Public meeting minutes of December 13, 2022, be adopted as circulated.

**Carried**

**7.4 Council Closed Session Minutes of January 17, 2023**

1. That the Council Closed Session minutes of January 17, 2023, be adopted as circulated.

**Carried**

**7.5 Council Closed Session Public Meeting Minutes of January 17, 2023**

1. That the Council Closed Session Public meeting minutes of January 17, 2023, be adopted as circulated.

**Carried**

**8. Standing Committee Reports**

**Moved by** Councillor Kim

**Seconded by** Councillor Gilliland

That the Standing Committee Reports, items 8.1 to 8.2 inclusive, be received and the recommendations carried by the Committees approved, with the exception of

sub-items 8.1.2, 8.1.3., 8.1.6, 8.2.3, and 8.2.4(6.1), which were discussed and voted on separately as recorded below.

Yeas (7): Mayor Mrakas, Councillor Weese, Councillor Gilliland, Councillor Gaertner, Councillor Thompson, Councillor Gallo, and Councillor Kim

**Carried (7 to 0)**

## **8.1 General Committee Meeting Report of January 17, 2023**

### **8.1.1 Correspondence from Regional Clerk; Re: Regional Council Decision - Proposed Amendments to the Greenbelt and Oak Ridges Moraine Plans**

#### [Correspondence](#)

1. That the correspondence regarding Regional Council Decision - Proposed Amendments to the Greenbelt and Oak Ridges Moraine Plans be received; and
2. That the Town of Aurora supports the position of York Region with respect to the proposed amendments to the *Greenbelt Act* and *Oak Ridges Moraine Act*.

**Carried**

### **8.1.2 CS23-001 - Committee Structure Review and Updated Policy for Ad Hoc/Advisory Committees and Local Boards**

#### [Report](#) [Attachment 1](#) [Attachment 2 \(Revised\)](#) [Attachment 3](#) [Attachment 4](#)

Council consented to vote separately on clauses 7 and 11 of the main motion as amended.

#### **Main motion**

**Moved by** Councillor Gallo

**Seconded by** Councillor Gilliland

1. That Report No. CS23-001 be received; and
2. That Attachment 1, the policy for Ad Hoc/Advisory Committees and Local Boards be approved; and
3. That the following Advisory Committees be created:
  - Community Advisory Committee

- Community Recognition Review Advisory Committee
  - Environmental Advisory Committee
  - Finance Advisory Committee (Council members only)
  - Mayor's Golf Classic Funds Committee; and
4. That staff be directed to advertise for members of the Advisory and Statutory Boards and Committees with the exception of the Finance Advisory Committee; and
  5. That the attached Terms of Reference for all Statutory and discretionary Committees be approved; and
  6. That the Policy for Ad Hoc/Advisory Committees and Local Boards be amended to change the responsibility of chairing meetings from citizen members to members of Council; and
  7. That the term for citizen members appointed under this policy be for two years; and
  8. That the chair rotation be changed to every two years.

#### **Amendment No. 1**

**Moved by** Councillor Gallo

**Seconded by** Councillor Gaertner

That the main motion be amended by adding the following clauses:

“That an Active Transportation and Traffic Safety Advisory Committee be established; and

That the Community Advisory Committee be renamed as the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee.”

Yeas (7): Mayor Mrakas, Councillor Weese, Councillor Gilliland, Councillor Gaertner, Councillor Thompson, Councillor Gallo, and Councillor Kim

**Carried (7 to 0)**

#### **Amendment No. 2**

**Moved by** Councillor Gallo

**Seconded by** Councillor Gilliland

That the main motion as amended be further amended by adding the following clause:

“That a Council Compensation Ad Hoc Committee be established to review Council compensation in 2023.”

Yeas (5): Councillor Weese, Councillor Gilliland, Councillor Gaertner, Councillor Gallo, and Councillor Kim

Nays (2): Mayor Mrakas, and Councillor Thompson

**Carried (5 to 2)**

**Main motion as amended**

**Moved by Councillor Gallo**

**Seconded by Councillor Gilliland**

1. That Report No. CS23-001 be received; and
2. That Attachment 1, the policy for Ad Hoc/Advisory Committees and Local Boards be approved; and
3. That the following Advisory Committees be created:
  - Community Advisory Committee
  - Community Recognition Review Advisory Committee
  - Environmental Advisory Committee
  - Finance Advisory Committee (Council members only)
  - Mayor's Golf Classic Funds Committee; and
4. That staff be directed to advertise for members of the Advisory and Statutory Boards and Committees with the exception of the Finance Advisory Committee; and
5. That the attached Terms of Reference for all Statutory and discretionary Committees be approved; and
6. That the Policy for Ad Hoc/Advisory Committees and Local Boards be amended to change the responsibility of chairing meetings from citizen members to members of Council; and
7. That the term for citizen members appointed under this policy be for two years; and
8. That the chair rotation be changed to every two years; **and**
9. **That an Active Transportation and Traffic Safety Advisory Committee be established; and**

**10. That the Community Advisory Committee be renamed as the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee; and**

**11. That a Council Compensation Ad Hoc Committee be established to review Council compensation in 2023.**

Yeas (7): Mayor Mrakas, Councillor Weese, Councillor Gilliland, Councillor Gaertner, Councillor Thompson, Councillor Gallo, and Councillor Kim

**Clauses one to six and eight to ten  
Carried (7 to 0)**

Yeas (5): Mayor Mrakas, Councillor Weese, Councillor Gaertner, Councillor Thompson, and Councillor Kim

Nays (2): Councillor Gilliland, and Councillor Gallo

**Seventh clause  
Carried (5 to 2)**

Yeas (5): Councillor Weese, Councillor Gilliland, Councillor Gaertner, Councillor Gallo, and Councillor Kim

Nays (2): Mayor Mrakas, and Councillor Thompson

**Eleventh clause  
Carried (5 to 2)**

### **8.1.3 PDS23-001 - Secondary Suites in Residential Homes Building Inspection Strategies and Proposed Policies**

[Report Attachment 1](#)

**Main motion**

**Moved by** Councillor Thompson

**Seconded by** Councillor Gilliland

**1. That Report No. PDS23-001 be received for information.**

**Amendment**

**Moved by** Councillor Gaertner

**Seconded by** Councillor Gilliland

That the main motion be amended by adding the following clauses:

“That staff report back with the following details:

- timeline to resolve the outstanding (16) complaints regarding secondary suites; and
- a procedure to notify the owner of a dwelling when an inspection to their secondary unit is required; and
- an explanation as to why the online Second Unit Housing List is inconsistent with the January 17, 2023 report chart (page 5); and
- the addresses and initial date of the current open permits including a timeline on closing the permits; and

That the updated procedure include provisions that, if the owner fails to respond to the Town's inspection request within 30 days, a written letter be sent and if the owner continues to fail to respond within a further 30 days, that further recourse may be used."

Yeas (7): Mayor Mrakas, Councillor Weese, Councillor Gilliland, Councillor Gaertner, Councillor Thompson, Councillor Gallo, and Councillor Kim

**Carried (7 to 0)**

**Main motion as amended**

**Moved by** Councillor Thompson

**Seconded by** Councillor Gilliland

1. That Report No. PDS23-001 be received; and
2. That staff report back with the following details:
  - timeline to resolve the outstanding (16) complaints regarding secondary suites; and
  - a procedure to notify the owner of a dwelling when an inspection to their secondary unit is required; and
  - an explanation as to why the online Second Unit Housing List is inconsistent with the January 17, 2023 report chart (page 5); and
  - the addresses and initial date of the current open permits including a timeline on closing the permits; and
3. That the updated procedure include provisions that, if the owner fails to respond to the Town's inspection request within 30 days, a written letter be sent and if the owner continues to fail to



respond within a further 30 days, that further recourse may be used.

Yeas (7): Mayor Mrakas, Councillor Weese, Councillor Gilliland, Councillor Gaertner, Councillor Thompson, Councillor Gallo, and Councillor Kim

Carried (7 to 0)

#### **8.1.4 CMS23-001 - Recreation and Culture Grant and Sponsorship of Community Events and Programs Policy Refresh**

##### [Report](#)

1. That Report No. CMS23-001 be received; and
2. That the merger of the Recreation and Culture Grant and the Sponsorship of Community Events and Programs into a single Community Support Grant Program be approved; and
3. That staff be directed to return with a Grant Policy for the new Community Support Grant Program.

Carried

#### **8.1.5 FIN23-001 - Debt Management Policy**

##### [Report Attachment 1](#)

1. That Report No. FIN23-001 be received; and
2. That the presented Debt Management Policy for the Town be approved.

Carried

#### **8.1.6 New Business Motion No. 1; Re: Delegations 6.1; Steve Hall and John Reich, Aurora Barbarians Rugby Football Club; Re: Development of new all-weather field at Sheppard's Bush - Collaboration**

##### [Delegation](#)

**Moved by** Councillor Thompson

**Seconded by** Councillor Gilliland

1. That staff be directed to review and investigate the proposal from the Aurora Barbarians Rugby Football Club and report back to Council with options and recommendations.

Yeas (7): Mayor Mrakas, Councillor Weese, Councillor Gilliland, Councillor Gaertner, Councillor Thompson, Councillor Gallo, and Councillor Kim

**Carried (7 to 0)**

## **8.2 Budget Committee Meeting Reports of January 2023**

### **8.2.1 Budget Committee Meeting Report of January 9, 2023**

1. That the Budget Committee meeting report of January 9, 2023, be received for information.

**Carried**

### **8.2.2 Budget Committee Meeting Report of January 14, 2023**

1. That the Budget Committee meeting report of January 14, 2023, be received for information.

**Carried**

### **8.2.3 Budget Committee Meeting Report of January 16, 2023**

**Moved by** Councillor Weese

**Seconded by** Councillor Gaertner

1. That the Budget Committee meeting report of January 16, 2023, be received for information.

Yeas (7): Mayor Mrakas, Councillor Weese, Councillor Gilliland, Councillor Gaertner, Councillor Thompson, Councillor Gallo, and Councillor Kim

**Carried (7 to 0)**

### **8.2.4 Budget Committee Meeting Report of January 23, 2023**

**Moved by** Councillor Gallo

**Seconded by** Councillor Gilliland

1. That the Budget Committee meeting report of January 23, 2023, be received for information, excluding sub-item 6.1 - FIN23-002 - 2023 Budget Information.

Yeas (7): Mayor Mrakas, Councillor Weese, Councillor Gilliland, Councillor Gaertner, Councillor Thompson, Councillor Gallo, and Councillor Kim

**Carried (7 to 0)**

### **6.1 FIN23-002 - 2023 Budget Information**

Council consented to vote separately on the third clause.

**Moved by** Councillor Thompson

**Seconded by** Councillor Gilliland

1. That Report No. FIN23-002 be received; and
2. That staff work with the Finance Advisory Committee (FAC) to develop a ward budget policy and that it be established in the 2024 budget; and
3. That Council remuneration be reviewed in 2023.

Yeas (7): Mayor Mrakas, Councillor Weese, Councillor Gilliland, Councillor Gaertner, Councillor Thompson, Councillor Gallo, and Councillor Kim

**First and second clauses**

**Carried (7 to 0)**

Yeas (5): Councillor Weese, Councillor Gilliland, Councillor Gaertner, Councillor Gallo, and Councillor Kim

Nays (2): Mayor Mrakas, and Councillor Thompson

**Third clause**

**Carried (5 to 2)**

## **9. Consideration of Items Requiring Discussion (Regular Agenda)**

### **9.1 FIN23-005 - 2023 Final Budget Approval**

**Main motion**

**Moved by** Councillor Thompson

**Seconded by** Councillor Kim

1. That Report No. FIN23-005 be received; and
2. That Council approve the 2023 operating budget as follows:
  - a. The operating budget, as amended by this report, and as summarized in Attachment 1; and

- b. The water, wastewater and storm water rates to fully fund each of these services as summarized in Table 2; and
  - c. That the tax and water billing bylaws be enacted at a future Council meeting; and
- 3. That Council approve the 2023 capital budget as follows:
  - a. The capital budget authority and planned spending by project as detailed in the budget binder tabled on December 13, 2022, and as amended in this report and as summarized in Attachments 2 and 3; and
  - b. The capital budget authority and planned spending for the roads, facilities, fleet, information technology services and storm sewer asset management capital programs as summarized in Table 4 and subject to the rules detailed in this report; and
  - c. The funding sources for each capital project as reviewed and recommended by Budget Committee on January 14, 2023; and
  - d. The conditionally approved projects be added to the pending list; and
- 4. That the list of Council-identified requests included in Table 5 be endorsed; and
- 5. That the reconciliation of the 2023 operating budget to the full accrual basis of accounting, as required under Ontario Regulation 284/09, as summarized in Attachment 4 be endorsed.

#### **Amendment**

**Moved by** Councillor Gallo

**Seconded by** Councillor Gilliland

That the main motion be amended by adding the following clauses:

“That a total of \$6,000 from the Council Contingency fund be allocated to a ward budget in the amount of \$1,000 for each Councillor in 2023; and

That Policy 57 be waived to allow the CAO and Treasurer to be the approval authority for all expenses relating to ward budgets; and

That an itemized report on ward expenses be published on the Town's website.”



Yeas (7): Mayor Mrakas, Councillor Weese, Councillor Gilliland, Councillor Gaertner, Councillor Thompson, Councillor Gallo, and Councillor Kim

**Carried (7 to 0)**

**Main motion as amended**

**Moved by** Councillor Thompson

**Seconded by** Councillor Kim

1. That Report No. FIN23-005 be received; and
2. That Council approve the 2023 operating budget as follows:
  - a. The operating budget, as amended by this report, and as summarized in Attachment 1; and
  - b. The water, wastewater and storm water rates to fully fund each of these services as summarized in Table 2; and
  - c. That the tax and water billing bylaws be enacted at a future Council meeting; and
3. That Council approve the 2023 capital budget as follows:
  - a. The capital budget authority and planned spending by project as detailed in the budget binder tabled on December 13, 2022, and as amended in this report and as summarized in Attachments 2 and 3; and
  - b. The capital budget authority and planned spending for the roads, facilities, fleet, information technology services and storm sewer asset management capital programs as summarized in Table 4 and subject to the rules detailed in this report; and
  - c. The funding sources for each capital project as reviewed and recommended by Budget Committee on January 14, 2023; and
  - d. The conditionally approved projects be added to the pending list; and
4. That the list of Council-identified requests included in Table 5 be endorsed; and
5. That the reconciliation of the 2023 operating budget to the full accrual basis of accounting, as required under Ontario Regulation 284/09, as summarized in Attachment 4 be endorsed; **and**

6. That a total of \$6,000 from the Council Contingency fund be allocated to a ward budget in the amount of \$1,000 for each Councillor in 2023; and
7. That Policy 57 be waived to allow the CAO and Treasurer to be the approval authority for all expenses relating to ward budgets; and
8. That an itemized report on ward expenses be published on the Town's website.

Yeas (7): Mayor Mrakas, Councillor Weese, Councillor Gilliland, Councillor Gaertner, Councillor Thompson, Councillor Gallo, and Councillor Kim

**Carried (7 to 0)**

## **9.2 Memorandum from Mayor Mrakas; Re: Board and Committee Appointments 2022-2026 Term of Council**

**Moved by** Councillor Gallo

**Seconded by** Councillor Gilliland

1. That Members of Council be appointed to the following Boards and Committees effective January 2023:
  - Accessibility Advisory Committee – Councillor Harold Kim
  - Active Transportation and Traffic Safety Advisory Committee - Councillor John Gallo
  - Aurora Cultural Centre Board – Councillors Harold Kim and Michael Thompson
  - Aurora Economic Development Corporation – Mayor Tom Mrakas and Councillor Rachel Gilliland
  - Aurora Public Library Board – Councillors John Gallo and Ron Weese
  - Community Recognition Review Advisory Committee – Mayor Tom Mrakas
  - Environmental Advisory Committee – Councillors Wendy Gaertner and Rachel Gilliland
  - Finance Advisory Committee – Mayor Tom Mrakas, Councillors Michael Thompson and Ron Weese
  - Heritage Advisory Committee – Councillor John Gallo
  - Joint Council Committee – Councillors John Gallo, Wendy Gaertner, and Rachel Gilliland (previously approved by Council on December 13, 2022)

- Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee – Councillor Ron Weese

Yeas (7): Mayor Mrakas, Councillor Weese, Councillor Gilliland, Councillor Gaertner, Councillor Thompson, Councillor Gallo, and Councillor Kim

**Carried (7 to 0)**

## **10. Motions**

### **10.1 Councillor Gilliland; Re: Feasibility of Snow Windrow Removal Assistance Program**

Council consented to consider Motion 10.1 prior to consideration of section 8, Standing Committee Reports.

**Moved by** Councillor Gilliland

**Seconded by** Councillor Gaertner

Whereas a snow windrow is the pile of snow at the end of the driveway created by snowplows when they clear the road that can be physically hazardous to some seniors or be challenging for people with certain disabilities; and

Whereas many municipalities such as King, Markham, and Whitchurch-Stouffville have developed a special application for a snow windrow removal assistance program to address these unique circumstances;

1. Now Therefore Be It Hereby Resolved That staff report back with the feasibility of introducing a special application for a snow windrow removal assistance program showing various application parameters, future budget implications, and piloting options.

Yeas (7): Mayor Mrakas, Councillor Weese, Councillor Gilliland, Councillor Gaertner, Councillor Thompson, Councillor Gallo, and Councillor Kim

**Carried (7 to 0)**

## **11. Regional Report**

### **11.1 York Regional Council Highlights of December 15, 2022**

**Moved by** Councillor Kim

**Seconded by** Councillor Thompson

1. That the York Regional Council Highlights of December 15, 2022, be received for information.

Yeas (7): Mayor Mrakas, Councillor Weese, Councillor Gilliland, Councillor Gaertner, Councillor Thompson, Councillor Gallo, and Councillor Kim

**Carried (7 to 0)**

## 12. New Business

Councillor Gilliland inquired about updates on several matters including: Aurora Business Improvement Area (BIA) budget and impact on the Town's levy; the expected timing of a crosswalk to be redone by the Region; the plaque for a historic building at Bloomington Road and Yonge Street; and a property at Mosley Street and Yonge Street. Staff provided responses.

Councillor Gilliland inquired about the possibility of rerouting one of the snow plow routes to avoid encroaching on the sidewalks, and staff agreed to follow up.

Councillor Thompson advised that some residents are confused by the Town's online application "Where's My Plow?" and suggested the addition of more context, descriptors, and route colour contrast. Staff agreed to follow up.

Councillor Gaertner inquired about the number of snow removal complaints received this season, and staff provided a response.

Councillor Gallo updated Council on several issues discussed at a recent St. Jerome Catholic Elementary School's Parent Council meeting including: making the Hollandview Trail crosswalk safer for students to access both area schools; streamlining the permitted use of adjacent parks by students during the school day; and communicating to new homeowners on property taxes and choosing school board support.

Councillor Gallo noted that volunteers would be welcomed to help flood the Queen's Diamond Jubilee Park skating rink.

Mayor Mrakas suggested that Aurora's snow plows be given unique names as other municipalities have done, and staff provided a response.

Mayor Mrakas expressed appreciation and commended staff for their snow removal efforts, noting that many compliments have also been received.

Mayor Mrakas announced and congratulated the newly appointed members of the Aurora Public Library Board for the 2022-2026 term: Christina Choo-Hum, John Clement, Lauren Hanna, Adam Mobbs, and Greg Smith.



Mayor Mrakas, on behalf of Council and all Aurorans, offered condolences to the family and friends of former Aurora Councillor Betty Pedersen who recently passed away.

Mayor Mrakas expressed appreciation to Council and staff for their efforts throughout the budget process.

### **13. By-laws**

#### **13.1 By-law Number 6471-23 - Being a By-law to establish a schedule of fees and charges for municipal services, activities, and the use of property within the Town of Aurora (Fees and Charges By-law).**

**Moved by** Councillor Gallo

**Seconded by** Councillor Thompson

That By-laws item 13.1 be enacted.

Yeas (7): Mayor Mrakas, Councillor Weese, Councillor Gilliland, Councillor Gaertner, Councillor Thompson, Councillor Gallo, and Councillor Kim

**Carried (7 to 0)**

### **14. Closed Session**

None.

### **15. Confirming By-law**

#### **15.1 By-law Number 6472-23 Being a By-law to confirm actions by Council resulting from a Council meeting on January 31, 2023**

**Moved by** Councillor Gaertner

**Seconded by** Councillor Thompson

That the confirming by-law be enacted.

**Carried**

### **16. Adjournment**

**Moved by** Councillor Gilliland

**Seconded by** Councillor Weese

That the meeting be adjourned at 9:52 p.m.

**Carried**

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Tom Mrakas, Mayor

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Michael de Rond, Town Clerk



**Town of Aurora  
Council Closed Session Public  
Meeting Minutes**

**Date:** Tuesday, January 31, 2023

**Time:** 5:45 p.m.

**Location:** Holland Room

**Council Members:** Mayor Tom Mrakas (Chair)  
Councillor Ron Weese  
Councillor Rachel Gilliland  
Councillor Wendy Gaertner  
Councillor Michael Thompson  
Councillor John Gallo  
Councillor Harold Kim (arrived 5:58 p.m.)

**Other Attendees:** Doug Nadorozny, Chief Administrative Officer  
Allan Downey, Director, Operational Services  
Robin McDougall, Director, Community Services  
Patricia De Sario, Town Solicitor  
Michael de Rond, Town Clerk

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**1. Call to Order**

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 5:46 p.m.

Council consented to resolve into a Closed Session at 5:46 p.m.

Council reconvened into open session at 6:09 p.m.

**2. Approval of the Agenda**

**Moved by** Councillor Weese

**Seconded by** Councillor Gallo

That the confidential Council Closed Session agenda be approved.

**Carried**

### 3. **Declarations of Pecuniary Interest and General Nature Thereof**

There were no declarations of pecuniary interest under the *Municipal Conflict of Interest Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. M.50*.

### 4. **Consideration of Items Requiring Discussion**

**Moved by** Councillor Thompson

**Seconded by** Councillor Gallo

That Council resolve into a Closed Session to consider the following matter:

1. Litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the municipality or local board (Section 239(2)(e) of the *Municipal Act, 2001*); Re: Council Closed Session Report No.CS23-005 - Joint Operations Centre – Salt Dome Litigation

**Carried**

#### 4.1 **Council Closed Session Report No. CS23-005 - Joint Operations Centre - Salt Dome Litigation**

Litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the municipality or local board (Section 239(2)(e) of the *Municipal Act, 2001*)

**Moved by** Councillor Gallo

**Seconded by** Councillor Gilliland

1. That Council Closed Session Report No. CS23-005 be received; and
2. That the confidential direction to staff be confirmed.

Yeas (7): Mayor Mrakas, Councillor Weese, Councillor Gilliland, Councillor Gaertner, Councillor Thompson, Councillor Gallo, and Councillor Kim

**Carried (7 to 0)**

### 5. **Confirming By-law**

#### 5.1 **By-law No. 6470-23 Being a By-law to confirm actions by Council resulting from a Council Closed Session on January 31, 2023**

**Moved by** Councillor Gaertner

**Seconded by** Councillor Thompson



That the confirming by-law be enacted.

**Carried**

**6. Adjournment**

**Moved by** Councillor Weese

**Seconded by** Councillor Gilliland

That the meeting be adjourned at 7:02 p.m.

**Carried**

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Tom Mrakas, Mayor

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Michael de Rond, Town Clerk



**Town of Aurora  
Council Workshop/Education Session  
Minutes**

**Date:** Tuesday, February 7, 2023  
**Time:** 5:45 p.m.  
**Location:** Council Chambers, Aurora Town Hall

**Council Members:** Councillor Ron Weese (arrived 6:45 p.m.)  
 Councillor Rachel Gilliland (Chair)  
 Councillor Wendy Gaertner  
 Councillor John Gallo  
 Councillor Harold Kim

**Members Absent:** Mayor Tom Mrakas  
 Councillor Michael Thompson

**Other Attendees:** Doug Nadorozny, Chief Administrative Officer  
 Allan Downey, Director, Operational Services  
 Iustina Voinea, Program Coordinator, Water, Wastewater,  
 Stormwater  
 Michael de Rond, Town Clerk  
 Linda Bottos, Council/Committee Coordinator

**1. Call to Order**

The Chair called the meeting to order at 5:50 p.m.

**2. Land Acknowledgement**

Council acknowledged that the meeting took place on Anishinaabe lands, the traditional and treaty territory of the Chippewas of Georgina Island, recognizing the many other Nations whose presence here continues to this day, the special relationship the Chippewas have with the lands and waters of this territory, and that Aurora has shared responsibility for the stewardship of these lands and waters. It was noted that Aurora is part of the treaty lands of the Mississaugas

and Chippewas, recognized through Treaty #13 and the Williams Treaties of 1923.

### 3. Approval of the Agenda

**Moved by** Councillor Gallo

**Seconded by** Councillor Gaertner

That the agenda as circulated by Legislative Services be approved.

**Carried**

### 4. Declarations of Pecuniary Interest and General Nature Thereof

There were no declarations of pecuniary interest under the *Municipal Conflict of Interest Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. M.50*.

### 5. Consideration of Items Requiring Discussion

#### 5.1 Drinking Water Quality Management Standard (DWQMS) – Standard of Care

Allan Downey, Director, Operational Services, provided an introduction and highlighted Council's responsibility, as owner of the municipal drinking water system, to ensure safe drinking water for the residents of Aurora.

Brigitte Roth, Principal Consultant, Acclaims Environmental Inc., presented an overview of the statutory standard of care and duties of Council under the *Safe Drinking Water Act, 2002*. Brigitte reviewed the Town's drinking water system noting its shared responsibility with the region and province, operating authority structure, quality policy commitments and staff competency, drinking water sources, source protection planning and activities, water treatment, distribution system goals, infrastructure planning, effective monitoring and reporting, and the province's multi-barrier approach. Brigitte further reviewed the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks annual inspection and municipal drinking water licensing programs, annual quality management system activities and reporting, risk assessment, emergency management, customer service, key challenges, and owner oversight of major policy areas and programs.

**Moved by** Councillor Gaertner  
**Seconded by** Councillor Kim

That the presentation be received for information.

**Carried**

**6. Adjournment**

**Moved by** Councillor Gaertner  
**Seconded by** Councillor Kim

That the meeting be adjourned at 7:05 p.m.

**Carried**

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Rachel Gilliland, Councillor

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Michael de Rond, Town Clerk



**Town of Aurora  
Council Public Planning  
Meeting Minutes**

**Date:** Tuesday, January 24, 2023  
**Time:** 7 p.m.  
**Location:** Council Chambers, Aurora Town Hall

**Council Members:** Mayor Tom Mrakas (Chair)  
Councillor Ron Weese  
Councillor Rachel Gilliland  
Councillor Wendy Gaertner  
Councillor Michael Thompson  
Councillor John Gallo  
Councillor Harold Kim

**Other Attendees:** Marco Ramunno, Director, Planning and Development Services  
Sean Lapenna, Planner  
Jaclyn Grossi, Deputy Town Clerk  
Linda Bottos, Council/Committee Coordinator  
Palak Mehta, Council/Committee Coordinator

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**1. Call to Order**

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Council consented to recess the meeting at 9:00 p.m. and reconvened the meeting at 9:12 p.m.

Council consented to extend the hour past 10:30 p.m.

Council consented to extend the hour past 11:00 p.m. for 30 minutes.

Council consented to extend the hour past 11:30 p.m. for 15 minutes.

Council consented to extend the hour past 11:45 p.m. for 15 minutes.

Council consented to extend the hour past 12:00 p.m. for 10 minutes.



Due to time constraints, item 5.2 was not considered and instead included on a Special Public Planning meeting agenda for Monday, January 30, 2023.

**2. Land Acknowledgement**

The Mayor acknowledged that the meeting took place on Anishinaabe lands, the traditional and treaty territory of the Chippewas of Georgina Island, recognizing the many other Nations whose presence here continues to this day, the special relationship the Chippewas have with the lands and waters of this territory, and that Aurora has shared responsibility for the stewardship of these lands and waters. It was noted that Aurora is part of the treaty lands of the Mississaugas and Chippewas, recognized through Treaty #13 and the Williams Treaties of 1923.

**3. Approval of the Agenda**

**Moved by** Councillor Gilliland

**Seconded by** Councillor Kim

That the revised agenda as circulated by Legislative Services be approved.

Yeas (6): Mayor Mrakas, Councillor Weese, Councillor Gilliland, Councillor Thompson, Councillor Gallo, and Councillor Kim

Absent (1): Councillor Gaertner

**Carried (6 to 0)**

**4. Declarations of Pecuniary Interest and General Nature Thereof**

There were no declarations of pecuniary interest under the *Municipal Conflict of Interest Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. M.50*.

**5. Planning Applications**

The Mayor outlined the procedures that would be followed in the conduct of the public meeting. The Deputy Town Clerk confirmed that the appropriate notice was given in accordance with the relevant provisions of the *Planning Act*.

## **5.1 PDS23-003 - Application for Zoning By-law Amendment, Regional Municipality of York, 14452 Yonge Street, File Number: ZBA-2022-04**

### **Planning Staff**

Sean Lapenna, Planner, presented an overview of the staff report regarding the Zoning By-law Amendment application, noting the applicant proposes to develop the subject lands to accommodate a Men's Emergency and Transitional Housing facility to contain 37 emergency housing units and 18 transitional housing units for a total of 55 units (68 beds). The applicant proposes to rezone the subject lands from 'Oak Ridges Moraine Rural General (RU-ORM) to 'Institutional exception zone (I-X)' and 'Oak Ridges Moraine Environmental Protection Zone (EP-ORM)'.

### **Applicant**

Monica Sangoi, Manager, Homelessness Community Programs, Social Services, York Region noted that they were accompanied by Melissa, McEnroe, Manager Affordable Housing Development, Housing Services, York Region, and Amy Shepherd, Associate, Manager of Planning, Arcadis IBI Group. The applicant presented an overview of the proposed emergency and transitional housing, including an introduction to Housing York Inc., project background, community engagement, planning process, proposed design, project need and merit.

Debbie Thompson, Director, Homelessness Community Programs, Social Services, York Region, Colin Simic, Program Manager, Affordable Housing Development, Housing Services, York Region, and Sergeant Matthew Reid, York Regional Police were also present to answer questions.

### **Public Comments**

Aurora residents, including Michael Barton, Natalie Bassari, Michael Braithwaite, Lyndsay Breedon, Roy Cohen, Nicola Dalton, Stephanie Gallo, Rod Hiscock, Jaffer Hussein, Kevin Kennedy, James Ko, David Krowitz, Paul Langston, Melissa Losco, Rosal Lovy (ph), Jasbir Mandla, Mike Manning, Penny Marrett, Shaheen Moledina, Rene Nascimento, Steven Levitt, Steven, Stephane Perron, Sean Rourhani, David Russo, Taribo S-Douglas, Nisha Shivji, Jennifer Sodiya, Quasi Sodiya, Nadia Somani, Harbinder Thandi, Jeffrey Turner, Tom Vagenas, Joseph Vesia, Marco Visconti, Klaus Wehrenberg, Jessica Zaks-Whitehead, Mike Zelyony, expressed the following comments:

Concerns regarding:

- Alignment with the Official Plan and Oak Ridge's Moraine Conservation Plan, and overall neighbourhood compatibility
- Impact on property values in surrounding area
- Lack of access for pedestrians to surrounding areas on foot, via public transportation, and through the existing trail system
- Impact on traffic density in the existing community
- Environmental impact on the surrounding significant woodland including the removal of trees, and the need for protection of endangered and at-risk species
- Community safety and security, social integration of the individuals, lack of access to the surrounding business community and social services
- Proximity of the proposed site to existing school bus stops, sewage pumping station, railway, and childcare facilities
- Lack of communication, consultation, transparency, and engagement with the neighbourhood from the applicant

Questions regarding:

- Access to York Regional Police activity reports for the proposed site
- Community safety and security, intake criteria, maximum site capacity, gender separation in emergency shelters and transitional housing
- Employability of individuals, access to social services, affordable housing, and social integration
- Noise impact and vibration assessment, compatibility study, statistics surrounding successful social integration, and a community risk assessment
- Possibility of renovating Porter Place in East Gwillimbury rather than building a new facility and alternate locations researched
- Proposed site planning process, appeal process, and Official Plan Amendment criteria
- Environmental land rezoning and environmental impact

Suggestions regarding:

- Provision of independent expert opinions on information provided in the investigation report and to confirm information provided by York Region
- Provision of statistics surrounding social integration and individuals returning to the establishment
- Provision of background reports and studies including noise impact and vibration assessment, compatibility study, and risk assessment
- Feasibility of renovating Porter Place versus building a new facility, and information on alternate sites considered
- Additional affordable housing in York Region and consideration of a community housing project

**Planning Staff**

Staff addressed the concerns, questions, and suggestions regarding the application/appeal process, required background studies, reports and technical issues, expert opinions and review, environmental impact, and compliance with Ministry standards, plans, and policies.

**Applicant/Agent**

The Applicant/Agents addressed the concerns, questions, and suggestions regarding intake criteria, community safety/impact, risk assessment, social integration, social services, site compatibility, background studies, and proposed site location criteria and characteristics.

**Moved by Councillor Weese**

**Seconded by Councillor Gilliland**

1. That Report No. PDS23-003 be received; and
2. That the comments presented at the Public Planning meeting be addressed by Planning and Development Services in a report to a future Public Planning meeting.

Yeas (7): Mayor Mrakas, Councillor Weese, Councillor Gilliland, Councillor Gaertner, Councillor Thompson, Councillor Gallo, and Councillor Kim

**Carried (7 to 0)**

**5.2 PDS23-004 - Applications for Draft Plan of Subdivision and Zoning By-law Amendment, Highfair Investments Inc., 5 to 70 Archerhill Court, Lots 1 to 14, Plan 65M-2494, File Numbers: SUB-2021-02 and ZBA-2021-06**

This item was considered at a Special Public Planning meeting on Monday, January 30, 2023.

**6. Confirming By-law**

**7. Adjournment**

**Moved by** Councillor Gilliland

**Seconded by** Councillor Gaertner

That the meeting be adjourned at 12:13 a.m.

**Carried**

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Tom Mrakas, Mayor

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Jaclyn Grossi, Deputy Town Clerk





**Town of Aurora  
Special Council Public Planning  
Meeting Minutes**

**Date:** Monday, January 30, 2023  
**Time:** 7 p.m.  
**Location:** Council Chambers, Aurora Town Hall

**Council Members:** Mayor Tom Mrakas (Chair)  
Councillor Ron Weese  
Councillor Rachel Gilliland  
Councillor Wendy Gaertner  
Councillor Michael Thompson  
Councillor John Gallo  
Councillor Harold Kim

**Other Attendees:** Marco Ramunno, Director, Planning and Development Services  
Adam Robb, Senior Planner, Development/Heritage  
Jaclyn Grossi, Deputy Town Clerk  
Palak Mehta, Council/Committee Coordinator

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**1. Call to Order**

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**2. Land Acknowledgement**

The Mayor acknowledged that the meeting took place on Anishinaabe lands, the traditional and treaty territory of the Chippewas of Georgina Island, recognizing the many other Nations whose presence here continues to this day, the special relationship the Chippewas have with the lands and waters of this territory, and that Aurora has shared responsibility for the stewardship of these lands and waters. It was noted that Aurora is part of the treaty lands of the Mississaugas and Chippewas, recognized through Treaty #13 and the Williams Treaties of 1923.

### 3. **Approval of the Agenda**

**Moved by** Councillor Kim

**Seconded by** Councillor Gaertner

That the agenda as circulated by Legislative Services be approved.

Yeas (6): Mayor Mrakas, Councillor Weese, Councillor Gilliland, Councillor Gaertner, Councillor Thompson, and Councillor Kim

Absent (1): Councillor Gallo

**Carried (6 to 0)**

### 4. **Declarations of Pecuniary Interest and General Nature Thereof**

There were no declarations of pecuniary interest under the Municipal Conflict of Interest Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. M.50.

### 5. **Planning Applications**

The Mayor outlined the procedures that would be followed in the conduct of the public meeting. The Deputy Town Clerk outlined the notice that was provided to the interested parties.

#### 5.1 **PDS23-004 - Applications for Draft Plan of Subdivision and Zoning By-law Amendment, Highfair Investments Inc., 5 to 70 Archerhill Court, Lots 1 to 14, Plan 65M-2494, File Numbers: SUB-2021-02 and ZBA-2021-06**

##### **Planning Staff**

Adam Robb, Senior Planner, presented an overview of the staff report regarding the Zoning By-law Amendment, noting that a revised Draft Plan of Subdivision is proposed to accommodate site-specific provisions to permit the Single-Detached Dwelling built-form and to implement the proposed Draft Plan. The purpose of the report is to present a revised Draft Plan and to acknowledge comments made at the June 14, 2022 Statutory Public Planning Meeting.

##### **Applicant**

Angela Sciberras, Principal, Macaulay Shiomi Howson Ltd., noted she was accompanied by representatives Jason Bottoni and Robert DelZotto of Highfair Investments Inc. (Treasure Hill Homes), and Michael Dowdall,

Director of Traffic, T.Y. Lin was available to answer questions. Angela Sciberras presented an overview of the proposed development including area context, project timeline, original submitted Draft Plan of Subdivision, key issues raised at statutory and residential meetings, as well as responses regarding traffic, park, density and compatibility with surrounding subdivisions, conceptual elevations, the revised Draft Plan of Subdivision, Landscape Plan, Access Improvements, Proposed Zoning, key take-aways, and next steps.

### **Public Comments**

Aurora residents, including: Tim Jones, Klaus Wehrenberg, J-P Bernier, Keith Wilson, Shawn Brand, Stephane Perron, expressed the following comments:

Concerns regarding:

- Traffic and density surrounding the proposed subdivision, including feasibility and use of the entrance on Bayview Avenue
- Community safety and risk management surrounding the park and Vandorf Sideroad intersection
- Environmental impact
- Neighborhood compatibility

Questions regarding:

- Relocation of the construction access to Bayview Avenue instead of Vandorf Sideroad
- Clustering the subdivision to allow for more greenspace to protect the Oak Ridges Moraine
- Adding a commercial area as part of the subdivision
- Salvaging opportunities by public/charitable organizations for home interior reuse prior to destruction
- Preservation of trees along the southeast corner of Bayview Avenue
- Fencing provisions for the houses next to the road on the southeast corner along Bayview Avenue

Suggestions regarding:

- Creating point(s) of trail access and connections
- Relocation of construction access on to Bayview Avenue instead of Vandorf Sideroad
- Planting trees at the proposed park
- Adding a commercial area as part of the proposed subdivision
- Green Development Standards and environmental efficiencies to address the climate change

### **Planning Staff**

Staff addressed the questions, concerns, and suggestions regarding zoning, environment protection area buffers, grading, and drainage onto Environment Protection areas.

### **Applicant/Agent(s)**

The applicant addressed the questions, concerns, and suggestions regarding the reuse of home interior prior to its destruction by public/charitable organizations, trail access and connections, construction access relocation to Bayview Avenue, traffic and density, fencing along the southeast corner of Bayview Avenue and the preservation of trees, community safety and risk management surrounding the park, Green Development Standards and environmental efficiencies, and neighbourhood compatibility.

**Moved by** Councillor Kim

**Seconded by** Councillor Gilliland

1. That Report No. PDS23-004 be received; and
2. That comments presented at the Non-Statutory Public Meeting be addressed by Planning and Development Services in a report to a future General Committee meeting.

Yeas (5): Mayor Mrakas, Councillor Weese, Councillor Gilliland, Councillor Thompson, and Councillor Kim

Nays (1): Councillor Gaertner

Absent (1): Councillor Gallo

Carried (5 to 1)

**6. Confirming By-law**

**6.1 By-law No. 6469-23 Being a By-law to confirm actions by Council resulting from a Special Council Public Planning meeting on January 30, 2023**

**Moved by Councillor Weese**

**Seconded by Councillor Kim**

That the confirming by-law be enacted.

**Carried**

**7. Adjournment**

**Moved by Councillor Gilliland**

**Seconded by Councillor Kim**

That the meeting be adjourned at 8:04 p.m.

**Carried**

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Tom Mrakas, Mayor

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Jaclyn Grossi, Deputy Town Clerk





# **Central York Fire Services**

## **Minutes**

### **Joint Council Committee**

Date: Tuesday, January 10, 2023

Time: 9:30 AM

Location: Streamed live from the Municipal Offices  
395 Mulock Drive  
Newmarket, ON L3Y 4X7

Members Present: Councillor Broome, Town of Newmarket  
Councillor Gaertner, Town of Aurora  
Councillor Gallo, Town of Aurora  
Councillor Gilliland, Town of Aurora  
Councillor Morrison, Town of Newmarket  
Councillor Simon, Town of Newmarket

Staff Present: I. McDougall, Chief Administrative Officer, Town of Newmarket  
R. McDougall, Acting Chief Administrative Officer, Town of Aurora  
I. Laing, Fire Chief, Central York Fire Services  
R. Van Kessel, Director of Finance – Treasurer, Town of Aurora  
J. Inglis, Deputy Chief, Central York Fire Services  
R. Volpe, Deputy Chief, Central York Fire Services  
M. Mayes, Director of Financial Services/Treasurer, Town of Newmarket  
A. Tang, Manager of Finance & Accounting, Town of Newmarket  
K. Saini, Deputy Town Clerk, Town of Newmarket  
T. Quinlan, Director Human Resources, Town of Newmarket  
K. Huguenin, Legislative Coordinator  
S. Granat, Legislative Coordinator

The meeting was called to order at 9:33 AM.

**1. Notice**

Chief Laing, Central York Fire Services (CYFS) welcomed and introduced the new Joint Council Committee (JCC) for the 2022-2026 term of Council to staff who liaise with JCC.

**2. Appointment of Chair and Vice Chair**

Kiran Saini, Deputy Clerk, Newmarket advised that JCC adopted a practice to rotate the Chair and Vice Chair positions after every two years. She requested nominations for Chair from Aurora and Vice Chair from Newmarket.

Moved by: Councillor Gallo

Seconded by: Councillor Simon

1. That Councillor Rachel Gilliland be appointed as Chair of the Central York Fire Services - Joint Council Committee.

**Carried**

Moved by: Councillor Morrison

Seconded by: Councillor Gallo

1. That Councillor Kelly Broome be appointed as Vice-Chair of the Central York Fire Services - Joint Council Committee.

**Carried**

**3. Additions & Corrections to the Agenda**

None.

**4. Conflict of Interest Declarations**

None.

**5. Presentations****5.1 Joint Council Committee 2022-2026 Term Orientation**

Ian Laing, Fire Chief provided an introduction to the presentation. Jeremy Inglis, Deputy Chief, CYFS, provided a presentation regarding the Joint

Council Committee 2022-2026 Term Orientation which included Joint Council Committee (JCC) responsibilities, CYFS primary response areas, service levels, community risk assessment and the current collective agreement.

Members asked questions regarding service levels and the contracted area for Whitchurch-Stouffville. Deputy Chief Volpe advised that he will schedule a meeting with Councillors to discuss the contracted area.

Moved by: Councillor Broome

Seconded by: Councillor Morrison

1. That the presentation provided by Jeremy Inglis, Deputy Fire Chief, Central York Fire Services regarding Council Orientation 2022 be received.

**Carried**

## **5.2 Central York Fire Services Draft 2023 Operating and Capital Budgets Presentation**

Mike Mayes, Director of Financial Services/Treasurer, Town of Newmarket provided an introduction regarding the Central York Fire Services Draft 2023 Operating and Capital Budgets and introduced Andrea Tang, Manager of Financial Services, Town of Newmarket.

Andrea Tang provided information regarding the CYFS budget process, operating budget, how shared services allocation are determined between Newmarket and Aurora and a list of proposed initiatives for proposed capital budget and next steps.

Moved by: Councillor Broome

Seconded by: Councillor Simon

1. That the presentation provided by Andrea Tang, Manager of Financial Services regarding Central York Fire Services Draft 2023 Operating and Capital Budgets be received.

**Carried**

**6. Deputations**

None.

**7. Approval of Minutes**

**7.1 Central York Fire Services - Joint Council Committee Meeting Minutes of September 6, 2022**

Moved by: Councillor Gallo

Seconded by: Councillor Broome

1. That the Central York Fire Services - Joint Council Committee Meeting Minutes of September 6, 2022 be approved.

**Carried**

**8. Items**

**8.1 Central York Fire Services Draft 2023 Operating and Capital Budgets Report**

Members asked questions regarding the current forecast and upcoming master fire plan.

Moved by: Councillor Broome

Seconded by: Councillor Simon

1. That Fire Services Report JCC-2023-02 CYFS Draft 2023 Operating and Capital Budgets dated January 10, 2023, be received; and,
2. That the Joint Council Committee (JCC) receive the draft budgets; and,
3. That the JCC recommends the draft budgets to Aurora Council for review and then to Newmarket Council for approval, per the Joint Services Agreement.

**Carried**

**8.2 Essentials of Municipal Fire Protection – A Decision Maker’s Guide**

Moved by: Councillor Gallo

Seconded by: Councillor Gaertner

1. That Fire Services Report JCC-2023-01 – Ontario Fire Marshal – Essentials of Municipal Fire Protection – A Decision Maker’s Guide Seminar, dated January 10, 2023 be received for information purposes.

**Carried**

### **8.3 Approval of 2023 Meeting Schedule**

Moved by: Councillor Gallo

Seconded by: Councillor Broome

1. That the Joint Council Committee approve the following meeting schedule for 2023:
  - February 7, 2023
  - March 7, 2023
  - April 4, 2023
  - May 2, 2023
  - June 6, 2023
  - July 4, 2023
  - September 5, 2023
  - October 3, 2023
  - November 7, 2023

**Carried**

## **9. New Business**

### **9.1 Draft Master Plan**



Councillor Gallo asked about the timing for the draft master plan. Deputy Inglis advised the draft master plan is scheduled to be presented on March 7, 2023.

**10. Closed Session**

Chair Gilliland advised that there was no requirement for a Closed Session.

**11. Adjournment**

Moved by: Councillor Morrison

Seconded by: Councillor Gallo

1. That the meeting adjourn at 10:27 AM.

**Carried**

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Councillor Gilliland, Chair

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Date



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February 16, 2023

TO: Mayor and Members of Aurora Town Council:

Pickleball Ontario is fully supportive of the efforts of Rachel Gilliland and Ron Weese to add much needed pickleball courts to the city of Aurora. Pickleball has been experiencing an unbelievable upward trajectory in terms of participation and visibility. Since 2020, the sport has experienced a 40% growth.

Previously, pickleball had been considered an older person's sport with many retirement communities enthusiastically playing it. As much as it is a wonderful sport for older players, this perception and reality are quickly and vastly changing. At present 33% of players are 65+ years of age, 35% between the ages of 18 and 34. The under 54 years of age participants are the largest growing sector with a 46% growth.

Pickleball offers something for everyone in your community. It is a fun and social way to stay healthy. Pickleball works on your balance, agility, cardiovascular health and hand and eye coordination. It is also much easier on your joints than many other sports. In a 90-minute session you can burn 250 calories. In a 30-minute session, you can get all your 10,000 steps in.

Did I mention this sport is fun? It is also an inclusive sport that has something for everyone in the community. Beginners, youth, league players, tournament players and mixed abilities players can all participate.

The International Federation of Pickleball is working hard to have Pickleball included as an Olympic sport. How great would it be if the next Pickleball Olympic champion hails from Aurora, having perfected the craft at pickleball facilities you provide for your community?

We here at Pickleball Ontario are in full support and hope that the Aurora council will also see the benefits this sport could bring to all your residents.

Regards,

Daphne Micallef Reid

President, Pickleball Ontario



## Town of Aurora General Committee Meeting Report

**Date:** Tuesday, February 7, 2023  
**Time:** 7 p.m.  
**Location:** Council Chambers, Aurora Town Hall

**Council Members:** Councillor Ron Weese  
 Councillor Rachel Gilliland (Chair)  
 Councillor Wendy Gaertner  
 Councillor John Gallo  
 Councillor Harold Kim

**Members Absent:** Mayor Tom Mrakas  
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**Other Attendees:** Doug Nadorozny, Chief Administrative Officer  
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 Daniel Bitonti, Acting Manager, Corporate Communications\*  
 Alexander Wray, Manager, By-law Services\*  
 Patricia De Sario, Town Solicitor  
 Michael de Rond, Town Clerk  
 Palak Mehta, Council/Committee Coordinator

\*Attended electronically

### 1. Call to Order

The Chair called the meeting to order at: 7:15 p.m.

## **2. Land Acknowledgement**

General Committee acknowledged that the meeting took place on Anishinaabe lands, the traditional and treaty territory of the Chippewas of Georgina Island, recognizing the many other Nations whose presence here continues to this day, the special relationship the Chippewas have with the lands and waters of this territory, and that Aurora has shared responsibility for the stewardship of these lands and waters. It was noted that Aurora is part of the treaty lands of the Mississaugas and Chippewas, recognized through Treaty #13 and the Williams Treaties of 1923.

## **3. Approval of the Agenda**

General Committee approved the agenda as circulated by Legislative Services.

## **4. Declarations of Pecuniary Interest and General Nature Thereof**

There were no declarations of pecuniary interest under the *Municipal Conflict of Interest Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. M.50*.

## **5. Community Presentations**

### **5.1 Brian North, Southlake Foundation; Re: 2023 Nature's Emporium Run for Southlake**

Brian North, representing Southlake Foundation, provided background information on the 2023 Nature's Emporium Run for Southlake on April 30, 2023 and encouraged participation of residents within the Town of Aurora in the run and to compete in the Mayor's Challenge and Community Spirit Awards. The presentation outlined details surrounding the community fundraising event.

General Committee received the presentation for information.

## **6. Delegations**

None.

**7. Consent Agenda**

**7.1 Memorandum from Councillor Gaertner; Re: Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority Board Meeting Highlights of November 18, November 25, and December 16, 2022**

**General Committee recommends:**

1. That the memorandum regarding Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority Board Meeting Highlights of November 18, November 25, and December 16, 2022, be received for information.

**Carried**

**8. Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes**

None.

**9. Consideration of Items Requiring Discussion (Regular Agenda)**

**9.1 CS23-008 - Bill 5, Stopping Harassment and Abuse by Local Leaders Act, 2022**

**General Committee recommends:**

1. That Report No. CS23-008 be received for information.

**Carried**

**9.2 CS23-006 - Active Transportation and Traffic Safety Advisory Committee**

**General Committee recommends:**

1. That Report No. CS23-006 be received; and
2. That the Terms of Reference (Attachment 1) for the Active Transportation and Traffic Safety Advisory Committee be approved; and
3. That the amended Terms of Reference (Attachment 2) for the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee be approved.

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**Carried****9.3 CS23-007 - Business Licensing By-law Amendments - Taxicab Tariffs****General Committee recommends:**

1. That Report No. CS23-007 be received; and
2. That staff bring forward amendments to Schedule 13 and Appendix 'A' of the Town's Business Licensing By-law No. 5630-14 to a future Council meeting to remove taxicab tariffs; and
3. That staff be directed to implement regulatory framework to regulate Vehicles for Hire (VFH) in Aurora for the purpose of consumer protection and public safety.

**Carried****10. Notices of Motion**

None.

**11. Regional Report**

None.

**12. New Business**

Councillor Weese inquired about storage space availability for community organizations use in Town's facilities, and staff provided a response.

Councillor Gaertner advised that the Regional Municipality of York is rehabilitating and replacing sections of an aging water feedermain along Yonge Street from Murray Drive and Edward Street to Ridge Road and requested that Town staff work with the Region to ensure that notice is provided to all residents and that impact is minimized.



### **13. Public Service Announcements**

Councillor Weese thanked the Town for their support of the Black History Month events and encouraged community involvement in the month-long programming.

Councillor Gilliland announced the following activities and events:

- In commemoration of Black History Month, several events are to be held through the Aurora Black Community Association (ABC), Newmarket African Caribbean Canadian Association (NACCA), and at the Aurora Public Library; visit [aurora.ca/blackhistorymonth](https://aurora.ca/blackhistorymonth) for more details
- An “Art of Storytelling” exhibition based on Truth and Reconciliation will be held at Royal Rose Art Gallery from 1 to 3 p.m. on Saturday, March 4, 2023
- The Aurora Cultural Centre will present “The Sandbox – Meridian Magic Carpet Series” on Saturday, February 11, 2023 at 10:30 a.m., as well as the Mayor's Celebration of Youth Arts 2023 opening reception on Wednesday, February 15, 2023 at 6:00 p.m.
- The Aurora Cultural Centre will present "A Magical Family Day!" event at both the Aurora Armoury and Trinity Anglican Church to be held on Monday, February 20, 2023
- A York Region Crime Prevention Workshop will be held on Sunday, March 5, 2023 at the Aurora Community Centre from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m.

### **14. Closed Session**

None.

### **15. Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:13 p.m.



## Town of Aurora General Committee Meeting Report

**Date:** Tuesday, February 21, 2023  
**Time:** 7 p.m.  
**Location:** Council Chambers, Aurora Town Hall

**Council Members:** Mayor Tom Mrakas (Chair)  
 Councillor Ron Weese  
 Councillor Wendy Gaertner  
 Councillor Michael Thompson\*  
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### 1. Call to Order

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

## **2. Land Acknowledgement**

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There were no declarations of pecuniary interest under the Municipal Conflict of Interest Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. M.50.

## **5. Community Presentations**

None.

## **6. Delegations**

### **6.1 Javed S. Khan, Aurora Sports Hall of Fame; Re: Seeking Nominations for 2023 Class of Inductees**

Javed S. Khan, President, representing the Aurora Sports Hall of Fame, provided information regarding the Aurora Sports Hall of Fame seeking nominations for the 2023 Class of Inductees.

General Committee received the comments of the delegation for information.

## **7. Consent Agenda**

None.

## 8. Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

None.

## 9. Consideration of Items Requiring Discussion (Regular Agenda)

### 9.1 PDS23-016 - Application for Draft Plan of Subdivision and Zoning By-law Amendment Approval, 5-70 Archerhill Court Lots 1 to 14 and Archerhill Court, Plan 65M-2494 File Numbers: SUB-2021 and ZBA-2021-06

#### General Committee recommends:

1. That Report No. PDS23-016 be received; and
2. That Draft Plan of Subdivision application SUB-2021-02 be approved, as shown in Figure 4 of this report and subject to the Conditions of Draft Plan Approval as outlined in Appendix 'A'; and
3. That the corresponding Zoning By-law Amendment application ZBA-2021-06 be approved, to rezone the subject lands from "Estate Residential (ER)" to "Detached Third Density Residential (R3-X) Exception Zone", "Detached Fourth Density Residential (R4)", "Detached Fourth Density Residential (R4-X) Exception Zone", "Detached Fourth Density Residential (R4-X2) Exception Zone", "Public Open Space (O1)", and "Environmental Protection (EP)" with site specific zoning standards as outlined in Appendix 'B' of this report; and
4. That the appropriate servicing be allocated to the development (138 units); and
5. That an implementing Zoning By-law Amendment be brought forward to a future Council meeting for enactment; and
6. That a By-law to stop up, close and convey Archerhill Court to the owner of the subject lands be brought forward to a future Council meeting for enactment.

**Carried**

**9.2 CMS23-006 - Church Street School - Asset Management****General Committee recommends:**

1. That Report No. CMS23-006 be received; and
2. That a new capital project with total budget authority of \$173,000 be approved for the refinishing and repainting of Brevik Hall, Aurora room, boardroom, gallery, and ancillary spaces in the Church Street school to be funded from the facility asset management reserve; and
3. That a new capital project with total budget authority of \$187,000 be approved for the refinishing and repainting of Aurora Museum & Archives and Aurora Cultural Centre administrative spaces to be funded from the facility asset management reserve.

**Carried****9.3 CMS23-004- Office Furniture and Contract Award****General Committee recommends:**

1. That Report No. CMS23-004 be received; and
2. That Council authorize Non-Standard procurement, under section 2.7 of the procurement policy for Piggyback Purchasing, to award the supply, delivery, and installation of systems furniture to Teknion under the terms of the Vendor of Record (VOR) agreement; and
3. That Council approve the procurement as a standing offer as defined under section 5.2 Standing Offers in the Procurement Policy.

**Carried****9.4 CS23-009 - Council Compensation Ad Hoc Committee****General Committee recommends:**

1. That Report No. CS23-009 be received; and
2. That the Terms of Reference (Attachment 1) for the Council Compensation Ad Hoc Committee be approved.

**Carried**

## 10. Notices of Motion

### 10.1 Mayor Mrakas; Re: Affordable Housing Action Plan

Whereas affordable housing has reached a crisis level in communities across Canada; and

Whereas responsible growth management and providing a range and mix of housing options are fundamental pillars of the Town's Official Plan; and

Whereas the Town continues to implement Provincial and Regional targets on housing, population, and density - having grown by approximately 12% from 2016-2021, and forecasted to continue to grow by over another 30% to 2051; and

Whereas this growth emphasizes the importance of proactive and strategic planning for affordable and attainable housing, which further supports the economic strength and livability of the Town overall; and

1. Now Therefore Be It Hereby Resolved That through the Town's ongoing Official Plan Review, the scope of the Town's Official Plan be expanded to include modernized housing policies that clearly articulate and define the Town's strategies and actions on affordable and attainable housing to 2051 and beyond; and
2. Be It Further Resolved That the Town develop an Affordable Housing Action Plan (AHAP), to be used to guide decision-making on how to address affordable housing and promote attainable housing options for residents through clear objectives and targets specifically designed for implementation within the local Aurora community context; and
3. Be it Further Resolved That the Affordable Housing Action Plan (AHAP) be developed through collaborative engagement with the community, local partners, and housing providers, and apply to both private market and public housing development; and
4. Be it Further Resolved That the Affordable Housing Action Plan also include specific monitoring and measuring tools to ensure the successful implementation of strategies over the horizon of 2051 and beyond.



## **10.2 Mayor Mrakas; Re: 672 and 684 Henderson Drive**

Whereas Weston Consulting has made requests to the Town of Aurora, The Regional Municipality of York, and the Province (Ministry of Municipal Affairs & Housing) to permit residential development at 672 and 684 Henderson Drive as of right; and

Whereas the effect of such request would result in circumventing the Town's existing approval process and forgoing an assessment of potential environmental impacts of proposed development on the subject lands; and

1. Now Therefore Be it Hereby Resolved That the Town of Aurora request the Province continue to support the Town's position as well as the OLT ruling for 672 and 684 Henderson Dr and NOT permit residential development as of right on these lands; and
2. Be It Further Resolved That a copy of this Motion be sent to the Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario and the Honourable Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing.

## **10.3 Councillor Rachel Gilliland, Councillor Ron Weese; Re: Pickleball Opportunities**

Whereas the Town envisioned by 2021, Aurora would have a dynamic and robust sport system that enables all Town residents to engage in meaningful sport opportunities equal to their abilities, resulting in increased levels of participation in sport; and

Whereas the Town of Aurora supported a Sport Plan, prioritizing growth, supporting an active community, and to place focus on increasing participation in sport; and

Whereas Pickleball is the number one growing sport in North America that is gaining popularity in Aurora within numerous age groups, particularly adults and older adults; and

Whereas often Pickleball leagues and courts fill up within the same day of registration leaving many without an opportunity to try or play the sport, or forced to go out of Town; and

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Whereas there may be creative opportunities with existing tennis courts, under-utilized parking lots, or community/corporate partnerships that could be explored; and

Whereas tennis and pickleball courts serve a multi-use purpose extending use efficiently; and

1. Now Therefore Be It Hereby Resolved That staff report back with possible creative opportunities to increase Pickleball courts for the 2023 summer season; and
2. Be It Further Resolved That staff report back with a future Pickleball development plan with recommendations and future budget considerations through the Parks and Recreation Master Plan.

#### **10.4 Councillor Rachel Gilliland; Re: Feasibility of a Permanent Liquor License at the Aurora Community Centre**

Whereas the Town of Aurora has developed a Sport Tourism Strategy to enhance the visitor experience, bring new events into the community, highlight hometown athletes, and incorporate cultural experiences for the community and visitors; and

Whereas Aurora is a proven growing hockey community of fans, emerging players, and residents, with talent such as Connor McDavid, Robert Thomas, Barclay Goodrow, and Jr Panther Abby Lunney; and

Whereas the cost of watching NHL-level games in person has become extremely unaffordable for the average family or for couples to enjoy; and

Whereas there is an opportunity at the Aurora Community Centre to offer a permanent liquor license to watch in-person, high-level hockey games, such as the Jr. A Aurora Tigers and U18 Women's International Silver Stick Tournament; and

Whereas other municipalities have successfully licensed certain facilities, such as Barrie and Collingwood, to enjoy watching high-level hockey talent and provide an opportunity for local athletes to compete in their hometown, celebrate and highlight the achievements of local athletes who are role models for future athletes; and

1. Now Therefore Be It Hereby Resolved That staff be directed to investigate and report back to Council on the feasibility of a permanent liquor license at the Aurora Community Centre arena;
2. Be It Further Resolved That staff report back with the recommended amendments to the Municipal Alcohol Policy that would need updating to facilitate this opportunity.

## **11. Regional Report**

### **11.1 York Regional Highlights of January 26, 2023**

1. That the York Regional Council Highlights of January 26, 2023, be received for information.

**Carried**

## **12. New Business**

None.

## **13. Public Service Announcements**

Councillor Gallo acknowledged Wednesday, February 23, 2023 is "Pink Shirt Day"; to raise awareness of youth impacted by bullying in schools, and to raise funds to support programs that nurture children's healthy self-esteem. Background information on the inspiration behind Pink Shirt Day was provided. For more information on the "Pink Shirt Day" movement visit; [pinkshirtday.ca](http://pinkshirtday.ca).

Councillor Weese advised that Sunday, March 26, 2023 is "Epilepsy Awareness Day." Councillor Weese inquired regarding the Town's proclamation process. Mayor Mrakas added that several restaurants within York Region are selling pancakes for \$1 and proceeds of the pancake sales will be donated to Epilepsy York Region. For more information, visit [epilepsyork.org/pancake-Tuesday](http://epilepsyork.org/pancake-Tuesday).

Councillor Weese thanked the Town Staff involved with the Family Day long weekend events, with a special thanks to Shelley Ware, Supervisor, Recreation - Special Events.

Mayor Mrakas announced the following activities and events:

- Just as a reminder, parking on residential streets is strictly prohibited until April 15, 2023 between 2 a.m. and 6 a.m. This restriction allows for the safe and effective clearing of snow and road maintenance. To learn more, visit [aurora.ca/winterparking](https://aurora.ca/winterparking).
- For the month of February, Aurora's Online Skylight Gallery is featuring the work of Samantha Jones, entitled "Disembodied." Meditating on her own experience growing up in a suburban home in Aurora, Samantha creates micro-detailed artworks that translate the ambience of a space through familiar textures, objects, and backgrounds rooted in both reality and the dream world. View this online gallery at [aurora.ca/skylightgallery](https://aurora.ca/skylightgallery).
- The Town of Aurora's Spring & Summer 2023 Program Guide and Summer Camps 2023 Program Guide will be available for online viewing on March 7. For further details and information on the Spring & Summer Guide, visit [aurora.ca/programguide](https://aurora.ca/programguide) and for Summer Camps visit [aurora.ca/summercamps](https://aurora.ca/summercamps).
- Until March 31, nominate someone for a 2023 Community Recognition Award. We are honouring the best individuals, groups and businesses that have contributed their time and talents to making Aurora an incredible place to live. For more information and how to place your nomination, visit [aurora.ca/cra](https://aurora.ca/cra)
- The 2023 Waste and Recycling Calendars have been delivered to households, can be picked up at Aurora Town Hall and digital copies are also available online. For more information, please visit [aurora.ca/wasteandrecycling](https://aurora.ca/wasteandrecycling).
- Aurora continues to celebrate Black History Month and the important contributions of Black Canadians. In partnership with the Aurora Black Community Association, we're providing so many opportunities to learn about and celebrate Aurora's Black community and our diverse and rich cultures. For more information, visit [aurora.ca/blackhistorymonth](https://aurora.ca/blackhistorymonth).

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- The Annual Mayor's Luncheon, presented by the Aurora Chambers of Commerce, will be held on February 22, 2023 from 11:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. For more information, please visit [aurorachamber.on.ca](https://aurorachamber.on.ca).

**14. Closed Session**

None.

**15. Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:32 p.m.



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**The Corporation of The Town of Aurora**  
**By-law Number XXXX-23**

**Being a By-law to confirm actions by Council  
resulting from a Council meeting  
on February 28, 2023.**

**The Council of the Corporation of The Town of Aurora hereby enacts as follows:**

- 1. That the actions by Council at its Council meeting held on February 28, 2023, in respect of each motion, resolution and other action passed and taken by the Council at the said meeting is hereby adopted, ratified and confirmed.
- 2. That the Mayor and the proper officers of the Town are hereby authorized and directed to do all things necessary to give effect to the said action or to obtain approvals where required and to execute all documents as may be necessary in that behalf and the Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to affix the corporate seal to all such documents.

**Enacted by Town of Aurora Council this 28th day of February, 2023.**

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**Tom Mrakas, Mayor**

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**Michael de Rond, Town Clerk**