



**Community and Operations Services
Committee Minutes**

**April 14, 2025, 9:30 a.m.
Council Chamber**

Present: Councillor Gray
Councillor Lee
Councillor Chapman
Councillor Nicholson
Mayor Carter

Absent: Councillor Neal

Also Present: Councillor Kerr
Councillor McConkey
K. Christopher, Council-Committee Coordinator
P. Aguilera, Council-Committee Coordinator
L. Davis, Manager, Legislative Services/Deputy City Clerk
K. Alexander, Commissioner, Community and Operations Services
B. Mullen, Director, Community Support Services
M. Harrington, Director, Parks and Roads Operations Services - Interim
K. Koson, Director, Facility Operations and Maintenance Services
B. Browne, Manager, Programs
S. Gray-McQuat, Manager, Centralized Recreation Services
J. McDonnell, Manager, Programs
P. Piraino, Manager, Parks, Forestry and Trails

Public Meeting

Councillor Gray called the meeting to order and stated that all members of the Committee were participating from the Chamber except Councillor Neal who was absent. Also present was Councillor Kerr participating from the Chamber and Mayor Carter and Councillor McConkey who participated electronically.

Land Acknowledgement

The City of Oshawa is situated on lands within the traditional and treaty territory of the Michi Saagiig and Chippewa Anishinaabeg and the signatories of the Williams Treaties, which include the

Mississaugas of Scugog Island, Curve Lake, Hiawatha and Alderville First Nations, and the Chippewas of Georgina Island, Rama and Beausoleil First Nations.

We are grateful for the Anishinaabeg who have cared for the land and waters within this territory since time immemorial.

We recognize that Oshawa is steeped in rich Indigenous history and is now present day home to many First Nations, Inuit and Métis people. We express gratitude for this diverse group of Indigenous Peoples who continue to care for the land and shape and strengthen our community.

As a municipality, we are committed to understanding the truth of our shared history, acknowledging our role in addressing the negative impacts that colonization continues to have on Indigenous Peoples, developing reciprocal relationships, and taking meaningful action toward reconciliation.

We are all Treaty people.

Additional Agenda Items

None

Declarations of Pecuniary Interest

Presentations

None

Delegations

Friends of Second Marsh - CO-25-15

Claudio Faria and AJ Groen, Board Members, Friends of Second Marsh addressed the Community and Operations Services Committee concerning their request for a new observation deck at the Oshawa Second Marsh.

Referrals from Council

None

Reports from Advisory Committees

None

Items Requiring Direction

CO-25-15 - Friends of Second Marsh submitting a request concerning a new observation deck at Oshawa Second Marsh (Ward 5)

Moved by Councillor Nicholson

That the Community and Operations Services Committee recommend to City Council:

Whereas the City has an ongoing partnership with Friends of Second Marsh (F.S.M.) to support stewardship activities at Oshawa Second Marsh and McLaughlin Bay Wildlife Reserve; and,

Whereas FSM has submitted a formal proposal to raise donations to fully fund a new observation deck at McLaughlin Bay Wildlife Reserve to replace the old one that was removed for safety reasons; and,

Whereas the City of Oshawa's Sponsorship, Advertising and Donations Policy establishes guidelines for partnerships that are mutually beneficial, consistent with the City's vision, policies, and goals, and provide a net financial benefit to the City; and,

Whereas the proposed Observation platform aligns with the City's commitment to enhancing community spaces and promoting environmental stewardship;

Therefore be it resolved:

1. That staff collaborate with Friends of Second Marsh to draft an agreement outlining the roles and responsibilities for the construction and maintenance of a new observation deck at McLaughlin Bay Wildlife Reserve; and,
2. That this agreement ensures there is no cost to the City, adheres to the City standards, complies with all relevant permits and legislation, and aligns with the City's Sponsorship, Advertising and Donations Policy; and,
3. That staff report back on the results of these discussions including project timeline.

Carried

Public Consent Agenda

That all items listed under the heading Public Consent Agenda for the April 14, 2025 Community and Operations Services Committee meeting be adopted as recommended.

Correspondence with recommendations

None

Staff Reports/Motions with recommendations

CO-25-12 - The Atria Bar and Grill Request for an On-Street Parking Permit (Ward 4)

That the Community and Operations Services Committee recommend to City Council:

Whereas correspondence dated March 25, 2025 was received from The Atria Bar and Grill located at 59 King Street East, requesting a parking permit for daily morning use to assist with bringing in groceries and supplies (See Attachment 1); and,

Whereas the owner of The Atria Bar and Grill currently pays for on-street parking daily; and,

Whereas the hourly rate for on-street parking is \$1.25, with a maximum time limit of 2 hours; and,

Whereas on-street parking is free after 6:00 pm from Monday to Friday and free all day on Saturdays and Sundays; and,

Whereas there are eight (8) on-street parking spaces on the south side of King Street East between Albert Street and Mary Street; and,

Whereas there are nine (9) storefront businesses on the south side of King Street East between Albert Street and Mary Street; and,

Whereas short-term on-street parking is designed for high turnover parking for all downtown businesses; and,

Whereas an existing loading zone is located two (2) parking spaces east of the requested area; and,

Whereas it is the City's responsibility to ensure there are fair and equitable parking opportunities for all businesses on the south side of King Street East between Albert Street and Mary Street;

Therefore, be it resolved that based on Item CO-25-12 dated April 14, 2025, the request from The Atria Bar and Grill for an on-street parking permit be denied.

CO-25-13 - Recreation Services Communications Modernization (All Wards)

That the Community and Operations Services Committee recommend to City Council:

That Report CO-25-13 dated April 9, 2025 regarding the discontinuation of the production of the active Oshawa Recreation Guide be approved by Council.

CO-25-14 - Live and On-demand Video Streaming at City Arenas (All Wards)

That the Community and Operations Services Committee recommend to City Council:

That based on Report CO-25-14 dated April 9, 2025 concerning live and on-demand video streaming services at city arenas:

1. That staff be authorized to advance discussions with LiveBarn streaming service regarding facility access, infrastructure and timing for implementation of event streaming as it pertains to arena events; and,
2. That the Commissioner, Community and Operations Services Department be authorized to execute an agreement with LiveBarn streaming service, in a form and content satisfactory to the Commissioner, Community and Operations Services Department, Commissioner, Corporate and Finance Services Department and the City Solicitor.

Public Discussion Agenda

Matters Excluded from the Consent Agenda

None

Items Introduced by Council Members

CO-25-16 - Veteran's Walk (Ward 4)

Moved by Councillor Chapman

That the Community and Operations Services Committee recommend to City Council:

That staff in consultation with the representatives from Oshawa's Veterans' organizations used to determine Veteran Street Names investigate a suitable "Veterans Crosswalk" design to be placed at an appropriate location or locations adjacent to Memorial Park; and,

That this be completed to be approved by Committee and Council in sufficient time to be installed prior to Remembrance Day 2025.

Carried

Items Pulled from the Information Package

None

Questions to Staff concerning the Committee's Outstanding Items List

None

Closed Consent Agenda

Closed Correspondence with recommendations

None

Closed Staff Reports/Motions with recommendations

None

Closed Discussion Agenda

Matters Excluded from the Consent Agenda

Items Requiring Direction

CO-25-10 - Request to License Up to 80 Parking Spaces for 2 Simcoe Street South (Ward 4)

Moved by Councillor Lee

That the Community and Operations Services Committee recommend to City Council:

That based on Item CO-25-10 dated April 14, 2025, the Commissioner, Community and Operations Services Department, be authorized to execute an appropriate agreement concerning the use of parking spaces in the City's Municipal Parking System with the terms as outlined in said item in a final form and content satisfactory to the Commissioner, Community and Operations Services Department, the Commissioner, Corporate and Finance Services Department and the City Solicitor.

Carried

CO-25-11 - Request for Use of Parking Spaces for 40 King Street West (Ward 4)

Moved by Councillor Lee

That the Community and Operations Services Committee recommend to City Council:

That based on Item CO-25-11 dated April 14, 2025, the Commissioner, Community and Operations Services Department, be authorized to execute an appropriate agreement to permit the use of parking spaces in the City's Municipal Parking System with the terms as outlined in said item in a final form and content satisfactory to the Commissioner, Community and Operations Services Department, the Commissioner, Corporate and Finance Services Department and the City Solicitor.

Carried

Matters Tabled

Report CO-23-11 concerning Memorials, Recognizing Unmarked Graves. (Tabled April 24, 2023)

No items were lifted from the table.

Adjournment

Moved by Councillor Chapman

That the meeting adjourn at 9:42 a.m.

Carried