



Oshawa City Council - Special Meeting

Minutes

**June 26, 2025, 9:00 a.m.
Council Chamber**

Present: Mayor Carter
Councillor Giberson
Councillor Gray
Councillor Kerr
Councillor Lee
Councillor Marimpietri
Councillor Marks
Councillor McConkey
Councillor Neal
Councillor Nicholson

Absent: Councillor Chapman

Purpose

Mayor Carter called the meeting to order and stated that all members of Council were participating from the Chamber except Councillor Neal and McConkey who participated electronically.

Mayor Carter advised the purpose of this meeting is to allow the public an opportunity to provide their comments to City Council concerning City-initiated Amendments to Zoning By-law 60-94.

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

Moved by Councillor Marimpietri
Seconded by Councillor Lee

That Correspondence CNCL-25-55 from various residents submitting comments in opposition of CNCL-25-34 regarding the City-initiated Amendments to Zoning By-law 60-94; and, Correspondence CNCL-25-56 from Mike Pettigrew, Bigleri Group, submitting comments in support of CNCL-25-34 regarding the City-initiated Amendments to Zoning By-law 60-94, be added to the agenda of the City Council Special Meeting of June 26, 2025, and referred to the respective Report.

Carried

Moved by Councillor Nicholson
Seconded by Councillor Gray

That the rules of procedure be waived to introduce a time-sensitive motion regarding Lakeview Park. **(Requires 2/3)**

CNCL-25-57 - Parking at Lakeview Park (Ward 5)

Moved by Councillor Nicholson
Seconded by Councillor Gray

Whereas at its meeting on February 24, 2025 Council considered Report CO-25-06 - Potential Management Improvements at Lakeview Park (Wards 5), and carried the following recommendation:

“That based on Report CO-25-06 dated February 5, 2025 concerning potential management improvements at Lakeview Park:

1. That staff be authorized to investigate the financial implications of installing occupancy sensor technology as outlined in Sections 4.5.3 of said Report and report back; and,

2. That the rental permit application timeline and process as outlined in Section 4.5.5 of said Report be approved by Council”; and,

Whereas there continues to be a growing concern with the overpopulation of the Park during weekends, public holidays and special events; and,

Whereas the popularity of the Park continues to accelerate the wear and tear of the Park amenities; and,

Whereas Report CO-25-06 - Potential Management Improvements at Lakeview Park (Wards 5), Section 4.5 Lakeview Park Improvement Recommendations included the following related to Introduction of Paid Parking:

“The introduction of paid parking may mitigate parking issues at the Park.

City staff recommend that paid parking shall be in effect from May 15 to October 15 on weekends and public holidays

It is recommended that the total net operating revenue earned be placed in the City Park and Recreation Infrastructure Reserve and be used for Lakeview Park operational improvements and equipment replacement.”; and,

Whereas Report CO-25-06 - Potential Management Improvements at Lakeview Park (Wards 5), Section 4.5 also identified the potential need for additional resources to provided dedicated oversight at Lakeview Park; and,

Therefore, be it resolved:

1. Staff be directed to implement a paid parking system at Lakeview Park and in the paved parking lot in Ed Broadbent Park generally as proposed in Report CO-25-06, commencing May 15, 2026; and,
2. Oshawa residents may park at no cost Monday to Friday, on weekends, public holidays and during Council endorsed special events by registering their license plate by completing an annual online application form and providing proof of address and vehicle ownership; and,
3. Non-resident paid parking be implemented on weekends, public holidays and during Council endorsed special events at a flat rate of \$20 per visit, valid on the same day, from May 15 to October 15 annually; and,
4. Parking for all visitors, including Oshawa residents be available on a first-come, first-served basis; and,
5. Staff collaborate annually with the Jubilee Pavilion on pre-planned Weddings with 50+ guests and other significant facility events that are agreed to in advance with City staff, to ensure dedicated parking is available in close proximity to the facility at no cost; and

6. Parking requirements for any major sporting event will be considered through the Parks Permit Application process, and on a case-by-case basis; and
7. The Fees and Charges By-law 109-2024 be amended to include a fee for non-resident parking at Lakeview Park in the amount of \$20 per day; and,
8. The Traffic and Parking By-law 79-99 and Schedule 05 - Parking Lots be amended as required; and,
9. That a new Park Superintendent and new Operations Coordinator be funded by revenue generated from the paid parking system at Lakeview Park to ensure dedicated on-site oversight and administration at Lakeview Park; and
10. City staff implement collaborative and cross-department planning strategies in an effort to ensure best-management practices at Lakeview Park, and report back to Council following one full season of implementation.

Carried

Delegations

Moved by Councillor Giberson
Seconded by Councillor Kerr

That the meeting recess.

Carried

The meeting recessed as 10:44 a.m. and reconvened at 10:55 a.m. with all members of Council in attendance except Councillor Chapman who was absent and Councillors McConkey and Neal who participated electronically.

Noah Edwards - Report CNCL-25-34

Noah Edwards addressed City Council concerning Report CNCL-25-34 regarding City-initiated Amendments to Zoning By-law 60-94 stating that he is supportive of the amendment near the Oshawa Centre but there is no connection to land use rationale for the downtown matter and expressed concern with the impact to social services in Oshawa and the potential concern for Human Rights access to these services.

Members of Council questioned Noah Edwards.

Paul Dobbs - Report CNCL-25-24

Paul Dobbs addressed City Council concerning Report CNCL-25-34 regarding City-initiated Amendments to Zoning By-law 60-94 concerning Item 5.17.1 expressing

concern with impact on social services in the downtown and suggested the amendments were discriminatory to individuals with disabilities or other health concerns.

Members of Council questioned Paul Dobbs.

Michael Donahue - CNCL-25-24

Michael Donahue addressed City Council concerning Report CNCL-25-34 regarding City-initiated Amendments to Zoning By-law 60-94 concerning Item 5.17.1 stating that the amendment will make policing more difficult and there is no basis for the amendment

Kristen McKinnon - CNCL-25-24

Kristin McKinnon addressed City Council concerning Report CNCL-25-34 regarding City-initiated Amendments to Zoning By-law 60-94 concerning Item 5.17.1 expressing concern with impact on social services. Kristin McKinnon stated that there is a need for more social services and this amendment will impact the ability for more to open.

Beth Whelan - CNCL-25-24

Beth Whelan addressed City Council concerning Report CNCL-25-34 regarding City-initiated Amendments to Zoning By-law 60-94 concerning Item 5.17.1 expressing concern with impact on social services. Beth Whelan stated that the proposed amendments will result in a blanket ban on new services in the area where they are much needed.

Members of Council questioned Beth Whelan.

Clare Hewitt - CNCL-25-24

Clare Hewitt of Redemption House and Recovery addressed City Council concerning Report CNCL-25-34 regarding City-initiated Amendments to Zoning By-law 60-94 concerning Item 5.17.1 expressing concern with impact on social services. Clare Hewitt stated that the additional distance between services is not going to remove issues in the downtown and Council should not make it harder for agencies to help those in need.

Members of Council questioned Clare Hewitt.

Mayor Carter left the meeting at 10:15 a.m.

Councilor Marimpietri assumed the Chair.

Harold Dekoning - CNCL-25-24

Harold Dekoning addressed City Council concerning Report CNCL-25-34 regarding City-initiated Amendments to Zoning By-law 60-94 concerning Item 5.17.1 stating the amendment opened the City to legal matters.

Mayor Carter resumed the Chair.

Carlos Castle - CNCL-25-24

Carlos Castle addressed City Council concerning Report CNCL-25-34 regarding City-initiated Amendments to Zoning By-law 60-94 concerning Item 5.17.1 expressing concern with impact on social services, suggesting the amendments will ostracize vulnerable residents and questioned the need and reason for these amendments.

Mary Krohnert - CNCL-25-24

Mary Krohnert addressed City Council concerning Report CNCL-25-34 regarding City-initiated Amendments to Zoning By-law 60-94 concerning Item 5.17.1 expressing concern with impact on social services stating that her organization would not have been able to open if this amendment was in place at the time and encouraged Council to refer the matter back for more review.

Nathan Rhodes-Tryppe - CNCL-25-24

Nathan Rhodes-Tryppe addressed City Council concerning Report CNCL-25-34 regarding City-initiated Amendments to Zoning By-law 60-94 concerning Item 5.17.1 expressing concern with impact on social services stating he has benefitted from numerous services and what made that possible was that they were all in a place that was easily accessible.

Ciara Soares - CNCL-25-24

Ciara Soares addressed City Council on behalf of AIDS Durham concerning Report CNCL-25-34 regarding City-initiated Amendments to Zoning By-law 60-94 concerning Item 5.17.1 expressing concern with impact on social services, suggesting that these services are being targeted by being grouped in with tattoo parlours or pawn shops.

Briana Dalton - CNCL-25-24

Briana Dalton addressed City Council concerning Report CNCL-25-34 regarding City-initiated Amendments to Zoning By-law 60-94 concerning Item 5.17.1 expressing concern with impact on social services noting that the Ontario Human Rights Commission has suggested that amendments such as this may be considered as "people-zoning".

Members of Council questioned Briana Dalton.

Correspondence

CNCL-25-48 - Noah Edwards submitting comments concerning Report CNCL-25-34 regarding the City-initiated Amendments to Zoning By-law 60-94 (All Wards)

Moved by Councillor Marimpietri
Seconded by Councillor Marks

That Correspondence CNCL-25-48 from Noah Edwards submitting comments concerning Report CNCL-25-34 regarding City-initiated Amendments to Zoning By-law 60-94, be referred to the respective report

Carried

Reports

CNCL-25-34 - City-initiated Amendments to Zoning By-law 60-94 (All Wards)

Moved by Councillor Kerr

Seconded by Councillor Nicholson

That the proposed amendments to Zoning By-law 60-94 as generally set out in Attachment 1 to Report CNCL-25-34 dated June 18, 2025 be adopted, and that the appropriate amending by-laws be passed in a form and content acceptable to the Commissioner, Economic and Development Services Department, and the City Solicitor.

A request was made to divide the Amendment to vote on Part 1 "Planned Commercial Centre Zones" and Part 2 "Payday Loan Establishment, Tattoo Parlour Pawn Shop, Vapour Product Shop and Adult Use Store" separately.

The vote on Part 1 of the amendment concerning Planned Commercial Centre Zones

Affirmative (10): Mayor Carter, Councillor Giberson, Councillor Gray, Councillor Kerr, Councillor Lee, Councillor Marimpietri, Councillor Marks, Councillor McConkey, Councillor Neal, and Councillor Nicholson

Absent (1): Councillor Chapman

Carried (10 to 0)

Moved by Councillor Giberson

Seconded by Councillor McConkey

That the proposed Amendment 2 "Subsection 5.17: Payday Loan Establishment, Tattoo Parlour, Pawn Shop, Vapour Product Shop and Adult Use Store" be referred back to staff to further review the proposed City-initiated amendments to Zoning By-law 60-94 contained in as generally set out in Attachment 1 to Report CNCL-25-34 dated June 18, 2025, and prepare a subsequent report and recommendation back to the Economic and Development Services Committee. This direction does not constitute or imply any form or degree of approval.

Affirmative (2): Councillor Giberson, and Councillor McConkey

Negative (8): Mayor Carter, Councillor Gray, Councillor Kerr, Councillor Lee, Councillor Marimpietri, Councillor Marks, Councillor Neal, and Councillor Nicholson

Absent (1): Councillor Chapman

Lost (2 to 8)

The vote on Part 2 of the amendment concerning Payday Loan Establishment, Tattoo Parlour Pawn Shop, Vapour Product Shop and Adult Use Store.

Affirmative (8): Mayor Carter, Councillor Gray, Councillor Kerr, Councillor Lee, Councillor Marimpietri, Councillor Marks, Councillor Neal, and Councillor Nicholson

Negative (2): Councillor Giberson, and Councillor McConkey

Absent (1): Councillor Chapman

Carried (8 to 2)

By-Laws

82-2025 - A By-law to amend Zoning By-law 60-94, as amended

Moved by Councillor Marimpietri

Seconded by Councillor Marks

That By-law 82-2025 to further amend Zoning By-law 60-94, as amended, be passed.

Confirming By-law

Moved by Councillor Marimpietri

Seconded by Councillor Gray

That the Confirming By-law be passed.

Adjournment

Moved by Councillor Kerr

Seconded by Councillor Nicholson

That the meeting adjourn at 11:37 am.

Carried

Mayor

City Clerk