



Safety and Facilities Services Committee

Minutes

**September 15, 2025, 1:30 p.m.
Council Chamber**

Present: Councillor Kerr
Councillor Lee
Councillor Marks
Councillor McConkey
Mayor Carter

Absent: Councillor Nicholson

Also Present: Councillor Marimpietri
A. Grant, Commissioner, Safety and Facilities Services
L. Davis, Deputy City Clerk
M. Medeiros, Director, Legislative Services/City Clerk

Public Meeting

Councillor Kerr, Vice Chair called the meeting to order and stated that all members of the Committee were participating from the Chamber except Mayor Carter who participated electronically and Councillor Nicholson who was absent.

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

Councillor Marimpietri entered the meeting at 1:35 p.m.

Presentations

None

Delegations

Moved by Councillor Lee

That the delegations of Sarah Jaynes and Emily Noel be heard

Carried

Sarah Jaynes - Correspondence SF-25-39

Sarah Jaynes addressed the Safety and Facilities Services Committee related to Correspondence SF-25-39 requesting an Occupancy Limit By-law for Residential Properties.

Members of Council questioned Sarah Jaynes.

Emily Noel - Correspondence SF-25-40

Emily Noel addressed the Safety and Facilities Services Committee related to Correspondence SF-25-40 requesting an amendment to the By-law Enforcement Policy.

Members of Council questioned Emily Noel.

Referrals from Council

None

Reports from Advisory Committees

None

Items Requiring Direction

SF-25-39 - Correspondence from Sarah Jaynes Requesting an Occupancy Limit By-law for Residential Properties

Moved by Councillor McConkey

That the Safety and Facilities Services Committee recommend to City Council:

That Correspondence SF-25-39 from Sarah Jaynes dated June 2, 2025 requesting an occupancy limit By-law for residential properties be received for information.

Negative (5): Councillor Kerr, Councillor Lee, Councillor Marks, Councillor McConkey, and Mayor Carter

Absent (1): Councillor Nicholson

Lost (0 to 5)

Moved by Councillor McConkey

That the Safety and Facilities Services Committee recommend to City Council:

That Correspondence SF-25-39 from Sarah Jaynes dated June 2, 2025 be referred to staff to investigate a new By-law concerning occupancy limits on residential dwelling units.

Carried

SF-25-40 - Correspondence from Emily Noel Requesting an Amendment to the By-law Enforcement Policy

Moved by Councillor Lee

That the Safety and Facilities Committee recommend to City Council:

That Correspondence SF-25-40 from Emily Noel requesting an amendment to the By-law Enforcement Policy be referred to staff.

Moved by Councillor McConkey

That the motion be amended to add: "and That the City investigate forming a public participation group to advise on helpful improvements to Oshawa By-laws and City policies as related to the delegation."

Moved by Councillor McConkey

That the amendment to form a public participation group be withdrawn.

Carried

The vote on the main motion.

Affirmative (4): Councillor Kerr, Councillor Lee, Councillor McConkey, and Mayor Carter

Negative (1): Councillor Marks

Absent (1): Councillor Nicholson

Carried (4 to 1)

Public Consent Agenda

Moved by Councillor Lee

That all items listed under the heading of Public Consent Agenda for the September 15, 2025 Safety and Facilities Services Committee meeting be adopted as recommended.

Carried

Correspondence with Recommendations

SF-25-44 - Jeff Wells Requesting a Review of By-laws related to Backyard Fire Pits

That the Safety and Facilities Services Committee recommend to City Council:

That Correspondence SF-25-44 from Jeff Wells dated September 7, 2025 requesting a review of by-laws related to back yard fire pits be received for information.

Staff Reports/Motions with Recommendations

SF-25-41 - Fire Prevention Week

That the Safety and Facilities Services Committee recommend to City Council:

That Report SF-25-41, dated September 10, 2025 concerning Fire Prevention Week, be received for information.

SF-25-42 - Parks Enhancement Program Update

That the Safety and Facilities Services Committee recommend to City Council:

That Report SF-25-42 dated September 10, 2025 concerning 2024 Parks Enhancement Program be received for information.

SF-25-43 - Safety and Facilities Services Committee Outstanding Items List Status Report - Third Quarter 2025 (All Wards)

That the Safety and Facilities Services Committee recommend to City Council:

That Report SF-25-43 dated September 15, 2025 being the Safety and Facilities Services Committee Outstanding Items Status Report for the Third Quarter of 2025 be received for information.

Public Discussion Agenda

Matters Excluded from Consent Agenda

None

Items Introduced by Council Members

SF-25-45 - Naming of Downtown Urban Square

Moved by Councillor Kerr

That the Safety and Facilities Services Committee recommend to City Council:

Whereas the new park currently under construction located at Bond Street East and Simcoe Street North is referenced as the “Downtown Urban Square”; and,

Whereas the City has established a Naming and Renaming Policy; and,

Whereas the park is scheduled to open this year.

Therefore, be it resolved that staff be directed to report back to the next Safety and Facilities Committee meeting on October 20, 2025 with naming options for the new Park located at Bond Street East and Simcoe Street North.

Carried

SF-25-46 - Location of ASE Cameras in Ward 1

Moved by Councillor McConkey

That the Council Approved Auto Speed Enforcement program when initiated include ASE cameras on Ward 1 Community Safety roads Greenhill Ave, Coldstream Drive and Woodstream Drive.

Moved by Councillor McConkey

That the motion concerning Automated Speed Enforcement be withdrawn.

Carried

Items Pulled from the Information Package

None

Closed Consent Agenda

Correspondence with Recommendations

None

Staff Reports/Motions with Recommendations

None

Closed Discussion Agenda

Matters Excluded from Consent Agenda

None

Items Requiring Direction

None

Matters Tabled

None

Adjournment

Moved by Councillor Marks

That the meeting adjourn at 2:57 p.m.

Carried