



**Community and Operations Services
Committee Minutes**

**March 9, 2026, 9:30 a.m.
Council Chamber**

Present: Councillor Gray
Councillor Lee
Councillor Neal

Absent: Councillor Chapman
Councillor Nicholson

Also Present: Councillor Kerr
Councillor Marimpietri
Councillor McConkey
S. Prodenzino, Council-Committee Coordinator
P. Aguilera, Council-Committee Coordinator
K. Alexander, Commissioner, Community and Operations
Services Department

Public Meeting

Councillor Gray called the meeting to order and stated that all members of the Committee were present in the Chamber.

Also in attendance were Councillor Kerr, Councillor Marimpietri and Councillor McConkey.

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 Lee

That the delegations of Philip Mackey and Kayla Mathieu related to Correspondence CO-26-07, concerning the volume of dump truck traffic on Harmony Road North and the delegation of the Valiant Group concerning Report CO-26-08 related to a request for temporary parking in the North Oshawa Park be added to the agenda for the Community and Operations Services Committee meeting of March 9, 2026.

Carried

Declarations of Pecuniary Interest

None

Presentations

None

Delegations

Moved by Councillor Lee

That the delegations of Kayla Mathieu, Karen Goranson, Matthew Saunders, Phil Mackey and Valiant Group be heard.

Carried

Kayla Mathieu - Correspondence - CO-26-06

Kayla Mathieu addressed the Community and Operations Services Committee electronically regarding Correspondence CO-26-06 concerning priority leisure guide registration for Oshawa residents.

Members of the Committee questioned Kayla Mathieu.

Karen Goranson - Correspondence - CO-26-07

Karen Goranson addressed the Community and Operations Services Committee regarding Correspondence CO-26-07 concerning the volume of dump truck traffic on Harmony Road North.

Members of the Committee questioned Karen Goranson.

Matthew Saunders - Correspondence - CO-26-07

Matthew Saunders addressed the Community and Operations Services Committee regarding Correspondence CO-26-07 concerning the volume of dump truck traffic on Harmony Road North.

Members of the Committee questioned Matthew Saunders.

Phil Mackey - CO-26-07

Phil Mackey addressed the Community and Operations Services Committee regarding Correspondence CO-26-07 concerning the volume of dump truck traffic on Harmony Road North.

Kayla Mathieu - CO-26-07

Kayla Mathieu addressed the Community and Operations Services Committee electronically regarding Correspondence CO-26-07 concerning the volume of dump truck traffic on Harmony Road North.

Valiant Group - CO-26-08

Beth Kelly and Will Kelly, the Valiant Group addressed the Community and Operations Services Committee regarding Report CO-26-08 concerning a request for temporary parking in the North Oshawa Park.

Members of the Committee questioned the representatives from the Valiant Group.

Referrals from Council

None

Reports from Advisory Committees

None

Items Requiring Direction

CO-26-06 - Kayla Mathieu requesting priority leisure guide registration for City of Oshawa residents (All Wards)

Moved by Councillor Neal

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

That Correspondence CO-26-06 from Kayla Mathieu concerning priority leisure registration for Oshawa residents be referred to staff for a report.

Carried

CO-26-07 - Various Residents concerning the volume of dump truck traffic on Harmony Road North due to the Gravel Pit on Harmony Road North (Ward 1)

Moved by Councillor Neal

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

Whereas select Municipal roads, including Howden Road East and Harmony Road North, are currently experiencing increased utilization by heavy duty transport trucks; and

Whereas not all Municipal roads are constructed to withstand sustained use by heavy duty transport trucks; and

Whereas the City has an obligation to maintain Municipal roads in accordance with the Municipal Act and Minimum Maintenance Standards (M.M.S.); and

Whereas impacts of prolonged heavy duty transport trucks on Municipal roads may impede the City's ability to achieve M.M.S. and accelerate the need for Capital investment;

Therefore, be it resolved:

1. That staff be directed to investigate all options within the authority of the Municipality to ensure compliance with M.M.S., including but not limited to:
 - Extended or permanent half-load restrictions on Municipal roads, or portions or roads, within the City;
 - Designated haul routes and weight restrictions;
 - 'No Stopping Any Time' restrictions, and;
2. That Delegation of Authority By-law 29-2009, as amended be further amended to provide the Commissioner, Community and Operations Services Department or their designate the authority to pass by-laws as required to further amend Traffic By-law 79-99, as amended, to achieve legislated mandates related to Minimum Maintenance Standards, in a form and content satisfactory to the Commissioner, Community and Operations Services Department, the City Solicitor and the Director, Legislative Services/City Clerk; and,
3. That the Commissioner, Community and Operations Services Department be authorized to execute any agreement considered appropriate to achieve the legislated mandates related to the Minimum Maintenance Standards in a form and content satisfactory to the Commissioner, Community and Operations Services Department, the City Solicitor and the Director, Legislative Services/City Clerk.

Affirmative (3): Councillor Gray, Councillor Lee, and Councillor Neal

Absent (2): Councillor Chapman, and Councillor Nicholson

Carried (3 to 0)

Public Consent Agenda

Moved by Councillor Lee

That all items listed under the heading of Public Consent Agenda for the Community and Operations Services Committee meeting of March 9, 2026 be adopted as recommended except for Report CO-26-09.

Correspondence with recommendations

None

Staff Reports/Motions with recommendations

CO-26-08 - Request by Valiant Group of Companies for Temporary Parking at North Oshawa Park (Ward 2)

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

Whereas the Valiant Group of Companies, on behalf of 177 Nonquon Road, Oshawa, has requested authorization to use the parking lot at North Oshawa Park for temporary parking of apartment residents' personal vehicles associated with the 245-suite building, during repairs to the building's underground parking deck and garage; and,

Whereas at its meeting of February 23, 2026, Council referred Report CO-26-06 back to staff for a report for the next meeting after further discussions are held between the City and party; and,

Whereas the Valiant Group of Companies have requested thirty (30) parking spaces; and,

Whereas the total number of parking spaces at North Oshawa Park is 121, including five (5) accessible parking spaces; and,

Whereas the parking lot at North Oshawa Park experiences consistently high levels of use by existing permitted and licensed user groups and general park users, resulting in limited parking availability and frequent periods of high occupancy; and,

Whereas in 2025, the 11v11 lit sports field was permitted at an 87% utilization rate; and,

Whereas in addition to drop-in use, in 2025 the five (5) lit tennis courts were regularly used by the Oshawa Senior Community Centres (OSCC55+) and other formal instruction program providers throughout the summer months; and,

Whereas the North Oshawa Clubhouse as owned and operated by the Oshawa Central Council of Neighbourhood Associations under lease with the City, is regularly booked weekends from May to November using upwards of forty (40) parking spaces, and regularly booked by the OSCC55+ every Tuesday from 10:30 am to 2:00 pm; and,

Whereas St. Joseph the Workers Parish utilizes upwards of thirty (30) parking spaces on Sundays between 8:30 am and 1:00 pm and on religious holidays; and,

Whereas parking facilities are also frequently used for drop-in use of the basketball court, skatepark, playground, 40 community garden plots, walking trail, gazebo; and,

Whereas staff have determined that parking capacity does not exist to accommodate the request of the Valiant Group of Companies without displacing or negatively impacting existing permitted and passive users of North Oshawa Park;

Therefore, based on Item CO-26-08, dated March 9, 2026, concerning the request from Valiant Group of Companies to use the parking lot at North Oshawa Park for temporary parking of apartment residents' personal vehicles, the request be denied.

CO-26-10 - Outstanding Items List - First Quarter 2026 (All Wards)

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

That Report CO-26-10 dated March 4, 2026, being the Community and Operations Services Committee Outstanding Items Status Report for the First Quarter of 2026, be received for information.

Public Discussion Agenda

Matters Excluded from the Consent Agenda

CO-26-09 - Parking Occupancy Monitoring Technology at Lakeview Park (Ward 5)

Moved by Councillor Lee

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

That based on Report CO-26-09 concerning Parking Occupancy Monitoring Technology at Lakeview Park, dated March 4, 2026, the installation of AI Camera Technology as outlined in Section 4.6.2 of said report, be referred to staff for consideration as part of the 2027 Budget.

Carried

Items Introduced by Council Members

None

Items Pulled from the Information Package

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

None

Items Requiring Direction

None

Matters Tabled

None

Adjournment

Moved by Councillor Neal

That the meeting adjourn.

Carried

The meeting adjourned at 11:25 a.m.