

Town of Aurora Council Public Planning Meeting Minutes

Date: Tuesday, February 18, 2025

Time: 7 p.m.

Location: Council Chambers, Aurora Town Hall

Council Members: Mayor Tom Mrakas (Chair)

Councillor Ron Weese

Councillor Rachel Gilliland (arrived 7:05 p.m.) Councillor Wendy Gaertner (arrived 7:01 p.m.)

Councillor Michael Thompson*

Councillor John Gallo Councillor Harold Kim

Other Attendees: Marco Ramunno, Director, Planning and Development Services

Kenny Ng, Planner

Ishita Soneji, Deputy Town Clerk

Linda Bottos, Council/Committee Coordinator

*Attended electronically

Call to Order

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 7 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 Weese Seconded by Councillor Gallo

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

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

Absent (2): Councillor Gilliland, and Councillor Gaertner

Carried (5 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 PDS25-025 - Application for Zoning By-law Amendment, 2854756 Ontario Inc., 8 Kennedy Street East, Part Lot 162, Plan 246, File Number: ZBA-2024-08

Planning Staff

Kenny Ng, Planner, presented an overview of the staff report regarding the Zoning By-law Amendment application to facilitate the proposed development of a three-storey townhouse block comprising four freehold townhomes and to amend the development standards on lot frontage and parking requirements. Staff noted the applicant seeks to rezone the subject lands from "Special Mixed Density Residential (R7) Zone" to "Townhouse Dwelling Residential Exception (R8-XXX) Zone."

Applicant

Maggie Way, Associate Planner, Groundswell Urban Planners Inc., presented an overview of the development proposal including site location

and context, conformity with the Town's Official Plan, site and landscape plans, and conceptual renderings.

Public Comments

Aurora resident Jordan Drodge expressed support for the development design and concerns regarding the accessibility of the units.

Moved by Councillor Gallo Seconded by Councillor Weese

- 1. That Report No. PDS25-025 be received; and
- 2. That comments presented at the statutory Public Planning meeting be addressed by Planning and Development Services in a report to a future Committee of the Whole meeting.

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

Carried (7 to 0)

6. Confirming By-law

6.1 By-law Number 6672-25 - Being a By-law to confirm actions by Council resulting from a Council Public Planning meeting on February 18, 2025

Moved by Councillor Weese Seconded by Councillor Kim

That the confirming by-law be enacted.

Carried

7. Adjournment

Moved by Councillor Kim
Seconded by Councillor Gaertner

That the meeting be adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Carried

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Tom Mrakas, Mayor	Ishita Soneji, Deputy Town Clerk