

**THE REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF NIAGARA  
CORPORATE SERVICES COMMITTEE  
MINUTES**

**CSC 7-2022  
Wednesday, July 13, 2022  
Council Chamber / Video Conference  
Niagara Region Headquarters, Campbell West  
1815 Sir Isaac Brock Way, Thorold, ON**

Committee Members Present in the Council Chamber:	Foster (Committee Chair), Ip, Rigby, Whalen (Committee Vice-Chair)
Committee Members Present via Video Conference:	Bradley (Regional Chair), Britton, Butters, Diodati, Edgar, Gale, Heit, Redekop
Other Councillors Present via Video Conference:	Sendzik
Absent/Regrets:	Campion, Easton, Fertich
Staff Present in the Council Chamber:	H. Chamberlain, Director, Financial Management & Planning/Deputy Treasurer, C. Habermehl, Director, Waste Management Services, T. Harrison, Commissioner/Treasurer, Corporate Services, B. Menage, Director, Procurement & Strategic Acquisitions, A.-M. Norio, Regional Clerk, J. Spratt, Administrative Assistant to the Regional Clerk, M. Sergi, Commissioner, Planning & Development Services, H. Talbot, Financial & Special Projects Consultant, R. Tripp, Chief Administrative Officer, B. Wilson, Legal Counsel, J. Wilson, Supervisor, Waste Management Services, N. Wolfe, Director, Construction, Energy & Facilities, B. Zvaniga, Commissioner, Public Works
Staff Present via Video Conference:	A. Apfelbaum, Manager, Business Licensing, F. Fucile, Manager, Real Estate, D. Gibbs, Director, Legal & Court Services, P. Kennah, Labour Relations Manager, K. Lotimer, Legislative Coordinator, F. Meffe, Director, Human Resources, D. Pasto, Risk Management Program Manager, B. Rainey, Manager, Facilities, L. Torbicki, Manager, Waste Policy and Planning

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1. **CALL TO ORDER**

Committee Chair Foster called the meeting to order at 9:31 a.m.

2. **DISCLOSURES OF PECUNIARY INTEREST**

There were no disclosures of pecuniary interest.

3. **PRESENTATIONS**

There were no presentations.

4. **DELEGATIONS**

There were no delegations.

5. **ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION**

5.1 **CSD 18-2022**

Response to Motion regarding Safety and Security of Staff and Elected Officials

Moved by Councillor Ip  
Seconded by Councillor Whalen

That Report CSD 18-2022, dated July 13, 2022, respecting Response to Motion regarding Safety and Security of Staff and Elected Officials, **BE RECEIVED** and the following recommendations **BE APPROVED**:

1. That staff **BE DIRECTED** to develop a Council Security Orientation Training program, to be offered at the start of each term of Council; and
2. That staff **BE DIRECTED** to develop a best practices guideline, to support appropriate and safe interactions with members of the public in person and on social media, to assist Councillors in their role as public officials.

**Carried**

5.2 CSD 34-2022

Brownfield Development Charges Reduction Program Grandfathering Provision

Moved by Councillor Edgar

Seconded by Councillor Rigby

That Report CSD 34-2022, dated July 13, 2022, respecting Brownfield Development Charges Reduction Program Grandfathering Provision, **BE RECEIVED** and the following recommendation **BE APPROVED**:

1. That brownfield remediation costs **BE GRANTED** to developers in accordance with the Incentives Policy as approved by Council rather than through an extension of the current Brownfield Reduction Program in the DC By-law.

**Carried**

5.3 CLK 4-2022

Niagara Peninsula Conservation Authority (NPCA) Board Representation

Moved by Councillor Gale

Seconded by Councillor Butters

That Report CLK 4-2022, dated July 13, 2022, respecting Niagara Peninsula Conservation Authority (NPCA) Board Representation, **BE RECEIVED** and the following recommendations **BE APPROVED**:

1. That Regional Council **APPROVE** Niagara Region representation on the Niagara Peninsula Conservation Authority Board to be five (5) members;
2. That the five (5) members **BE COMPRISED** of four (4) Regional Councillors and one (1) member of the public;
3. That the four (4) Regional Councillors **BE APPOINTED** for the term of Council at the Council meeting held the week following the inaugural meeting of Council and the appointments **BE CONDUCTED** in the same manner as appointments for other agencies, boards and commissions of the Niagara Region;
4. That the public member representative **BE SELECTED** using the criteria outlined in the skills matrix attached as Appendix 1 to Report CLK 4-2022 and conducted in a manner similar to the selection of the Community Member for the Niagara Regional Police Services Board;

5. That the selection panel for the public member representative **BE COMPRISED** of the four (4) members of Regional Council that are appointed by Regional Council to the NPCA Board and two additional members of Council appointed at the Council meeting held the week following the inaugural meeting and appointed in the same manner as the appointments for Committees;
6. That this report **BE CIRCULATED** to the City of Hamilton and Haldimand County requesting their Councils pass resolutions agreeing to the number of members for appointment from Niagara Region to the Niagara Peninsula Conservation Authority Board;
7. That upon receipt of resolutions from the City of Hamilton and Haldimand County regarding the number of members for appointment, staff **BE AUTHORIZED** to proceed with the execution of an agreement in a form satisfactory to the Director of Legal and Court Services to be provided to the Niagara Peninsula Conservation Authority; and
8. That this report **BE PROVIDED** to the Niagara Peninsula Conservation Authority for information.

Moved by Councillor Butters  
Seconded by Regional Chair Bradley

That the motion **BE AMENDED** as follows:

1. That Regional Council **APPROVE** Niagara Region representation on the Niagara Peninsula Conservation Authority Board to be **six (6)** members;
2. That the **six (6)** members **BE COMPRISED** of four (4) Regional Councillors and **two (2)** members of the public.

Moved by Councillor Redekop  
Seconded by Councillor Heit

That the motion **BE FURTHER AMENDED** as follows:

1. That Regional Council **APPROVE** Niagara Region representation on the Niagara Peninsula Conservation Authority Board to be **eight (8)** members;
2. That the **eight (8)** members **BE COMPRISED** of **five (5)** Regional Councillors and **three (3)** members of the public.

At this point in the meeting, Committee Vice-Chair Whalen assumed the Chair.

The Committee Vice-Chair called the vote on the amendment to the amendment and declared it,

**Defeated**

The Committee Vice-Chair called the vote on the amendment,

Recorded Vote:

Yes (6): Bradley, Butters, Diodati, Edgar, Foster, Gale.

No (5): Heit, Ip, Redekop, Rigby, Whalen.

**Carried**

The Committee Vice-Chair called the vote on the original motion, as amended, as follows:

That Report CLK 4-2022, dated July 13, 2022, respecting Niagara Peninsula Conservation Authority (NPCA) Board Representation, **BE RECEIVED** and the following recommendations **BE APPROVED**:

1. That Regional Council **APPROVE** Niagara Region representation on the Niagara Peninsula Conservation Authority Board to be six (6) members;
2. That the six (6) members **BE COMPRISED** of four (4) Regional Councillors and two (2) members of the public;
3. That the four (4) Regional Councillors **BE APPOINTED** for the term of Council at the Council meeting held the week following the inaugural meeting of Council and the appointments **BE CONDUCTED** in the same manner as appointments for other agencies, boards and commissions of the Niagara Region;
4. That the public member representatives **BE SELECTED** using the criteria outlined in the skills matrix attached as Appendix 1 to Report CLK 4-2022 and conducted in a manner similar to the selection of the Community Member for the Niagara Regional Police Services Board;
5. That the selection panel for the public member representatives **BE COMPRISED** of the four (4) members of Regional Council that are appointed by Regional Council to the NPCA Board and two additional members of Council appointed at the Council meeting held the week following the inaugural meeting and appointed in the same manner as the appointments for Committees;

6. That this report **BE CIRCULATED** to the City of Hamilton and Haldimand County requesting their Councils pass resolutions agreeing to the number of members for appointment from Niagara Region to the Niagara Peninsula Conservation Authority Board;
7. That upon receipt of resolutions from the City of Hamilton and Haldimand County regarding the number of members for appointment, staff **BE AUTHORIZED** to proceed with the execution of an agreement in a form satisfactory to the Director of Legal and Court Services to be provided to the Niagara Peninsula Conservation Authority; and
8. That this report **BE PROVIDED** to the Niagara Peninsula Conservation Authority for information.

Recorded Vote:

Yes (7): Bradley, Butters, Diodati, Edgar, Foster, Gale, Rigby.

No (4): Heit, Ip, Redekop, Whalen.

**Carried**

At this point in the meeting, Committee Chair Foster assumed the Chair.

5.4 CSC-C 18-2022

Recommendations for Consideration from the Regional Development Charges Policy Task Force meeting held on June 30, 2022

Moved by Councillor Redekop

Seconded by Councillor Heit

That Correspondence Item CSC-C 18-2022, being a memorandum from A.-M. Norio, Regional Clerk, dated July 13, 2022, respecting Recommendations for Consideration from the Regional Development Charges Task Force meeting held on June 30, 2022, **BE RECEIVED** and the following recommendations **BE APPROVED**:

1. That the draft Regional Development Charge By-law **INCLUDE** an exemption for on-farm accommodations used for agricultural purposes, from paying development charges; and

2. That the draft Regional Development Charge By-law **INCLUDE** an exemption for that portion of a place of worship which is used exclusively as a place of worship for religious services and any reception and meeting areas used in connection with, or integral to the worship space as defined below:

“place of worship” means any building or part thereof that is owned by a religious organization that is exempt from taxation as a place of worship pursuant to the Assessment Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. A.31, as amended.

**Carried**

**6. CONSENT ITEMS FOR INFORMATION**

There were no consent items for information.

**7. OTHER BUSINESS**

7.1 Niagara District Airport

Councillor Gale requested information respecting the Niagara District Airport including, the Region's total investment (in dollars and manpower), Region involvement, the return on investment and financial status of the airport, for the Corporate Services Committee meeting being held on August 10, 2022.

7.2 Canada Summer Games

Councillor Ip requested a report, for the Corporate Services Committee meeting being held on August 10, 2022, respecting the events that transpired to cause The Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation to withdraw support for the 2022 Canada Summer Games, what will be done to repair the relationship and steps that will be taken to ensure this does not happen again.

7.3 Development Charges for Not-for-Profit Affordable Housing Projects

Councillor Butters enquired about Development Charge incentives for not-for-profit affordable housing projects. Todd Harrison, Commissioner, Corporate Services, advised that incentives currently available for these types of builds will not change with the proposed Development Charges By-law and Incentive Policy and advised that staff will reach out to the organization.

7.4 Canada Summer Games Financial Overview

Councillor Whalen enquired whether Committee would be receiving a financial overview of the Canada Summer Games in the fall. Todd Harrison, Commissioner, Corporate Services, advised that staff will provide a report respecting Canada Games Park in the fall.

7.5 Development Charge Rates

Councillor Redekop requested a listing of development charge rates for commercial and industrial developments from the beginning of the current Development Charges By-law to present.

**8. CLOSED SESSION**

Moved by Councillor Redekop  
Seconded by Councillor Gale

That this Committee **DO NOW MOVE** into closed session for the purposes of receiving information of a confidential nature respecting:

A Matter Regarding a Proposed Disposition of Lands by the Municipality and A Matter of Commercial Information, which if disclosed could reasonably be expected to prejudice significantly the competitive position or interfere significantly with the contractual or other negotiations of a person, group of persons, or organization, under s. 239(2) of the Municipal Act, 2001 - 2021-RFP-209 Disposition or Lease of Niagara Region owned Material Recycling Facility (MRF) and Provision of Recycling Processing Services

**Carried**

Committee resolved into closed session at 10:43 a.m.

**9. BUSINESS ARISING FROM CLOSED SESSION ITEMS**

Committee reconvened in open session at 12:01 p.m. with the following individuals in attendance:

Committee Members Foster (Committee Chair), Ip, Rigby, Whalen (Committee Vice-Present in the Council Chamber)  
Chair)

Committee Members Bradley (Regional Chair), Britton, Butters, Diodati, Edgar, Gale, Present via Video  
Heit, Redekop  
Conference:

Other Councillors Sendzik  
Present via Video  
Conference:



Absent/Regrets:           Campion, Easton, Fertich

Staff Present in the       H. Chamberlain, Director, Financial Management &  
Council Chamber:        Planning/Deputy Treasurer, C. Habermebl, Director, Waste  
                                  Management Services, T. Harrison, Commissioner/Treasurer,  
                                  Corporate Services, B. Menage, Director, Procurement &  
                                  Strategic Acquisitions, A.-M. Norio, Regional Clerk, J. Spratt,  
                                  Administrative Assistant to the Regional Clerk, M. Sergi,  
                                  Commissioner, Planning & Development Services, H. Talbot,  
                                  Financial & Special Projects Consultant, R. Tripp, Chief  
                                  Administrative Officer, B. Wilson, Legal Counsel, N. Wolfe,  
                                  Director, Construction, Energy & Facilities

Staff Present via         D. Gibbs, Director, Legal & Court Services, K. Lotimer,  
Video Conference:       Legislative Coordinator, L. Torbicki, Manager, Waste Policy and  
                                  Planning

9.1    Confidential CSD 36-2022

A Matter Regarding a Proposed Disposition of Lands by the Municipality and A Matter of Commercial Information, which if disclosed could reasonably be expected to prejudice significantly the competitive position or interfere significantly with the contractual or other negotiations of a person, group of persons, or organization, under s. 239(2) of the Municipal Act, 2001 - 2021-RFP-209 Disposition or Lease of Niagara Region owned Material Recycling Facility (MRF) and Provision of Recycling Processing Services

Moved by Councillor Butters  
Seconded by Councillor Heit

That Confidential Report CSD 36-2022, dated July 13, 2022, respecting A Matter Regarding a Proposed Disposition of Lands by the Municipality and A Matter of Commercial Information, which if disclosed could reasonably be expected to prejudice significantly the competitive position or interfere significantly with the contractual or other negotiations of a person, group of persons, or organization, under s. 239(2) of the Municipal Act, 2001 - 2021-RFP-209 Disposition or Lease of Niagara Region owned Material Recycling Facility (MRF) and Provision of Recycling Processing Services, **BE DEFERRED** to the Corporate Services Committee meeting being held on August 10, 2022.

**Carried**

9.2 Confidential CSD 35-2022

A Matter respecting the proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality under s. 239(2)(c) of the Municipal Act, 2001 - 68 Church Street, City of St. Catharines Redevelopment

Moved by Councillor Ip

Seconded by Councillor Rigby

That Confidential Report CSD 35-2022, dated July 13, 2022, respecting A Matter respecting the proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality under s. 239(2)(c) of the Municipal Act, 2001 - 68 Church Street, City of St. Catharines Redevelopment, **BE RECEIVED** and the recommendations contained therein **BE APPROVED**.

**Carried**

9.3 Confidential CSC-C 17-2022

A Matter respecting a Proposed or Pending Acquisition or Disposition of Land by the Municipality under s. 239(2)(c) of the Municipal Act, 2001 - Niagara Regional Housing Acquisition of Property in the City of Niagara Falls (Confidential Report NRH 5-2022)

Moved by Councillor Diodati

Seconded by Councillor Gale

That Confidential Memorandum CSC-C 17-2022, dated July 13, 2022, respecting A Matter respecting a Proposed or Pending Acquisition or Disposition of Land by the Municipality under s. 239(2)(c) of the Municipal Act, 2001 - Niagara Regional Housing Acquisition of Property in the City of Niagara Falls (Confidential Report NRH 5-2022), **BE RECEIVED**.

**Carried**

9.4 Confidential HR 3-2022

A Matter respecting Labour Relations or Employee Negotiations under s. 239(2)(d) of the Municipal Act, 2001: CUPE and its Local 1757, Public Health - Tentative Agreement

Moved by Councillor Whalen

Seconded by Councillor Butters

That Confidential Report HR 3-2022, dated July 13, 2022, respecting A Matter respecting Labour Relations or Employee Negotiations under s. 239(2)(d) of the Municipal Act, 2001: CUPE and its Local 1757, Public Health - Tentative Agreement, **BE RECEIVED** and the recommendations contained therein **BE APPROVED**.

**Carried**

**10. NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, August 10, 2022 at 9:30 a.m. in the Council Chamber, Regional Headquarters.

**11. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 12:06 p.m.

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Councillor Foster  
Committee Chair

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Kelly Lotimer  
Legislative Coordinator

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Ann-Marie Norio  
Regional Clerk