

**THE COUNCIL OF  
THE REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF YORK**

**REVISED AGENDA**

**THURSDAY, JUNE 21, 2007  
9:30 a.m.**

**Council Chambers  
York Region Administrative Centre  
17250 Yonge Street  
Newmarket, Ontario**

---

**CALL TO ORDER**

1. DISCLOSURES BY MEMBERS OF COUNCIL
2. PRESENTATIONS
  1. Bill Paul, Tournament Director, Canadian Open, Royal Canadian Golf Association, regarding the 2007 Canadian Open Golf Championship, July 23-29, 2007
  2. Steven Xu, Youth City Councillor, City of Vaughan
3. MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD ON MAY 24, 2007
4. COMMUNICATIONS
  1. Anne Greentree, Deputy Clerk, The Municipality of Clarington, May 29, 2007, forwarding a resolution adopted by the Council of the Municipality of Clarington at its meeting on May 28, 2007 regarding Municipal Peer Review and Other Studies of the Durham/York Energy from Waste Environmental Assessment Study. *(Please refer to Clause 1 of Solid Waste Management Committee Report 7)*
  2. John O'Mara, Committee Co-Chair, Addictions Services for York Region and Barb Urman, Committee Co-Chair, York Region Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Trans Community Outreach Project, June 1, 2007, requesting that the Region of York recognize September 3 – September 9, 2007 as “Pride Week.”
  3. *Rosemarie Humphries, President, Humphries Planning Group Inc., June 11, 2007, regarding Vaughan Highway 400 North Employment Area – Update and Status of ROPA 52 and OPA 637. (Please refer to Clause 4 of Planning and Economic Development Committee Report No. 6)*

4. *Dave Martin, General Manager, The Summit Golf & Country Club, June 20, 2007, regarding the Forest Conservation By-law, Summit Golf and Country Club, Town of Richmond Hill. (Please refer to Clause 8 of Transportation and Works Committee Report 6)*

5. *Michael Melling, Davies Howe Partners, June 20, 2007, regarding Expropriation of Land, Yonge Street, City of Vaughan and Town of Markham. (Please refer to Clauses 6 and 7 of Rapid Transit Public/Private Partnership Steering Committee Report 5)*

5. DEPUTATIONS

*(Subject to Council granting deputant status.)*

None

6. PRESENTATION AND CONSIDERATION OF REPORTS

*(Council will resolve into Committee of the Whole to consider the following reports.)*

Report No. 3 of the Audit Committee

Report No. 6 of the Community Services and Housing Committee

Report No. 6 of the Finance and Administration Committee

Report No. 4 of the Health and Emergency Medical Services Committee

Report No. 6 of the Planning and Economic Development Committee

Report No. 5 of the Rapid Transit Public/Private Partnership Steering Committee

Report No. 7 of the Solid Waste Management Committee

Report No. 5 of the Transit Committee

Report No. 6 of the Transportation and Works Committee

*Report No. 3 of the Commissioner of Community Services, Housing and Health Services*

*Report No. 1 of the Chief Administrative Officer*

7. ADOPTION OF PROCEEDINGS OF COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

8. INTRODUCTION AND CONSIDERATION OF BILLS

Bill No. 52 To dedicate certain lands for the purposes of public highways

*Bill No. 54 To establish Box Grove By-pass (Y.R. 69) in the Town of Markham*

*Bill No. 55 To establish Donald Cousens Parkway (Y.R. 48) in the Town of Markham*

*Bill No. 56 To amend By-law No. R-1107-96-126 being a by-law to set out all the roads in the Regional Road System*

- Bill No. 57 To authorize the General Manager, Roads to temporarily close part of Ravenshoe Road (Y.R. 32), in the Town of Georgina*
- Bill No. 58 To authorize the General Manager, Roads to temporarily close part of certain Regional roads*
- Bill No. 59 To authorize the temporary closure of part of Kennedy Road (Y.R. 3) in the Town of Markham*
- Bill No. 60 A by-law to delegate authority to the Regional Treasurer to establish “clawback” percentages for the 2007 taxation year for the commercial, industrial and multi-residential property classes*
- Bill No. 61 To stop up and close a portion of Yonge Street (Y. R. 1) in the Town of Richmond Hill*
- Bill No. 62 To stop up and close a portion of Donald Cousens Parkway (Y.R. 48) (formerly Markham By-Pass) in the Town of Markham*
- Bill No. 63 To stop up and close a portion of Langstaff Road (Y.R. 72) in the City of Vaughan*

9. MOTION

**Notice of Motion — Yonge Street Subway Environmental Assessment**  
*(Referred from May 24, 2007 Regional Council Meeting)*

Moved by Regional Councillor Jones, seconded by Mayor Emmerson.

WHEREAS it has been the desire of the Town of Markham for decades to see the Langstaff planning area redevelop to a High End Urban Centre; and

WHEREAS the Province of Ontario has in the past five years through the Central Ontario Smart Growth Plan report “Shape the Future” and the current Growth Plan for the Greater Golden Horseshoe designated the Langstaff planning area and the Richmond Hill Centre as the Richmond Hill/Langstaff Gateway and one of the four Urban Growth Centres in York Region; and

WHEREAS Urban Growth Centres are — “to accommodate and support major transit infrastructure” and “to serve as high density major employment centres that will attract provincially, nationally or international significant employment uses” and to “accommodate a significant share of population and employment growth”; and

WHEREAS the Region of York has implemented its Centres and Corridors Strategy through the approval of Regional Official Plan Amendment 43, and

WHEREAS the Richmond Hill/Langstaff Gateway is considered in the higher order areas in OPA 43; and

WHEREAS the Region of York in 2001 requested that the Toronto Transit Commission consider a subway on Yonge Street from Finch Ave to the Richmond Hill/Langstaff Gateway at Yonge Street and Highway 7; and

WHEREAS the response from TTC was that more intense development at subway stops was required i.e. 20,000 residents and jobs in the area of the stop; and

WHEREAS the Town of Richmond Hill adopted their long term transportation plan in 2006 that calls for the Yonge Street Subway to be extended to the Richmond Hill Centre by 2013; and

WHEREAS the Langstaff planning area is currently well served by infrastructure, such as Viva service on Yonge and Highway 7, York Region Transit, GO service on Yonge, the GO train, a planned transit system in the 407 area, a subway from Yonge and Highway 7 to Finch Ave will complete this most important transit hub; and

WHEREAS the Growth Plan for the Greater Golden Horseshoe required that the Major Transit Station Areas will be planned to achieve increased residential and employment densities that support and ensure the viability of existing and planned transit service levels; a mix of residential, office, institutional, and commercial development wherever appropriate; and be designed to provide access from various transportation modes to the transit facility, including consideration of pedestrians, bicycle parking and commuter pickup/drop-off areas; and

WHEREAS York Region is in full support of transit supportable development in the Markham Town centre, the Richmond Hill/Langstaff Gateway; and the Vaughan Corporate Centre; and

WHEREAS Viva carried out an Environmental Assessment for the Yonge Street and Hwy 7 BRT/LRT Routes and discounted a subway on Yonge Street even though the report concluded that a subway is “the only practical method” to meet passenger demands in the area from Highway 7 to Finch Ave (section E.3.4); and

WHEREAS Markham has now received applications for high density development covering the whole of the Langstaff lands; and for the lands known as Hy-Zels property on Yonge Street North of Steeles Ave; and

WHEREAS these applications are in keeping with the long term desire of Markham Council and will assist it in meeting the Regional density targets required by Places to Grow and will minimize the need to expand settlements areas into Greenfields; and

WHEREAS the Regional Chair in his inaugural address to Regional Council indicated that he wishes the Region to "... begin work on the subway expansion on Yonge Street"; and

WHEREAS the Region of York has formed a Subway/Transit Committee to examine the feasibility of a subway extension from Finch Ave to the Langstaff/Richmond Hill Gateway; and

WHEREAS updating the environmental assessment to build a subway from Finch Avenue to the Richmond Hill/Langstaff Gateway could take from 6 to 36 months; and

WHEREAS a petition has been received from Thornhill and Richmond Hill residents and businesses requesting that the Region of York not build dedicated transit ways on Yonge Street but rather use the financial resources to build a subway as shown in the Environmental assessment as the only practical solution given the long term rider- ship and the physical restraints on Yonge Street in Thornhill; and

WHEREAS financial tools are now available such as alternate financing (P3), TIFS, GST, Development Charges, Bonusing, Fare Box Revenue, Provincial and Federal Grants

WHEREAS the Province of Ontario and Federal Government recently committed funding for the extension of the Spadina Subway to the Vaughan Corporate Centre; and

WHEREAS the Spadina project can not begin until an Environmental Assessment is carried out and approved by the Minister: and

WHEREAS the experience of the Region of York is that Environmental Assessments have the potential to delay projects by many years; and

WHEREAS it is in the interest of the Residents of the Region not to delay the Yonge Street Subway extension when funding is made available,

Now therefore be it resolved that the Chief Administrative Officer take all steps necessary to carry out an update of the YRRTC Environmental Assessment for the approval of a subway from Finch Avenue to the Richmond Hill/Langstaff Gateway. The CAO is to report back to York Region Council within 60 days as to the steps necessary and cost for this undertaking.

10. NOTICE OF MOTIONS

11. OTHER BUSINESS

12. COUNCIL TO RESOLVE INTO PRIVATE SESSION TO CONSIDER:

1. Private Report of the Finance and Administration Committee – Regional Payments - Security of Municipal Property
2. Private Attachment – Clause 2 of Audit Committee Report No. 3 – Audit Services Branch Report – Finance – ITS Branch Wireless Security Audit, April 2007- Security of Municipal Property
3. Private Report of the Transportation and Works Committee – Settlement of Expropriation Matter – Islington Ave. Road Widening – Acquisition of Property
4. Private Report of the Chief Administrative Officer and the Commissioner of Community Services, Housing and Health Services – Personal matter about an identifiable individual
5. Private Report of the Commissioner of Corporate Services – Non-Union/CUPE 905 Negotiations Mandate – Labour Relations
6. Private Report of the Transit Committee – York Region Transit – Bus Storage and Maintenance Facility Strategy – Update – Acquisition of Property
7. Viva Phase 2 Preliminary Engineering and Land Acquisition - Programme Report Clause 6, Report No. 5 of the Rapid Transit Public/Private Partnership Steering Committee - Acquisition of Property and Solicitor-Client
8. Expropriation of Land, Yonge Street, City of Vaughan and Town of Markham Clause 7, Report No. 5 of the Rapid Transit Public/Private Partnership Steering Committee. – Acquisition of Property and Solicitor-Client
9. *Contract Award – Litigation Update – Litigation*

13. COUNCIL TO RISE FROM PRIVATE SESSION

14. INTRODUCTION OF BILL TO CONFIRM THE PROCEEDINGS OF COUNCIL AT THIS MEETING

Bill No. 53

CLOSE OF MEETING