The Corporation of the Town of Essex

Special Council Meeting Minutes

February 8, 2021, 5:00 pm

Location: https://www.youtube.com/user/EssexOntario
This meeting was hosted and chaired from the Essex Municipal Building, 33 Talbot Street South, Essex. Due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic and the Essex Municipal Building not being open to the public at this time, this meeting was only available electronically to the public via livestream on YouTube with delegates as well only being able to participate electronically.

The purpose of this meeting was to present the feedback received regarding the Town of Essex Climate Change Adaption Plan.

Present:	Mayor Larry Snively Deputy Mayor Richard Meloche Councillor Joe Garon Councillor Morley Bowman Councillor Kim Verbeek Councillor Steve Bjorkman Councillor Sherry Bondy Councillor Chris Vander Doelen
Also Present:	Chris Nepszy, Chief Administrative Officer Robert Auger, Town Solicitor, Legal and Legislative Services/Clerk Shelley Brown, Deputy Clerk, Legal and Legislative Services Doug Sweet, Director, Community Services/Deputy CAO Jeffrey Morrison, Director, Corporate Services and Treasurer Lori Chadwick, Director, Development Services Kevin Girard, Director, Infrastructure Services Rita Jabbour, Manager, Planning Services Niharika Bandaru, Climate Change Analyst

1. Call to Order

Mayor Snively called the meeting to order at 5:00 PM.

2. Declarations of Conflict of Interest

There were no declarations of conflict of interest noted at this time.

3. Adoption of Published Agenda

3.1 Special Council Meeting Agenda for February 8, 2021

SP21-02-001
Moved By Councillor Garon
Seconded By Councillor Bowman

That the published agenda for the February 8, 2021 Special Council Meeting be adopted as presented.

Carried

4. Presentation from Administration

RE: Feedback regarding the Draft Climate Change Adaptation Plan presented to Council on January 13, 2021

Rita Jabbour, Manager, Planning Services explained that the purpose of the meeting was to provide Council with a summary of public and council feedback, questions and comments received during the consultation period on the Draft Climate Adaptation Plan received between January 14, 2021 and February 3, 2021.

Ms. Jabbour explained that although the Plan has remained largely unchanged, there are some minor edits including a new graphic to depict the reporting structure to track the progress on action items. Ms. Jabbour advised that following this meeting, a final copy of the Plan will be distributed to Council.

Niharika Bandaru, Climate Change Specialist presented the feedback received since the January 13, 2021 meeting to introduce the Plan. Ms. Bandaru provided an overview of the feedback received highlighting the main public feedback themes.

SP21-02-002
Moved By Deputy Mayor Meloche
Seconded By Councillor Garon

That the presentation entitled "Feedback - Climate Change Adaption Plan", be received.

Carried

5. Adjournment

SP21-02-003
Moved By Councillor Bjorkman
Seconded By Councillor Vander Doelen

That the meeting be adjourned at 5:55 PM.

Carried

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Mayor

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Clerk