



**THE COUNCIL OF  
THE REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF PEEL**

**May 28, 2020**

Members Present:	P. Brown	J. Kovac
	G. Carlson	M. Mahoney
	B. Crombie	S. McFadden
	D. Damerla	M. Medeiros
	S. Dasko	M. Palleschi
	G.S. Dhillon	K. Ras
	J. Downey	P. Saito
	C. Fonseca	R. Santos
	P. Fortini	I. Sinclair
	A. Groves	R. Starr
	N. Iannicca	A. Thompson
	J. Innis	P. Vicente

Members Absent: C. Parrish

Staff Present	N. Polsinelli, Interim Chief Administrative Officer	C. Granger, Acting Commissioner of Health Services
	S. Baird, Commissioner of Digital and Information Services	Dr. L. Loh, Interim Medical Officer of Health
	K. Lockyer, Regional Clerk and Interim Commissioner of Corporate Services	A. Macintyre, Deputy Regional Clerk and Manager of Legislative Services
	S. VanOfwegen, Commissioner of Finance and Chief Financial Officer	C. Thomson, Legislative Specialist
	P. O'Connor, Regional Solicitor	S. Valleau, Legislative Technical Coordinator
	A. Smith, Interim Chief Planner	H. Gill, Legislative Specialist
	A. Farr, Interim Commissioner of Public Works	R. Khan, Legislative Technical Coordinator
	J. Sheehy, Commissioner of Human Services	

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Regional Chair Iannicca called the meeting of Regional Council to order at 9:31 a.m. in the Council Chamber, Regional Administrative Headquarters, 10 Peel Centre Drive, Suite A, Brampton.

**2. INDIGENOUS LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

Regional Chair Iannicca read an Indigenous Land Acknowledgement.

**3. DECLARATIONS OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST**

Nil

**4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES****4.1 May 14, 2020 Regional Council meeting**

**Resolution Number 2020-397**

**Moved by** Councillor Ras

**Seconded by** Councillor Dasko

*That the minutes of the May 14, 2020 Regional Council meeting be approved.*

**Carried**

**5. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**Resolution Number 2020-398**

**Moved by** Councillor Saito

**Seconded by** Councillor Groves

*That the agenda for the May 28, 2020 Regional Council meeting include a letter to the Prime Minister of Canada from Members of Parliament representing five communities with long term care homes that have been devastated by COVID-19, to be dealt with under Communications – Item 9.2;*

*And further, that the agenda for the May 28, 2020 Regional Council meeting include a letter to the Premier of Ontario from Members of Parliament representing five communities with long term care homes that have been devastated by COVID-19, to be dealt with under Communications – Item 9.3;*

*And further, that the agenda for the May 28, 2020 Regional Council meeting include a discussion regarding future Regional Council meetings, to be dealt with under Other Business/Councillor Enquiries – Item 21;*

*And further, that the agenda for the May 28, 2020 Regional Council meeting be approved, as amended.*

**Carried**

**6. CONSENT AGENDA**

**Resolution Number 2020-399**

**Moved by** Councillor Sinclair

**Seconded by** Councillor Starr

*That the following matters listed on the May 28, 2020 Regional Council Agenda be approved under the Consent Agenda: Items 9.1, 17.1, 17.2, 17.3, 24.1, 24.2.*

In Favour (23): Councillor Brown, Councillor Carlson, Councillor Crombie, Councillor Damerla, Councillor Dasko, Councillor Dhillon, Councillor Downey, Councillor Fonseca, Councillor Fortini, Councillor Groves, Councillor Innis, Councillor Kovac, Councillor Mahoney, Councillor McFadden, Councillor Medeiros, Councillor Palleschi, Councillor Ras, Councillor Saito, Councillor Santos, Councillor Sinclair, Councillor Starr, Councillor Thompson, and Councillor Vicente  
 Absent (1): Councillor Parrish

**Carried**

**7. DELEGATIONS**

Nil

**8. COVID-19 RELATED MATTERS**

**8.1 Update on Demobilization and Recovery Planning**

(Oral)

Presentation by Nancy Polsinelli, Interim Chief Administrative Officer

**Resolution Number 2020-400**

**Received**

**Resolution Number 2020-401 Two-Thirds Majority**

**Moved by** Councillor Downey

**Seconded by** Councillor Santos

*That section 5.7(b) of Procedure By-law 56-2019, as amended, be waived in order to permit the consideration of a motion related to an item of correspondence.*

In Favour (23): Councillor Brown, Councillor Carlson, Councillor Crombie, Councillor Damerla, Councillor Dasko, Councillor Dhillon, Councillor Downey, Councillor Fonseca, Councillor Fortini, Councillor Groves, Councillor Innis, Councillor Kovac, Councillor Mahoney, Councillor McFadden, Councillor Medeiros, Councillor Palleschi, Councillor Ras, Councillor Saito, Councillor Santos, Councillor Sinclair, Councillor Starr, Councillor Thompson, and Councillor Vicente

Absent (1): Councillor Parrish

**Carried**

**Resolution Number 2020-402**

**Moved by** Councillor Santos

**Seconded by** Councillor Thompson

*That the Regional Chair send a letter, on behalf of Regional Council, to the Premier of Ontario and the Minister of Long Term Care to convey Regional Council's support for a provincial inquiry into Long Term Care in Ontario;*

*And further, that the Region of Peel continue to advocate for immediate action and resources to enhance person-centred care and address known gaps in Long Term Care homes;*

*And further, that a copy of this resolution be sent to Peel-area MPs and MPPs.*

In Favour (23): Councillor Brown, Councillor Carlson, Councillor Crombie, Councillor Damerla, Councillor Dasko, Councillor Dhillon, Councillor Downey, Councillor Fonseca, Councillor Fortini, Councillor Groves, Councillor Innis, Councillor Kovac, Councillor Mahoney, Councillor McFadden, Councillor Medeiros, Councillor Palleschi, Councillor Ras, Councillor Saito, Councillor Santos, Councillor Sinclair, Councillor Starr, Councillor Thompson, and Councillor Vicente

Absent (1): Councillor Parrish

**Carried**

Nancy Polsinelli, Interim Chief Administrative Officer (CAO), provided an update on the Region of Peel's planning for the eventual demobilization of activities that were put in place to support the Region's response to COVID-19. The provincial government has initiated the first phase of its recovery plan and some municipalities in Ontario have begun to bring services back online. As of May 27, 2020, the Region of Peel reported 4,308 COVID-19 cases and 268 deaths and there is ongoing community transmission which means that any resumption of activities must be taken slowly and carefully. Region of Peel staff will continue to base planning on evidence and the advice of public health experts.

Staff continue to work with partners to identify and address urgent needs through collaborative tables and ongoing partnerships. Over 800 staff have been redeployed to new roles to support essential services and COVID-related programs.

The Interim CAO stated that the recovery planning framework must be adaptable to respond to the risk within the community and react to the data and information shared by Public Health. Reopening must also be coordinated with local municipal partners, given the interdependencies of many of our services and common focus on the well-being of the residents of Peel.

She advised that staff will be reporting to Regional Council in the next month with details related to the recovery plan and recommendations developed by the Demobilization and Recovery Task Force.

**Items 9.2 and 9.3 were dealt with.**

Councillor Downey inquired as to the root causes of the issues identified in the report prepared by Canadian Armed Forces personnel providing care at Long Term Care homes impacted by COVID-19.

Cathy Granger, Acting Commissioner of Health Services, stated that the COVID-19 pandemic has exposed various issues in long term care and that homes need to create a balance of person-centred, emotional based care that includes strong clinical care.

Councillor Downey noted that the Region of Peel has excellent long term care staff, and with the COVID-19 pandemic, they had the ability to redeploy staff to maintain staffing levels at its long term care homes which was not possible for some privately operated homes.

Councillor Brown highlighted the importance of addressing the concerns identified in long term care immediately in order to be prepared should the pandemic enter a second wave.

In response to comments from Councillor Damerla, Cathy Granger advised that Region of Peel staff have asked to participate in the provincial commission on long term care as the Region has evidence to demonstrate what constitutes a good long term care home.

## **8.2 Responding to the COVID-19 Outbreak in Peel Region: Core Indicators to Guide Reopening**

(Oral)

Presentation by Dr. Lawrence Loh, Interim Medical Officer of Health

### **Resolution Number 2020-403**

**Received**

Dr. Lawrence Loh, Interim Medical Officer of Health, advised that Peel Public Health and all other health units in the province continue to work closely with the Chief Medical Officer of Health and the Ministry of Health in advancing a coordinated pandemic response based on the provincial framework for reopening. Using the province's framework, Peel Public Health has started tracking enhanced metrics intended to bring more data and specificity to the state of COVID-19 in the Region.

The metrics were developed to support ongoing collaborative dialogue with provincial partners to better understand the progress of the pandemic in communities across the province but have not yet been formally endorsed by the Council of Medical Officers of Health which represents all 34 health units.

Dr. Loh described the metrics which apply to viral spread and containment, healthcare system capacity, public health system capacity, and incidence tracking capacity, noting that testing is a provincial responsibility. Initial public reporting of these metrics will occur in the weekly epidemiologic report which is posted on the Region of Peel website. The metrics are not accountability indicators, but rather situational information to guide decision-making. Dr. Loh noted that while the indicators are helpful to inform recommendations, they will not be the sole criterion in doing so. This means they should generally be examined with an understanding of context and evidence, and together, rather than individually.

The Region of Peel is not seeing a sustained decrease in viral spread and containment. Hospital partners still have many patients with COVID and are at a high enough utilization on the borderline of the provincially identified metrics, so that they might not be able to start up elective surgeries, etc.

Dr. Loh reiterated the importance of avoiding crowds, physical distancing in public, hand hygiene, and wearing non-medical masks where one cannot distance such as indoor retail or transit.

Peel Public Health is awaiting the province's testing framework while working with hospital partners to address increased demand. Dr. Loh stated that testing is

a provincial matter; public health only facilitates it in certain settings and acts on the results, but the criteria are set by the government and the tests are resourced and conducted by Ontario Health and provincial laboratories.

Peel Public Health is looking into geo-mapping of cases and will be releasing a static map in the weekly epidemiologic updates; however, Dr. Loh cautioned that the mapping should be interpreted carefully as it often shows where people live, rather than where they got the disease. It is important to report geographic data carefully, in a manner that does not result in stigmatizing existing neighbourhoods or communities.

In response to questions from Councillor Damerla, Dr. Loh advised that the enhanced metrics will help to form part of his recommendations related to reopening and that it is important to consider all metrics when developing recommendations. In releasing data related to places of transmission, there is a need to balance the protection of people's health information with the need for public disclosure and transparency.

In response to a question from Councillor Crombie, Dr. Loh advised that the provincial testing strategy is expected to be released soon.

Councillor Ras inquired if Peel Public Health could provide recommendations on how families could celebrate the graduates of 2020. Dr. Loh stated that staff are reviewing the issue and will respond in the near future.

In response to a question from Councillor Dasko, Dr. Loh advised that many places traditionally utilized as cooling centres remain closed and that Peel Public Health staff are working with local municipal staff to identify alternatives, and the information will be communicated when available.

Councillor Downey requested that the issue of stigmatization arising from geo-mapping be discussed at a future meeting of the Diversity, Equity and Anti-Racism Committee.

Councillor Brown encouraged the release of interactive geo-mapping as soon as possible, noting that many residents are requesting access to the information.

Councillor Saito noted that the requirement for people to pay hospital parking fees while waiting to be tested for COVID-19 could deter people from getting tested.

The Acting Commissioner of Health Services undertook to raise the concern with hospital partners.

### **8.3 Update Regarding Waste Management during COVID-19 Emergency Declaration**

(Oral)

**Resolution Number 2020-404**

**Received**

*Councillor Thompson departed at 12:05 p.m. due to other municipal business.*

Andrew Farr, Interim Commissioner of Public Works, advised that over the past two weeks, there has been a significant increase in the number of users and tonnage at the Region's Community Recycling Centres (CRCs). CRC fees were waived to ensure residential customers have reasonable disposal options during the COVID-19 emergency; however, some non-residential users at the CRCs are significantly impacting wait times, traffic on surrounding streets and operations. To help space out larger loads across multiple days, encourage residents to keep non-essential items at home and create an improved experience for users, staff recommend implementing a 100 kg/per load/per day limit for the waived fees. Visitors may still drop off material above the limit but would be charged standard fees. Residents visiting the Caledon CRC would still be permitted to drop of 150 kg per day of yard waste at no charge.

The Interim Commissioner noted that the decision to suspend bulky items at the CRCs, along with the suspension of curbside collection of bulky items, was made early in the Region's COVID-19 response to protect the health and safety of staff and contractors. If the recommended fee change at CRCs results in positive impacts to wait times and line ups at the CRCs, staff can allow bulky items to be accepted. Staff will monitor the impacts over the next two weeks and if feasible, the receipt of bulky items could resume in mid-June.

Councillor Damerla advised that some residents are unable to transport grass clippings to the CRCs due to health reasons and she inquired if there are options to assist people in such circumstances. The Interim Commissioner undertook to include information related to the disposal of grass clippings in a future Waste Management update.

## 9. COMMUNICATIONS

### 9.1 **David C. Williams, MD, MHSc, FRCPC, Chief Medical Officer of Health, Ministry of Health**

Memorandum dated May 19, 2020 Regarding Amendments to Permit the Opening of Some Outdoor Recreational Amenities (Receipt recommended)

**Resolution Number 2020-405**

**Received**

This item was dealt with under the Consent Agenda.

### 9.2 **Gary Anandasangere, MP, Scarborough-Rouge Park; Yvan Baker, MP, Etobicoke Centre; Jennifer O'Connell, MP, Pickering-Uxbridge; Hon. Judy Sgro, MP, Humber River-Black Creek; Sonia Sidhu, MP, Brampton South**

Letter dated May 27, 2020, Providing a Copy of a Letter to the Prime Minister of Canada, and the Minister of Health, Requesting a Full Public Inquiry into the Long Term Care System in Ontario (Receipt recommended)

**Resolution Number 2020-406**

Received

**9.3 Gary Anandasangere, MP, Scarborough-Rouge Park; Yvan Baker, MP, Etobicoke Centre; Jennifer O'Connell, MP, Pickering-Uxbridge; Hon. Judy Sgro, MP, Humber River-Black Creek; Sonia Sidhu, MP, Brampton South**

Letter dated May 27, 2020, Providing a Copy of a Letter to the Premier of Ontario, Requesting a Full Public Inquiry into the Long Term Care System in Ontario (Receipt recommended)

**Resolution Number 2020-407**

Received

**10. STAFF PRESENTATIONS**

**10.1 Improving Housing Subsidy Administration**

Presentation by Grace Caron, Program Director, Service Transformation

**Resolution Number 2020-408**

Received

**Resolution Number 2020-409**

**Moved by** Councillor Groves

**Seconded by** Councillor Dasko

*That the Region of Peel adopt a needs-based approach to administering housing subsidies as described in the report of the Commissioner of Human Services, titled "Improving Housing Subsidy Administration";*

*And further, that the centralized wait list be used to only administer housing subsidies required to meet the legislated service level standard under the Housing Services Act, 2011.*

In Favour (21): Councillor Brown, Councillor Carlson, Councillor Crombie, Councillor Damerla, Councillor Dasko, Councillor Dhillon, Councillor Fonseca, Councillor Fortini, Councillor Groves, Councillor Innis, Councillor Kovac, Councillor Mahoney, Councillor McFadden, Councillor Medeiros, Councillor Palleschi, Councillor Ras, Councillor Saito, Councillor Santos, Councillor Sinclair, Councillor Starr, and Councillor Vicente

Abstain (1): Councillor Downey

Absent (2): Councillor Parrish, and Councillor Thompson

Carried

Grace Caron, Program Director, Service Transformation, provided an overview of proposed changes to housing subsidy administration which is one component of



the Transform Services Strategy within the 10-Year Housing and Homelessness Plan. The proposed changes are expected to improve housing outcomes; enable timelier access to subsidy for those with the greatest needs; and reduce administrative costs. Staff will be reporting to a future meeting of Regional Council with implementation details and then again before the end of 2022 to report on the benefits achieved, as well as, an evaluation of the outcomes.

**11. ITEMS RELATED TO HEALTH**

Nil

**12. COMMUNICATIONS**

Nil

**13. ITEMS RELATED TO HUMAN SERVICES**

Nil

**14. COMMUNICATIONS**

Nil

**15. ITEMS RELATED TO PLANNING AND GROWTH MANAGEMENT**

**15.1 New Provincial Policy Statement, 2020**

(For information)

**Resolution Number 2020-410**

**Received**

In response to questions from members, Adrian Smith, Chief Planner, undertook to report to a future meeting of Regional Council with details of the study commenced by the Region of Peel to assess a standard and policies for the evaluation of communal servicing systems.

Councillor Innis requested that Region of Peel staff present information on the study to the Council of the Town of Caledon.

Councillor Sinclair and Councillor Innis both requested to participate in the study.

**16. COMMUNICATIONS**

Nil

**17. ITEMS RELATED TO ENTERPRISE PROGRAMS AND SERVICES**

**17.1 Funding of Capped Tax Increases - 2020**

(Related to By-law 40-2020)

**Resolution Number 2020-411**

**Moved by Councillor Sinclair**

**Seconded by Councillor Starr**

*That a by-law to establish a percentage by which tax decreases respecting the commercial, industrial and multi-residential property classes are limited for the 2020 taxation year in order to recover revenue required to fund the capped tax increases of properties in those property classes for that year, be presented for enactment.*

**Carried**

This item was dealt with under the Consent Agenda.

**17.2 Statement of Development Charges Reserve Funds – Fiscal 2019**

(For information)

**Resolution Number 2020-412**

**Received**

This item was dealt with under the Consent Agenda.

**17.3 2019 Annual Transparency and Accountable Government Report**

(For information)

**Resolution Number 2020-413**

**Received**

This item was dealt with under the Consent Agenda.

**18. COMMUNICATIONS**

**18.1 Trevor Wilcox, Secretary-Treasurer, Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)**

Communication dated April 28, 2020, Requesting Nominations to the 2020 – 2022 AMO Board of Directors (Direction required)

**Resolution Number 2020-414**

**Moved by** Councillor Santos

**Seconded by** Councillor Groves

*Whereas the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), in accordance with the governing By-law regarding the election of the AMO Board of Directors, requires that qualified nominees submit a Council resolution of support that specifies one of AMO's named caucuses, prior to close of nominations;*

*Therefore be it resolved, that Councillor Vicente be nominated as the Region of Peel representative of the Regional and Single Tier Caucus Directors for the term 2020-2022.*

In Favour (22): Councillor Brown, Councillor Carlson, Councillor Crombie, Councillor Damerla, Councillor Dasko, Councillor Dhillon, Councillor Downey, Councillor Fonseca, Councillor Fortini, Councillor Groves, Councillor Innis, Councillor Kovac, Councillor Mahoney, Councillor McFadden, Councillor Medeiros, Councillor Palleschi, Councillor Ras, Councillor Saito, Councillor Santos, Councillor Sinclair, Councillor Starr, and Councillor Vicente  
Absent (2): Councillor Parrish, and Councillor Thompson

**Carried**

**19. ITEMS RELATED TO PUBLIC WORKS**

Nil

**20. COMMUNICATIONS**

Nil

**21. OTHER BUSINESS/COUNCILLOR ENQUIRIES**

Councillor Saito requested that staff report to the next meeting of Regional Council with recommended dates for meetings of Regional Council to be held during the summer months in order to deal with matters related to the COVID-19 pandemic and recovery, as well as regular business.

Regional Chair Iannicca advised that he would be requesting the Chief of Peel Regional Police to present information at the next meeting of Regional Council regarding speeding enforcement.

Councillor Sinclair requested that the Caledon Ontario Provincial Police Inspector be requested to present information on speeding enforcement in the Town of Caledon at the next Regional Council meeting.

**22. NOTICE OF MOTION/MOTION**

Nil

**23. BY-LAWS**

*Three Readings*

**Resolution Number 2020-415**

**Moved by** Councillor Medeiros

**Seconded by** Councillor Palleschi

*That the by-law listed on the May 28, 2020 Regional Council agenda, being By-law 40-2020, be given the required number of readings, taken as read, signed by the Regional Chair and the Regional Clerk, and the Corporate Seal be affixed thereto.*

**Carried**

**23.1 By-law 40-2020**

A by-law to establish percentages by which tax decreases are limited for 2020 for properties in the commercial, industrial and multi-residential property classes.  
(Related to 17.1)

**24. IN CAMERA MATTERS****Resolution Number 2020-416**

**Moved by** Councillor Sinclair

**Seconded by** Councillor Starr

*That the May 14, 2020 Regional Council Closed Session report be received;*

*And further, that the recommendation contained within the confidential report relating to item 24.2 listed on the May 28, 2020 Regional Council agenda, be approved and become public upon adoption.*

**Carried**

These items were dealt with under the Consent Agenda.

**24.1 May 14, 2020 Regional Council Closed Session Report**

**Resolution Number 2020-417**

**Received**

**24.2 Commencement of Expropriation Proceedings – East to West Sewer Diversion Project – EXP-20064.00 – City of Mississauga, Wards 5 and 11**

(A proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local board)

**Resolution Number 2020-418**

**Moved by** Councillor Sinclair

**Seconded by** Councillor Starr

*That commencement of expropriation proceedings regarding the East to West Sewer Diversion project for the acquisition of the lands as set out in Appendix I to the in camera report to Regional Council at its meeting on May 28, 2020 titled, “Commencement of Expropriation Proceedings – East to West Sewer Diversion Project – EXP-20064.00 – City of Mississauga, Wards 5 and 11”, be approved and become public upon approval;*

*And further, that the necessary by-law, including the Application for Approval to Expropriate Land and the Notice of Application for Approval to Expropriate Land*

*attached as Schedules B and C to the by-law, for the lands as set out in Appendix I to the subject report, be presented for enactment;*

*And further, that following service and publication of the Notice of Application for Approval to Expropriate Land, the Application for Approval to Expropriate Land and recommendation of any inquiry be reported to Regional Council for its consideration and decision as the approving authority under the Expropriations Act.*

**Carried**

**25. BY-LAWS RELATING TO IN CAMERA MATTERS**

**Resolution Number 2020-419**

**Moved by** Councillor Fonseca

**Seconded by** Councillor Carlson

*That the by-law relating to In Camera Item 24.2 being By-law 41-2020, be given the required number of readings, taken as read, signed by the Regional Chair and the Regional Clerk, and the Corporate Seal be affixed thereto.*

**Carried**

**25.1 By-law 41-2020**

A by-law to authorize an application for approval to expropriate limited interests in perpetuity (permanent easement) and limited temporary interests (temporary easement) in lands in the City of Mississauga, in the Regional Municipality of Peel, as more particularly described in Schedule "A" to this By-law.

**26. BY-LAW TO CONFIRM THE PROCEEDINGS OF COUNCIL**

**Resolution Number 2020-420**

**Moved by** Councillor Sinclair

**Seconded by** Councillor Damerla

*That By-law 42-2020 to confirm the proceedings of Regional Council at its meeting held on May 28, 2020, and to authorize the execution of documents in accordance with the Region of Peel by-laws relating thereto, be given the required number of readings, taken as read, signed by the Regional Chair and the Regional Clerk, and the corporate seal be affixed thereto*

**Carried**

**27. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 12:44 p.m.

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Regional Clerk

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Regional Chair