



## **Burlington Sustainable Development Advisory Committee Meeting**

### **Minutes**

Date: March 15, 2023  
Time: 7:00 pm  
Location: Virtual

**1. Members Present:**

Tim Park (Chair), Susan Mattine, Dave Rokosh, Chris Ariens, Tom Krumins, Jim Adams, Rafiq Dhanji, Guy Sheppard, Laura Di Paolo

**2. Member Regrets:**

Mathew McAuley, Paul Fletcher, Sarah Mirriam

**3. Others Present:**

John Stuart (Senior Environmental Planner), Suzanne Gillies (Clerk)

**4. Land Acknowledgement:**

The Chair read the Land Acknowledgement

**5. Declarations of Interest:**

None

**6. Delegation(s):**

None

**7. Consent Agenda (items for approval):**

None

**8. Regular Items:**

8.1 Council and staff updates:

a. Councillor Sharman

Councillor Sharman was not in attendance to provide an update.

- b. Lynn Robichaud - Sustainability  
Lynn was not in attendance; written update was provided.
- c. John Stuart - Community Planning
  - a. Ontario's Biodiversity Strategy Renewal public consultation  
John provided an update on the Ontario Biodiversity Strategy Renewal work that is taking place. Here is a link to fill out the workbook to provide feedback:  
[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfv22szdO-u9PY2xFk9-2ui6z8\\_jGeR5WGLFHZxEKa5NPliiQ/viewform](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfv22szdO-u9PY2xFk9-2ui6z8_jGeR5WGLFHZxEKa5NPliiQ/viewform)
  - b. Various proposed updates to Ontario's Environment Assessment (EA) process  
John advised the committee that the province released proposed updates to the Environment Assessment (EA) process, typically these are not city related or work that the city does itself, but they do engage. The proposed changes will impact most municipal class EA projects.
  - c. Upcoming Council workshops  
John advised the committee that Planning staff will be holding workshops with Council on March 30 and April 17

## 8.2 Policy and Development subcommittee update:

Tim provided the following updates to the committee:

- John provided updates to the committee, similar to those that he has provided tonight
- the committee discussed potential delegations for upcoming meetings including the Heritage Planner, Kate to speak to the Housing Strategy, an update on the MTSA's, and learning about the Robert Bateman Project as it relates to sustainability
- the committee continued to discuss how to do comments on development applications in the future, should they consider a smaller document

## 8.3 Awareness subcommittee update:

Susan provided the committee with the following updates:

- the committee is aiming to have the SDG report on the consent agenda in April
- the spring webinar is on March 30 from 7 - 8 p.m., ads have been published
- the committee would like to participate in the Earth Day clean up initiative, will try to find a date between end of April and early May
- the tour of the Endress & Hauser was attended by city staff as well as Susan and Rafiq from the committee
- the Eco-Home tour of Jim Fielder's house was a great tour, Susan sent the link of the recording out

#### 8.4 Reports from external groups and conferences:

##### a. Bay Area Climate Change Council

Laura provided the following update to the committee:

- Decarbonization Hub is looking to work collectively with an accelerator group in Alberta
- Better Homes Hamilton program details were shared, \$20,000 loan against a property for approved upgrades including insulation, heat pumps, duct work repair

##### b. Halton Climate Collective

No update

##### c. Integrated Transportation Advisory Committee

No update

## 9. Other Business:

### 9.1 2023 workplan and budget

On motion the 2023 workplan and budget were approved as presented

## 10. Adjournment:

Chair adjourned the meeting at 7:50 p.m.