

Burlington Sustainable Development Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

Date: June 19, 2024

Time: 7:00 pm Location: Hybrid

1. Members Present:

Mathew McAuley, Margaret Bancerz, Peter Nimmrichter, Sean Morrison, Scott Black, Bo Akanbi, Paul Klysen, Deb Toor

2. Member regrets:

Gaurav Behal, Dave Rokosh, Ariel Bautista, Sarah Mirriam, Gary Busteed, Shuchita Gupta, Lisa Hanson

3. Others Present:

Councillor Sharman, Lauren McAusland (Coordinator, Better Homes Burlington), Lynn Robichaud (Manager, Environmental Sustainability), Kate Hill-Montague (Supervisor, Planning Policy), Suzanne Gillies (Clerk)

4. Land Acknowledgement:

The Clerk read the Land Acknowledgement.

5. Declarations of Interest:

None

6. Approval of Minutes:

6.1 Approval of the minutes from the meeting held April 17, 2024

The minutes from the meeting held April 17, 2024 were approved as presented.

7. Delegation(s):

None

8. Regular Items:

8.1 Council and staff updates:

a. Councillor Sharman

Councillor Sharman provided the following updates to the committee:

- the most significant issues going on in the City right now are development and flooding
- 120,000 people will be moving into Burlington in the next 30 years so there needs to be a strategy to communicate and engage with the public
- This week there were 2 open public houses for developments on the corner of Appleby and Fairview as well as Oval Court, the community is pretty aware of the Oval Court approval at the OLT so residents are still unhappy but a little less of a contentious issue, lots of unhappiness regarding the development at Appleby and Fairview.
- Council is also talking about 1200 King Road that will be developed to potentially house another 15,000 to 20,000 people
- Being asked by the province to approve 29,000 units by 2031
- Flooding is an issue as there were some changes at Conservation Halton - suggested that we have staff experts or someone from Conservation Halton come to the committee to give an update
- b. Lynn Robichaud Sustainability

Lauren provided the following updates to the committee:

- there are 3 reports coming to committee in July Climate Action Plan Progress report, Sustainability Plan for Burlington Hydro, updated Corporate Energy and Emissions plan
- Better Homes Burlington pilot program has been extended to include 6 more loans, applications open in mid July
- New EV charging stations installations are in progress at Beachway and Downtown, the EV charging stations at Brant

Hill Community Centre are installed by not yet operational, but should be soon

- Take Action Burlington articles from June included Canadian Environmental Week, June 22 Hazardous Waste Drop off, upcoming blog post will be about pool maintenance as well as city plans and programs mentioned earlier
- Climate Action Lens has been circulated for comment please provide comments to Lynn prior to the end of the month
- Alexandra Mathers/Kate Hill-Montague Community Planning
 Kate provided the following updates to the committee:
 - Council adopted Official Plan amendment #2, regarding
 policies that set out the framework for the Major Transit
 Areas, still a little bit of work to be done on the Community
 Planning Permit By-law but it is underway, might be helpful
 to have an MTSA team member come in a speak to the
 committee regarding what this means to the City
 - Bill 185 now has royal assent, Bill to cut red tape that come from the Province, included changes to the Planning act, it is the Bill that tells us that Halton Regions role will change as of July 1, the Region's Official Plan will essentially become the City's Official Plan, so Burlington will be taking on the work to make updates related to rural areas and natural heritage systems, so we will be undertaking that work as part of the Official Plan Targeted Realignment
 - Upcoming at the July Committee of the Whole meeting will be the Community Improvement Plan related to affordable housing Terms of Reference and Official Plan update on the Targeted Realignment project and a report specifically speaking to Bronte Creek Meadows and 1200 King road engagement plan
- 8.2 Policy and Development subcommittee

Mathew provided the following update to the committee:

 looking forward to some presentations in the fall including MTSAs and others

- reviewing the following developments 236 Plains East, 271
 Fairview, 2362 Fairview were unanimously supported, however
 1393 Grahams Lane is being circulated among the group for
 comments
- Next meeting will be September 4

Councillor Sharman asked about the 42,000 units that are in process, and the discussions at the Pipeline to Permit Committee. Looking for comments from the subcommittee. Mathew committed to having the subcommittee look at the process and the committee to provide comments.

8.3 Awareness subcommittee

No update at this time, the next meeting will be on July 10.

- 8.4 Reports from external groups and conferences:
 - a. Bay Area Climate Change Council (BACCC)

No update as the May meeting was replaced by the forum. Next meeting that Peter will attend is on June 27.

b. Integrated Transportation Advisory Committee (ITAC)

Sean provided the following updates to the committee:

- discussed the city's new integrated transit plan, transit signal priority presentation, electrification of busses
- National Bike month is June
- planned for the Food for Feedback

9. Other Business:

Suzanne reminded the committee that we do not meet in July and August, next meeting will be September 18, also if you have not joined a subcommittee yet please do so. You are welcome to attend both subcommittee meetings to learn about their roles in order to find what fits you best.

Lynn let the committee know there is a Food for Feedback event at Central Park on Sept. 14, members are welcome to join the staff table.

Councillor Sharman mentioned the Appleby Line Street Festival on Sept, 22 - if the committee would like to participate. Lauren will speak to the awareness subcommittee to see if they would like to participate.

Paul advised the committee members that there is a personal electronics recycling bin at the Appleby Fire station.

Deb advised the committee that she is hosting a pollinator garden tour hosted by BurlingtonGreen. She will send the information to Suzanne to forward to the committee.

10. Adjournment:

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