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## **The Regional Municipality of Durham**

### **MINUTES**

#### **FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE**

**Tuesday, December 10, 2024**

A regular meeting of the Finance & Administration Committee was held on Tuesday, December 10, 2024 in the Council Chambers, Regional Headquarters Building, 605 Rossland Road East, Whitby, Ontario at 9:30 AM. Electronic participation was offered for this meeting.

#### **1. Roll Call**

Present: Councillor Ashe, Chair  
Councillor Leahy, Vice-Chair  
Councillor Garrod  
Councillor Lee\*  
Councillor McDougall  
Councillor Schummer\*  
Councillor Woo\*  
Regional Chair Henry  
**\*denotes Councillors participating electronically**

Also  
Present: Councillor Wotten\*  
**\*denotes visiting Councillors participating electronically**

Staff  
Present: E. Baxter-Trahair, Chief Administrative Officer  
A. Constantin, Solicitor, CAO's Office - Legal  
L. Fleury, Deputy Clerk, Corporate Services – Legislative Services  
B. Goodwin, Commissioner of Corporate Services  
A. Harras, Regional Clerk/Director of Legislative Services\*  
A. Hector-Alexander, Director, Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion  
J. Hunt, Regional Solicitor/Director of Legal Services, CAO's Office – Legal  
R. Inacio, Systems Support Specialist, Corporate Services – IT  
R. Jagannathan, Commissioner of Works  
N. Pincombe, Director, Business Planning & Budgets  
N. Prasad, Assistant Secretary to Council, Corporate Services – Legislative Services  
K. Smith, Committee Clerk, Corporate Services – Legislative Services  
N. Taylor, Commissioner of Finance  
**\*denotes staff participating electronically**

#### **2. Declarations of Pecuniary Interest**

Councillor Woo made a declaration of interest under the Municipal Conflict of Interest Act with respect to Item 8.2 a) Report #2024-F-21 re: Additional Funding Requests for Hospice Facilities in the Municipality of Clarington and Town of

Whitby under the Community Investment Grants Policy. He indicated that he is a board member of Marigold Hospice Care.

**3. Adoption of Minutes**

Moved by Councillor Leahy, Seconded by Councillor Garrod,  
(62) That the minutes of the regular Finance & Administration Committee meeting held on Tuesday, November 12, 2024, be adopted.

CARRIED

**4. Statutory Public Meetings**

There were no statutory public meetings.

**5. Presentations**

There were no presentations.

**6. Delegations**

There were no delegations.

**7. Administration**

**7.1 Correspondence**

There were no communications to consider.

**7.2 Reports**

There were no administration reports to be considered.

**8. Finance**

**8.1 Correspondence**

There were no communications to consider.

**8.2 Reports**

**A) Additional Funding Requests for Hospice Facilities in the Municipality of Clarington and Town of Whitby under the Community Investment Grants Policy (2024-F-21)**

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Report #2024-F-21 from Nancy Taylor, Commissioner of Finance, was received.

N. Taylor advised that this completes the last two outstanding items under the Community Investment Grants Policy and complies with the previously approved moratorium. N. Taylor will be meeting with Lakeridge Health Bowmanville regarding their request soon.

Staff responded to a question with respect to why the Region commits to funding allocations as a percentage of total eligible project costs, rather than committing to set dollar amounts. A concern was raised with respect to potentially funding cost overruns by agreeing to fund a percentage, rather than a set dollar amount.

Moved by Councillor Leahy, Seconded by Councillor McDougall,  
(63) That we recommend to Council:

- A) That an additional funding allocation of up to \$250,000 for Marigold Hospice Care (formerly the Durham Hospice – Clarington) be approved to maintain the previously approved funding commitment of 7.5 per cent of total eligible project costs for the construction of a nine-bed hospice in the Municipality of Clarington, with the required financing to be provided from the Community Investment Grant funding and in accordance with the Durham Region Community Investment Grant policy; and
- B) That an additional funding allocation of up to \$430,800 to Hospice Whitby – Roger Anderson House (formerly the VON Durham Region Community Corporation) be approved to maintain the previously approved funding commitment of 7.5 per cent of total eligible project costs for the construction of a ten-bed hospice in the Town of Whitby with the required financing to be provided from the Community Investment Grant funding and in accordance with the Durham Region Community Investment Grant policy.

CARRIED

## **9. Advisory Committee Resolutions**

There were no advisory committee resolutions to be considered.

## **10. Confidential Matters**

### **10.1 Reports**

- A) Confidential Report of the Commissioner of Finance – Proposed or Pending Acquisition of Land for Regional Corporation Purposes relating to Property in the City of Oshawa (2024-F-22)
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Confidential Report #2024-F-22 from Nancy Taylor, Commissioner of Finance, was received.

Moved by Regional Chair Henry, Seconded by Councillor Woo,  
(64) That we recommend to Council:

That the recommendations contained in Confidential Report #2024-F-22 of the Commissioner of Finance be adopted.

CARRIED

## **11. Other Business**

There was no other business to be considered.

**12. Date of Next Meeting**

The next regularly scheduled Finance & Administration Committee meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 14, 2025 at 9:30 AM in Council Chambers, Regional Headquarters Building, 605 Rossland Road East, Whitby.

**13. Adjournment**

Moved by Councillor Leahy, Seconded by Councillor Garrod,  
(65) That the meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 9:37 AM

Respectfully submitted,

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K. Ashe, Chair

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L. Fleury, Deputy Clerk