

MINUTES

COUNCIL MEETING

Monday April 20, 2026

The Town of Halton Hills Council met this 20th day of April, 2026 in the Council Chambers, Halton Hills Town Hall and Via Zoom, commencing at 2:00 p.m., with Mayor A. Lawlor in the Chair convening into Open Session at 3:00 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT Mayor A. Lawlor, Councillor C. Somerville, Councillor J. Fogal, (EP-Electronic Participation) (Open Session) Councillor M. Albano, Councillor A. Hilson, Councillor J. Brass, Councillor M. Kindbom, Councillor C. Garneau, Councillor R. Norris, Councillor B. Inglis, Councillor D. Keene

STAFF PRESENT (Open Session) (E – Electronically Present) C. Mills, Chief Administrative Officer, V. Petryniak, Town Clerk & Director of Legislative Services, D. Syzbalski, Commissioner of Community Services, J. Vandermeer, Treasurer, J. Rehill Commissioner of Corporate and Emergency Services, B. Parker, Acting Commissioner of Planning & Development, B. Andrews, Commissioner of Transportation & Public Works, B. King, Chief Librarian & CEO

***Recommendation varies from Staff Recommendation**

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor A. Lawlor called the meeting to order at 2:06 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

2. MOVE INTO CLOSED SESSION

Resolution No. 2026-0060

Moved By: Councillor M. Albano
Seconded By: Councillor R. Norris

THAT the Council of the Town of Halton Hills meet in closed session in order to address the following matters:

2.2 CORPORATE AND EMERGENCY SERVICES REPORT NO. CES-2026-013 dated April 7, 2026 regarding a subject matter pertains to labour relations or employee negotiations. (Contracts)

CARRIED

3. OPEN MEETING

Resolution No. 2026-0061

Moved By: Councillor M. Albano
Seconded By: Councillor C. Somerville

THAT the Council for the Town of Halton Hills reconvene this meeting in open session.

CARRIED

Council reconvened in Open Session at 3:04 p.m.

1. O CANADA

2. LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

We would like to begin by acknowledging that the land on which we gather is part of the Treaty lands and Territory of the Mississaugas of the Credit.

3. DISCLOSURES OF PECUNIARY/CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Councillor M. Albano declared a pecuniary/conflict of interest with respect to Item No. 9.2.i, Report No. PD-2026-029 as they are dealing with the Real Estate agent that is looking after this property for a potential rental opportunity. They did not participate in the discussion or voting on this matter.

Councillor B. Inglis declared a pecuniary/conflict of interest with respect to Item No. 9.2.j, Report No. CSE-2026-010 (and its associated presentation) as they own property in the area that may be impacted. They did not participate in the discussion or voting on this matter.

Councillor A. Hilson declared a pecuniary/conflict of interest with respect to Item No. 8.4, Memorandum No. CSE-2026-005 and Item No. 9.2.k, Report No. PD-2026-028 as they are involved with organizations mentioned in both items. They did not participate in the discussion or voting on this matter.

4. OTHER BUSINESS (ANNOUNCEMENTS, EMERGENCY MATTERS)

1. Youth Week 2026

Mayor A. Lawlor announced that in just a few weeks, we will kick off National Youth Week celebrations, recognizing the important contributions, talents, and leadership of young people across our community.

With the support of our community partners, service providers and first responders, we are excited to offer a vibrant lineup of events. Highlights include a Play Streets event on Bower Street in Acton, featuring a BBQ with the Halton Hills Fire Department, cookie decorating workshops, virtual reality activities in partnership with the Halton Hills Public Library, and more.

On Tuesday, May 5th we will celebrate the remarkable stories of our local youth at our Youth Week Open House Event, "The Story of Our Youth". The event will take place at the Halton Hills Youth Centres in both Georgetown and Acton, and all youth, family, friends and community members are invited to attend.

In addition, Youth Art will be showcased at the Cultural Centre from May 5th to May 31st featuring exceptional works created by young artists from across Halton Hills. We encourage everyone to take time throughout the month to explore and appreciate this inspiring collection.

For event details and updates, please visit haltonhills.ca/youth and follow us on Instagram at [@_hhyouth](https://www.instagram.com/_hhyouth)

2. Halton Hills Sports Museum

Councillor B. Inglis announced that the Halton Hills Sports Museum 2026 Hall of Fame Gala is happening on May 28th from 6-9 p.m. at the John Elliot Theatre. Tickets are \$25 and are available at the JET or online.

3. World Migratory Bird Day

Councillor C. Garneau announced that on May 9th (World Migratory Bird Day), the Bird Friendly Halton Hills team will be launching a town wide bird pledge to help make Halton Hills more friendly for birds. More information can be found on haltonhillsnature.com

4. Bike It Events

Councillor J. Fogal announced that Bike It is hosting two Bikes and Birds bike rides. One will be held on May 9th at 8:30 a.m. out of Prospect Park and the other on May 10th at 8:30 a.m. from the West Credit Park parkette.

Councillor J. Fogal announced that Bike It is also hosting the Annual Bike Swap on April 25th in the parking lot at the Gellert. All funds from sold bikes go to the local food banks.

5. Earth Day

Councillor M. Albano announced that Earth Day is April 22nd and there will be a community clean up held in Acton organized by the Acton BIA which will start at 9:30 a.m. at the Acton BIA office. Supplies will be provided.

6. Hike for Hospice

Councillor A. Hilson announced that the Hike for Hospice is being held on May 2nd at 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. There are three sites; Prospect Park in Acton, Norval United in Georgetown and the Milton Fairgrounds for the newly name North Halton Hospice (formally the Townsend Smith Foundation). More information can be found on northhaltonhike.ca

7. Acton SNAP

Councillor A. Hilson announced that at Prospect Park on May 9th, the Acton SNAP is hosting its opening celebration from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

8. Call for Continued Election of the Regional Chair (Emergency Business)

Resolution No. 2026-0062

Moved By: Councillor C. Somerville

Seconded By: Councillor J. Fogal

WHEREAS the Halton Regional Chair has been directly elected by residents of Halton Region since 2000;

AND WHEREAS the election of the Regional Chair has provided an important element of democratic accountability in Halton and a public mandate for the position;

AND WHEREAS on April 2, 2026, the Provincial Government introduced Bill 100, the Better Regional Governance Act, 2026, which would allow the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing to appoint Regional Chairs in Durham, Halton, Muskoka, Niagara, Peel, Waterloo, York and the Warde in the County of Simcoe;

AND WHEREAS in connection with the introduction of Bill 100, the Provincial Government indicated in intends to provide such appointed Chairs with “Strong Chair” powers akin to the existing “Strong Mayor Powers” provided for in the Municipal Act, 2001 following the 2026 municipal election;

AND WHEREAS providing “Strong Chair” powers to Provincial appointees shifts regional decision-making to individuals not chosen by local voters and weakens democratic accountability;

AND WHEREAS under the direction of the Provincial Government, the Halton community moved to elections for the position of Regional Chair, which is a democratic process that has been in place for 26 years;

AND WHEREAS Halton Region has continued to be an effective, efficient and well-managed upper-tier municipal government which has consistently maintained a AAA/Aaa credit rating, supported significant growth as one of the fastest growing communities in Canada, and provided high-quality and fiscally responsible programs and services;

AND WHEREAS Halton Region has continued to work collaboratively with the Provincial Government to deliver on shared priorities including housing and infrastructure;

AND WHEREAS the next municipal election for the 2026-2030 term of council will take place on October 26, 2026, and the term of office for the next Regional Chair and Council begins on November 15, 2026.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council for the Town of Halton Hills supports the Region of Halton's resolution from the April 15, 2026 Council meeting to reaffirm its preference for the continued direct election of the Regional Chair, ensuring that the Chair remains accountable to the people and reflects their interests;

AND FURTHER THAT Council for the Town of Halton Hills supports the Region of Halton's ongoing commitment to collaborate with the Province and governance practices that support collaborative decision-making and accountable leadership;

AND FURTHER THAT a copy of this resolution be sent to Premier Doug Ford, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, Halton MPPs, Halton Region, Halton's Local Municipalities, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) and Mayors and Regional Chairs of Ontario (MARCO).

Recorded Vote:

In Favor: Mayor A. Lawlor, Councillor J. Fogal, Councillor C. Garneau, Councillor R. Norris, Councillor B. Inglis, Councillor C. Somerville, Councillor A. Hilson, Councillor M. Albano, Councillor J. Brass

Opposed: Councillor D. Keene, Councillor M. Kindbom

CARRIED

5. RESOLUTION TO ADOPT GENERAL COMMITTEE ITEMS FROM THE PREVIOUS COUNCIL MEETING

Item No. 5.1, Report No. ADMIN-2026-003 was referred back to staff.

Resolution No. 2026-0063

Moved By: Councillor C. Somerville

Seconded By: Councillor M. Albano

THAT the recommendations contained in the following Reports & Memorandums from the Monday March 30, 2026 General Committee Meeting are hereby adopted as presented:

Report No. ADMIN-2026-008 (Recommendation No. GC-2026-0036)

THAT report No. ADMIN-2026-008 dated February 20, 2026 regarding amendments to the Town's Off-Street Parking By-law 2005-0117 be received;

AND FURTHER THAT Council approve and execute the amendments to the Town's Off-Street Parking By-law 2005-0117 as outlined in this report.

Report No. ADMIN-2026-009 (Recommendation No. GC-2026-0037)

THAT Report No. ADMIN-2026-009 dated February 20, 2026 regarding amendments to the Town's Sign By-law 2003-0065 be received;

AND FURTHER THAT Council approve and execute the amendments to the Town's Sign By-law 2003-0065 as outlined in this report.

Report No. ADMIN-2026-011 (Recommendation No. GC-2026-0038)

THAT Report No. ADMIN-2026-011 dated March 13, 2026 regarding the Use of Corporate Resources During an Election Year be received;

AND FURTHER THAT Council approve the new Use of Corporate Resources During an Election Year Policy attached as Appendix A;

AND FURTHER THAT the previous Policy No. 2022-001 be repealed.

Report No. CSE-2026-011 (Recommendation No. GC-2026-0039)

That Report No. CSE-2026-011, dated March 11, 2026 regarding the Acton Sustainable Neighbourhood Action Plan (Acton SNAP) including Attachment 1, be received;

AND FURTHER THAT the Acton SNAP, attached as Attachment 1, be endorsed and promoted throughout the community;

AND FURTHER THAT Town staff report to Council at a later date with the results and any future recommendations arising out of the Acton SNAP, including from feasibility studies and working groups, including any additional recommended actions and potential resource impacts for Council's considerations;

AND FURTHER THAT a copy of this report and the Acton SNAP (Attachment 1) be forwarded to Credit Valley Conservation and the Region of Halton for their information.

Report No. TPW-2026-005 (Recommendation No. GC-2026-0041)

THAT Report No. TPW-2026-005, dated March 12, 2026, regarding Micromobility and Electric Kick-Scooters, be received;

AND FURTHER THAT the definition and permissiveness (not permitted) of Micromobility devices and Electric Kick-Scooters be incorporated in the Traffic By-law;

AND FURTHER THAT Council encourage the Province to regulate the use of Micromobility devices;

AND FURTHER THAT this report be forwarded to MPP Joseph Racinsky and the Halton Regional Police Services.

Report No. CES-2026-004 (Recommendation No. GC-2026-0047)

THAT Report No. CES-2026-004 dated March 30, 2026 regarding Remuneration and Expenses paid to Members of Council and Others during the Year 2025 be received for information.

Memorandum No. CSE-2026-004 (Recommendation No. GC-2026-0048)

THAT Memorandum No. CSE-2026-004 dated March 11, 2026 regarding Community Benefits Fund Scope and Methodology be received.

CARRIED

6. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS COUNCIL MEETINGS

The Confidential Minutes of the Council Workshop held on Monday March 16, 2026 were deferred to May 11th Council meeting

Resolution No. 2026-0064

Moved By: Councillor C. Somerville

Seconded By: Councillor M. Albano

THAT the following minutes are hereby approved:

6.2 Minutes of the Council Workshop held on Monday March 16, 2026.

6.3 Confidential Minutes of the Council Meeting held on Monday March 30, 2026.

6.4 Minutes of the Council Meeting held on Monday March 30, 2026. (As amended at the April 20, 2026 Council Meeting)

CARRIED

7. PUBLIC PRESENTATION/DELEGATION

NIL

8. CONSENT ITEMS

Item No. 8.4 was moved to General Committee for discussion.

Resolution No. 2026-0065

Moved By: Councillor M. Albano

Seconded By: Councillor R. Norris

THAT the following Consent Items are hereby approved:

Report No. CES-2026-003

That Report No. CES-2026-003 dated April 20, 2026, regarding the 2025 Annual Purchasing Policy Reporting – By-law No. 2022-0033, be received for information.

Memorandum No. CSE-2026-002

THAT Memorandum No. CSE-2026-002 dated March 31, 2026 regarding Agricultural Roundtable - 2025 Annual Summary be received.

Memorandum No. CSE-2026-003

THAT Memorandum No. CSE-2026-003 dated April 2, 2026 regarding Invest Halton Hills 2025 Annual Report be received.

CARRIED

9. GENERAL COMMITTEE

Resolution No. 2026-0066

Moved By: Councillor M. Albano

Seconded By: Councillor R. Norris

THAT Council do now convene into General Committee.

CARRIED

Councillor A. Hilson assumed the role of Presiding Officer.

1. PRESENTATIONS/DELEGATIONS

a. Michael Chantrel

M. Chantrel delegated to General Committee regarding Exemption Request from the Noise By-law 2010-0030 at 537 Main Street, Town of Halton Hills.

(Refer to Item No. 9.2.a, Report No. ADMIN-2026-014.)

b. Jit Basrai

J. Basrai delegated to General Committee regarding Request from Property Owner of 8513 Eighth Line for a variance to the Fence By-

law 2002-0060, Section 4(3) as amended, at 8513 Eighth Line, Halton Hills.

(Refer to Item No. 9.2.d, Report No. ADMIN-2026-013.)

c. Tony Boutassis, Director of Economic Development

T. Boutassis presented to General Committee regarding Guelph Street Revitalization Plan.

(Refer to Item No. 9.2.j, Report No. CSE-2026-010. Presentation available on the [Town's Municipal Calendar page](#).)

d. Beverley King, Chief Librarian & CEO

B. King presented to General Committee regarding HHPL 2025 Annual Report with opening remarks provided by Alice Strachan, Halton Hills Public Library Board Chair.

(Refer to Item No. 9.2.p, Memorandum No. LIB-2026-001. Presentation available on the [Town's Municipal Calendar page](#).)

2. CONSIDERATION OF REPORTS

All Reports and Memorandums considered in General Committee will receive final disposition at the next Council meeting. Reports and Memorandums requiring immediate disposition at this meeting will be considered an immediate Action Item and will be identified with an (IA) beside the title.

a. REPORT NO. ADMIN-2026-005 (IA)

Recommendation No. GC-2026-0049

THAT Report No. ADMIN-2026-005 dated March 18, 2026 regarding amendments to the Town of Halton Hills Fence By-law 2002-0060 be received;

AND THAT By-law 2002-0060, a by-law to regulate the erection of Fences be amended to include relief from the Line Fences Act (excluding Section 20) and incorporate associated housekeeping updates;

AND FURTHER THAT Council approve the recommended changes as outlined in Report No. ADMIN-2026-005 and in the draft amending by-law (Appendix A)

CARRIED

b. REPORT NO. ADMIN-2026-007

Recommendation No. GC-2026-0050

THAT Report No. ADMIN-2026-007 dated April 7, 2026, regarding Corporate Communications & Social Media Policy be received;

AND FURTHER THAT the 2026 Social Media Policy replace the 2010 Social Media Policy;

AND FURTHER THAT the 2026 Social Media Policy be posted on the Town's intranet and website.

CARRIED

c. REPORT NO. ADMIN-2026-010

Recommendation No. GC-2026-0051

THAT REPORT NO. ADMIN-2026-010 dated April 1, 2026 regarding Website Policy be received;

AND FURTHER THAT Council approve the Website Policy, attached as Appendix "A", which establishes governance, responsibilities, and protocols for the management of the Town's websites.

CARRIED

d. REPORT NO. ADMIN-2026-013 (AUTOMATIC HOLD) (IA)

Recommendation No. GC-2026-0052

THAT Report No. ADMIN 2026-013 dated March 26, 2026 regarding a request from Property Owner of 8513 Eighth Line, for a variance to the Fence By-law 2002-0060, as amended is received;

- * AND FURTHER THAT the fence variance contained in Report No. ADMIN 2026-013 not be granted to the Property Owner, 8513 Eighth Line.

CARRIED AS AMENDED

e. REPORT NO. ADMIN-2026-014 (AUTOMATIC HOLD) (IA)

Recommendation No. GC-2026-0053

THAT Report No. ADMIN 2026-014 dated April 2, 2026, regarding a request for an exemption to the Noise By-law No. 2010-0030, for noise from an institutional property located at 537 Main Street (St. Alban the Martyr Anglican Church) for an outdoor Wedding be received;

- * AND FURTHER THAT Council grant the request to allow amplified sound for a Wedding, with a gathering of 65 people, from Saturday May 23rd, 2026 to Sunday May 24th, 2026, with conditions as set out in the decision of Council to allow amplified sound for the Wedding from 4:00 p.m. until 12:00 a.m.

CARRIED AS AMENDED

f. REPORT NO. CES-2026-010 (IA)

Recommendation No. GC-2026-0054

THAT Report No. CES-2026-010 dated April 2, 2026 regarding the Fire Pumper-Rescue Truck Replacement, be received;

AND FURTHER THAT Commercial Emergency Equipment Co. be awarded a contract for the provision of one fire pumper/rescue truck through leveraging the Sourcewell Canoe Procurement Group of Canada and Commercial Emergency Equipment Co. prepay discount, for a total amount of \$1,620,940.00 (plus applicable taxes);

AND FURTHER THAT Council authorize the Manager of Purchasing to issue a purchase order to Commercial Emergency

Equipment Co. for the fire pumper rescue truck, for a total amount of \$1,620,940.00 (plus applicable taxes);

AND FURTHER THAT Council authorizes the Mayor and Clerk to execute the necessary contract documents for the project.

CARRIED

g. REPORT NO. CES-2026-011

Recommendation No. GC-2026-0055

THAT Report No. CES-2026-011, dated April 7, 2026, regarding the Ontario Community Emergency Preparedness Grant and New Capital Budget be received.

AND FURTHER THAT Council approves a new 2026 capital project, Emergency Operations Centre (project 5500-10-2601) in the amount of \$30,427 and that the required funding be financed by the \$30,427.81 Ontario Community Emergency Preparedness Grant (CEPG) secured by the Town.

CARRIED

h. REPORT NO. CES-2026-012

Recommendation No. GC-2026-0056

THAT Council receive Report No. CES-2026-012 regarding the 2026-27 provincial Fire Protection Grant and New Capital Budget be received;

AND FURTHER THAT Council authorize the Town to enter into a Transfer Payment Agreement with the Province of Ontario for the receipt of \$51,334 in grant funding;

AND FURTHER THAT Council approves a new 2026 capital project, 2026 Firefighter Health and Safety Initiative (project 5200-07-2602) in the amount of \$51,334 and that the required funding be financed by the \$51,334 Fire Protection Grant secured by the Town.

CARRIED

i. REPORT NO. CSE-2026-007

Recommendation No. GC-2026-0057

THAT Report CSE-2026-007, dated April 2, 2026 regarding Acquisition of Ashgrove Cemetery in Halton Hills, be received;

AND FURTHER THAT the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to execute a By-law authorizing the transfer of the Ashgrove Cemetery in Halton Hills to the Town of Halton Hills in accordance with the Funeral, Burial and Cremation Services Act, 2002;

AND FURTHER THAT the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to execute any required documents to facilitate the transfer of the Ashgrove Cemetery land and operations to the Town to the satisfaction of the Town's Legal Counsel;

AND FURTHER THAT any operating shortfall incurred in 2026 be addressed through the 2026 year-end operating status report, with an appropriate funding source if required;

AND FURTHER THAT the increase in annual operating costs of \$2,500 be considered as part of the 2027 operating budget, for ongoing maintenance and operation of the Ashgrove Cemetery;

AND FURTHER THAT any capital budget requests related to capital repairs be considered as part of the 2027 capital budget;

AND FURTHER THAT the Town establish a separate trust fund for Ashgrove Cemetery to hold funds being transferred by the Ashgrove Cemetery Board.

CARRIED

j. REPORT NO. CSE-2026-010

Recommendation No. GC-2026-0058

THAT Report No. CSE-2026-010, dated April 7, 2026 regarding the “Guelph Street Revitalization Plan”, be received;

* AND FURTHER THAT Council endorse Phase 1 and 2 of the Guelph Street Revitalization Plan;

* AND FURTHER THAT Phase 2 be referred to the 2027 budget.

CARRIED AS AMENDED

k. REPORT NO. PD-2026-028 (IA)

Recommendation No. GC-2026-0059

THAT Report No. PD-2026-028, dated March 30, 2026, and titled “Intention to Designate under Part IV, Section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act – 19 St. Alban’s Drive (Acton)” be received;

AND FURTHER THAT Council state its intention to designate the property at 19 St. Alban’s Drive, legally described as “PT LT 5, BLK 1, PL 31, AS IN EW128, EW1658 ALSO SHOWN ON PL 1098; HALTON HILLS”, under Part IV, Section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act, as recommended by Heritage Halton Hills;

AND FURTHER THAT the Town Clerk proceed with serving a Notice of Intention to Designate as mandated by Section 29(3) of the Ontario Heritage Act;

AND FURTHER THAT once the 30-day objection period has expired, and if there are no objections, a designation by-law for the property, legally described above, be brought forward to Council for adoption.

CARRIED

l. REPORT NO. PD-2026-029 (IA)

Recommendation No. GC-2026-0060

THAT Report No. PD-2026-029, dated March 30, 2026, and titled “Intention to Designate under Part IV, Section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act – 65 Main Street North (Acton)” be received;

AND FURTHER THAT Council state its intention to designate the property at 65 Main Street North, legally described as “PT LTS 7 & 8, BLOCK 1, PL 63, AS IN HR370748 ALSO SHOWN ON PL1098, HALTON HILLS”, under Part IV, Section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act, as recommended by Heritage Halton Hills;

AND FURTHER THAT the Town Clerk proceed with serving a Notice of Intention to Designate as mandated by Section 29(3) of the Ontario Heritage Act;

AND FURTHER THAT once the 30-day objection period has expired, and if there are no objections, a designation by-law for the property, legally described above, be brought forward to Council for adoption.

CARRIED

m. REPORT NO. PD-2026-030

Recommendation No. GC-2026-0061

THAT Report No. PD-2026-030, dated April 7, 2026, regarding a “Recommendation Report for applications for Draft Plan of Common Element Condominium and Part Lot Control Exemption for 15651 10 Side Road (Georgetown)”, be received; AND FURTHER THAT the Commissioner of Planning and Development be authorized to grant Draft Approval and Final Approval to the Common Element Condominium, File D07CDM24.002, as generally shown on SCHEDULE 3, subject to the conditions generally set out in SCHEDULE 4 of this report;

AND FURTHER THAT the request to enact a Part Lot Control Exemption By-law for the lands legally described as Block 290, Plan 20M1208, municipally known as 15651 10 Side Road, as generally set out in SCHEDULE 5 of this report, be approved, subject to the conditions generally set out in SCHEDULE 6 of this report;

AND FURTHER THAT Council enact the necessary By-law(s) to exempt Block 290, Plan 20M1208, Town of Halton Hills, Regional Municipality of Halton, from Section 50 of the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. P.13, as amended, for the purpose of legally creating and transferring 88 separate dwelling units, together with the required easements and interests in the Common Element Condominium Plan, once the conditions generally set out in SCHEDULE 6 of this report have been satisfied.

CARRIED

n. REPORT NO. PD-2026-036 (IA)

Recommendation No. GC-2026-0062

THAT Report PD-2026-0036, dated April 2, 2026, regarding a “Request to waive Consent application fees for 13068 Sixth Line and 13205 Sixth Line (Esquesing)”, be received;

AND FURTHER THAT Council waive the Consent application fee of \$14,143.00 for 13068 Sixth Line, Town of Halton Hills (Esquesing), owned by Joan Matheson and the Consent application fee of \$6,603.00 for 13205 Sixth Line, Town of Halton Hills (Esquesing), owned by James Lindsay;

- * AND FURTHER THAT the Consent application fees be refunded and an offsetting transfer be made from the Tax Rate Stabilization reserve to the operating budget.

CARRIED AS AMENDED

o. REPORT NO. PD-2026-038 (IA)

Recommendation No. GC-2026-0063

THAT Report No. PD-2026-038, dated April 1, 2026, and titled “Intention to Designate under Part IV, Section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act – 11309 22 Side Road (Limehouse)” be received;

AND FURTHER THAT Council state its intention to designate the property at 11309 22 Side Road, Limehouse, Town of Halton Hills, known as the Ivens House, legally described as “PT LT 23, CON 6 ESQ, PART 2, 20R9558, TW 732274; HALTON HILLS/ESQUESING” under Part IV, Section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act as recommended by Heritage Halton Hills;

AND FURTHER THAT the Town Clerk proceed with serving a Notice of Intention to Designate as mandated by Section 29(3) of the Ontario Heritage Act;

AND FURTHER THAT once the 30-day objection period has expired, and if there are no objections, a designation by-law for the property at 11309 22 Side Road, Limehouse, Town of Halton Hills be brought forward to Council for adoption.

CARRIED

p. MEMORANDUM NO. LIB-2026-001

Recommendation No. GC-2026-0064

THAT Memorandum No. LIB-2026-001 dated March 16, 2026 regarding HHPL 2025 Annual Report be received.

CARRIED

8.4 MEMORANDUM NO. CSE-2026-005

Recommendation No. GC-2026-0067

THAT Memorandum No. CSE-2026-005 dated March 31, 2026 regarding Community Grant Program Allocations be received.

CARRIED

Recessed at 5:36 p.m.

Reconvened at 6:06 p.m. for the Statutory Public Meeting/Special Meeting Of Council

Recessed at 6:49 p.m.

Reconvened at 6:53 p.m.

Reconvened into General Committee at 6:54 p.m. for Item Nos. 9.2.b and 8.4.

Resolution No. 2026-0067

Moved By: Councillor M. Albano

Seconded By: Councillor R. Norris

THAT Council do now reconvene into General Committee.

CARRIED

Mayor A. Lawlor assumed the role of Presiding Officer.

3. ADJOURN BACK INTO COUNCIL

Recommendation No. GC-2026-0065

THAT General Committee do now reconvene into Council.

CARRIED

Recessed at 5:36 p.m.

Reconvened at 6:06 p.m. for the Statutory Public Meeting/Special Meeting Of Council

Recessed at 6:49 p.m.

Reconvened at 6:53 p.m.

Reconvened into General Committee at 6:54 p.m. for Item Nos. 9.2.b and 8.4.

Resolution No. 2026-0067

Moved By: Councillor M. Albano

Seconded By: Councillor R. Norris

THAT Council do now reconvene into General Committee.

CARRIED

Mayor A. Lawlor assumed the role of Presiding Officer.

Recommendation No. GC-2026-0066

THAT General Committee do now reconvene into Council.

CARRIED

10. RESOLUTION TO ADOPT IMMEDIATE ACTION ITEMS FROM GENERAL COMMITTEE

Resolution No. 2026-0068

Moved By: Councillor M. Albano

Seconded By: Councillor R. Norris

THAT the recommendations contained in the following Immediate Action Item Reports from the Monday April 20, 2026 General Committee Meeting are hereby adopted as presented:

Report No. ADMIN-2026-005 (Recommendation No. GC-2026-0049)

Report No. CES-2026-010 (Recommendation No. GC-2026-0054)

Report No. PD-2026-028 (Recommendation No. GC-2026-0059)

Report No. PD-2026-029 (Recommendation No. GC-2026-0060)

Report No. PD-2026-038 (Recommendation No. GC-2026-0063)

AND FURTHER THAT the recommendations contained in the following Immediate Action Item Reports from the Monday April 20, 2026 General Committee Meeting are hereby adopted as amended:

Report No. ADMIN-2026-013 (Recommendation No. GC-2026-0052)

Report No. ADMIN-2026-014 (Recommendation No. GC-2026-0053)

Report No. PD-2026-036 (Recommendation No. GC-2026-0062)

CARRIED AS AMENDED

11. RESOLUTION TO ADOPT CLOSED SESSION ITEMS

Resolution No. 2026-0069

Moved By: Councillor M. Albano
Seconded By: Councillor R. Norris

THAT the recommendations contained in the following Confidential Reports from the Monday April 20, 2026 Closed Session of Council are hereby adopted as presented;

AND FURTHER THAT staff carry out any of Council's direction on these matters as set out in the Confidential minutes dated April 20, 2026.

Report No. CES-2026-013

CARRIED

12. MOTIONS/COMMUNICATIONS/PETITIONS

1. School Bus Stop-Arm Cameras

Resolution No. 2026-0070

Moved By: Councillor J. Brass
Seconded By: Councillor M. Kindbom

WHEREAS the safety of children travelling to and from school is a fundamental priority for the Town of Halton Hills;

AND WHEREAS illegal passing of stopped school buses continues to occur in Ontario, placing children at serious and preventable risk;

AND WHEREAS stop-arm camera systems improve driver compliance, support enforcement, and enhance accountability through reliable video evidence;

AND WHEREAS the Town of Halton Hills has consistently advocated for stronger school bus safety measures, including Council support in 2017 for a pilot initiative with Halton Regional Police to collect data on stop-arm violations, a March 25, 2019 resolution supporting the continued placement of school bus cameras, and a July 10, 2023 resolution, calling for provincial action to require stop-arm cameras on school buses and fund their implementation;

AND WHEREAS despite this longstanding advocacy, illegal passing of stopped school buses remains a persistent safety concern, demonstrating the need for stronger and more consistent province-wide action;

AND WHEREAS municipalities and school boards require modern enforcement tools, clear provincial rules, and equitable access to safety technology in order to protect students in communities of all sizes;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council of the Town of Halton Hills reaffirms its longstanding support for enhanced school bus safety measures, including stop-arm camera systems;

AND FURTHER THAT Council reiterates and strengthens its previous requests to the Province of Ontario to take decisive action on this matter;

AND FURTHER THAT the Province of Ontario be requested to:

- a. mandate the installation of stop-arm camera systems on all school buses operating in Ontario;
- b. provide full or substantial funding support, together with a standardized provincial implementation framework, to enable

municipalities and school boards to deploy this technology effectively and consistently; and

- c. fully implement and standardize enforcement mechanisms, including the administrative monetary penalty framework and related regulations, to support compliance and effective enforcement across Ontario;

AND FURTHER THAT staff be directed to forward a copy of this resolution to the Premier of Ontario, the Minister of Transportation, MPP Joseph Racinsky, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, local school boards, and all Ontario municipalities for their consideration and support.

CARRIED

2. Provincial-Municipal Fiscal Framework Review

Resolution No. 2026-0071

Moved By: Councillor J. Brass

Seconded By: Councillor C. Somerville

WHEREAS municipalities, including the Town of Halton Hills, play a critical role in delivering essential services and infrastructure that support growing and evolving communities;

AND WHEREAS municipalities are increasingly contributing to areas that intersect with provincial responsibilities, such as housing, social services, and certain capital obligations, placing additional pressure on property tax-based revenue systems;

AND WHEREAS municipal revenue tools, particularly property taxes, are limited in their ability to keep pace with growth, inflation, and the expanding expectations placed on local governments;

AND WHEREAS the Town of Halton Hills continues to invest in critical infrastructure, including roads, water, stormwater, emergency services, and recreation, to support both existing residents and future growth;

AND WHEREAS the Association of Municipalities of Ontario and the Federation of Canadian Municipalities have identified opportunities to better align municipal funding tools with the realities of modern service delivery and growth pressures;

AND WHEREAS ensuring long-term financial sustainability for municipalities is essential to maintaining service levels, supporting housing targets, and protecting affordability for residents;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council of the Town of Halton Hills respectfully requests that the Province of Ontario, in collaboration with AMO, FCM and other municipal partners, undertake a comprehensive review of the provincial-municipal fiscal framework, with a view to strengthening long-term sustainability and alignment of responsibilities;

AND FURTHER THAT this review considers opportunities to:

- better align funding responsibilities with service delivery expectations;
- explore sustainable, growth-related revenue tools that reflect the demands placed on municipalities; and
- support a funding framework that enables municipalities to accommodate growth while protecting affordability for residents;

AND FURTHER THAT the Province be encouraged to continue working collaboratively with municipalities to ensure that funding frameworks become responsive to community needs and evolving growth pressures;

AND FURTHER THAT a copy of this resolution be forwarded to The Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario; The Honourable Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing; The Honourable Minister of Finance; The Honourable Minister of Infrastructure; AMO; FCM; The Region of Halton MPP's and MP's; Halton area Municipalities and all Ontario municipalities.

CARRIED

13. NOTICE OF MOTION

- 1. Cancellation of Green Development Standard - Councillor J. Fogal**
- 2. Ontario Underground Infrastructure Mapping Strategy - Councillor C. Garneau**
- 3. Directing staff to report back on ways to better protect the character of the Town's hamlets - Councillor J. Brass**
- 4. Requesting local input, clear mapping and fair compensation in the Provincial Transmission Hydro Corridor that is going through Halton Hills - Councillor J. Brass**

14. REQUESTS FOR REPORTS

- 1. Farm 911 Emergency Project/Emily Project - Councillor J. Brass**

15. RECEIVE AND FILE GENERAL INFORMATION PACKAGE

Resolution No. 2026-0072

Moved By: Councillor C. Somerville
Seconded By: Councillor R. Norris

THAT the General Information Package dated April 20, 2026 be received.

CARRIED

16. STATUTORY PUBLIC MEETING/SPECIAL MEETING OF COUNCIL Start at 6:00 p.m.

The Statutory Public Meeting/Special Meeting of Council for the Georgetown GO Protected Major Transit Station Area convened at 6:06 p.m.

K. Hamilton, Town Senior Planner presented regarding the Georgetown GO Protected Major Transit Station Area.

For the purposes of Planning Act requirements, the following person(s) made an oral submission:

- Barb Marchioni
- Jasveer
- Rohith Potheneni RamachandraNaidu
- Adam Lennie

The Statutory Public Meeting/Special Meeting of Council for the Georgetown GO Protected Major Transit Station Area closed at 6:48 p.m.

1. REPORT NO. PD-2026-040

Resolution No. 2026-0073

Moved By: Councillor C. Somerville
Seconded By: Councillor R. Norris

THAT Report No. PD-2026-040 dated March 31, 2026, regarding the Georgetown GO Protected Major Transit Station Area – Special Meeting of Council, be received;

AND FURTHER THAT all agency and public comments be referred to staff to be addressed in a final recommendation report to Council on the disposition of these matters;

AND FURTHER THAT a copy of this report be forwarded to the Region of Halton, Credit Valley Conservation, the Ministry of Transportation, and the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing for information.

CARRIED

17. CONSIDERATION OF BY-LAWS

By-law No. 2026-0037 was removed as the report was referred back to staff.

Resolution No. 2026-0074

Moved By: Councillor M. Albano
Seconded By: Councillor C. Somerville

THAT the following Bills are hereby passed by Council;

AND FURTHER THAT the Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized to execute the said by-laws and affix the seal of the Corporation thereto:

BY-LAW NO. 2026-0031

A By-law to amend the Town's Fence By-law No. 2002-0060 to include relief from the Line Fences Act (excluding Section 20) and incorporate associated housekeeping updates.

BY-LAW NO. 2026-0032

A By-law to amend the Town's Sign By-law No. 2003-0065 to remove provisions relating to Election Signs.

BY-LAW NO. 2026-0033

A By-law to amend the Town's Off-Street Parking By-law No. 2005-0117 a by-law to regulate off-street parking.

BY-LAW NO. 2026-0034

A By-law to designate Churchill Community Church, located at 14406 Third Line, under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act as being of cultural heritage value or interest.

BY-LAW NO. 2026-0035

A By-law to designate the Fleck House, located at 121 Mountainview Road North, under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act as being of cultural heritage value or interest.

BY-LAW NO. 2026-0036

A By-law to designate the Fisher Farmhouse, located at 9709 Fifth Line, under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act as being of cultural heritage value or interest.

BY-LAW NO. 2026-0038

A By-law to designate the Herald Building located at 67 Main Street South, Georgetown, under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act as being of cultural heritage value or interest

BY-LAW NO. 2026-0039

A By-law to adopt the proceedings of the Council Meeting held on the 20th day of April, 2026 and to authorize its execution.

CARRIED

18. ADJOURNMENT

Resolution No. 2026-0075

Moved By: Councillor C. Somerville
Seconded By: Councillor M. Albano

THAT this Council meeting do now adjourn at 8:02 p.m.

CARRIED

Ann Lawlor, MAYOR

Valerie Petryniak, TOWN CLERK