

The Corporation of The Town of Cobourg
Community Services, Protection, and Economic Development Standing
Committee



Minutes

Wednesday, October 8, 2025

9:30 a.m.

Council Chambers, Victoria Hall, Cobourg

Members Present: Councillor Adam Bureau, Chair
Councillor Aaron Burchat

Members Absent: Mayor Lucas Cleveland

Staff Present: Ellard Beaven, Fire Chief
Chris Challenger, Director of Development
Melissa Graham, Economic Development Coordinator
Jason Johns, Interim Director, Community Services
Brent Larmer, Municipal Clerk/Director of Legislative Services
Kristina Lepik, Deputy Clerk/Manager of Legislative Services
Laryssa McGlashon, Council and Committee Coordinator
Tracey Vaughan, Chief Administrative Officer

1. Call to Order

Chair, Councillor Adam Bureau called the Meeting to Order at 9:31 a.m.

2. Traditional Land Acknowledgement

The Town of Cobourg respectfully acknowledge that we are located in the traditional and treaty territory of the Michi Saagiig (Mississauga) and Chippewa Nations, collectively known as the Williams Treaties First Nations, which include: Curve Lake, Hiawatha, Alderville, Scugog Island, Rama, Beausoleil, and Georgina Island First Nations.

The Town of Cobourg respectfully acknowledge that the Williams Treaties First Nations have been stewards and caretakers of these lands and waters, and that today remain vigilant over their health and integrity for generations to come. We are all Treaty people.

3. Introduction of Addendum Items

3.1 Item 8.1 - Presentation from the Art Galley of Northumberland regarding a Public Art Donation: Douglas Bentham Sculptures

Council consented to the addition of item 8.1 at the meeting.

4. Confirmation of Agenda

4.1 Confirmation of the October 8, 2025 Community Services, Protection, and Economic Development Standing Committee Agenda

Moved By Councillor Aaron Burchat

Seconded By Councillor Adam Bureau

THAT the Committee confirm the agenda, as amended.

Carried

5. Disclosure of Pecuniary (Financial) Interest

There were no Declarations of Pecuniary Interest from Members of the Committee.

6. Community Announcements

Members of the Community Services, Protection, and Economic Development Standing Committee presented verbal reports on matters within their respective areas of responsibility.

7. Delegations

None

8. Outside Presentation / Information from Advisory Committees or Task Forces

8.1 Presentation from the Art Galley of Northumberland regarding a Public Art Donation: Douglas Bentham Sculptures

Moved By Councillor Aaron Burchat

Seconded By Councillor Adam Bureau

WHEREAS the Committee adopt the following recommendation and refer to Regular Council for final approval.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council redirect \$20,000 for public art asset maintenance to fund the engineering drawings and installation of the concrete slab and column.

Amended

Moved By Councillor Aaron Burchat

Seconded By Councillor Adam Bureau

MOTION TO AMEND

That the following wording be added to the motion:

FURTHER THAT Council direct staff to report back on the Public Art Donation: Douglas Bentham Sculptures request.

Carried

Moved By Councillor Aaron Burchat

Seconded By Councillor Adam Bureau

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Carried

8.2 Resolution from the Accessibility Advisory Committee regarding Accessibility Awards Program

Moved By Councillor Aaron Burchat
Seconded By Councillor Adam Bureau

WHEREAS the Committee adopt the following recommendation and refer to Regular Council for final approval.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council direct Staff to work with the Accessible Advisory Committee to develop an Accessibility Awards Program for Businesses in Cobourg to be recognized during National AccessAbility Awareness Week.

Carried

8.3 Resolution from the Accessibility Advisory Committee regarding Parking Review

Moved By Councillor Aaron Burchat
Seconded By Councillor Adam Bureau

WHEREAS the Committee adopt the following recommendation and refer to Regular Council for final approval.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council direct staff to consult with the Accessibility Advisory Committee during the creation of the Parking Review by the Municipal Clerk.

Carried

9. Consent Agenda

None

10. Items Extracted from Consent Agenda

10.1 Report No. DS-2025-024 from the Economic Development Coordinator regarding Economic Development and Tourism – First Impression Community Exchange Exercise

Moved By Councillor Aaron Burchat
Seconded By Councillor Adam Bureau

THAT Council receive the First Impression Community Exchange report for information purposes.

Carried

11. Notice of Motion

None

12. Departmental Updates/Discussion

Directors provided information and updates to the Committee and the public on Divisional areas.

13. Adjournment

Chair, Councillor Bureau called for adjournment at the completion of all items on the Agenda at 10:31 a.m.

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