

Minutes

For the City Council Meeting

December 10, 2024
Tom Davies Square

Present (Mayor and Councillors)	Councillor Signoretti, Councillor Benoit, Councillor Brabant, Councillor Fortin, Councillor Parent, Councillor Lapierre, Councillor Labbé, Councillor Sizer, Councillor McIntosh, Councillor Cormier, Councillor Leduc, Councillor Landry-Altman, Mayor Lefebvre
City Officials	Kevin Fowke, Interim Chief Administrative Officer, Tony Cecutti, General Manager of Growth and Infrastructure, Joseph Nicholls, General Manager of Community Safety, Brendan Adair, Acting General Manager of Community Development , Liisa Lenz, Director of Finance/Chief Financial Officer, Kris Longston, Director of Planning Services, Meredith Armstrong, Director of Economic Development, Tyler Campbell, Director of Childrens and Social Services, Terra Posadowski, Director of Communication and Community Engagement, Nathan Melin, Deputy Fire Chief, Kelly Gravelle, Deputy City Solicitor, Stephen Monet, Manager of Strategic and Environmental Planning, Melissa Riou, Senior Planner, Jennifer Babin-Fenske, Climate Change Coordinator, Dawn Noel de Tilly, Chief of Staff, Eric Labelle, City Solicitor and Clerk, Regina Sgueglia, Clerk's Services Assistant, Cassandra Pierobon, Clerk's Services Assistant, Ashley Roetscher, Clerk's Services Assistant

His Worship Mayor Paul Lefebvre, In the Chair

1. Call to Order

The meeting commenced at 4:01 p.m.

2. Roll Call

A roll call was conducted prior to the commencement of moving into closed session.

3. *Closed Session

The following resolution was presented:

CC2024-287

Moved By Mayor Lefebvre

Seconded By Councillor Sizer

THAT the City of Greater Sudbury moves to Closed Session to deal with one Litigation or Potential Litigation / Solicitor-Client Privilege item regarding various litigation matters and one addendum to deal with one Personal Matters (Identifiable Individual(s)) / Solicitor-Client Privilege item regarding municipal staff in accordance with the Municipal Act, 2001, par. 239(2)(b), (e) and (f).

CARRIED

At 4:01 p.m., Council moved into Closed Session.

4. Recess

At 5:00 p.m., Council recessed.

5. Open Session

At 6:01 p.m., Council commenced the Open Session.

6. Moment of Silent Reflection

Those present at the meeting observed a moment of silent reflection.

7. Roll Call

A roll call was conducted.

8. Declarations of Pecuniary Interest and the General Nature Thereof

None declared.

9. Matters Arising from the Closed Session

Deputy Mayor Sizer, Chair of the Closed Session, reported that Council met in Closed Session to deal with one Litigation or Potential Litigation / Solicitor-Client Privilege item regarding various litigation matters and one addendum to deal with one Personal Matters (Identifiable Individual(s)) / Solicitor-Client Privilege item regarding municipal staff in accordance with the Municipal Act, 2001, par. 239(2)(b), (e) and (f). One direction emanated from the meeting.

10. Matters Arising from Future-Ready Development Services Ad-Hoc Committee

10.1 November 27, 2024

Mayor Lefebvre, as Chair of the Future-Ready Development Services Ad-Hoc Committee, reported on the matters arising from the Future-Ready Development Services Ad-Hoc Committee meeting of November 27, 2024.

The resolutions for the November 27, 2024 Future-Ready Development Services Ad-Hoc Committee Meeting can be found at:
<https://www.greatersudbury.ca/agendas>

The following resolution was presented:

CC2024-288

Moved By Mayor Lefebvre
Seconded By Councillor Cormier

THAT the City of Greater Sudbury approves Future-Ready Development Services Ad-Hoc Committee resolution FRDS2024-02 from the meeting of November 27, 2024.

CARRIED

11. Matters Arising from Planning Committee

11.1 December 9, 2024

Councillor Cormier, as Chair of the Planning Committee, reported on the matters arising from the Planning Committee meeting of December 9, 2024.

The resolutions for the December 9, 2024 Planning Committee meeting can be found at: <https://www.greatersudbury.ca/agendas>

Councillor Labbé requested that planning resolution PL2024-195 be pulled and dealt with separately.

The following resolution was presented:

CC2024-289

Moved By Councillor Cormier
Seconded By Councillor Lapierre

THAT the City of Greater Sudbury approves Planning Committee resolutions PL2024-183 to PL2024-194 from the meeting of December 9, 2024.

CARRIED

Rules of Procedure

Mayor Lefebvre moved to defer planning resolution PL2024-195 to the March 25, 2025 City Council Meeting for inclusion in a future report.

CARRIED

12. Consent Agenda

The following resolution was presented:

CC2024-290

Moved By Councillor Signoretti
Seconded By Councillor Benoit

THAT the City of Greater Sudbury approves Consent Agenda items 12.1.1 to 12.1.2.

CARRIED

The following are the Consent Agenda items:

12.1 Adoption of Minutes

12.1.1 Planning Committee Minutes of October 21, 2024

CC2024-291

Moved By Councillor Signoretti
Seconded By Councillor Benoit

THAT the City of Greater Sudbury adopts Planning Committee meeting minutes of October 21, 2024.

CARRIED

12.1.2 Finance and Administration Committee Meeting of October 23, 2024

CC2024-292

Moved By Councillor Signoretti
Seconded By Councillor Benoit

THAT the City of Greater Sudbury adopts Finance and Administration Committee meeting minutes of October 23, 2024.

CARRIED

13. Presentations

13.1 City of Greater Sudbury Housing Supply Strategy

Melissa Riou, Senior Planner, provided an electronic presentation regarding the City of Greater Sudbury Housing Supply Strategy and Implementation Plan.

The following resolution was presented:

CC2024-293

Moved By Councillor Lapierre
Seconded By Councillor Benoit

THAT the City of Greater Sudbury approves the Housing Supply Strategy and Implementation Plan, as outlined in the report entitled, "City of Greater

Sudbury Housing Supply Strategy”, from the General Manager of Growth and Infrastructure, presented at the Council meeting on December 10, 2024;

AND THAT the City of Greater Sudbury directs staff to develop a business case for the Residential Land Supply Strategy for consideration as part of the 2026 Budget process.

CARRIED

13.2 Climate Action Annual Report (2023)

Jennifer Babin-Fenske, Climate Change Coordinator, provided an electronic presentation regarding the municipality’s progress in implementing the Greater Sudbury Community Energy & Emissions Plan (CEEP) and the Community Climate Change Adaptation Plan (CCCAP).

The following resolution was presented from the floor:

CC2024-294

Moved By Mayor Lefebvre

Seconded By Councillor Lapierre

THAT the City of Greater Sudbury City Council declared a climate emergency in 2019;

AND WHEREAS the 2023 Climate Action Annual Report highlights many project accomplishments related to climate mitigation and adaptation efforts across the Corporation’s programs, services, facilities and other lines of business;

AND WHEREAS the 2023 Climate Action Annual Report also demonstrates that “A significant reduction in [natural gas] usage can be seen when extensive retrofits occur, such as the upgrades that took place at the Howard Armstrong Recreation Centre;

AND WHEREAS the registration of electric vehicles (EVs) has been increasing year over year in Greater Sudbury;

AND WHEREAS investing in efficient, sustainable and climate-resilient infrastructure is consistent with Council’s Strategic Plan, most notably through 3.3, “Build Climate Resiliency into Existing Programs” as well as the directive to “prioritize economic development opportunities and climate change adaptation in our operating and capital project choices” under objective 1.4, “Reinforce infrastructure for New Development”;

AND WHEREAS the Community Energy and Emissions Plan (CEEP) suggests that staff “Develop a prioritized list of City buildings to retrofit and perform energy audits, payback analyses, and retrofits starting with the highest priority buildings” to meet Goal 4 (Achieve net-zero emissions in City buildings);

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT City of Greater Sudbury staff provide a detailed report to Council demonstrating energy use and related costs at all municipal facilities by Q2 2025;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT staff provide a report to Council by Q3 2025 itemizing the current City fleet of low-emissions vehicles, and outlining multiple scenarios for increasing the number of low-emissions vehicles over the next 10 years, with short-, medium-, and long-term goals, anticipated investments, cost efficiencies, and payback periods;

AND THAT staff be directed to develop a land use planning policy framework to support renewable energy projects in the City and review City owned properties to support of the development of a renewable energy land bank program by Q3 2025;

AND THAT staff bring recommendations to Council by Q2 2025 for the development of an agreement with reputable third-party providers to increase the number of pay-to-use public EV chargers at City-owned parking facilities, at little to no additional cost to the City;

AND THAT staff bring a report to Council by Q2 2025 with options for a community-wide home energy and resiliency retrofit guidance program.

CARRIED

14. Managers' Reports

14.1 2026 Municipal and School Board Election

The following resolution was presented:

CC2024-295

Moved By Councillor Cormier

Seconded By Councillor Lapierre

THAT the City of Greater Sudbury directs staff to implement the use of electronic voting throughout the entire voting period with in-person paper ballot voting opportunities during the advanced voting period and on Election Day for the 2026 Municipal and School Board Election.

CARRIED

15. By-laws

The following resolution was presented:

CC2024-296

Moved By Councillor Signoretti

Seconded By Councillor Brabant

THAT the City of Greater Sudbury read and pass By-law 2024-196 to By-law 2024-214Z.

CARRIED

15.1 By-laws 2024-196 to 2024-214Z

The following are the By-laws:

2024-196

A By-law of the City of Greater Sudbury to Confirm the Proceedings of Council at its Meeting of December 10, 2024

2024-197

A By-law of the City of Greater Sudbury to Authorize the Payment of Grants from the Healthy Community Initiative Fund, Various Wards

Community and Emergency Services Committee Resolution #CES2024-38

This by-law authorizes grants funded through the Healthy Community Initiative Fund for various Wards.

2024-198

A By-law of the City of Greater Sudbury to Authorize a Grant Under the Employment Land Community Improvement Plan

Finance and Administration Committee Resolution #FA2024-33

This by-law authorizes a grant under the TIEG program under the Employment Land Community Improvement Plan and authorizes the Director of Economic Development to sign the TIEG Grant Agreement with the grant recipient.

2024-199

A By-law of the City of Greater Sudbury to Amend By-law 2018-121 being a By-law of the City of Greater Sudbury Respecting the Appointment of Officials of the City

This by-law updates certain appointments to reflect staff changes and the term of appointment of the auditors.

2024-200

A By-law of the City of Greater Sudbury to Amend By-law 2023-02 being a By-Law of the City of Greater Sudbury to Appoint Councillors to Certain Boards and Corporations

City Council Resolution #CC2024-260

This amending by-law appoints a Councillor to fill recent vacancy on the Nickel District Conservation Authority Board.

2024-201

A By-law of the City of Greater Sudbury to Authorize the Neighbourhood Association Grants for the Year 2024

Refer to Report under “Correspondence for Information Only”

This By-law authorizes the making of grants to Neighbourhood Associations for the 2024 calendar year.

2024-202

A By-law of the City of Greater Sudbury to Set an Interim Tax Levy and Tax Billing Dates Prior to the Development of the 2025 Tax Policy

Refer to Report under “Correspondence for Information Only”

Section 317(1) of the Municipal Act, 2001, provides the authority for an interim tax levy prior to the adoption of the final estimates.

2024-203

A By-law of the City of Greater Sudbury to Levy and Collect Omitted and Supplementary Realty Taxes for the Year 2025

Refer to Report under “Correspondence for Information Only”

This by-law authorizes the 2025 omitted and supplementary tax billing and sets the due dates for omitted and supplementary assessments.

2024-204

By-law of the City of Greater Sudbury to Amend By-law 2010-1 being a By-law of the City of Greater Sudbury to Regulate Traffic and Parking in the City of Greater Sudbury

Operations Committee Resolutions #OP2024-23 & #OP2024-25

This amending by-law incorporates various changes approved by the Operations Committee.

2024-205

A By-law of the City of Greater Sudbury to Authorize a Lease Agreement between Robin Pauley and Gail Pauley as Landlords and the City of Greater Sudbury as Tenant for the Lands and Premises at 39 Kari Road, Wahnapiatae

Planning Committee Resolution #PL2024-165

This By-law authorizes a new lease agreement for the continued use and occupation of 39 Kari Road, Wahnapiatae, as an animal shelter for the City.

2024-206

A By-law of the City of Greater Sudbury to Authorize a Grant by Way of Lease to the Azilda Lions Club for 3964 Municipal Road 15, Chelmsford

Planning Committee Resolution #PL2024-166

2024-207

A By-law of the City of Greater Sudbury to Authorize a Grant by Way of Lease to the Sudbury Winter Tennis Club for 30 Cypress Street, Sudbury

Planning Committee Resolution #PL2024-176

2024-208

A By-law of the City of Greater Sudbury to Authorize the Sale of 2214 Vermilion Lake Road, Dowling Described as PIN 73367-0172(LT), Part 1 on Plan 53R-6559, Township of Fairbank, City of Greater Sudbury to Christopher Lavalle

Planning Committee Resolution #PL2024-177

2024-209

A By-law of the City of Greater Sudbury to Authorize the Sale of Vacant Land South of Kingsway Boulevard, Sudbury Described as Part of PIN 73573-0340(LT), being Parts 33 and 34 on Plan 53R-16789, Township of Neelon, City of Greater Sudbury to CFS Investments Inc.

Planning Committee Resolution #PL2024-178

2024-210

A By-law of the City of Greater Sudbury to Authorize a Transfer Payment Agreement with His Majesty the King in Right of the Province of Ontario as Represented by the Minister of Infrastructure for Funding Under the Housing-Enabling Water System Fund

City Council Resolution #CC2024-181

This by-law authorizes the General Manager of Growth and Infrastructure to enter into the Transfer Payment agreement with the Province of Ontario with respect to the Housing-Enabling Water System Fund.

2024-211Z

A By-law of the City of Greater Sudbury to Amend By-law 2010-100Z being the Comprehensive Zoning By-law for the City of Greater Sudbury

Planning Committee Resolution #PL2024-52

This by-law rezones the subject lands from 'FD' Future Development to 'R1-5' Low Density Residential Zone - Matthew Dumont, 0 Dublin Street, Sudbury.

2024-212Z

A By-law of the City of Greater Sudbury to Amend By-law 2010-100Z being the Comprehensive Zoning By-law for the City of Greater Sudbury
Planning Committee Resolution #PL2024-74

This by-law rezones the subject lands from the 'R2-2' Low Density Residential Two Zone to the 'R3(103)' Medium Density Residential Special Zone in order to permit the construction of two additional residential units within the basement of the existing building, resulting in a total of four dwelling units, with site specific provisions - Home Buyers Inc., 620 Pine Street, Sudbury.

2024-213Z

A By-law of the City of Greater Sudbury to Amend By-law 2010-100Z being the Comprehensive Zoning By-law for the City of Greater Sudbury
Planning Committee Resolution #PL2024-87

This by-law rezones the severed lot of Consent B0016/2024 from the 'Agricultural (A) Zone' to 'Agricultural Special A(17) Zone' to recognize the residential use of the lands and a minimum lot area of 0.24 ha (0.59 ac) and the retained lands of Consent B0016/2024 from 'Agricultural (A) Zone' to the 'Agricultural Special A(18) Zone' to prohibit the establishment of new dwellings on the remnant farm parcel, permit a minimum lot frontage of 29.9 m (98 ft), and to permit a minimum lot area of 15.29 ha (37.7 ac) - Justin and Alicia Gaudet, 3261 St. Laurent Street, Blezard Valley.

2024-214Z

A By-law of the City of Greater Sudbury to Amend By-law 2010-100Z being the Comprehensive Zoning By-law for the City of Greater Sudbury
Planning Committee Resolution #PL2024-88

This by-law rezones the severed lot of Consent B0013/2024 from "A", Agricultural to "A(15)", Agricultural Special to recognize the residential use of the lands and the retained lands of Consent B0013/2024 from "A", Agricultural to "A(16)", Agricultural Special to prohibit the establishment of new dwellings on the remnant farm parcel - Valley Growers Inc and Justin Gaudet, 3268 St. Laurent Street, Blezard Valley.

16. Members' Motions

No Motions were presented.

17. Correspondence for Information Only

17.1 2024 Neighbourhood Association Annual Grant Allocation By-Law

For Information Only.

17.2 2025 Interim Tax Billing

For Information Only.

17.3 2025 Omitted and Supplementary Tax Billing

For Information Only.

17.4 Update on Mandatory Firefighter NFPA Certification and 2024 Volunteer Firefighter Recruitment – December 2024

For Information Only.

17.5 Roadmap to End Homelessness Update

For Information Only.

18. Addendum

Rules of Procedure

Mayor Lefebvre moved that the addendum be dealt with.

CARRIED BY TWO-THIRDS

The following resolution was presented:

CC2024-297

Moved By Councillor Cormier

Seconded By Councillor Fortin

THAT the City of Greater Sudbury read and pass By-law 2024-215 to By-law 2024-218.

CARRIED

The following are the By-Laws:

2024-215

A By-law of the City of Greater Sudbury to Authorize an Amending Agreement to Extend the Term of a Right of Entry and an Option to Purchase Agreement with SPC Nickel Corp. pertaining to Vacant Land north of Fairbank Lake Road, Worthington

Planning Committee Resolution #PL2024-194.

The by-law authorizes an agreement to amend a Right of Entry Agreement and an Option Agreement with SPC Nickel Corp. granting the continued right to enter upon the City lands for mining exploration activities and granting the extension of an option to purchase the City lands.

2024-216P

A By-law of the City of Greater Sudbury to Adopt Official Plan Amendment No. 138 to the Official Plan for the City of Greater Sudbury

Planning Committee Resolution #PL2024-187.

This by-law implements certain changes to the Planning Act with respect to the City's Additional Dwelling Unit policies.

2024-217Z

A By-law of the City of Greater Sudbury to Amend By-law 2010-100Z being the Comprehensive Zoning By-law for the City of Greater Sudbury

Planning Committee Resolution #PL2024-187.

This by-law amends the City's Additional Dwelling Unit policies to allow fourth units as of right on fully serviced parcels within the City's settlements areas.

2024-218

A By-Law of the City of Greater Sudbury to Amend By-law 2018-45 being a By-law of the City of Greater Sudbury to Establish Water and Wastewater Policy and Water and Wastewater Rates and Charges in General and for Special Projects

Finance and Administration Committee Resolution #FA2024-42

This by-law amends By-law 2018-45 to incorporate fee changes.

19. Civic Petitions

Councillor Labbé submitted a petition to the City Clerk which will be forwarded to the General Manager of Community Safety. The petition is regarding a request to donate the Falconbridge Fire Hall to the Nickel Centre Seniors Club.

20. Question Period

Please visit: <https://www.greatersudbury.ca/agendas> to view questions asked.

21. Adjournment

Mayor Lefebvre moved to adjourn the meeting. Time: 7:34 p.m.

CARRIED