



City of Kingston  
Council Meeting  
Agenda

2026-06

Tuesday, February 17, 2026

7:00 p.m.

Council Chamber

Council will resolve into the Committee of the Whole "Closed Meeting" at 6 p.m. and will reconvene as regular Council at 7 p.m.

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**1. Call Meeting to Order**

**2. The Committee of the Whole "Closed Meeting"**

That Council resolve itself into the Committee of the Whole "Closed Meeting" to consider the following items:

- a. A position, plan, procedure, criteria or instruction to be applied to any negotiations carried on or to be carried on by or on behalf of the municipality or local board - Contract Negotiations Update; and
- b. Litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the municipality or local board - Update on Court Proceedings.

**3. Report of the Committee of the Whole "Closed Meeting"**

**4. Approval of the Addendum**

**5. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interests**

**6. Presentations**

**7. Delegations**

**1. Allen Langdon - Extended Producer Responsibility and Recycling Collection Communications**

Allen Langdon, Circular Materials Ontario, will appear before Council to speak to New Motion 2 regarding Extended Producer Responsibility and Recycling Collection Communications.

**8. Petitions**

**9. Deferred Motions**

**10. Motions of Congratulations, Recognition, Sympathy, Condolences and Speedy Recovery**

**1. Motion of Recognition - International Women's Day**

Moved by Councillor Hassan

Seconded by Councillor Osanic

**That** Kingston City Council recognize International Women’s Day on Sunday, March 8, 2026, and celebrate the achievements of women throughout Kingston. International Women’s Day (IWD), established in 1911, has for over 115 years advanced the vision of a gender equal world, free of bias, stereotypes, and discrimination, where diversity is valued and celebrated. The 2026 IWD theme, ‘Give to Gain’, emphasizes generosity, collaboration, and the power of reciprocity and mutual support in advancing gender equality. Kingston City Council expresses its support for International Women’s Day, its goals, and women in Kingston, and encourages residents to contribute to the continued advancement of women in our community.

**11. Briefings**

**1. Pierre-Yves Boivin & Peter Paz - Support for Alto Rail High Speed Southern Route.**

Pierre-Yves Boivin, Chief Communications and Engagement Officer, Alto, and Peter Paz, Senior Director, Government and Public Relations for Ontario, Alto, will brief Council on New Motion Number 3 regarding Support for Alto Rail High Speed Southern Route.

**12. Report Number 15: Received from the Chief Administrative Officer (Consent)**

All items listed on the Consent Report shall be the subject of one motion. Any member may ask for any item(s) included in the Consent Report to be separated from that motion, whereupon the Consent Report without the separated item(s) shall be put and the separated item(s) shall be considered immediately thereafter.

**1. Delegation of Authority with the Government of Canada, the Province of Ontario and Municipalities for Infrastructure Work** 16

(Report Number 26-063 from the Commissioner, Transportation & Infrastructure Services)

**That** Council delegate authority to the Director, Engineering Services to approve agreements and related documents with the Government of Canada, the Province of Ontario, including any ministry or agency, and municipalities that relate to the planning, design, repair, rehabilitation, reconstruction, maintenance or improvement of municipal and provincial roads, and road-related infrastructure, including planning studies, environmental studies, bridges, culverts, drainage, and associated works, provided that any costs to be incurred by the City in respect of such agreements are included in an approved budget, and that the City Clerk be directed to include such delegation of authority in future amendments to the Delegation of Authority By-law.

**2. Update on Lot 446, Excess Soil Beneficial Re-Use Site, 1713 Venture Drive** 21

(Report Number 26-078 from the Commissioner, Growth & Development Services)

**That** Council direct staff to prepare remaining vegetated and treed portions of Lot 446 located at 1713 Venture Drive to receive beneficial re-use soils in accordance with existing soil management plans and strategies.

**3. Community Benefit Program Fund Allocation - Kingston Solar LP (Samsung) Renewable Energy Project** 29

(Report Number 26-085 from the Director, Office of Strategy, Innovation & Partnerships)

**That** Council approve the recommendations of the Rural Economic and Community Development Working Group for the allocation of funds from the Samsung Community Benefit Program Fund for:

1. Up to \$12,000 for the implementation of a marketing and communications plan to improve awareness of, and engagement with, rural Kingston residents, businesses, and community organizations, including rural newsletters, curbside signage, and

targeted social media;

2. Up to \$30,000 for the continuation of the Rural Kingston Community Program Fund to provide up to six (6) grants of \$5,000 each to support rural organizations and partnerships to create or enhance events, cultural activities, recreational products, and community beautification projects, and that Council delegate to the Rural Economic and Community Development Working Group the evaluation and approval of projects to be funded; and
3. Up to \$2,000 to support Rural Community Space Activation activities that deliver small-scale, locally focused programming and community events in rural facilities.

**13. Report Number 16: Received from the Chief Administrative Officer  
(Recommend)**

**1. St. Lawrence Business Park Expansion Lands Update**

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(Report Number 26-054 from the Commissioner, Growth & Development Services)

**That** Council endorse the Shovel-Worthy Development Framework, attached as Exhibit B to Report Number 26-054, and direct staff to continue working with project partners to complete Phase 2 of the Framework - the Site Development Guidelines; and

**That** Council direct staff to continue working with landowners north of the St. Lawrence Business Park Expansion Lands to advocate for the expansion of the ecological corridor connecting Butternut Creek with the Indigenous Food Sovereignty Garden, to support the goals of biodiversity and ecological linkages within the corridor.

**2. Wet Lab Development Project**

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(Report Number 26-064 from the Director, Office of Strategy, Innovation & Partnerships)

**That** Council approve the reallocation of \$3,000,000 from the employment land acquisition budget, and the reallocation of the funding source from the Industrial Land Reserve Fund to the Municipal Capital Reserve Fund, to support the development of Tri-Colour Labs, a shared, industry-ready wet lab and biomanufacturing facility located at Botterell Hall, Queen's University, subject to the following conditions:

1. Confirmation and retention of higher-level government funding, including compliance with all associated timelines and eligibility requirements;
2. Finalization of a governance and oversight model that provides for City participation in advisory and reporting structures, ensures transparency and accountability, and protects municipal interests;
3. Execution of funding, governance, and collaboration agreements between the City of Kingston, Kingston Economic Development Corporation, and Queen's University, in a form satisfactory to the Director of Legal Services and Chief Financial Officer;
4. Restriction of the City's contribution to eligible capital and equipment costs only, with no municipal responsibility for operating, maintenance, or lifecycle costs; and
5. Structuring of funding disbursement on a claim-based basis tied to confirmed matching contributions, construction progress, and reporting requirements; and

**That** Council authorizes the Mayor and Clerk to execute all necessary agreements to give effect to this approval to support the development of Tri-Colour Labs.

**3. 2025 Annual Water Summary Reports and 2025 Annual Wastewater Reports** 160

(Report Number 26-057 from the President & CEO, Utilities Kingston)

**That** Council receive the 2025 Annual Water Summary Reports for the King Street Water Treatment Plant, the Point Pleasant Water Treatment Plant and the Cana Water Treatment Plant as required by the terms and conditions outlined in Schedule 22 of Ontario Regulation 170/03 for Drinking Water Systems.

**14. Report Number 17: Received from the Planning Committee**

All items listed on this Committee Report shall be the subject of one motion. Any member may ask for any item(s) included in the Committee Report to be separated from that motion, whereupon the Report of the Committee without the separated item(s) shall be put and the separated item(s) shall be considered immediately thereafter.

**1. Zoning By-Law Amendment - 525 Princess Street & 555 Princess Street**

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(Exhibit A to Report Number PC-26-003)

(See By-Law Number (1), 2026-23)

**That** the application for a zoning By-Law amendment (File Number D14-013-2025) submitted by Fitzrovia, on behalf of 555 Princess Inc., for the properties municipally known as 525 Princess Street and 555 Princess Street be approved; and

**That** Kingston Zoning By-Law Number 2022-62, as amended, be further amended, as per Exhibit A (Draft By-Law and Schedule A to Amend Zoning By-Law Number 2022-62) to Report Number PC-26-003; and

**That** Council determines that in accordance with Section 34(17) of the Planning Act, no further notice is required prior to the passage of the By-Law; and

**That** the amending By-Law be presented to Council for all three readings; and

**That** Council authorize the Manager, Development Engineering, to approve an encroachment agreement for the pedestrian bridge between 555 Princess Street and 525 Princess Street, in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor or their designate and the Director, Public Works and Solid Waste or their designate.

**15. Report Number 18: Received from the Municipal Accessibility Advisory Committee**

All items listed on this Committee Report shall be the subject of one motion. Any member may ask for any item(s) included in the Committee Report to be separated from that motion, whereupon the Report of the Committee without the separated item(s) shall be put and the separated item(s) shall be considered immediately thereafter.

**1. 2026 Municipal Accessibility Advisory Committee Work Plan**

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(Exhibit A to Report Number MAAC-26-002)

**That** the 2026 Municipal Accessibility Advisory Committee Work Plan, attached as Exhibit A to Report Number MAAC-26-002, be approved.

16. **Committee of the Whole**

17. **Information Reports**

1. **November and December 2025 Tender and Contract Awards Subject to Delegation of Authority**

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This purpose of this report is to provide Council with details of contracts greater than \$100,000 that were awarded for both November and December 2025.

(Report Number 26-048 from the Chief Financial Officer & City Treasurer)

18. **Information Reports from Members of Council**

19. **Miscellaneous Business**

Miscellaneous Business Items are voted on as one motion.

Moved by: Councillor Tozzo

Seconded by: Councillor Amos

1. **Resignation from Kingston Frontenac Housing Corporation Board and Replacement**

**Whereas** Rajesh Kumar (the Member) was appointed to the KFHC Board by Council on December 2, 2025 for a term ending November 14, 2026, and has indicated that he is not able to attend three consecutive Board meetings; and

**Whereas** A By-Law Relating Generally to the Conduct of the Business and Affairs of the Kingston & Frontenac Housing Corporation (By-Law Number 1), subsection 3.07 (1)(c) states that 'A Director shall be deemed to have submitted a letter or resignation under 3.07 which takes effect immediately who: is absent from three consecutive regularly scheduled meetings of the Board without cause acceptable to the Board; and

**Whereas** the Kingston & Frontenac Housing Corporation Board of Directors has determined that the Member's cause for absence is not acceptable;

**Therefore Be It Resolved That** the resignation of Rajesh Kumar from the Kingston & Frontenac Housing Corporation Board of Directors be received with regret; and

**That** in accordance with Section 3.3.2 d. of the Public Appointment Policy, Nida Rehman be appointed from the reserve pool to the Kingston & Frontenac Housing Corporation Board of Directors for a term ending November 14, 2026.

**20. New Motions**

**1. Outdoor Rinks Service Review**

Moved by: Councillor Boehme

Seconded by: Councillor Amos

**Whereas** the City operates a network of outdoor rinks with varying service levels and operational requirements; and

**Whereas** weather variability, water access, and resourcing has increasingly impacted the reliability and availability of outdoor rink operations;

**Therefore Be It Resolved That** Council direct staff to undertake a service level review, including public engagement, of the City's outdoor rink program, including a review of rink locations and opportunities to consolidate, service models, and operational opportunities to make the best use of existing resources; and

**That** Council direct staff to report back to Council by Q3 2026 with options and associated resource implications for consideration with respect to outdoor rinks.

**2. Extended Producer Responsibility and Recycling Collection Communications**

Moved by Councillor Tozzo

Seconded by Deputy Mayor Cinanni

**Whereas** in June 2021 the Province of Ontario released the Blue Box Regulation to shift the financial and operational responsibility of recycling from municipalities to the organizations that produce packaging, paper and packaging-like products; and

**Whereas** the shift of municipal responsibility for recycling programs is commonly known as extender producer responsibility;

**Whereas** starting July 1, 2025, the administration of the recycling program in the City of Kingston shifted to a not-for-profit organization known as Circular Materials Ontario (CMO); and

**Whereas** CMO has contracted a private company, currently Emterra Environmental, to collect curbside recycling in Kingston; and

**Whereas** prior to July 1, 2025, curbside recycling collection was conducted by a combination of municipal staff and a private contractor overseen by municipal staff; and

**Whereas** since July 1, 2025, Kingston residents have experienced

increased instances of curbside recycling not being collected and delayed responses from Emterra Environmental with respect to resident concerns;

**Therefore Be It Resolved That** Council urge Circular Materials Ontario (CMO), and its contractor for recycling collection in Kingston, Emterra Environmental, to take immediate steps to (a) improve the reliability of curbside recycling collection for Kingston residents and (b) ensure adequate communication with Kingston residents; and

**That** City staff be directed to continue sharing information with the public regarding the transition of the blue box program to extended producer responsibility and provide clear instructions on how residents contact CMO and Emterra Environmental with concerns or complaints regarding the recycling program; and

**That** a copy of this motion be shared with Allen Langdon, Chief Executive Officer, CMO, Allan Cosman, Board Chair, CMO, Ted Hsu, M.P.P. Kingston and the Islands and John Jordan, M.P.P. Lanark-Frontenac-Kingston.

### 3. **Support for Alto High Speed Rail Southern Route**

Moved by Mayor Paterson

Seconded by Deputy Mayor Cinanni

**Whereas** the federal government has identified Alto High-Speed Rail (HSR) as a nation-building project to deliver faster, more reliable, passenger rail service, strengthen regional connectivity, and support Canada's climate objectives through a transportation shift; and

**Whereas** the Alto high-speed rail line is intended to serve major centres and regional hubs along the Toronto – Ottawa - Montréal corridor to maximize ridership, economic impact, and public value; and

**Whereas** Kingston is a major regional hub in Eastern Ontario, serving as a centre for post-secondary education with Queen's University, St. Lawrence College and Royal Military College, health care with Kingston Health Sciences and the Cancer Centre of Eastern Ontario, national defence with CFB Kingston, provincial and federal ministry regional offices, several national and international employers and a significant tourism and innovation economy, all of which generate rail demand; and

**Whereas** Kingston is the fourth busiest VIA Rail station in Canada with established travel demand within the Windsor-Quebec corridor, making us well positioned to support an Alto station that advances regional connectivity and travel-time competitiveness; and

**Whereas** a stop in Kingston would contribute to Alto's mandate of supporting strong ridership demand, enabling meaningful shifts from

passenger vehicles, reducing greenhouse gas emissions, and ensuring regional access to high-speed rail in Eastern Ontario; and

**Whereas** a southern route that is as close as possible to the urban centre of Kingston would be most beneficial to the residents of the City of Kingston and would align with the preferences of surrounding municipalities like South Frontenac; and

**Whereas** a southern High-Speed Rail route that bypasses Kingston would not serve the region, limit ridership and regional connectivity and offer no benefit to the city or Eastern Ontario;

**Therefore Be It Resolved That** Kingston City Council call on the Federal Minister of Transportation to enhance Alto's mandate to include the addition of a Kingston stop on the proposed Alto High-Speed Rail Southern Route between Peterborough and Ottawa; and

**That** Kingston City Council expresses its support for the proposed southern route for the Alto High Speed Rail line, provided there is a new stop added that is in close proximity to Kingston; and

**That** Kingston City Council requests that the southern route and planned stop in Kingston be located as close to the urban core of the city as possible; and

**That** if there is no station in Kingston, then Kingston City Council formally opposes the creation of the Alto Southern Route that would effectively bypass Kingston and offer no value or benefit for Kingston residents or those in Eastern Ontario; and

**That** a copy of this motion be sent to the Right Honourable Mark Carney, P.C., M.P. Prime Minister of Canada, The Honourable Steve MacKinnon, P.C., M.P., Minister of Transport, Martin Imbleau, President and CEO, Alto, Mark Gerretsen, M.P. Kingston and the Islands, Scott Reid, M.P. Lanark-Frontenac, Ted Hsu, M.P.P. Kingston and the Islands, John Jordan, M.P.P. Lanark-Frontenac-Kingston, Ric Breese, M.P.P. Hastings - Lennox and Addington, South Frontenac Mayor Ron Vandewal, the Eastern Ontario Mayors' Caucus, and the Eastern Ontario Wardens' Caucus.

#### 4. **Tree By-Law Amendments**

Moved by Councillor Osanic

Seconded by Deputy Mayor Cinanni

**Whereas** trees provide important environmental, ecological, and community benefits, including habitat, erosion control, climate resilience, and protection of adjacent lands; and

**Whereas** the City recognizes the need to balance environmental

stewardship and the preservation of natural features with the protection of agricultural practices that support normal and sustainable farming operations; and

**Whereas** under the current wording of *City of Kingston By-Law Number 2018-15, the Tree By-Law*, clear cutting may be treated as a normal farm practice, permitting large scale tree removal without the requirement for a tree permit or municipal oversight, including in circumstances where those trees provide important environmental functions for adjacent lands; and

**Whereas** City staff have observed an increase in the injury or destruction of trees in contravention of the Tree By-Law on both private and public lands;

**Therefore Be It Resolved That** City staff be directed to review the Tree By-Law and bring forward amendments to Council to require a tree permit for all clear cutting, including on agricultural lands, in order to ensure appropriate municipal oversight of large-scale tree removal, and to make any other consequential amendments that staff consider advisable to improve the enforceability of the Tree By-Law, by the end of Q2 2026; and

**That** City staff be directed to review the administrative monetary penalties associated with contraventions of the Tree By-Law and to report back to Council by the end of Q2 2026 with any recommended changes to ensure penalties remain appropriate, proportionate, and effective as a deterrent.

**21. Notices of Motion**

**22. Minutes**

Distributed to all Members of Council on February 13, 2026.

**That** the minutes of City Council Meeting Number 2026-05, held Tuesday, February 3, 2026, be confirmed.

**23. Communications Package**

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Communications received and distributed between January 27, 2026 and February 10, 2026.

**24. Other Business**

**25. By-Laws**

**That** By-Law Numbers (1) through (4) be given their first and second reading.

**That** By-Law Numbers (1) through (4) be given their third reading.

1. **A By-Law to Amend By-Law Number 2022-62, "Kingston Zoning By-Law Number 2022-62" (Change to Exception Number 'E83' and Exception Number 'E84' (525 Princess Street & 555 Princess Street))**

A By-Law to Amend By-Law Number 2022-62, "Kingston Zoning By-Law Number 2022-62" (Change to Exception Number 'E83' and Exception Number 'E84' (525 Princess Street & 555 Princess Street))

Three Readings

Proposed By-Law Number 2026-23

(Clause 1, Report Number 17)

2. **A By-Law to Exempt Certain Lands on Registered Plan 13M-151 from the Provisions of Subsection 50(5) of the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. P.13 (Blocks 34 to 45 on Registered Plan 13M-151, Woodhaven Subdivision Phase 5-1)**

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A By-Law to Exempt Certain Lands on Registered Plan 13M-151 from the Provisions of Subsection 50(5) of the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. P.13 (Blocks 34 to 45 on Registered Plan 13M-151, Woodhaven Subdivision Phase 5-1)

Three Readings

Proposed By-Law Number 2026-24

(Delegated Authority)

3. **A By-Law to Establish Part 2 on Reference Plan 13R-19253 as Part of the Public Highway known as Wood's Side Road in the City of Kingston, in Accordance with Section 31(4) of the Municipal Act, Chapter 25, S.O. 2001**

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A By-Law to Establish Part 2 on Reference Plan 13R-19253 as Part of the Public Highway known as Wood's Side Road in the City of Kingston, in Accordance with Section 31(4) of the Municipal Act, Chapter 25, S.O. 2001.

Three Readings

Proposed By-Law Number 2026-25

(Delegated Authority)

**4. A By-Law to confirm the proceedings of Council at its meeting held on February 17, 2026**

A By-Law to confirm the proceedings of Council at its meeting held on February 17, 2026

Three Readings

Proposed Number 2026-26

(City Council Meeting Number 2026-06)

**26. Adjournment**

**That** Council do now adjourn.