



**City of Kingston  
Council Meeting Minutes**

2026-08  
March 24, 2026  
7:00 p.m.  
Council Chamber

**Present:**

Councillor Amos  
Councillor Boehme  
Councillor Chaves  
Deputy Mayor Cinanni  
Councillor Glenn (arrived at 5:37 p.m.)  
Councillor Hassan  
Councillor McLaren  
Councillor Oosterhof  
Councillor Osanic  
Mayor Paterson  
Councillor Ridge  
Councillor Stephen  
Councillor Tozzo

**Staff Present:**

Paige Agnew, Commissioner, Growth & Development Services  
Jayne Beggan-Hartley, Director, Housing & Social Services  
Jennifer Campbell, Commissioner, Community Services  
Neil Carbone, Commissioner, Corporate & Emergency Services  
Kyle Compeau, Director, Licensing & Enforcement  
Amy Elgersma, Director, Recreation & Leisure Services  
Allison Hannah, Committee Clerk  
Lanie Hurdle, Chief Administrative Officer  
Desiree Kennedy, Chief Financial Officer & City Treasurer  
JC Kenny, Director, Communications & Customer Experience  
Julie Lambert, Manager, Homelessness Services  
Danika Lochhead, Director, Arts & Culture Services  
Jenna Morley, City Solicitor  
Derek Ochej, Deputy City Clerk  
Christine O'Connor, Committee Clerk  
Tim Park, Director, Planning Services  
Karen Santucci, Director, Public Works and Solid Waste  
Ian Semple, Commissioner, Transportation & Infrastructure Services  
Victoria Stinson, Financial Analyst  
Colin Taylor, Technology Associate

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**1. Call Meeting to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. Regular business commenced at 7:01 p.m. His Worship Mayor Bryan Paterson presided.

Note: Council consented to consideration of the Addendum at this point in the meeting. See Page 3 for the final disposition.

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

Moved by: Councillor Boehme

Seconded by: Councillor Amos

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

- a. A proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local board - Employment Lands Update;
- b. A proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local board - Downtown Property;
- c. Labour relations or employee negotiations - Kingston Professional Fire Fighters' Association (KPFPA), Local 498 - Collective Bargaining Update; and
- d. Litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals affecting the municipality or local board, and advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose - By-Law Enforcement.

YEAS: (12): Councillor Amos, Councillor Boehme, Councillor Chaves, Deputy Mayor Cinanni, Councillor Hassan, Councillor McLaren, Councillor Oosterhof, Councillor Osanic, Mayor Paterson, Councillor Ridge, Councillor Stephen, and Councillor Tozzo

ABSENT: (1): Councillor Glenn

**Carried (12 to 0)**

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

Moved by: Councillor Stephen

Seconded by: Councillor Boehme

**That** Council rise from the Committee of the Whole "Closed Meeting" without reporting.

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**Carried (13 to 0)**

Note: Council consented to consider Approval of the Addendum immediately prior to resolving into Committee of the Whole "Closed Meeting".

**5. Approval of the Addendum**

Moved by: Councillor Tozzo

Seconded by: Councillor Ridge

**That** the addendum be approved.

YEAS: (12): Councillor Amos, Councillor Boehme, Councillor Chaves, Deputy Mayor Cinanni, Councillor Hassan, Councillor McLaren, Councillor Oosterhof, Councillor Osanic, Mayor Paterson, Councillor Ridge, Councillor Stephen, and Councillor Tozzo

ABSENT: (1): Councillor Glenn

**Carried (12 to 0)**

**6. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interests**

Councillor Osanic declared her potential pecuniary interest with respect to New Motion 4 regarding Consumption and Treatment Services Sites as she is an employee of the province of Ontario which funds consumption and treatment service sites as well as Homeless and Addiction Recovery Treatment (HART) hubs.

Councillor Osanic declared her potential pecuniary interest with respect to New Motion 5 regarding Support for Integrated Care Hub Service Transition as she is an employee of the province of Ontario which funds consumption and treatment service sites as well as Homeless and Addiction Recovery Treatment (HART) hubs.

Councillor Amos declared his potential pecuniary interest with respect to Information Report 1 regarding Report on Real Estate Transactions Completed from July to December, 2025 as he is an employee of the Seniors Association Kingston Region, which rents space from Portsmouth Olympic Harbour as detailed in the report.

Councillor Amos declared his potential pecuniary interest with respect to Information Report 5 regarding City Service Level Agreements as he is an employee of the Seniors Association Kingston Region, which has a service level agreement with the City.

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**7. Presentations**

None.

Councillor Osanic withdrew from the meeting.

**8. Delegations**

**1. Melissa Reid - Consumption and Treatment Services Sites**

Melissa Reid appeared before Council and spoke to New Motion Number 4 with respect to Consumption and Treatment Services Sites.

Councillor Osanic returned to the meeting.

**2. Joyce Hostyn - Tree By-Law**

Joyce Hostyn appeared before Council and spoke to New Motion Number 6 with respect to Tree By-Law.

**3. Letitia Flett - Adelaide Street Shelter**

Letitia Flett appeared before Council and spoke to Clause 2 of Report Number 27: Received from the Chief Administrative Officer (Recommend) with respect to Adelaide Street Shelter.

Councillor Osanic withdrew from the meeting.

**4. Robert Gibson - Support for Integrated Care Hub Service Transition**

Robert Gibson appeared before Council and spoke to New Motion Number 5 with respect to Support for Integrated Care Hub Service Transition.

**5. Dr. Henry Swoboda - Consumption and Treatment Services Sites**

Dr. Henry Swoboda appeared before Council and spoke to New Motion Number 4 with respect to Consumption and Treatment Services Sites.

**6. Jamie Brushett - Consumption and Treatment Services Sites**

Jamie Brushett appeared before Council and spoke to New Motion Number 4 with respect to Consumption and Treatment Services Sites.

Councillor Osanic returned to the meeting.

**7. Sandra Jass - Tree By-Law**

Sandra Jass appeared before Council and spoke to New Motion Number 6 with respect to the Tree By-Law.

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Moved by: Councillor Ridge

Seconded by: Councillor Tozzo

**That** in accordance with Section 12.9 of the City of Kingston Council Procedural By-Law, Sandra Jass be permitted to appear before Council to speak to New Motion Number 6 with respect to the Tree By-Law.

YEAS: (13): Councillor Amos, Councillor Boehme, Councillor Chaves, Deputy Mayor Cinanni, Councillor Glenn, Councillor Hassan, Councillor McLaren, Councillor Oosterhof, Councillor Osanic, Mayor Paterson, Councillor Ridge, Councillor Stephen, and Councillor Tozzo

**Carried (13 to 0)**

**8. Margaret Moncrief - Tree By-Law**

Margaret Moncrief appeared before Council and spoke to New Motion Number 6 with respect to the Tree By-Law.

Moved by: Councillor Glenn

Seconded by: Councillor Osanic

**That** in accordance with Section 12.9 of the City of Kingston Council Procedural By-Law, Margaret Moncrief be permitted to appear before Council to speak to New Motion Number 6 with respect to the Tree By-Law.

YEAS: (13): Councillor Amos, Councillor Boehme, Councillor Chaves, Deputy Mayor Cinanni, Councillor Glenn, Councillor Hassan, Councillor McLaren, Councillor Oosterhof, Councillor Osanic, Mayor Paterson, Councillor Ridge, Councillor Stephen, and Councillor Tozzo

**Carried (13 to 0)**

**9. Bruce Hill - Tree By-Law**

Bruce Hill appeared before Council and spoke to New Motion Number 6 with respect to the Tree By-Law.

Moved by: Councillor Osanic

Seconded by: Councillor Glenn

**That** in accordance with Section 12.9 of the City of Kingston Council Procedural By-Law, Bruce Hill be permitted to appear before Council to speak to New Motion 6 with respect to the Tree By-Law.

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YEAS: (13): Councillor Amos, Councillor Boehme, Councillor Chaves, Deputy Mayor Cinanni, Councillor Glenn, Councillor Hassan, Councillor McLaren, Councillor Oosterhof, Councillor Osanic, Mayor Paterson, Councillor Ridge, Councillor Stephen, and Councillor Tozzo

**Carried (13 to 0)**

**10. Caroline Kirkwood - Tree By-Law**

Caroline Kirkwood appeared before Council and spoke to New Motion Number 6 with respect to the Tree By-Law.

Moved by: Councillor Stephen

Seconded by: Councillor Hassan

**That** in accordance with Section 12.9 of the City of Kingston Council Procedural By-Law, Caroline Kirkwood be permitted to appear before Council to speak to New Motion Number 6 with respect to the Tree By-Law.

YEAS: (13): Councillor Amos, Councillor Boehme, Councillor Chaves, Deputy Mayor Cinanni, Councillor Glenn, Councillor Hassan, Councillor McLaren, Councillor Oosterhof, Councillor Osanic, Mayor Paterson, Councillor Ridge, Councillor Stephen, and Councillor Tozzo

**Carried (13 to 0)**

**11. Sarah Knight - Tree By-Law**

Sarah Knight appeared before Council and spoke to New Motion Number 6 with respect to the Tree By-Law.

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Cinanni

Seconded by: Councillor Osanic

**That** in accordance with Section 12.9 of the City of Kingston Council Procedural By-Law, Sarah Knight be permitted to appear before Council to speak to New Motion Number 6 with respect to the Tree By-Law.

YEAS: (13): Councillor Amos, Councillor Boehme, Councillor Chaves, Deputy Mayor Cinanni, Councillor Glenn, Councillor Hassan, Councillor McLaren, Councillor Oosterhof, Councillor Osanic, Mayor Paterson, Councillor Ridge, Councillor Stephen, and Councillor Tozzo

**Carried (13 to 0)**

Councillor Osanic withdrew from the meeting.

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**12. Taras Reshetukha and Dr. Adam Newman - Consumption and Treatment Services Site**

Taras Reshetukha and Dr. Adam Newman appeared before Council and spoke to New Motion Number 4 with respect to Consumption and Treatment Services Site.

Moved by: Councillor McLaren

Seconded by: Councillor Glenn

**That** in accordance with Section 12.9 of the City of Kingston Council Procedural By-Law, Taras Reshetukha and Dr. Adam Newman be permitted to appear before Council to speak to New Motion 4 with respect to Consumption and Treatment Services Site.

YEAS: (13): Councillor Amos, Councillor Boehme, Councillor Chaves, Deputy Mayor Cinanni, Councillor Glenn, Councillor Hassan, Councillor McLaren, Councillor Oosterhof, Councillor Osanic, Mayor Paterson, Councillor Ridge, Councillor Stephen, and Councillor Tozzo

**Carried (13 to 0)**

Councillor Osanic returned to the meeting.

**13. Richard Raeburn-Gibson and Shelagh Mirski - Purchase of Lemoine Point Farm**

Richard Raeburn-Gibson and Shelagh Mirski appeared before Council and spoke to Clause 3 of Report Number 27: Received from the Chief Administrative Officer (Recommend) with respect to Purchase of Lemoine Point Farm.

Moved by: Councillor Tozzo

Seconded by: Councillor Stephen

**That** in accordance with Section 12.9 of the City of Kingston Council Procedural By-Law, Richard Raeburn-Gibson and Shelagh Mirski be permitted to appear before Council to speak to Clause 3 of Report Number 27: Received from the Chief Administrative Officer (Recommend), Purchase of Lemoine Point Farm.

YEAS: (13): Councillor Amos, Councillor Boehme, Councillor Chaves, Deputy Mayor Cinanni, Councillor Glenn, Councillor Hassan, Councillor McLaren, Councillor Oosterhof, Councillor Osanic, Mayor Paterson, Councillor Ridge, Councillor Stephen, and Councillor Tozzo

**Carried (13 to 0)**

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**14. Travis Blackmore - Adelaide Street Shelter**

Travis Blackmore appeared before Council and spoke to Clause 2 of Report Number 27: Received from the Chief Administrative Officer (Recommend) with respect to Adelaide Street Shelter.

Moved by: Councillor Oosterhof

Seconded by: Councillor Boehme

**That** in accordance with Section 12.9 of the City of Kingston Council Procedural By-Law, Travis Blackmore be permitted to appear before Council to speak to Clause 2 of Report Number 27: Received from the Chief Administrative Officer (Recommend) with respect to Adelaide Street Shelter.

YEAS: (13): Councillor Amos, Councillor Boehme, Councillor Chaves, Deputy Mayor Cinanni, Councillor Glenn, Councillor Hassan, Councillor McLaren, Councillor Oosterhof, Councillor Osanic, Mayor Paterson, Councillor Ridge, Councillor Stephen, and Councillor Tozzo

**Carried (13 to 0)**

**9. Petitions**

Councillor Ridge presented a Petition with approximately 88 signatures requesting the City not continue its partnership with Lionhearts at the Adelaide Street Shelter.

**10. Deferred Motions**

**1. The Tragically Hip Final Concert 10th Anniversary Planning**

Note: Council consented to the consideration of Clause 4 of Report Number 27: Received from the Chief Administrative Officer (Recommend) with respect to Update: Community Celebrations of The Tragically Hip Final Concert 10 Year Anniversary immediately before Deferred Motion Number 1. See page 14 for the final disposition.

Moved by: Councillor Glenn

Seconded by: Councillor McLaren

**That** a total of up to \$350,000 for programming, events and activations and associated production needs to support the 10th anniversary of The Tragically Hip's final concert in Kingston be funded from the Working Fund Reserve; and

**That** Council delegate authority to the Director of Arts & Culture Services to enter into the necessary agreements to support the 10th anniversary of The Tragically Hip's final concert in Kingston programming, events and activations; and

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**That** Council delegate authority to the Director of Arts & Culture Services to approve waiving of any applicable fees through the Fees and Charges By-Law, including rental fees for City venues and/or parks and public spaces, to support in-kind services and contributions to support events, programming and activations directly related to the City and partner led 2026 10th anniversary celebrations of the final concert of The Tragically Hip; and

**That** Council delegate authority to the Chief Administrative Officer, Chief Financial Officer or their delegates to proceed directly to non-standard procurement as identified in By-Law Number 2022-154, A By-Law to Establish a Procurement Policy for the City of Kingston, to award contracts, as necessary to support events, programming and activations directly related to the City and partner led 2026 10th anniversary celebrations of the final concert of The Tragically Hip; and

**That** staff report back to Council by the end of Q2 2026 on the programming, events and activations that are confirmed and that will provide opportunities for the community to come together to celebrate this anniversary.

**Withdrawn**

**2. Zoning By-Law Amendment - 2980 - 2988 Princess Street**

**Resolution Number: 2026-99**

Moved by: Councillor Stephen

Seconded by: Councillor Osanic

**That** the application for a zoning By-Law amendment (File Number D14-009-2025) submitted by Barr Homes and Fotenn Consultants, on behalf of Barr Developments Limited, for the property municipally known as 2980-2988 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-26-013; 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.

YEAS: (13): Councillor Amos, Councillor Boehme, Councillor Chaves, Deputy Mayor Cinanni, Councillor Glenn, Councillor Hassan, Councillor McLaren, Councillor Oosterhof, Councillor Osanic, Mayor Paterson, Councillor Ridge, Councillor Stephen, and Councillor Tozzo

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**Carried (13 to 0)**

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

None.

**12. Briefings**

None.

**13. Report Number 26: Received from the Chief Administrative Officer (Consent)**

Moved by: Councillor Hassan

Seconded by: Councillor Chaves

**That** Report Number 26: Received from the Chief Administrative Officer (Consent) be received and adopted.

**1. Kingston Arts Council Service Level Agreement Renewal**

**Resolution Number: 2026-100**

Moved by: Councillor Hassan

Seconded by: Councillor Chaves

**That** the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to execute a Service Level Agreement between the City of Kingston and the Kingston Arts Council that identifies the services to be provided by the Kingston Arts Council and the associated funding to be issued by the City of Kingston for those services, in a form acceptable to the Director of Legal Services; and

**That** Council approve the release of \$201,375 from the Arts & Culture Services Department's 2026 operating budget to support the Kingston Arts Council and the services identified as part of a Service Level Agreement between the City of Kingston and the Kingston Arts Council in 2026; and

**That** Council approve the release of \$712,790 from the Arts & Culture Services Department's 2026 operating budget to be held in trust by the Kingston Arts Council and distributed through the City of Kingston Arts Fund.

**Carried**

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**14. Report Number 27: Received from the Chief Administrative Officer (Recommend)**

Moved by: Councillor Boehme

Seconded by: Councillor Osanic

**That** Report Number 27: Received from the Chief Administrative Officer (Recommend) be received and adopted, clause by clause.

**1. Amendments to City By-Laws to Establish Fishing Prohibition in Turtle Habitat Areas**

**Resolution Number: 2026-101**

Moved by: Councillor Boehme

Seconded by: Councillor Osanic

**That** City of Kingston By-Law Number 2023-214, Community Standards By-Law, be amended as per Exhibit A to Report Number 26-068, A By-Law to Amend By-Law Number 2023-214, Community Standards By-Law.

YEAS: (13): Councillor Amos, Councillor Boehme, Councillor Chaves, Deputy Mayor Cinanni, Councillor Glenn, Councillor Hassan, Councillor McLaren, Councillor Oosterhof, Councillor Osanic, Mayor Paterson, Councillor Ridge, Councillor Stephen, and Councillor Tozzo

**Carried (13 to 0)**

**2. Adelaide Street Shelter**

Council consented to the separation of each paragraph.

**Resolution Number: 2026-102**

Moved by: Councillor Boehme

Seconded by: Councillor Osanic

**That** Council direct staff to negotiate and enter into a lease agreement with Lionhearts Inc. for use of the 38 Cowdy Street site for the purpose of offering vocational laundry services for a period of not more than 6 months commencing April 1, 2026, and that the lease continue to include the Frontenac Parkette space which would remain closed for the period of the lease; and

YEAS: (10): Councillor Amos, Councillor Boehme, Councillor Chaves, Deputy Mayor Cinanni, Councillor Hassan, Councillor McLaren, Councillor Oosterhof, Mayor Paterson, Councillor Stephen, and Councillor Tozzo

NAYS: (3): Councillor Glenn, Councillor Osanic, and Councillor Ridge

**Carried (10 to 3)**

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**Resolution Number: 2026-103**

Moved by: Councillor Boehme

Seconded by: Councillor Osanic

**That** Council direct staff to, following the expiry or termination of any lease with Lionhearts Inc., move forward with the demolition of the former Frontenac Public School building, conditional on obtaining all required permits and approvals; and

YEAS: (13): Councillor Amos, Councillor Boehme, Councillor Chaves, Deputy Mayor Cinanni, Councillor Glenn, Councillor Hassan, Councillor McLaren, Councillor Oosterhof, Councillor Osanic, Mayor Paterson, Councillor Ridge, Councillor Stephen, and Councillor Tozzo

**Carried (13 to 0)**

**Resolution Number: 2026-104**

Moved by: Councillor Boehme

Seconded by: Councillor Osanic

**That** Council direct staff to carry out all required planning processes and considerations, to identify options for the future residential development along Cowdy Street, including how best to balance this development with the intended expansion of Frontenac Parkette, and to report back to Council on those identified options by the end of Q3 2026.

YEAS: (13): Councillor Amos, Councillor Boehme, Councillor Chaves, Deputy Mayor Cinanni, Councillor Glenn, Councillor Hassan, Councillor McLaren, Councillor Oosterhof, Councillor Osanic, Mayor Paterson, Councillor Ridge, Councillor Stephen, and Councillor Tozzo

**Carried (13 to 0)**

Moved by: Councillor McLaren

Seconded by: Councillor Boehme

**That** Clause 2 of Report Number 27: Received from the CAO (Recommend) be amended by adding the following clause after the first recommend clause:

**That** Council direct staff to help Lionhearts Inc accelerate moving vocational laundry services as soon as possible from 38 Cowdy Street.

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YEAS: (9): Councillor Amos, Councillor Boehme, Deputy Mayor Cinanni, Councillor Hassan, Councillor McLaren, Councillor Osanic, Mayor Paterson, Councillor Ridge, and Councillor Tozzo

NAYS: (4): Councillor Chaves, Councillor Glenn, Councillor Oosterhof, and Councillor Stephen

**Carried (9 to 4)**

**Resolution Number: 2026-105**

Moved by: Councillor Chaves

Seconded by: Councillor Tozzo

**That** Council direct staff to help Lionhearts Inc accelerate moving vocational laundry services as soon as possible from 38 Cowdy Street.

YEAS: (11): Councillor Amos, Councillor Boehme, Deputy Mayor Cinanni, Councillor Glenn, Councillor Hassan, Councillor McLaren, Councillor Oosterhof, Councillor Osanic, Mayor Paterson, Councillor Ridge, and Councillor Stephen

NAYS: (2): Councillor Chaves, and Councillor Tozzo

**Carried (11 to 2)**

**3. Purchase of Lemoine Point Farm**

**Resolution Number: 2026-106**

Moved by: Councillor Boehme

Seconded by: Councillor Osanic

**That** Council approve the issuance of up to \$12.0M of debt for the acquisition of the Lemoine Point Farm with annual debt payments to be funded from the Municipal Capital Reserve Fund; and

**That** reserve fund models be updated as part of the 2027 capital budget process to reflect additional annual debt payments, including a review of the prioritization and timing of other capital projects and/or options for increasing the 1% capital levy.

YEAS: (13): Councillor Amos, Councillor Boehme, Councillor Chaves, Deputy Mayor Cinanni, Councillor Glenn, Councillor Hassan, Councillor McLaren, Councillor Oosterhof, Councillor Osanic, Mayor Paterson, Councillor Ridge, Councillor Stephen, and Councillor Tozzo

**Carried (13 to 0)**

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**4. Update: Community Celebrations of The Tragically Hip Final Concert 10 Year Anniversary**

Note: Council consented to the consideration of this item immediately prior to Deferred Motion Number 1.

**Resolution Number: 2026-107**

Moved by: Councillor Glenn

Seconded by: Councillor McLaren

**That** Council delegate authority to the Director of Arts & Culture Services to approve any necessary agreements to support the tenth anniversary of The Tragically Hip's final concert in Kingston with programming, events and activations; and

**That** Council delegate authority to the Director of Arts & Culture Services to approve the waiving of any applicable fees through City of Kingston By-Law Number 2026-7, Fees & Charges By-Law 2026, including rental fees for City venues and/or parks and public spaces and to support in-kind services and contributions to support events, programming and activations directly related to the City and partner-led community celebrations of the final concert of The Tragically Hip; and

**That** staff report back to Council at its meeting on June 16, 2026 to provide an update on final programming plans supported by the City and partners that will provide opportunities for the community to come together to celebrate the 10 year anniversary of the final concert of The Tragically Hip.

YEAS: (12): Councillor Amos, Councillor Boehme, Councillor Chaves, Deputy Mayor Cinanni, Councillor Glenn, Councillor Hassan, Councillor Oosterhof, Councillor Osanic, Mayor Paterson, Councillor Ridge, Councillor Stephen, and Councillor Tozzo

NAYS: (1): Councillor McLaren

**Carried (12 to 1)**

Council recessed from 9:13 p.m. to 9:25 p.m.

**15. Report Number 28: Received from the Municipal Accessibility Advisory Committee**

Moved by: Councillor Tozzo

Seconded by: Councillor Oosterhof

**That** Report Number 28: Received from the Municipal Accessibility Advisory Committee be received and adopted.

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**1. 2023-2025 Multi-Year Accessibility Plan - 2025 Annual Update Report**

**Resolution Number: 2026-108**

Moved by: Councillor Tozzo

Seconded by: Councillor Oosterhof

**That** the 2023-2025 Multi-Year Accessibility Plan - 2025 Annual Status Update, attached as Exhibit A to Report Number MAAC-26-005, be received and made available to the public via the City of Kingston website.

YEAS: (13): Councillor Amos, Councillor Boehme, Councillor Chaves, Deputy Mayor Cinanni, Councillor Glenn, Councillor Hassan, Councillor McLaren, Councillor Oosterhof, Councillor Osanic, Mayor Paterson, Councillor Ridge, Councillor Stephen, and Councillor Tozzo

**Carried (13 to 0)**

**16. Committee of the Whole**

None.

**17. Information Reports**

**1. Report on Real Estate Transactions Completed from July to December, 2025**

(Report Number 26-072 from the Chief Financial Officer & City Treasurer)

The purpose of this report is to provide Council with a list of real estate transactions completed under delegated authority from July 1, 2025 to December 31, 2025.

**2. 2025 Statement of Remuneration and Expenses Paid to Council Members and Other Council Appointees**

(Report Number 26-079 from the Chief Financial Officer & City Treasurer)

The purpose of this report is to provide Council with an itemized statement on remuneration and expenses paid in the previous year.

**3. January 2026 Tender and Contract Awards Subject to Delegation of Authority**

(Report Number 26-082 from the Chief Financial Officer & City Treasurer)

The purpose of this report is to provide Council with details of contracts greater than \$100,000 awarded for the month of January 2026 that meet the established criteria of delegated authority for standard procurements and non-standard procurements.

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**4. Quarterly Report: Kingston Economic Development Corporation - Q4 2025**

(Report Number 26-106 from the Chief Administrative Officer)

The purpose of this report is to provide Council with detailed reporting on Q4 2025 for the Economic Development Organization.

Councillor Amos withdrew from the meeting.

**5. City Service Level Agreements**

(Report Number 26-021 from the Commissioner, Community Services)

The purpose of this report is to provide Council with information on the service level agreements in place with outside organizations across the various departments of the City.

Councillor Amos returned to the meeting.

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

None.

**19. Miscellaneous Business**

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Cinanni

Seconded by: Councillor Stephen

**That** the Miscellaneous Business items be approved

YEAS: (13): Councillor Amos, Councillor Boehme, Councillor Chaves, Deputy Mayor Cinanni, Councillor Glenn, Councillor Hassan, Councillor McLaren, Councillor Oosterhof, Councillor Osanic, Mayor Paterson, Councillor Ridge, Councillor Stephen, and Councillor Tozzo

**Carried (13 to 0)**

**1. Planning Committee Meeting Schedule**

**Resolution Number: 2026-109**

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Cinanni

Seconded by: Councillor Stephen

**Whereas** Council approved its 2026 meeting schedule on November 4, 2025, which included a Special Planning Committee meeting on June 11, 2026 regarding the Official Plan & Integrated Mobility Plan; and

**Whereas** there is a need to reschedule the Special Planning Committee meeting on June 11, 2026, in order to meet notice timelines and other scheduling requirements of the new Official Plan project;

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**Therefore Be It Resolved That** Council amend the 2026 meeting schedule to have June 11, 2026 be a regular Planning Committee meeting and June 18, 2026, be a Special Planning Committee meeting regarding the Official Plan & Integrated Mobility Plan.

**Carried**

**2. Proclamation - National Tourism Week**

**Resolution Number: 2026-110**

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Cinanni

Seconded by: Councillor Stephen

**That** as requested by Megan Zelle, Kingston Accommodation Partners, City Council proclaim April 20 – 24, 2026 as “National Tourism Week” in the City of Kingston.

**Carried**

**3. Illumination - Multiple Myeloma Action Month**

**Resolution Number: 2026-111**

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Cinanni

Seconded by: Councillor Stephen

**Whereas** subsection 3.5 of First Capital Place Illumination Policy (the Policy) requires applications for an illumination of First Capital Place, which is defined as the exterior of City Hall, Springer Market Square, the D.A. McNevin Memorial Fountain and Confederation Park Fountain, to be received at least four months prior to the proposed illumination date; and

**Whereas** a request was received on January 21, 2026, from Myeloma Canada to illuminate First Capital Place on March 1, 2026, in recognition of Multiple Myeloma Action Month and the request was declined as it was not submitted by the October 31, 2025 application deadline; and

**Whereas** multiple myeloma is the second more common blood cancer, with 4,300 people in Canada to be diagnosed this year, or 12 people per day, and Myeloma Canada aims to raise awareness, so that those affected can know the warning signs, get diagnosed earlier and get treatment;

**Therefore Be It Resolved That** notwithstanding subsection 3.5 of the First Capital Place Illumination Policy, Council approve an illumination of First Capital Place in the month of March 2026 in recognition of Multiple Myeloma Action Month and direct staff to work with the applicant to determine an appropriate date for the illumination.

**Carried**

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**20. New Motions**

**1. Winter Road Maintenance**

**Resolution Number: 2026-112**

Moved by: Councillor Boehme

Seconded by: Councillor Tozzo

**Whereas** Council has received inquiries regarding the potential use of beet-based or other organic additives for winter road maintenance; and

**Whereas** staff have identified operational, financial, infrastructure, and environmental considerations associated with these products, and noted that several municipalities have discontinued their use following trials;

**Therefore Be It Resolved That** Council direct staff to prepare an information report to be provided to Council by Q4 2026 that summarizes Kingston's current winter road maintenance practices, including existing chloride reduction measures, and provides an assessment of beet-based and similar alternative de-icing products, including operational performance, infrastructure requirements, cost implications, and environmental considerations.

YEAS: (13): Councillor Amos, Councillor Boehme, Councillor Chaves, Deputy Mayor Cinanni, Councillor Glenn, Councillor Hassan, Councillor McLaren, Councillor Oosterhof, Councillor Osanic, Mayor Paterson, Councillor Ridge, Councillor Stephen, and Councillor Tozzo

**Carried (13 to 0)**

**2. Student Debt**

Council consented to the separation of Clause 12.

**Resolution Number: 2026-113**

Moved by: Councillor Glenn

Seconded by: Councillor McLaren

**Whereas** Kingston's senior population is growing at 32% — more than twice the provincial average — while the working-age population has declined by 6.6%, creating an urgent need to attract and retain young workers and graduates; and

**Whereas** almost half of all jobs in Kingston are in healthcare and education, sectors facing an 18% near-term retirement wave, meaning the City's economic sustainability depends directly on graduates choosing to build their lives here; and

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**Whereas** federal modelling projects a 35% workforce contraction in Kingston by 2031 if current demographic trends are not reversed; and

**Whereas** on February 12, 2026, the Province of Ontario restructured the Ontario Student Assistance Program to shift student funding from 75% grants to 75% loans, ending the tuition freeze and replacing it with a 2% annual tuition increase, a policy change known as the "Debt-Flip"; and

**Whereas** this restructuring is projected to increase a four-year graduate's debt load by approximately \$7,270, bringing total projected student debt to \$27,060 — a burden that research consistently shows drives graduates out of smaller cities like Kingston toward higher-wage Census Metropolitan Areas such as Toronto; and

**Whereas** the 2025 Joe Debtor Study by Hoyes Michalos & Associates found that student debt is a primary driver of consumer insolvency in Ontario, that average unsecured debt among insolvent individuals reached a record \$67,496 in 2025, and that the seven-year bankruptcy exemption for student loans traps graduates in a "lost decade" during which they cannot purchase homes, accumulate savings, or contribute meaningfully to the local economy; and

**Whereas** Kingston's rental vacancy rate for large units stands at just 1.2%, and high student debt — by preventing graduates from qualifying for mortgages — pushes more renters into an already undersupplied market, driving up rents for all residents including families; and

**Whereas** the federal government eliminated interest on federal student loans in 2023, but the Province of Ontario has not followed suit, leaving Ontario graduates shouldering interest costs that their counterparts in other provinces do not bear; and

**Whereas** the Ontario Undergraduate Student Alliance (OUSA) has called on the Province to index operating grants to the national average, eliminate interest on provincial student loans, and extend the repayment grace period to two years — policy changes that would directly reduce graduate debt burdens and improve Kingston's ability to retain talent; and

**Therefore Be It Resolved That** Kingston City Council formally declares student debt a municipal economic concern, recognizing that provincial student loan policy has direct and material consequences for Kingston's workforce sustainability, housing market, and fiscal base; and

**That** Council direct staff to add to a future Council agenda the necessary by-law to amend the Committee By-Law in order to update the composition of the Housing & Homelessness Advisory Committee, by adding a representative from the Queen's University Alma Mater Society or the St. Lawrence College Student Association, at no additional cost to the City; and

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**That** a certified copy of this motion be forwarded to the Honourable Doug Ford, M.P.P. Premier of Ontario, the Honourable Nolan Quinn, M.P.P. Minister of Colleges, Universities, Research Excellence and Security, the Honourable Peter Bethlenfalvy, M.P.P. Minister of Finance, Ted Hsu, M.P.P. Kingston and the Islands, John Jordan, M.P.P. Lanark–Frontenac–Kingston, the Ontario Undergraduate Student Alliance, the Queen's University Alma Mater Society, the St. Lawrence College Student Association, and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, so that each may be informed of Kingston City Council's position and act within their respective authority accordingly; and

**That** the Mayor and Council advocate for these positions through the Association of Municipalities of Ontario in coalition with other amenable university cities, recognizing that a coordinated municipal voice carries greater weight with the Province than any single municipality acting alone.

YEAS: (13): Councillor Amos, Councillor Boehme, Councillor Chaves, Deputy Mayor Cinanni, Councillor Glenn, Councillor Hassan, Councillor McLaren, Councillor Oosterhof, Councillor Osanic, Mayor Paterson, Councillor Ridge, Councillor Stephen, and Councillor Tozzo

**Carried (13 to 0)**

**That** Council endorse the 2025/2026 pre-budget recommendations of the Ontario Undergraduate Student Alliance (OUSA) as aligned with Kingston's municipal interests; and

YEAS: (5): Deputy Mayor Cinanni, Councillor Glenn, Councillor McLaren, Councillor Osanic, and Mayor Paterson

NAYS: (8): Councillor Amos, Councillor Boehme, Councillor Chaves, Councillor Hassan, Councillor Oosterhof, Councillor Ridge, Councillor Stephen, and Councillor Tozzo

**Lost (5 to 8)**

### **3. Unsolicited Proposals**

#### **Resolution Number: 2026-114**

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Cinanni

Seconded by: Councillor Tozzo

**Whereas** the City of Kingston regularly receives unsolicited partnership proposals from not-for-profit and private organizations on various city services and programs; and

**Whereas** the City of Kingston currently has a process to address unsolicited sales or equipment and services through its procurement policy but does not have any formal process to address these unsolicited

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partnership proposals and in the absence of such a process, City staff have been bringing partnership proposals to City Council for consideration and final decision making; and

**Whereas** the unsolicited partnership proposals process or policy is not legislated and not common across all municipalities in Ontario; and

**Whereas** this lack of formal process in Kingston has been beneficial to establish creative and innovative partnerships such as the Inclusive Playground but has sometimes led to confusion and assumptions on behalf of proponents and members of the public;

**Therefore Be It Resolved That** staff be directed to undertake research on municipal best practices to address unsolicited partnership proposals processes for not-for-profit and private organizations and report back with process options that maintain flexibility to foster community partnerships and innovation by Q4, 2026.

YEAS: (13): Councillor Amos, Councillor Boehme, Councillor Chaves, Deputy Mayor Cinanni, Councillor Glenn, Councillor Hassan, Councillor McLaren, Councillor Oosterhof, Councillor Osanic, Mayor Paterson, Councillor Ridge, Councillor Stephen, and Councillor Tozzo

**Carried (13 to 0)**

Councillor Osanic withdrew from the meeting.

#### **4. Consumption and Treatment Services Sites**

Moved by: Councillor McLaren

Seconded by: Councillor Glenn

**Whereas** the Ontario Ministry of Health issued 90-day notices on March 13, 2026, to the operators of the remaining provincially-funded Consumption and Treatment Services (CTS) sites across Ontario, including the CTS co-located at the Integrated Care Hub (ICH) at 661 Montreal Street in Kingston, with provincial funding ending June 13, 2026; and

**Whereas** the Kingston CTS has operated since 2018, serving hundreds of vulnerable residents annually, diverting hundreds of emergency room visits, and preventing opioid overdose deaths; and

**Whereas** the CTS holds a federal exemption under Section 56.1 of the *Controlled Drugs and Substances Act*, administered by Health Canada, which remains valid independent of provincial funding decisions and which may provide a legal operating window beyond the June 13 provincial funding end date; and

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**Whereas** Health Canada's class exemption for Urgent Public Health Need Sites (UPHNS) represents an additional federal mechanism that may allow harm reduction services to continue operating legally through to approximately September or October 2026, providing a critical window to develop a sustainable continuity plan; and

**Whereas** the City of Kingston was awarded \$710,621 under Health Canada's Emergency Treatment Fund (ETF) as confirmed by Report 26-035 (December 16, 2025), with a Contribution Agreement requiring funds to be fully expended by March 31, 2026, for approved outreach and harm reduction activities; and

**Whereas** the Chief Administrative Officer has confirmed in correspondence to Council that the province's CTS closure does not directly impact ICH funding, but will affect the ICH lease (held by AMHS) and the nature of services offered at 661 Montreal Street; and

**Whereas** supervised consumption services are a life-saving public health intervention, and abrupt closure without a continuity plan poses documented, serious risk of increased overdose deaths in our community;

**Therefore Be It Resolved That** the City of Kingston formally opposes the Ontario government's decision to defund the Kingston Consumption and Treatment Services effective June 13, 2026, and calls on the Province to reverse this decision; and

**That** the Chief Administrative Officer be directed to contact the federal Minister of Health and Health Canada requesting:

1. Confirmation of the status and duration of Kingston's existing federal CTS exemption under the *Controlled Drugs and Substances Act*;
2. Confirmation of Kingston's eligibility to operate under the UPHNS class exemption framework through to September/October 2026 in the event of provincial funding withdrawal; and
3. Consideration of an amendment to the scope or timeline of the City's existing \$710,621 ETF Contribution Agreement to permit eligible unspent funds to support CTS harm reduction continuity activities; and

**That** the Chief Administrative Officer contact Kingston Health Sciences Centre (KHSC) and other local health institutions requesting they issue a formal public statement on the health impacts of the CTS closure, to inform public and government decision-making; and

**That** the Chief Administrative Officer report back to Council no later than April 15, 2026, on:

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1. The current spend status of the \$710,621 ETF Contribution Agreement and any scope amendment possibilities;
2. Legal and operational options for the City to support continuity of harm reduction services during the federal exemption window (June to October 2026);
3. Options for City bridge funding from reserves or reallocation, should a viable continuity plan be identified;
4. The implications of the provincial CTS closure for the ICH lease, ICH programming, and the City's \$500,000 annual shelter bed contribution; and

**That** Council direct staff to work with KCHC, Trellis HIV & Community Care, AMHS, Home Base Housing, KFL&A Public Health, and other ICH consortium partners to develop a continuity of operations plan for harm reduction services that can bridge to the next available HART Hub funding round or alternative provincial or federal program; and

**That** a copy of this motion be forwarded to the Honourable Doug Ford, M.P.P. Premier of Ontario; the Honourable Sylvia Jones, M.P.P. Minister of Health; Ted Hsu, M.P.P. Kingston and the Islands, John Jordan, M.P.P. Lanark-Frontenac-Kingston, KFL&A Public Health; and all ICH consortium partners.

**Withdrawn**

**1. Consumption and Treatment Services Sites**

**Resolution Number: 2026-115**

Moved by: Councillor McLaren

Seconded by: Councillor Glenn

**Whereas** the Ontario Ministry of Health issued 90-day closure notices on March 13, 2026 to operators of remaining provincially-funded Consumption and Treatment Services (CTS) sites across Ontario, including Kingston's CTS at the Integrated Care Hub (ICH), 661 Montreal Street, with provincial funding ending June 13, 2026; and

**Whereas** the Kingston CTS has operated since 2018, serving hundreds of vulnerable residents annually, diverting hundreds of emergency room visits, and preventing opioid overdose deaths; and

**Whereas** Kingston Community Health Centres (KCHC) holds a confirmed federal exemption under Section 56.1 of the *Controlled Drugs and Substances Act* expiring October 31, 2026 - valid independent of provincial funding decisions and providing a legal

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operating window of approximately four and a half months beyond the June 13 provincial funding end date; and

**Whereas** all federal and provincial funding avenues for CTS continuity have been exhausted: the City's \$710,621 ETF Contribution Agreement is fully committed with the remaining \$34,000 holdback already committed to spring outreach supplies; Health Canada explicitly declined to redirect any funds citing a guideline exclusion of "all costs associated with the operation of Supervised Consumption Sites or Overdose Prevention Sites"; no other City-held health funding is eligible; the Canada-Ontario Housing Benefit is unlikely to support programs the province has been actively defunding; and the City did not apply to the 2025 Emergency Treatment Fund (ETF) Call for Proposals having chosen to secure the current award over the risk of receiving nothing; and

**Whereas** Health Canada's explicit exclusion of supervised consumption operational costs from ETF guidelines, combined with provincial funding termination, creates a documented interlocking policy gap in which no existing federal or provincial program will fund continued CTS operations, making the City's own reserves the only identified near-term funding source; and

**Whereas** the Chief Administrative Officer has confirmed the provincial CTS closure will affect the ICH lease held by Addiction & Mental Health Services KFL&A and the nature of services at 661 Montreal Street, though it does not directly impact ICH funding; and

**Whereas** there is currently no Homelessness and Addiction Recovery Treatment (HART) Hub operating, approved, or imminent in Kingston - making Kingston materially distinct from every other Ontario community losing CTS funding, as the province's own rationale for defunding was HART Hub availability, which does not apply here; Kingston applied and was rejected during the only 2024 Call for Proposals; and any motion directing staff to reapply asks them to repeat a failed action against a closed process; and

**Whereas** Deferred Motion 1 on the March 24 Council agenda has returned to Council with staff confirmation that the \$350,000 previously requested from the Working Reserve Fund for The Tragically Hip Anniversary Celebration is no longer required, and this Council is of the view that where public funds have been freed from a discretionary celebration, the preservation of human life must take precedence; and

**Whereas** Ontario Superior Court Justice Callaghan confirmed in the 2025 Neighbourhood Group case that closure of supervised consumption sites causes irreparable harm and that public interest in keeping them open outweighs continued public disorder - and

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Kingston's unique no-HART-Hub status creates a materially stronger irreparable harm argument than was available in that case; and

**Whereas** KCHC, as a community health centre rather than a municipality or local board, does not appear subject to the provincial ministerial approval requirement under Section 3 of the *Community Care and Recovery Act, 2024*, creating a potential pathway for KCHC to seek exemption renewal directly from Health Canada; and

**Whereas** Justice Callaghan's pending merits decision on the constitutional challenge to the *Community Care and Recovery Act* - including the challenge to Section 3's provincial veto - may materially affect KCHC's exemption renewal options and Kingston's legal position beyond October 2026; and

**Whereas** supervised consumption services are a life-saving public health intervention and abrupt closure without a continuity plan poses documented, serious risk of increased overdose deaths in our community;

**Therefore Be It Resolved That** the City of Kingston formally opposes the Ontario government's decision to defund the Kingston Consumption and Treatment Services effective June 13, 2026, and calls on the Province to reverse this decision; and

**That** Council direct the Chief Administrative Officer to contact Health Canada to inquire whether any future ETF Call for Proposals is anticipated and what harm reduction continuity activities - short of direct supervised consumption site operations - would be eligible for funding; and

**That** Council further direct the Chief Administrative Officer to contact Kingston Health Sciences Centre, other local health institutions, and Kingston Police Service requesting they each issue a formal public statement on the health, safety, and community impacts of the CTS closure, to inform public and government decision-making; and

**That** Council direct the Chief Administrative Officer to report back to Council no later than April 15, 2026 on:

1. Legal and operational options for the City to support continuity of harm reduction services during the federal exemption window (June to October 2026);
2. A recommended allocation of up to \$350,000 from the Working Reserve Fund - funds confirmed by staff as no longer required for The Tragically Hip Anniversary Celebration - toward City bridge funding for CTS operational continuity during the federal exemption window, legal costs associated with an injunction application to freeze the June

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13 provincial funding withdrawal, or both, proportioned based on need and legal advice;

3. The results of direct consultation with KCHC on whether KCHC intends to apply to Health Canada for renewal of its Section 56.1 exemption prior to October 31, 2026; whether KCHC's legal counsel considers KCHC subject to Section 3 of the *Community Care and Recovery Act* as a non-municipal entity; and what level of City financial commitment would be required for KCHC to sustain operations through an exemption renewal period;
4. The implications of the provincial CTS closure for the ICH lease, ICH programming, and the City's \$500,000 annual shelter bed contribution.

**That** Council direct staff to work with KCHC, Trellis HIV & Community Care, AMHS, Home Base Housing, Southeast Public Health, other ICH consortium partners, and other community groups to develop a continuity of operations plan for harm reduction services that can bridge to the next available provincial or federal program; and

**That** Council direct the City Solicitor report to Council no later than April 15, 2026 on:

1. The legal feasibility and estimated cost of the City of Kingston joining, supporting, or funding an application to the Ontario Superior Court for an injunction to freeze the June 13, 2026 provincial CTS funding withdrawal, on the grounds that Kingston's unique no-HART-Hub status means closure will cause irreparable harm with no adequate alternative available, in direct violation of Section 7 of the *Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms*, and that documented interlocking federal and provincial policy exclusions confirm there is no alternative funding pathway absent City action;
2. Whether Kingston's no-HART-Hub status creates a materially stronger legal position than the 2025 Neighbourhood Group injunction and whether it supports a standalone Kingston application rather than relying solely on the existing provincial Charter challenge;
3. Whether a full constitutional challenge or damages claim against the province is warranted, to be assessed separately and subsequent to the injunction question, with a recommendation to Council once the federal exemption status and injunction outcome are known;

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4. Whether KCHC, as a community health centre rather than a municipality or local board, is subject to Section 3 of the *Community Care and Recovery Act, 2024* when applying to Health Canada for exemption renewal, and what the City can do to support that application ahead of October 31, 2026; and

**That** the Mayor be directed to formally assess, in consultation with the City Solicitor and the Community Emergency Management Coordinator, whether a declaration of emergency under Section 4 of the *Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act* is warranted given the documented interlocking policy gap created by provincial defunding and federal program ineligibility, and to report that assessment to Council no later than April 15, 2026; and

**That** a copy of this motion be forwarded to the Honourable Doug Ford, M.P.P. Premier of Ontario, the Honourable Sylvia Jones, M.P.P. Minister of Health, Ted Hsu, M.P.P. Kingston and the Islands, John Jordan, M.P.P. Lanark-Frontenac-Kingston, Mark Gerretsen, M.P. Kingston and the Islands, the Southeast Public Health Board of Health, Kingston Community Health Centres, and all ICH consortium partners.

**Deferred**

Moved by: Councillor Tozzo

Seconded by: Councillor Hassan

**That** New Motion 4, Consumption and Treatment Services, be deferred to the April 23 Arts, Recreation & Community Policies Committee to debate and consider the legal and financial implications of the motion.

YEAS: (9): Councillor Amos, Councillor Boehme, Councillor Chaves, Deputy Mayor Cinanni, Councillor Hassan, Mayor Paterson, Councillor Ridge, Councillor Stephen, and Councillor Tozzo

NAYS: (3): Councillor Glenn, Councillor McLaren, and Councillor Oosterhof

ABSENT: (1): Councillor Osanic

**Carried (9 to 3)**

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**5. Support for Integrated Care Hub Service Transition**

**Resolution Number: 2026-116**

Moved by: Councillor Ridge

Seconded by: Mayor Paterson

**Whereas** the government of Ontario has been actively closing Consumption and Treatment Services (CTS) sites over the last 2 years and most recently announced the end of funding for a number of CTS sites, including Kingston, effective mid June; and

**Whereas** the Kingston CTS, which opened in 2018, has been located downtown and most recently co-located with the Integrated Care Hub (ICH) at 661 Montreal Street; and

**Whereas** the Kingston CTS has been providing supervised consumption support services for the most vulnerable and received about \$700,000 per year in provincial funding and no City of Kingston funding; and

**Whereas** the ICH receives yearly provincial funding of \$2.3M for harm reduction and supports and yearly City of Kingston funding of \$500,000 to provide services and shelter beds which have been integrated in the shelter system; and

**Whereas** the closure of the CTS will not only have an impact on residents accessing the service but also potentially increased substance consumption in public spaces and rises in strained emergency service utilization, and on the ICH's services and lease agreement;

**Therefore Be It Resolved That** Council direct City staff to work with Addiction & Mental Health Services to support ICH temporary service transition and retain the 24 shelter beds within the City of Kingston; and

**That** Council direct city staff to work with community partners to retain the provincial funding locally to support vulnerable populations and to apply for a provincial Homeless and Addiction Recovery Treatment (HART) hub.

YEAS: (12): Councillor Amos, Councillor Boehme, Councillor Chaves, Deputy Mayor Cinanni, Councillor Glenn, Councillor Hassan, Councillor McLaren, Councillor Oosterhof, Mayor Paterson, Councillor Ridge, Councillor Stephen, and Councillor Tozzo

ABSENT: (1): Councillor Osanic

**Carried (12 to 0)**

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Moved by: Councillor Amos

Seconded by: Councillor Tozzo

**That** Council waive the rules of By-Law 2021-41 "Council Procedural By-Law" to extend the meeting past 11:00 p.m. to complete the agenda.

YEAS: (13): Councillor Amos, Councillor Boehme, Councillor Chaves, Deputy Mayor Cinanni, Councillor Glenn, Councillor Hassan, Councillor McLaren, Councillor Oosterhof, Councillor Osanic, Mayor Paterson, Councillor Ridge, Councillor Stephen, and Councillor Tozzo

**Carried (13 to 0)**

Councillor Osanic returned to the meeting.

## **6. Tree By-Law**

### **Resolution Number: 2026-117**

**Whereas** on February 17, 2026, Council passed a motion directing staff 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, by the end of Q3 2026; and

**Whereas** as part of the motion, Council directed staff to consult with the Rural Economic & Community Development Working Group on the proposed amendments to the Tree By-Law; and

**Whereas** since the February 17, 2026 Council meeting, extensive clear cutting has occurred in the west end of the city, resulting in the rapid loss of significant tree canopy and prompting urgent calls from the community for immediate action; and

**Whereas** the City is currently undertaking a comprehensive review of the City's planning framework through the preparation of the new Official Plan that will include updated policy direction respecting the protection and management of the City's tree canopy; and

**Whereas** Council considers it necessary to take interim measures to prevent further clear cutting while these policy and regulatory updates are being finalized; and

**Therefore Be It Resolved That** Council direct staff to bring forward, at the next Council meeting, a temporary clear cutting by-law to prohibit all clear cutting within the geographic boundaries of the City of Kingston unless expressly authorized by permit or other exemption; and

**That** Council declare its intention that the prohibition on clear cutting apply effective as of the date of adoption of this motion, and that any by-law

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brought forward to implement this direction reflect Council's intent to prevent further clear cutting occurring after the date of this motion; and

**That** the temporary prohibition on clear cutting remain in effect until the City's new Official Plan comes into force, or until Council otherwise amends or repeals the temporary by-law; and

**That** the temporary by-law contain a definition of "clear cut" that generally refers to the removal of a majority of trees within an area greater than 0.2 hectares; and

**That** the Tree By-Law amendments referred to in the February 17, 2026 Council motion be brought back to Council after the expiry of the temporary clear cutting by-law.

YEAS: (12): Councillor Amos, Councillor Boehme, Councillor Chaves, Deputy Mayor Cinanni, Councillor Glenn, Councillor Hassan, Councillor McLaren, Councillor Osanic, Mayor Paterson, Councillor Ridge, Councillor Stephen, and Councillor Tozzo

NAYS: (1): Councillor Oosterhof

**Carried (12 to 1)**

### 21. Notices of Motion

None.

### 22. Minutes

Moved by: Councillor Amos

Seconded by: Councillor Ridge

**That** the Minutes of City Council Meeting Number 2026-07, held Tuesday, March 10, 2026, be confirmed.

YEAS: (13): Councillor Amos, Councillor Boehme, Councillor Chaves, Deputy Mayor Cinanni, Councillor Glenn, Councillor Hassan, Councillor McLaren, Councillor Oosterhof, Councillor Osanic, Mayor Paterson, Councillor Ridge, Councillor Stephen, and Councillor Tozzo

**Carried (13 to 0)**

### 23. Communications Package

Communications received and distributed between March 3, 2026 and March 17, 2026.

#### 1. Additional Communications

Additional communications received and distributed between March 18, 2026 and March 19, 2026.

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**2. Additional Communications**

Additional communications received and distributed between March 20, 2026 and March 24, 2026.

**24. Other Business**

Councillor Chaves reminded Council that it is National Pet Adoption Week, and recognized the work being done by the Kingston Humane Society and Kingston Animal Rescue.

**25. By-Laws**

**Resolution Number: 2026-118**

Moved by: Councillor Chaves

Seconded by: Councillor Stephen

**That** By-Law Numbers (1) through (4), and (8) be given their first and second reading.

YEAS: (13): Councillor Amos, Councillor Boehme, Councillor Chaves, Deputy Mayor Cinanni, Councillor Glenn, Councillor Hassan, Councillor McLaren, Councillor Oosterhof, Councillor Osanic, Mayor Paterson, Councillor Ridge, Councillor Stephen, and Councillor Tozzo

**Carried (13 to 0)**

**Resolution Number: 2026-119**

Moved by: Councillor Chaves

Seconded by: Councillor Stephen

**That** By-Law Numbers (1), and (3) through (8) be given their third reading.

YEAS: (13): Councillor Amos, Councillor Boehme, Councillor Chaves, Deputy Mayor Cinanni, Councillor Glenn, Councillor Hassan, Councillor McLaren, Councillor Oosterhof, Councillor Osanic, Mayor Paterson, Councillor Ridge, Councillor Stephen, and Councillor Tozzo

**Carried (13 to 0)**

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1. **A By-Law to Amend By-Law Number 2022-62, "Kingston Zoning By-Law Number 2022-62" (Transfer of Lands into Kingston Zoning By-Law, Introduction of the 'URM8' Zone and Introduction of Exception Number E212 (2980 - 2988 Princess Street))**

A By-Law to Amend By-Law Number 2022-62, "Kingston Zoning By-Law, Introduction of the 'URM8' Zone and Introduction of Exception Number E212 (2980 - 2988 Princess Street))

Three Readings

By-Law Number 2026-31

(Deferred Motion 2)

2. **By-Law to Amend City of Kingston By-Law Number 2023-214, Community Standards By-Law**

By-Law to Amend City of Kingston By-Law Number 2023-214, Community Standards By-Law

First and Second Reading

By-Law Number 2026-35

(Clause 1, Report Number 27)

3. **A By-Law to Amend By-Law Number 2023-9, "A By-Law for the Appointment of Statutory Officials of The Corporation of the City of Kingston"**

A By-Law to Amend By-Law Number 2023-9, "A By-Law for the Appointment of Statutory Officials of The Corporation of the City of Kingston"

Three Readings

By-Law Number 2026-36

(Delegated Authority)

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4. **A By-Law to Exempt Certain Lands on Registered Plan 13M-145 from the Provisions of Subsection 50(5) of the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. P. 13 (Lots 44, 47, 48, and 51 on Registered Plan 13M-145, Woodhaven Subdivision Phase 2-2)**

A By-Law to Exempt Certain Lands on Registered Plan 13M-145 from the Provisions of Subsection 50(5) of the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. P.13 (Lots 44, 47, 48, and 51 on Registered Plan 13M-145, Woodhaven Subdivision Phase 2-2)

Three Readings

By-Law Number 2026-37

(Delegated Authority)

5. **A By-Law to Authorize the Use of Optical Scan Vote Tabulators and Alternative Voting Methods for the Purpose of the 2026 Municipal Election**

A By-Law to Authorize the Use of Optical Scan Vote Tabulators and Alternative Voting Methods for the Purpose of the 2026 Municipal Election

Third Reading

By-Law Number 2026-11

(Deferred Motion 1, March 10)

6. **A By-Law to Amend By-Law Number 2004-30, "A By-Law to Establish a Scale of Costs to be Charged for Work Undertaken for the Sale of Land for Tax Arrears**

A By-Law to Amend By-Law Number 2004-30, "A By-Law to Establish a Scale of Costs to be Charged for Work Undertaken for the Sale of Land for Tax Arrears

Third Reading

By-Law Number 2026-28

(Clause 1, Report Number 19, March 10)

7. **2026 Tax Ratios By-Law**

2026 Tax Ratio By-Law

Third Reading

By-Law Number 2026-29

(Clause 3, Report Number 20, March 10)

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**8. A By-Law to confirm the proceedings of Council at its meeting held on March 24, 2026**

A By-Law to confirm the proceedings of Council at its meeting held on March 24, 2026

Three Readings

By-Law Number 2026-38

(City Council Meeting Number 2026-08)

**26. Adjournment**

Moved by: Councillor Stephen

Seconded by: Councillor Ridge

**That** Council do now adjourn.

YEAS: (13): Councillor Amos, Councillor Boehme, Councillor Chaves, Deputy Mayor Cinanni, Councillor Glenn, Councillor Hassan, Councillor McLaren, Councillor Oosterhof, Councillor Osanic, Mayor Paterson, Councillor Ridge, Councillor Stephen, and Councillor Tozzo

**Carried (13 to 0)**

Council adjourned at 11:12 p.m.

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Acting City Clerk, Derek Ochej

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Mayor, Bryan Paterson