



**City of Barrie  
Meeting Minutes  
City Council**

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Wednesday, April 01, 2026  
7:00 p.m. or immediately following General Committee  
Council Chambers

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**Present:**

Mayor, A. Nuttall  
Deputy Mayor, R. Thomson  
Councillor, C. Riepma  
Councillor, C. Nixon  
Councillor, AM. Kungl  
Councillor, A. Courser  
Councillor, N. Nigussie  
Councillor, G. Harvey  
Councillor, J. Harris  
Councillor, S. Morales  
Councillor, B. Hamilton

**Absent:**

**Staff:**

Acting Deputy City Clerk, T. McArthur  
Acting General Manager of Infrastructure and Growth Management, K. Oakley  
Chief Administrative Officer, M. Prowse  
City Clerk/Director of Legislative and Court Services, W. Cooke  
Director of Corporate Facilities, R. Pews  
Director of Information Technology, R. Nolan  
Executive Director of Development Services, M. Banfield  
General Manager of Access Barrie, R. James-Reid  
Legislative Coordinator, C. Payne  
Senior Policy Advisor & Legislative Coordinator, E. Chappell  
Service Desk Specialist, M. Haupt

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**1. CALLING TO ORDER BY THE CITY CLERK**

The meeting was called to order by Mayor A. Nuttall at 6:45 p.m.

**2. PLAYING OF THE NATIONAL ANTHEM**

The National Anthem was played.

**3. READING OF LAND ACKNOWLEDGMENT**

The Land Acknowledgement was read.

**4. STUDENT MAYOR(S)**

Mayor Nuttall welcomed back Student Mayors, Tristan Kilpatrick and Gennaro Cerullo.

**5. CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES**

Nil.

**6. AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS**

Nil.

**7. REPORTS FROM OFFICERS**

Nil.

**8. DEPUTATION(S) ON COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Nil.

**9. TAX APPLICATIONS**

Nil.

**10. COMMUNICATIONS**

Nil.

**11. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**11.1 Report of the General Committee meeting dated April 1, 2026**

**11.1.1 Report of the Affordability Committee dated March 11, 2026**

**2026-A-047**

Moved by Deputy Mayor, R. Thomson

That the Report of the Affordability Committee dated March 11, 2026, be received.

**Carried on Consent**

**11.1.2 Report of the Affordability Committee dated March 25, 2026**

**2026-A-048**

Moved by Deputy Mayor, R. Thomson

Seconded by Councillor, C. Riepma

That the Report of the Affordability Committee dated March 25, 2026, be received.

**Carried on Consent**

**11.1.3 Report of the Finance and Responsible Governance Committee dated March 25, 2026**

**2026-A-049**

Moved by Deputy Mayor, R. Thomson

Seconded by Councillor, C. Riepma

That the Report of the Finance and Responsible Governance Committee dated March 25, 2026, be received.

**Carried on Consent**

**11.1.4 Hannover-Messe Germany Trade Show - Invest Barrie**

**2026-A-050**

Moved by Deputy Mayor, R. Thomson

Seconded by Councillor, C. Riepma

That Colin Hassey on behalf of the International Relations Committee, attend the Hannover-Messe Germany Trade Show between April 20, 2026 to April 24, 2026 (tentative travel dates April 17, 2026, to April 30, 2026) to support Invest Barrie, be approved.

**Carried on Consent**

**11.1.5 2025 Fraud and Wrongdoing Program Activity, 2025 Summary of Internal Audit Activity, and 2026 Internal Audit Work Plan**

**2026-A-051**

Moved by Deputy Mayor, R. Thomson

Seconded by Councillor, C. Riepma

1. That the 2025 Fraud and Wrongdoing Program Activity be received as information.
2. That the 2025 Summary of Internal Audit Activity attached as Appendix "A" to Staff Report CAO-001-2026 to the Finance and Responsible Governance Committee dated March 25, 2026 be received as information.
3. That the 2026 Internal Audit Work Plan attached as Appendix "B" to Staff Report CAO-001-2026 to the Finance and Responsible Governance Committee

dated March 25, 2026 be approved.

**Carried on Consent**

### **11.1.6 Tax Ratios**

#### **2026-A-052**

Moved by Deputy Mayor, R. Thomson

Seconded by Councillor, C. Riepma

1. That the tax ratios for the 2026 taxation year be established as follows:
 

a. Residential	1.000000
b. New Multi-residential	1.000000
c. Multi-residential	1.000000
d. Commercial	1.433126
e. Industrial	1.516328
f. Pipelines	1.103939
g. Farmlands	0.250000
h. Managed Forest	0.250000
i. Landfills	1.067122
j. Aggregate Extraction	1.233846
2. That two sub-classes for Farmland Awaiting Development be maintained in each of the multi- residential, commercial, and industrial property classes at the following discounts:
  - Phase I - 25% discount from the residential tax rate; and,
  - Phase II - 0% discount from the applicable property class tax rate.
3. That the City of Barrie (City) continue with its existing Rebates for Charitable and Non-Profit Organizations Program providing a tax rebate at a rate of 40% of the current year's taxes applicable only to the space occupied by the organization and that the eligible organizations continue to submit an annual application and provide evidence of taxes paid satisfactory to the Treasurer or their designate.
4. That the City Clerk be authorized to prepare all necessary by-laws to establish the 2026 tax ratios.

**Carried on Consent**

### **11.1.7 Confidential labour relations matter - CUPE Negotiations**

#### **2026-A-053**

Moved by Deputy Mayor, R. Thomson

Seconded by Councillor, C. Nixon

That staff undertake the direction provided by General Committee on April 1, 2026 concerning the confidential labour relations matter - CUPE Negotiations.

(CAO-001-2026)

**Carried on Consent**

**11.1.8 Confidential potential litigation matter - Tribunal Matter**

**2026-A-054**

Moved by Deputy Mayor, R. Thomson

Seconded by Councillor, C. Riepma

That staff undertake the direction provided by General Committee on April 1, 2026 concerning the confidential potential litigation matter - Tribunal Matter.

(LGL-001-2026)

**Carried on Consent**

**12. DEFERRED BUSINESS**

Nil.

**13. DIRECT MOTIONS**

**13.1 Motion Without Notice - Request for Proposal - Boat Club**

**2026-A-055**

Moved by Deputy Mayor, R. Thomson

Seconded by Councillor, B. Hamilton

That pursuant to Section 7.1 of Procedural By-law 2019-100 as amended, permission be granted to introduce a motion without notice concerning Request for Proposal – Boat Club.

**Carried by Two-Thirds Vote**

**13.2 Request for Proposal - Boat Club**

**2026-A-056**

Moved by Deputy Mayor, R. Thomson

Seconded by Councillor, B. Hamilton

That notwithstanding motion 25-G-251, staff in the Corporate Facilities Department issue a RFP for a Boat Club, pursuant to the request made by Carefree Boat Club in their correspondence dated March 30, 2026, as soon as possible.

**Carried**

**14. PRESENTATIONS**

Nil.

**15. ENQUIRIES**

Members of Council did not address any enquiries to City staff.

**16. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Members of Council provided announcements concerning a number of matters.

**17. BY-LAWS**

That leave be granted to introduce the following Bill and this Bill be read a first, second and third time this day and finally passed

**17.1 By-law 2025-030 Bill 030**

Moved by Deputy Mayor, R. Thomson

Seconded by Councillor, C. Riepma

A By-law of the Corporation of the City of Barrie to confirm the proceedings of Council at its meeting held on the 1st day of April, 2026.

**Carried**

**18. ADJOURNMENT**

Moved by: Deputy Mayor, R. Thomson

Seconded by: Councillor, J. Harris

That the meeting be adjourned at 6:53 p.m.

Carried

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Mayor, A. Nuttall

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Wendy Cooke, City Clerk