



DRAFT Meeting Minutes – FCA General Meeting  
 Wednesday, November 15, 2023  
 7:00 pm  
 Hosted online via Google Meet

Minutes Recorded by Leeanne Van der Burgt

	Agenda Item	Discussion	Action
1	Call to order, welcome and land acknowledgement	The meeting was called to order at 7:03 pm 43 people were in attendance 28 Members were represented	
2	Approval of Agenda	There were no changes nor amendments requested Motion to approve the Agenda Motion: Maria Luisa Marti Second: Bob Brocklebank All in favour	Carried
3	Presentation: Bronson Centre	Presented by JP Melville The presentation is available on the FCA website	
4	Open Mic – Local Issues	Nancy Wilson inquired if anyone had participated in and has information about the Pre-application Consultation Training process and the non-disclosure requirement. It was suggested that this topic be taken to the Planning & Zoning Committee for further discussion.  Paul Howes expressed concerns about the proposed development at 1047 Richmond Road, which is not consistent with the Secondary Plan. Alex Cullen explained that Secondary Plans can be amended. This still needs to go before Council. Alex Cullen recommended reading the report from staff to the planning committee. Robert Brinker indicated this issue will be discussed at the Planning & Zoning Committee meeting in November.  Lynne Davidson-Fournier shared notice about Ontario Bill 135 being pushed through the legislation to privatize home care coordination. Lynne encourages writing to MPPs to express concern.  Rhys Phillips raised the topic of the possible changes to development heights in minor corridors from four to six storeys. Robert Brinker explained this will be covered in the President’s Report.	
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5	Adoption of the Minutes of the previous General Meeting – October 18, 2023	There were no corrections or amendments. Motion to approve the minutes Motion: Alex Cullen Second: David Levesque All in favour	Carried
6	President’s Report Robert Brinker	At the October FCA General Meeting, there was a unanimous vote (44 Members) in opposition to the Lansdowne 2.0 proposal. As was part of the motion, a letter was sent to the Mayor and Councillors to inform	

		<p>them about the FCA's opinion. This resulted in some fierce feedback. FCA spoke at the joint Committee meeting on November 2 where the Membership roll was challenged again.</p> <p>On November 7 City staff's recommendations regarding the Community Partners Insurance Plan (CPIP) file were debated at Finance and Corporate Services Committee. Alex Cullen presented on behalf of FCA. Finance and Corporate Services Committee voted unanimously to have staff revisit the file for revision and to consult with community groups including FCA, then report back to the Finance and Corporate Services Committee February 6, 2024.</p> <p>The City's 2024 Operations and Capital Budget are being debated at committees over the next few weeks. Alex Cullen spoke at the Transit Commission meeting yesterday on FCA's behalf. Meeting dates are available on the City's website. The budget will go to Council for consideration and adoption on Wednesday, December 6.</p> <p>At the last City Council meeting there was direction from Councillor Brockington to City staff regarding better public consultation; to undertake a community engagement initiative through an online public survey to identify any issues with community consultation related to Lansdowne 2.0 and seek suggestions on improving community consultations on major City projects moving forward and that staff report back to Council via memo in Q2, 2024 on the results of the feedback received through the community engagement initiative. This has been sent to the FCA External Relations Committee. FCA will proactively reach out to the City in support of better community consultation process.</p> <p>Also, at the last Council meeting there was a motion from Councillor Gower regarding building heights along minor corridors (attached). The province recently rolled back changes made by the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing to Ottawa's Official Plan in November 2022 when the Ministry approved revising permissible heights in Minor Corridors:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Downtown Minor Corridors, from 4 to 9 storeys</li> <li>• Inner Urban Minor Corridors, from 4 to 6 storeys</li> <li>• Outer Urban Minor Corridors, from 4 to 6 storeys</li> <li>• Suburban Minor Corridors, from 4 to 7 storeys;</li> </ul> <p>Councillor Gower's motion would see Council request the Ministry retain these changes without community input FCA is seeking permission from the Membership to ask that this motion be referred to Planning and Housing Committee to allow for others to speak to it and permit debate on these important changes.</p> <p>Motion to authorize our President to write to Council to ask for this matter to be referred to Planning and Housing Committee so that the community can comment on the Gower motion.</p> <p>Motion: Alex Cullen  Second: Ron Rose  All in favour</p>	<p>Carried</p>
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		Members are encouraged to reach out to their Councillor to ask for them to vote against the Gower motion and refer it to Planning and Housing Committee	
7	Treasurer's Report - Lorne Cutler	Lorne Cutler was not able to attend the meeting. The report was presented by Robert Brinker The balance for FCA is currently \$27, 711 Current paid Members for 2023 is 70	
8	Committee Reports	<p><u>Planning &amp; Zoning</u> The main topics at the next meeting on December 6 will be the motion from Councillor Gower referenced in the Presidents' Report and rewinding the Official Plan changes.</p> <p><u>Transportation</u> FCA presented at Transit Commission the two motions that were adopted at the FCA General meeting in October; freezing fares and objecting to cuts in service. The debate about fares goes to Council on December 6.  At the November 30 meeting, topics will include the Transportation Operating and Capital budget, the Safety Plan Report that will be tabled at Transportation Committee on November 16 and an update on Winter Maintenance Quality Standards.</p> <p>At the last Finance and Corporate Services Committee meeting on October 30, Councillor Gower walked on a motion to set up a special committee to look at transit. This will also be on the agenda for the FCA Transportation Committee meeting.</p> <p><u>Communications</u> The Committee finalized their terms of reference. The next Committee meeting is scheduled for November 20.</p> <p><u>External Relations</u> The Terms of Reference have been approved. The Committee is promoting the Gunning Principles for public consultation improvement. Bonnie Gray has joined the Committee to help represent rural topics. Rhys Phillips explained the Committee's role is to advocate for a consultation process that meets the needs of different groups and associations. They also mention the importance of identifying where consultation is not working and encourage bringing up any issues related to consultation.</p> <p><u>Membership</u> Warren Waters is Chair of the Committee. The Committee will be involved in documentation, administration, and assessing new Member entrants and departures from FCA. Input from all Members is welcome. The Terms of Reference are being formalized.</p>	
9	Working Group Updates	<p><u>Insurance</u> Alex Cullen provided details about the staff report, the motions brought to the Finance and Corporate Services Committee, and the frustration with the lack of consultation. Councillor Dudas referred the matter back to staff with Councillor Kitt's motions to consult with the community, including the FCA. Staff is expected to come back with a report for the</p>	

		<p>first meeting of Finance and Corporate Service Committee meeting in February next year.</p> <p>The working group discussed the establishment of a fund for community-based activities, qualifying criteria, service agreements, directors and officers insurance, and other related issues. They also mentioned the upcoming meeting with staff and the subsequent meeting of the Working Group on November 28<sup>th</sup></p>	
<b>10</b>	Other Business	<p>Roland Dorsay inquired about updates from the Governance Committee. This Committee will be convened soon to work on a By-Laws review for ONCA compliance</p> <p>Elizabeth McAllister provided a summary of the Harnessing Success to Prevent Crime Seminar hosted by FCA. There were 36 in attendance with representatives from 3 Councillors offices and some City staff. The slide decks and video are available on the FCA website.</p> <p>Angela Keller-Herzog reported that the joint Planning and Environment Committee discussion on the Infrastructure Master Plan has been rescheduled to February 2024.</p>	
<b>11</b>	Adjournment	<p>Motion to Adjourn  Motion: Laura Urrechaga  Meeting adjourned at 8:51 pm</p>	

Upcoming meetings:

Planning & Zoning Committee: Wednesday, December 6

General Meeting: Wednesday, December 13

Transportation Committee: Thursday, November 30