



HAMPTON SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING SEPTEMBER 23, 2025

A closed session of Council was held preceding the regular Council meeting on September 23rd, 2025, commencing at 6:10 p.m. and adjourned at 6:45 p.m. A special meeting of Council was then held in the Council Chambers commencing at 7:01 p.m. and adjourned at 7:07 p.m.

ATTENDANCE:

COUNCIL: Mayor Robert Doucet
Deputy Mayor Salgado
Councillor Todd Beach
Councillor Karin Boyé
Councillor Ken Chorley
Councillor Kim Tompkins
Councillor Sheree Trecartin

STAFF: Richard Malone, Chief Administrative Officer
Lisa Richard, Clerk
Sherman St. Germain, Director of Finance and Human Resources/
Treasurer
Arthur McCarthy, Director of Planning, Engineering, & Development
Jessie Dean, Executive Assistant to the CAO

1. CLOSED SESSION

In accordance with Section 68(1) of the *Local Governance Act*, Mayor Doucet called the closed session to order at 6:10 p.m. and adjourned the closed session at 6:45 p.m. The confidential information from the closed session discussion was classified as follows:

<u>Subsection of 68 (1)</u>	<u>Category</u>	<u># of Items</u>
a)	Information of which that confidentiality is protected by law	
b)	Personal information as defined by the <i>Right to Information and Protection of Privacy Act</i>	
c)	Information that could cause financial loss or gain to a person or the local government or could jeopardize negotiations leading to an agreement or contract	1
d)	The proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land	

- e) Information that could violate the confidentiality of information obtained from the Government of Canada or from the government of a province or territory
- f) Information concerning legal opinions or advice provided to the local government by its solicitor or privileged communications between solicitor and client in a matter of local government business
- g) Litigation or potential litigation affecting the local government, or any corporation referred to in subsection 8(1), the local government's agencies, boards or commissions including a matter before an administrative tribunal
- h) Access to or security of buildings and other structures occupied or used by the local government or access to or security of systems of the local government or access to or security of systems of the local government, including computer or communications systems
- i) Information gathered by police, including the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, in the course of investigating any illegal activity or suspected illegal activity, or the source of that information
- j) Labour and employment matters, including the negotiation of collective agreements

OPEN SESSION

2. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Doucet called the meeting to order at 7:01 pm.

3. SILENT MOMENT OF REFLECTION

Mayor Doucet led Council through a moment of silent reflection.

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved by Councillor Boyé and seconded by Councillor Beach that the agenda of the September 23, 2025, Special Council meeting be approved with the change of moving item 7 Closed Session to item 1 to precede open session.

MOTION CARRIED

5. DISCLOSURE OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Mayor Doucet asked that anyone who has a conflict of interest declare it when they reach that item on the agenda.

6. DELEGATIONS / PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS / PUBLIC HEARINGS

6.1. Public Feedback Received on Proposed Amendments to the Municipal Plan & Zoning By-Law

Arthur McCarthy, Director of Planning, Engineering & Development, advised that no comments were received from the public during the 30-day comment period that was initiated on August 13, 2025. The proposed amendments were sent to provincial stakeholders, and summarized as follows:

- **Department of Environment and Local Government, Provincial and Community Planning Unit:** recommended that Statements of Public Interest (SPIs) be considered during the amendment process;
- **Department of Environment and Local Government, Watercourse and Wetland Alteration Branch:** No concerns, but stated that some activities are permitted in provincially significant wetlands areas;
- **Department of Natural Resources and Energy Resources Development:** There is an oil and natural gas well within the boundaries of Hampton, but the proposed changes should not have any impact on this infrastructure.

The Conservation Future Land Use Designation and Conservation Zone will continue to prioritize provincially significant wetlands to restrict development from these areas. Work within or near wetlands not designated as provincially significant will still require approval from the Department of Environment and Local Government. The approach presented in the Zoning By-Law amendments will require the province to approve development within wetland buffers prior to permits being issued, further aligning with the intention of the SPIs.

At this time, staff are recommending that Council move forward with the next steps in the by-law amendment process.

Moved by Councillor Tompkins and seconded by Councillor Trecartin that Hampton Council set the public hearing date to October 21st, 2025, at 7:00pm, in the Council Chambers, to consider amendments to By-Law No. HAM-2023-15: Hampton Municipal Plan and By-Law No. HAM-2023-16: Hampton Zoning By-Law. Written feedback from the public on the proposed amendments to the By-Laws will be accepted until October 17th, 2025, and can be submitted via email, mail or delivered in person to the Director of Planning, Engineering & Development at Town Hall.

MOTION CARRIED

Moved by Councillor Beach and seconded by Deputy Mayor Salgado that Hampton Council refer the draft amendments to By-Law No. HAM-2023-15: Hampton Municipal Plan and By-Law No. HAM-2023-16: Hampton Zoning By-Law to the Planning Advisory Committee for written comments to be reviewed at the Public Hearing on October 21st, 2025.

MOTION CARRIED

7. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the special meeting of Council was adjourned at 7:07 pm.

Moved by Councillor Beach and seconded by Deputy Mayor Salgado that Hampton Council adjourn the Special Council Meeting of September 23, 2025.

MOTION CARRIED

APPROVED BY:


Robert Doucet
Mayor


Lisa Richard
Clerk

