



**CITY OF
Welland**

MINUTES OF THE

FEBRUARY 24, 2026, SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING

**CIVIC SQUARE, COUNCIL CHAMBERS
60 EAST MAIN STREET**

Council met in open session at 8:25 p.m. on the above date.

His Worship Mayor Frank Campion in the Chair.

Members Present:

Councillors J. Chiochio, T. DiMarco, B. Fokkens, B. Green, M.A. Grimaldi (virtual), J. Lee, D. McLeod, A. Moote, C. Richard, S. Setaram, G. Speck (virtual), and L. Van Vliet.

Members of Staff and Others Present:

Chief Administrative Officer, J. Ruddell

Director of Legislative Services/City Clerk, T. Stephens

Director of Community Services, J. McPetrie

General Manager of Corporate and Enterprise Services/CFO, S. Nagel

Director of Infrastructure Services & City Engineer, SM. Millar

Director of Planning and Development Services, G. Munday

Director of Strategic Initiatives & Economic Development, L. DeChellis

Chief Communications & Public Engagement Officer, M. MacDonald

Manager of Policy Planning, N. Aiello

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07-88 Moved by Van Vliet and Moote

THAT Council adopts the proposed City of Welland Official Plan Update, as attached in Appendix I; and further

THAT Council revokes the Niagara Regional Official Plan, as it pertains to the City of Welland; and further

THAT Council directs staff to forward the newly adopted Official Plan to the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing.

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07-88 Moved by Speck and DiMarco

THAT Council removes the rural employment designation and the GEC designation that overlaps with the prime agricultural area, shown on the map schedule B and B3, otherwise known as 432 and 476 Ridge Road, and these lands shall remain in there former zoning.

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07-88 Moved by DiMarco and Richard

THAT Council defers Report PB-2026-03: City of Welland Proposed Updated Official Plan to a General Committee Meeting.

CARRIED

BY-LAWS

Moved by McLeod and Setaram

THAT Council having given due consideration to the following By-law, as reproduced in this evening’s Council Agenda, now read a first, second and third time and pass same, and authorize the Mayor and Clerk to sign and seal same.

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A By-law to adopt, ratify and confirm proceedings of the Council of the Corporation of the City of Welland at its meeting held on the 24th day of February 2026.

CARRIED

Council adjourned at 8:56 p.m.

These Minutes to be approved and adopted by Motion of Council this 10th day of March 2026.