



STRATFORD CITY COUNCIL ADDENDA

Adoption of the Addenda to the Regular Council Agenda:

Motion by

THAT the Addenda to the Regular Agenda of Council dated December 8, 2025, be added to the agenda as printed to include the following:

6. Hearings of Deputations and Presentations:

6.2 Adjournment to a Public Meeting under the Planning Act

Following the publishing of the agenda, comments were received from Mark and Jackie Calma regarding Official Plan Amendment Application OPA2-25 and Zoning By-law Amendment Z06-25, for 16 Kastner Street.

Attachment – Comments received from Mark and Jackie Calda dated December 2, 2025.

Motion by

THAT the comments from Mark and Jackie Calma be received.

7. Orders of the Day

7.2 Request for Municipal Support Resolution - Cordelia BESS Inc., 465 Wright Boulevard (COU25-165)

Following the publishing of the agenda, correspondence was received from Mike Sullivan regarding the request for municipal support from Cordelia BESS Inc.

Attachment – Correspondence from Mike Sullivan dated December 8, 2025

Motion by

THAT the correspondence from Mike Sullivan be received.

15. Council Reconvene

15.2 Committee Reports

15.2.1 Finance and Labour Relations Committee

Motion by

THAT Item 5.1 of the Finance and Labour Relations Committee meeting dated December 8, 2025, be adopted as follows:

5.1 Procurement of Human Resources Support (FIN25-039)

THAT Council approve an exemption from Section 11 of Purchasing Policy P.5.1 to single source the procurement of human resources consulting services for a term of January 1, 2026 to December 31, 2026;

AND THAT to Ward & Uptigrove Human Resources Solutions be retained for human resources support services between January 1, 2026 to December 31, 2026, at a cost not to exceed \$100,000, including HST.

15.3 Reading of the By-laws (reconvene)

The following By-laws requires First and Second Readings and Third and Final Readings and could be taken collectively upon unanimous vote of Council present:

By-law 11.9 Ward & Uptigrove Human Resources Service Agreement

To authorize the entering into and execution of a Service Agreement with Ward & Uptigrove Human Resources Solutions for the provision of human resources support services from January 1, 2026 to December 31, 2026.

Motion by

THAT By-laws 11.9 and 11.10 be taken collectively.

Motion by

That By-laws 11.9 and 11.10 be read a First and Second Time.

Motion by

THAT By-laws 11.9 and 11.10 be read a Third Time and Finally Passed.

From: M & J Calma [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, December 2, 2025 8:54 AM
To: Marc Bancroft <mbancroft@stratford.ca>
Subject: Re: Application #OPA2-25 and Z06-25

Good morning, Marc

Thank you for the information.

When we purchased the property we were advised they were townhome units, so was a little concerned when I saw the application for the apartment complex. We have no issues with the single family units on Kastner Street.

We would obviously prefer this apartment to be condominiums. From my life of living in other communities my experience has been that owners take more pride in maintaining their property than renters. Not sure how much say residents have on this?

We would support the proposed application as long as there is no road access for the apartment onto Kastner Street. We purchased our home because of the quiet street and low traffic volume.

Thanks again
Mark and Jackie Calma

Date: December 8, 2025

For the attention of council, as an addendum to today's agenda.

I wish to raise some observations about the proposal from Cordelia BESS.

First, the site already has Canada's largest Battery Energy Storage System, originally installed by Arcadian Projects of New Hamburg. The owner, POWIN systems went bankrupt in July. In the US its assets were transferred to a company called Flexgen in Durham, North Carolina, but it is my understanding that festival Hydro now runs the facility. It is unclear how this new proposal will interact with the existing facility.

Second, the proposal is from a company which only Incorporated on September 25 of this year so it is unclear what their history and resume is. The CEO of the corporation is also the Controller of Energyplug, which has changed its name to Aegis. That company lists on its website several advisors, and I encourage you to look up that website.

In addition, the choice of name for this corporation may be confusing. There is a very large and well organized energy corporation called Cordelio power systems and there is another company operating in the US called Cordelia power systems. Cordelio operates in Canada as well as the US. The proposal is from a third corporation with a similar or same name.

The letter from the CEO suggests the facility would be used for 'peak shaving' whereby class A hydro users minimize or avoid the 'global adjustment' which is over half of our electricity price. It also suggests that the facility could help with power outages. Has the city considered peak shaving to lower its electricity bill?

Mike Sullivan
Stratford



**BY-LAW NUMBER XXX-2025
OF
THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF STRATFORD**

BEING a By-law to authorize the entering into and execution of a Service Agreement with Ward & Uptigrove Human Resources Solutions for the provision of human resources support services from January 1, 2026 to December 31, 2026.

WHEREAS Section 8.(1) of the Municipal Act, 2001, S.O. 2001, c.25, as amended, ("the Municipal Act, 2001") provides that the powers of a municipality under this or any other Act, shall be interpreted broadly so as to confer broad authority on the municipality to enable the municipality to govern its affairs as it considers appropriate and to enhance the municipality's ability to respond to municipal issues;

AND WHEREAS Section 9 of the Municipal Act, 2001, provides that a municipality has the capacity, rights, powers and privileges of natural persons for the purpose of exercising its authority under this or any other Act;

AND WHEREAS Section 10(1) of the Municipal Act, 2001, provides that a single-tier municipality may provide any service or thing that the municipality considers necessary or desirable for the public;

AND WHEREAS The Corporation of the City of Stratford and Ward & Uptigrove Human Resources Solutions wish to enter into a service agreement for the provision of human resources support services from January 1, 2026 to December 31, 2026;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ENACTED by the Council of The Corporation of the City of Stratford as follows:

1. That a Service Agreement between The Corporation of the City of Stratford and Ward & Uptigrove Human Resources Solutions, for the provision of human resources support services from January 1, 2026 to December 31, 2026, be entered into and the Mayor and Clerk, or their respective delegates, be and are hereby authorized to execute the said Agreement on behalf of and for this Corporation and to affix the corporate seal thereto.

Read a FIRST, SECOND and THIRD time and

FINALLY PASSED this 8th day of December, 2025.

Mayor – Martin Ritsma

Deputy Clerk – Audrey Pascual