



Town of Oakville
Municipal Election Compliance Audit Committee
MINUTES

Date: August 1, 2023
Time: 4:00 pm
Location: Virtual Meeting

Members Present: Evan Read, Chair
Amrita Sidhu, Committee Member
Camille Glover, Committee Member
Karen Landry, Committee Member
Melissa Coulson, Committee Member
Ryan Chen, Committee Member
Zachary Spicer, Committee Member

Staff Present: V. Tytaneck, Town Clerk
A. Coyne, Manager of Elections, Policy and Print
J. Warren, Council and Committee Services Coordinator

Also Present: John Pappas, Legal Counsel for the Committee
John Carlo Mastrangelo, Counsel for Candidate Nav Nanda
Vikram Singh, Representative for Applicant Gobinder Randhawa

A virtual meeting of the Municipal Election Compliance Audit Committee was held on Tuesday, August 1, 2023 commencing at 4 p.m., for the purpose of considering a request for a compliance audit in accordance with section 88.33 of the *Municipal Elections Act, 1996*, as amended.

1. Call to Order

Jessica Warren, Council and Committee Coordinator called the meeting to order at 4:02 p.m. in absence of a Chair.

2. Regrets

There were no regrets.

3. Declarations of Interest

No declarations of pecuniary interest were declared.

4. Election of Chair

Moved by Zachary Spicer

Seconded by Melissa Coulson

That Evan Read be appointed Chair of the Municipal Election Compliance Audit Committee for the 2022-2026 term.

CARRIED

5. The following report will be considered:

5.1 Application for a compliance audit of a Candidate's 2022 regular election campaign finances

Moved by Amrita Sidhu

Seconded by Karen Landry

CLOSED SESSION

That the Municipal Election Compliance Audit Committee resolve into a closed meeting session for the purpose of dealing with advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose in relation to Item 5.1 - Application for a compliance audit of a Candidate's 2022 regular election campaign finances.

CARRIED

The Committee resolved into closed session at 4:18 p.m.

The Committee resolved back into open session at 4:31 p.m.

Moved by Karen Landry
Seconded by Zachary Spicer

That all additional documents received from the Applicant and Candidate past the deadline be considered and added to the formal record.

CARRIED

Vikram Singh, Representative for Gobinder Randhawa, presented the applicants case for audit request.

John Carlo Mastrangelo, Counsel for Candidate Nav Nanda, presented the case against audit.

The committee, with legal counsel present, went into closed session for private deliberations at 5:08 p.m. to discuss the material presented and returned to open session at 6:42 p.m.

Moved by Melissa Coulson
Seconded by Zachary Spicer

On reviewing the documents and materials submitted by the Applicant and the Candidate, including the Candidate's Form 4 Financial Statement and accompanying Auditor's Report, filed March 24, 2023, and on hearing the oral submissions from the agent for the Applicant, Mr. Singh, and the oral submissions from the agent for the Candidate, Mr. Mastrangelo, and on considering the provisions of the *Municipal Elections Act, 1996*, it is the decision of the Committee to grant the Application in accordance with subsection 88.33(7) of the Municipal Elections Act, 1996 and to order a compliance audit in accordance with subsection 88.33(10) of the *Municipal Elections Act, 1996*.

CARRIED

6. Adjournment

Moved by Amrita Sidhu

Seconded by Karen Landry

That this meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 6:47 p.m.