

MARKHAM BAPTIST CHURCH

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

NOVEMBER 22 ,2020

1PM ZOOM

see sign in directions

AGENDA

Chair: Moderator Pat McGee

Recorder: Gihani De Silva

	Welcome, Confirmation of Notice of Meeting Opening Prayer	Pat McGee
	Confirmation of Quorum	Gihani DeSilva
	Motion #1: To approve Congregational meetings to be held electronically during Covid-19 Pandemic restrictions or other emergency restrictions	Moved by: Seconded by: Discussion Vote
	MOTION #2: To approve this Agenda	Moved by: Seconded by: Discussion Vote
	MOTION #3: To Approve the Minutes of October 18,2020 Congregational meeting	Moved by: Seconded by: Discussion Vote
	MOTION #4: In accordance with MBC's General Operating By-Law #32, that Antonio Serio be elected to the Management Committee for the term ending June 2022	Moved by: Glen Houghton Seconded by: Victoria Doran Discussion Vote
	PARKING LOT Background information and timeline MOTION #5: To approve the signing of a contract with the Ground Up company to replace the parking lot at 110 Church Street and repair drainage systems within a budget of \$150,000. Funds to be taken from the Brookman Fund	John Riley Moved by: John Riley Seconded by: Discussion Vote
	Other Business	
	Pastors Comments, Closing Prayer	Pastor Craig
	MOTION # 6 Motion to adjourn	

MBC Management proposal notes- re: parking lot replacement.

A bit of History

- In October of 2019 Management started looking at the possibility of replacing the parking lot and received some broad estimates of 80-100 thousand dollars. We did not want to move forward without council and/ or congregational approval.
- In February of 2020, the congregation gave us their blessing to move ahead in seeking multiple, firm quotes.
- In March, of course, covid hit and Management and the Finance committee called a halt to the process.
- In July, givings had stabilised and we decided to move forward again. John Fabbro was asked to procure quotes. This included having an engineering company being brought in.

Today

We have a quote that we want to move ahead with from Ground Up construction that covers all of our requirements and comes highly recommended from John Fabbro. We are asking permission to sign the contract and spend up to \$150,000 on this capital project.

Why now?

Our original reason was that the parking lot is an eyesore and is increasingly unsafe for visitors and the building.

The church has the resources in our reserve funds to pay for it and this needs to get done at some point for the integrity of the ministry.

With Covid-19 an ongoing issue, it would be a positive sign to the community to spend that money locally now.

Again, with covid, the church is mostly closed and the disruption would be as minimal as we would ever find.

There may still be a possibility for the project to get substantially started this Fall if the go-ahead is given.

Submitted by
John Riley,
Chair of Management.