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Here are the highlights from the South Dundas Council meeting held November 12, 2025.

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Committee of the Whole – Draft 2026 Capital Budget

At the November 12th Committee of the Whole, Council provided constructive feedback on the 2026 draft budget, offering clear direction on several priority areas to enhance service delivery and infrastructure planning. Key recommendations include exploring full-time staffing options for Public Works, creating a shared Customer Service Representative role to better support all departments, and strengthening investments in the Youth Wellness Hub. Council also requested a comprehensive approach to fleet management with separate discussions for equipment replacement, new acquisitions, and attachments, along with exploring innovative leasing options.

Additional priorities include advancing deferred infrastructure projects such as the South Dundas Municipal Centre front steps, Earl Baker interlock replacement, and Matilda Hall roof repairs, while ensuring appropriate funding sources are identified for park improvements and wastewater treatment planning. Overall, Council's feedback demonstrates a thoughtful approach to balancing operational needs with long-term capital investments.

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2026 Council Meeting Schedule

The 2026 Council meeting schedule has been determined. In 2026 Council meetings will take place twice per month, with the exception of January, June, July and August. 3. There are additional considerations in the 2026 meeting schedule due to the municipal election taking place on October 26, 2026. The schedule is as follows:

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| • January 21 | • July 8 |
| • February 4 & 18 | • August 5 |
| • March 4 & 18 | • September 2 & 16 |
| • April 8 & 29 | • October 7 |
| • May 13 & 27 | • November 2 & 16 |
| • June 10 | • December 11 & 16 |

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Matilda Landfill Holiday Hours

Council has approved reduced hours for the Matilda Landfill throughout the holiday season as follows:

DATE	HOURS OF OPERATION
Monday, December 22, 2025	CLOSED
Tuesday, December 23, 2025	OPEN – 8:00am to 1:00pm
Wednesday, December 24, 2025	OPEN – 8:00am to 1:00pm
Thursday, December 25, 2025	CLOSED
Friday, December 27, 2025	CLOSED
Saturday, December 27, 2025	CLOSED
Sunday, December 28, 2025	CLOSED
Monday, December 29, 2025	CLOSED
Tuesday, December 30, 2025	CLOSED
Wednesday, December 31, 2025	CLOSED
Thursday, January 1, 2026	CLOSED
Friday, January 2, 2026	OPEN – 8:00am to 1:00pm

Clean Yards By-law Update

By-Law No. 2001-34 was enacted on September 27, 2001, under the provisions of the Municipal Act, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter M.45. This by-law has been in effect for 24 years and provided regulatory authority for the Municipality to address property maintenance, debris removal, and general standards for clean yards and vacant lands. Since the enactment of By-Law 2001-34, significant changes have occurred in municipal law. Most notably, the Municipal Act, 2001, S.O. 2001, c.25 replaced the previous Municipal Act in 2001, fundamentally changing the legislative framework under which municipalities operate.

The updated by-law has been written to reflect current best practices in municipal enforcement, incorporate modern definitions, and provide clearer guidance to property owners and enforcement officers. . The proposed by-law includes several significant updates and enhancements:

- Expansion and modernization of the definitions section.
- Specific standards have been included to address common nuisance complaints related to waste storage.
- Includes a clear prohibition on residential property being used for auto salvage or repair businesses unless properly zoned and permitted.
- The enhanced enforcement framework provides the By-Law Enforcement Officer with clear authority and multiple tools to ensure compliance.
- The continuing offence provisions provide stronger enforcement tools by allowing daily fines for ongoing violations.



- Provides clearer protection for legitimate farming operations by directly referencing provincial agricultural legislation.

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Upcoming Meetings

November 26, 2025 – 6:00 pm

December 5, 2025 (Budget) – 9:00 am

December 10, 2025 – 6:00 pm