



MINUTES

BUDGET COMMITTEE

THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF MISSISSAUGA

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TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 2011 – 1:36 PM

COUNCIL CHAMBER, 2nd FLOOR, CIVIC CENTRE
300 CITY CENTRE DRIVE, MISSISSAUGA, ONTARIO L5B 3C1

PRESENT:

Mayor Hazel McCallion	(Chair)
Councillor Jim Tovey	Ward 1
Councillor Pat Mullin	Ward 2
Councillor Chris Fonseca	Ward 3
Councillor Frank Dale	Ward 4
Councillor Eve Adams	Ward 5
Councillor Ron Starr	Ward 6
Councillor Nando Iannicca	Ward 7
Councillor Katie Mahoney	Ward 8
Councillor Pat Saito	Ward 9
Councillor Sue McFadden	Ward 10
Councillor George Carlson	Ward 11

STAFF PRESENT:

- Janice Baker, City Manager and Chief Administrative Officer
- Martin Powell, Commissioner, Transportation and Works
- Paul Mitcham, Commissioner, Community Services
- Ed Sajecki, Commissioner, Planning and Building
- Brenda Breault, Commissioner, Corporate Services and Treasurer
- Crystal Greer, Director of Legislative Services and City Clerk
- Karin Ann Brent, Legislative Coordinator, Office of the City Clerk

CALL TO ORDER – 1:36pm

DECLARATIONS OF (DIRECT OR INDIRECT) PECUNIARY INTEREST - Nil

APPROVAL OF AGENDA (Councillor Ron Starr)

DEPUTATIONS - Nil

CLOSED SESSION (Pursuant to subsection 239(2) of the *Municipal Act*)

Committee concurred to remain in Open Session and defer consideration of the information presented regarding Labour Negotiations, slated for consideration in a Closed Session.

A. labour relations or employee negotiations

(i) Labour Negotiations

MATTERS CONSIDERED

1. Responses to Enquiries - Budget Committee meetings January 17, 18, 24 and 25, 2011

A Memorandum dated January 26, 2011 from the Director of Legislative Services and City Clerk issued to Budget Committee at its meeting on January 31, 2011 presented a list of the requests and enquiries received at the Budget Committee meetings held on 17, 18, 24 and 25 January, 2011 was returned for reference to the responses provided with this agenda.

A copy of that list was marked to indicate the responses attached to the agenda for this meeting, and the items referenced to the respective action item, with notice that pending responses to other requests will be presented to Committee when that information becomes available.

Received for Information

Recommendation BC-0004-2011

2. Budget Options Available to Reduce the 2011 Tax Rate Increase

The Corporate Report dated January 27, 2011 from the City Manager and Chief Administrative Officer in response to Budget Committee's request on January 25, 2011 was returned for Budget Committee for options that might be considered to reduce the tax rate for 2011.

Committee reviewed the options set out in Appendix 1 of the subject Report. Committee deferred discussion on the options relative to pending discussion of labour issues at future Closed Session(s).

(2.)

Councillor Pat Saito moved that all new hires to non-union positions be on a one year contact basis. The motion carried.

Directive

Recommendation BC-0005-2011

Subsequently, Committee recommended the following for the 2011 budget related to growth initiatives:

- Remove Budget Request #64 *Infrastructure Asset Management Program Implementation – New Asset Inventories & Reporting* (\$43,000.).
- Reduce Budget Request #146 to \$75,000. for 2011 *City Centre Off-Street Parking* and report back with the results (\$25,000.)
- Defer Budget Request #61 *Garry W. Morden Centre Resources* to 2012 (\$83,000.)
- Remove Budget Request #144 *Data Analyst for Fire & Emergency Services* (\$54,000.)
- Remove Budget Request #309 *Animal Services Officer, Pet Owner Recovery Position* (\$66,000.).
- Remove Budget Request #327 *Support Growing Portfolio of Building Assets* (\$43,000.).
- Remove Budget Request #537 *Enhance Efficiency of HR Team, Administrative Support* (\$55,000.)
- Remove Budget Request #538 *Compensation Program Update* (\$75,000.)
- Remove Budget Request #546 *Management of Organizational Development Initiatives* (\$61,000.)

Directives

Recommendation BC-0006-2011

2. Next Steps

Committee gave direction to staff for a report back with information on the result of options recommended by Committee at this meeting, including recommendations on which options might be given priority.

Directive

OTHER BUSINESS - Nil

ADJOURNMENT – 5:19pm

REPORT 1-2011

TO: COUNCIL

The Budget Committee presents its first report for 2011 on the result of its consideration of the 2011-2014 Business Plan and Budget at its meetings held respectively on January 17, 18, 24 and January 25, February 1 and March 2, 2011, and recommends:

BC-0001-2011

1. That the following presentations to Budget Committee its meetings on January 17, 18 and 24, 2011, be received for information:
 - A deputation by Chris Mackie and Peter Walton of MIRANET's Municipal Finance Committee to Budget Committee on January 17, 2011.
 - A Corporate Report dated January 7, 2011 from the Commissioner of Transportation and Works providing supplementary information for Council's consideration of the proposed 2011 Budget.
 - A Corporate Report dated January 4, 2011 from the Commissioner of Community Services regarding invoicing residents for Fire and Emergency Services attendance at motor vehicle collisions.
 - A Corporate Report dated January 6, 2011 from the Commissioner of Transportation and Works with respect to re-establishing, and seeking additional funding to provide financial support for a community based mediation service in the City of Mississauga.

2. That respective PowerPoint presentations of the City of Mississauga 2011 to 2014 Business Plan and Budget for the respective service areas introduced to Budget Committee at its meetings on January 17, 18 and 24, 2011, be received for information:
 - A 2011 Budget Overview Update
 - B Roads, Storm Drainage and Water Courses
 - C Fire and Emergency Services
 - D Mississauga Transit
 - E Recreation and Parks
 - F Library Services
 - G Arts and Culture Services
 - H Land Development Services
 - I Facilities and Property Management
 - J Other Service Areas:
 - Legislative Services
 - Regulatory Services
 - Strategic Policy
 - Information Technology
 - Business Services
 - Financial Transactions

BC-0002-2011

That the following deputations and information presented to Budget Committee at its meeting on January 25, 2011, be received for information:

- A deputation by resident Darrel Carvalho including a PowerPoint presentation of his opinions about the potential impact of proposed tax increases and user fees for city recreation programs, in particular on senior adult residents with set incomes.
- A verbal deputation regarding user fees for baseball diamonds by Ed Zeagman, Vice-President of the Mississauga North Baseball Association.
- A verbal deputation and document presenting “Questions of Clarification regarding the Capital Budget 2011 – 2014” by Chris Mackie of MIRANET.
- A verbal deputation by resident John Cassan presenting suggestions for the City’s budget process.
- A PowerPoint presentation by the Commissioner of Corporate Services and Treasurer recapping the discussions of Budget Committee from its meeting held on January 17, 18 and 24 January 2011.
- A Memorandum dated January 20, 2011 from the Commissioner of Corporate Services and Treasurer about the city services review process as part of the business plan and budget preparation, along with information about service review considered by Budget Committee in 2008.

BC-0003-2011

That the following items presented to Budget Committee at its meeting on January 31, 2011, be received for information:

- A Memorandum dated January 26, 2011 from the Director of Legislative Services and City Clerk, presenting a list of the requests and enquiries emanating from the Budget Committee meetings held on January 17, 18 and 24 and January 25, 2011.
- A Memorandum dated January 27, 2011 from the Commissioner of Corporate Services and Treasurer regarding regional uploading of Toronto Tax and social benefit programs to the province.
- Memorandums responding to certain requests and enquiries of Budget Committee at its meetings held on January 17, 18 and 24 and January 25, 2011, charted as Action Items 7, 15, 16, 17, 20, 21, 22, 23,25, 26, 28, 29, 31, 38, 39, 40, 53, 54, 55, 57, 58, 60, 65 part 1, 67 and 69, respectively.
- A Memorandum dated January 27, 2011 from the Commissioner of Corporate Services and Treasurer responding to a request issued by General Committee at its meeting on January 21, 2011 seeking information comparing the City of Toronto gross tax supported operating budgets to the City of Mississauga and Region of Peel.
- A copy of an email dated January 12, 2011 from resident C.R. (Ray) Luft submitted to the attention of the City Manager with request that it be put to the record of the Public Budget Open House held on January 12, 2011,

BC-0004-2011

That the Memorandums presented to Budget Committee at its meeting on February 1, 2011, in response to Action Items 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 52 and 63 referenced in the Memorandum dated January 26, 2011 from the Director of Legislative Services and City Clerk emanating from the Budget Committee meetings on January 17, 18, 24 and 25, 2011, be received for information.

BC-0005-2011

That all new hires to non-union positions be on a one-year contact basis.

BC-0006-2011

That the following recommendations issued by Budget Committee at its meeting on February 1, 2011 out of its consideration of Appendix 1 to the Corporate Report dated January 27, 2011 and titled "Budget Options Available to Reduce the 2011 Tax Rate Increase" from the City Manager and Chief Administrative Officer, be approved:

- Remove Budget Request #64 *Infrastructure Asset Management Program Implementation – New Asset Inventories & Reporting* (\$43,000.).
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BC-0007-2011

That, further to discussion at the Budget Committee at its meeting on March 2, 2011 regarding Recommendation BC-0005-2011, staff be directed to report for approval on the new full-time non-union staff positions in the 2011 Budget that are recommended to be filled on a permanent basis.

BC-0008-2011

That the 2011 budget be approved, reflecting a property tax increase of 2.8% on the total residential tax bill.

BC-0009-2011

That the Members of Council forgo any economic adjustment to their salaries again for the year 2011.