



MEETING: Committee of the Whole

DATE: Tuesday, January 15, 2019

Reference No. COW – 8/50

OPEN SESSION in S.H. Blake Memorial Auditorium at 5:46 p.m.

Committee of the Whole - Special Session (2019 Capital and Operating Budget)

Chair: Councillor M. Bentz

PRESENT:

Mayor B. Mauro
Councillor A. Aiello
Councillor M. Bentz
Councillor S. Ch'ng
Councillor A. Foulds
Councillor C. Fraser
Councillor B. Hamilton
Councillor R. Johnson
Councillor B. McKinnon
Councillor K. Oliver
Councillor A. Ruberto
Councillor Peng You

OFFICIALS:

Ms. K. Power, Deputy City Clerk
Mr. N. Gale, City Manager
Ms. S. Tim, Deputy City Solicitor
Ms. L. Evans, General Manager – Corporate Services
& Long Term Care
Ms. K. Robertson, General Manager – Community
Services
Mr. M. Smith, General Manager – Development &
Emergency Services
Ms. D. Paris, Director – Finance
Ms. E. Westover, Manager – Budgets and Long Term
Planning (Acting)
Ms. K. Lewis, Director – Corporate Strategic
Services
Chief S. Hauth, Thunder Bay Police Service
Mr. W. Gates, Chief of EMS
Mr. J. Hay, Fire Chief
Mr. G. Hankkio, Deputy Fire Chief
Mr. J. DePeuter, Manager – Realty Services
Mr. D. Vincent, Manager – Licensing and
Enforcement
Mr. J. Paske, Supervisor – Parking Authority
Mr. G. Broere, Director – Asset Management
Ms. D. Sippala, Director – Recreation, Culture &
Municipal Child Care
Ms. L. Prentice, Manager – Community & Cultural
Development
Mr. B. Loroff, Manager – Transit Services

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DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

Councillor A. Aiello declared a conflict relative to 2019 Community, Youth, and Cultural Funding Program as he is Executive Director of the Boys & Girls Club.

CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA

Confirmation of Agenda - January 15, 2019 - Committee of the Whole - Special Session

MOVED BY: Mayor Bill Mauro
SECONDED BY: Councillor Shelby Ch'ng

With respect to the January 15, 2019 Committee of the Whole – Special Session meeting, we recommend that the agenda as printed, including any additional information and new business, be confirmed.

CARRIED

REPORTS OF MUNICIPAL OFFICERS

Proposed 2019 Operating and Capital Budget

Report No. R 1/2019 (Corporate Services & Long Term Care - Financial Services) relative to the Proposed 2019 Operating and Capital Budget.

Memorandums Received Relative to Report No. R 1/2019

Memorandum from Ms. E. Westover, Manager – Budgets & Long-Term Planning (Acting), dated December 20, 2018 attaching Section 1 – 2019 Budget Executive Summary; Section 2 – 2019 Tax Supported Operating and Capital Budget; and Section 3 – 2019 Rate Supported Operating & Capital Budget, distributed separately on Thursday, December 20, 2018.

Memorandum from Ms. E. Westover, Manager – Budgets & Long-Term Planning (Acting), dated December 20, 2018 attaching the Detailed Agendas for Budget Review, distributed separately on Thursday, December 20, 2018.

Memorandum from Ms. E. Westover, Manager – Budgets & Long-Term Planning (Acting), dated December 20, 2018 attaching the 2019 Budget Community Handbook, distributed separately on Thursday, December 20, 2018.

Memorandum from Ms. E. Westover, Manager – Budgets & Long-Term Planning (Acting), dated December 20, 2018 relative to 2019 Reserves and Reserve Fund Balances, distributed separately on Thursday, December 20, 2018.

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Confidential Memorandum from Ms. E. Westover, Manager – Budgets & Long-Term Planning (Acting), dated December 20, 2018 relative to Wage Contingency in 2019 Proposed Tax Supported Budget, distributed separately to Members of Council and EMT only on Thursday, December 20, 2018.

Memorandum from Ms. E. Westover, Manager - Budgets & Long-Term Planning (Acting), dated January 14, 2019 containing additional information relative to 2019 Proposed Budget for Police Services Board, distributed separately on Monday, January 14, 2019.

Additional information from Ms. J. Jumah relative to her deputation at the Public Pre-Budget Deputation meeting held on Thursday, January 10, 2019, distributed separately on Monday, January 14, 2019.

Additional information from Mr. R. Rea relative to his deputation at the Public Pre-Budget Deputation meeting held on Thursday, January 10, 2019, distributed separately on Monday, January 14, 2019.

Additional information from Ms. K. Banning entitled Dease Pool Renewal Proposal, dated January 14, 2019 relative to her deputation at the Public Pre-Budget Deputation meeting held on Thursday, January 10, 2019, distributed separately on Monday, January 14, 2019.

Memorandum from Ms. K. Robertson, General Manager - Community Services dated January 14 containing information relative to Dease Pool, distributed separately on Tuesday, January 15, 2019.

Memorandum from Ms. E. Westover, Manager - Budgets & Long-Term Planning (Acting), dated January 15, 2019 containing updated reserve fund balances, distributed separately on Tuesday, January 15, 2019.

Memorandum from Ms. E. Westover, Manager - Budgets & Long-Term Planning (Acting), dated January 15, 2019 containing 2019 budget amendments to date, distributed separately on Tuesday, January 15, 2019.

Resolution to Receive the Proposed 2019 Operating and Capital Budgets

MOVED BY: Councillor Cody Fraser
SECONDED BY: Councillor Brian Hamilton

With respect to Report No. R 1/2019 (Corporate Services & Long-Term Care – Financial Services), we recommend that the proposed 2019 Operating and Capital budgets for tax and rate supported operations be received for the consideration of Committee of the Whole.

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Budget Report No. R 1/2019 Resolution

Resolution as contained in Report No. R 1/2019.

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MOVED BY: Councillor Albert Aiello
SECONDED BY: Councillor Brian McKinnon

With respect to Report No. R 1/2019 (Corporate Services and Long Term Care - Financial Services), we recommend that the proposed 2019 Operating and Capital budgets for tax and rate supported operations be received for consideration of Committee of the Whole.

AND THAT the 2019 General Municipal Tax Supported Operating Budget be approved at \$303,695,200 gross and \$230,320,900 net;

AND THAT the following Business Improvement Area levies be approved:

1. Waterfront District B.I.A. \$81,500
2. Victoria Avenue B.I.A. \$60,000;

AND THAT the 2019 General Municipal Tax Supported Capital Budget be approved at \$55,528,550 gross with financing as follows:

Capital Outlay from Revenue (before EIRP)	15,359,300	
Enhanced Infrastructure Renewal Program	8,440,600	
Less Debenture Debt	<u>(7,284,400)</u>	
Net Capital Outlay from Revenue	\$16,515,500	
Debenture Debt	\$7,284,400	
Reserve & Reserve Funds:		
CIT Capital	611,600	
Clean Green and Beautiful	250,000	
EMS Vehicle & Equipment	769,600	
Fuel Farm	20,000	
Recreation Trails	39,000	
Renew Thunder Bay	4,400,000	
Stabilization	180,050	
Whalen Building	<u>200,000</u>	\$6,470,250
Subsidy:		
Federal Gas Tax	6,547,100	
Miscellaneous Federal Grants	612,950	
Miscellaneous Provincial Grants	125,000	
Municipal Cycling Grant	760,600	
Ontario Community Infrastructure Fund	5,490,000	
Provincial Gas Tax	<u>1,290,000</u>	\$14,825,650
Other Sources:		
Capital carryforward	1,037,250	
Recoveries and fees	2,395,500	
Other	<u>7,000,000</u>	<u>\$10,432,750</u>
Total 2019 Gross Tax Supported Capital Budget	<u>\$55,528,550</u>	

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AND THAT contributions to Capital reserve funds be approved at \$1,077,500;

AND THAT the 2019 Solid Waste (Landfill & Recycling) Operating Budget be approved at \$6,483,300 gross expenditure and \$396,800 net income, with a contribution to the Landfill reserve fund to result in \$0 net profit;

AND THAT the 2019 Solid Waste (Landfill & Recycling) Capital Budget be approved at \$1,455,000 gross and net, with the Landfill reserve fund, debenture and internal financing as the source of financing. The debenture and internal financing will depend upon the actual net operating contribution from the Landfill reserve fund for 2019;

AND THAT the 2019 Wastewater Operating Budget be approved at \$14,304,100 gross expenditure and \$4,964,600 net income, with a contribution to the Sewer Rate reserve fund to result in \$0 net profit;

AND THAT the 2019 Wastewater Capital Budget be approved at \$7,918,600 gross and net with the Sewer Rate reserve fund and debenture financing as the sources of financing. The debenture financing will depend upon the actual net operating contribution from the Sewer Rate reserve fund for 2019;

AND THAT the 2019 Waterworks Operating Budget be approved at \$19,021,700 gross expenditure and \$5,687,100 net income, with a contribution to the Waterworks reserve fund to result in \$0 net profit;

AND THAT the 2019 Waterworks Capital Budget be approved at \$11,821,200 gross and \$10,021,200 net with contributions from developer, the Waterworks Reserve Fund and debenture financing as the sources of financing. The debenture financing will depend upon the actual net operating contribution to the Waterworks reserve fund for 2019;

AND THAT the 2019 Prince Arthur's Landing – Boater Services Operating Budget be approved at \$319,000 gross expenditure and \$82,900 net income, with a contribution to the Marina (Boater Services) reserve fund to result in \$0 net profit;

AND THAT the 2019 Prince Arthur's Landing – Boater Services Capital Budget be approved at \$60,000 gross, with the Marina (Boater Services) reserve fund as the source of financing;

AND THAT the following User Fee increases and new fees be approved;

1. Recreation & Culture – various user fee changes resulting in an average 2.0% increase;
2. Parks – various campground fees, cemetery fees, field rentals and other fees to increase by approximately 3%;
3. Parks – new fees for use of sports fields of \$50 (less than 6 week season), \$100 (6-8 week season), \$300 (2-4 month season) and \$530 (greater than 4 month season);

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4. Corporate Services - Weigh scale fees to increase from \$20.35 each to \$21.24;
5. Parking Authority – parkade monthly rates will increase from \$54/month to \$55/month and surface lot monthly rates will increase from \$49/month to \$50/month, effective June 2019;
6. Solid Waste – tonnage charge for loads over 130kg will increase by 3% from \$74.71 to \$76.95/tonne;
7. Waterworks fixed and volumetric charges to increase by 3% effective April 1, 2019;
8. Other Waterworks and Wastewater charges related to consumption and services to be increased by 3% effective April 1, 2019;
9. Wastewater surcharge to remain at 90% of water fixed and volumetric charges;
10. Prince Arthur’s Landing – Boater Services fees to increase by 5% effective April 1, 2019;

AND THAT the any necessary By-laws be presented to Council for ratification including By-laws related to user fee changes.

TAB - OUTSIDE BOARDS

Community Economic Development Commission

Mr. D. Murray, CEO – CEDC appeared before Committee and responded to questions.

Thunder Bay District Health Unit

Mr. L. Dyll, Director of Corporate Services - Thunder Bay District Health Unit appeared before Committee and responded to questions.

The District of Thunder Bay Social Services Administration Board (DSSAB)

Victoriaville Centre

Mr. B. Phillips, Victoriaville Centre Manager and Mr. V. Glymitsas Business Development – Mirabelli Corporation appeared before Committee and responded to questions.

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Thunder Bay Police Services

Chief S. Hauth, Thunder Bay Police Service, Ms. C. Reitberger, Chair - Thunder Bay Police Services Board, Mr. T. Lockwood, Administrator - Thunder Bay Police Services Board and Ms. J. Caddo, Finance Manager - Thunder Bay Police Service appeared before Committee and responded to questions.

Amending Motion - Thunder Bay Police Services Board

Memorandum from Mr. J. Hannam, Secretary – Thunder Bay Police Services Board dated January 15, 2019 containing a motion relative to an amendment to the Thunder Bay Police Service Budget, distributed separately on Tuesday, December 15, 2019.

MOVED BY: Councillor Kristen Oliver
SECONDED BY: Mayor Bill Mauro

With respect to the Thunder Bay Police Services budget as submitted to City Council for the City of Thunder Bay, we recommend the budget be amended in the amount of \$1,082,500 in accordance with the presentation made by the Chief of Police at the January 15, 2019 Thunder Bay Police Services Board's Regular Session meeting.

Deferral Resolution - Thunder Bay Police Services Board

MOVED BY: Councillor Shelby Ch'ng
SECONDED BY: Councillor Cody Fraser

THAT the amending motion relative to Thunder Bay Police Services Board be deferred to the January 30, 2019 Committee of the Whole – Special Session.

CARRIED

Parking Authority

Recess

MOVED BY: Councillor Peng You
SECONDED BY: Councillor Cody Fraser

We recommend that City Council and Members of Administration take a five minute recess in order to participate in a beneficial tai chi stretching exercise.

CARRIED

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TAB - DEVELOPMENT AND EMERGENCY SERVICES

Amending Motion - Reduction of Spending - Fire Services

MOVED BY: Councillor Rebecca Johnson
SECONDED BY: Councillor Cody Fraser

With respect to Report No. R 1/2019 (Corporate Services and Long Term Care - Financial Services) Proposed 2019 Operating and Capital Budget we recommend that the Fire Services operating budget be decreased overall by 1 percent.

LOST

11:00 p.m. Resolution

MOVED BY: Councillor Kristen Oliver
SECONDED BY: Councillor Peng You

With respect to the hour being 11:00 p.m., that we continue with the business at hand.

CARRIED

Amending Motion - Overall Budget Upset Limit

MOVED BY: Mayor Bill Mauro
SECONDED BY: Councillor Brian McKinnon

With Respect to Report No. R 1/2019 (Corporate Services and Long Term Care – Financial Services) we recommend that an upset limit for the 2019 municipal tax levy increase of 1.75% after growth be the goal for the City of Thunder Bay’s 2019 Budget Process;

AND THAT Administration report back on or before January 30, 2019 relative to a projected plan to achieve the proposed decrease to the municipal tax levy increase;

AND THAT any necessary by-laws be presented to City Council for ratification.

CARRIED

TAB - COMMUNITY SERVICES

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Amending Motion - Art Bus(es) Project

At the December 10, 2018 Committee of the Whole meeting, a memorandum from Councillor A. Foulds, dated September 28, 2018 containing a motion relative to Art Buses was presented.

At that time, the motion relative to the above noted was referred to the 2019 Budget meetings.

MOVED BY: Councillor Andrew Foulds
SECONDED BY: Councillor Shelby Ch'ng

With Respect to creation of two new 'art busses', we recommend that \$50,000 be added to the Recreation and Culture budget for completion of this project;

AND THAT these funds be included for consideration in the 2019 Community Services Capital budget;

AND THAT Administration report back on proposed approaches to engage Indigenous youth and artists in creation of the design for first bus within existing priorities and budgets;

AND THAT any necessary by-laws be presented to City Council for ratification.

Referral Resolution - Art Bus(es) Project

MOVED BY: Councillor Rebecca Johnson
SECONDED BY: Councillor Cody Fraser

With respect to the memorandum from Councillor A. Foulds, dated September 28, 2018 we recommend that the resolution relative to Art Buses be referred to Clean, Green and Beautiful Committee.

CARRIED

12:00 a.m. Resolution

MOVED BY: Councillor Aldo Ruberto
SECONDED BY: Mayor Bill Mauro

With respect to the hour being 12:00 a.m., that we continue with the business at hand.

CARRIED

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Amending Motion - Reserve Fund Indoor Turf Facility

MOVED BY: Mayor Bill Mauro
SECONDED BY: Councillor Shelby Ch'ng

With respect to Report No. R 1/2019 (Corporate Services & Long Term Care – Financial Services) we recommend that the \$4,000,000 allocated in Renew Thunder Bay Reserve Fund be transferred to a newly established reserve fund specifically for Indoor Turf Facility;

AND THAT the source of funding for the proposed 2019 Indoor Turf Facility Capital Project be \$4,000,000 from the Indoor Turf Facility Reserve Fund and \$1,000,000 from other Revenue.

Amending Motion (2) - Reserve Fund Indoor Turf Facility

MOVED BY: Councillor Shelby Ch'ng
SECONDED BY: Mayor Bill Mauro

That the resolution relative to Indoor Turf Facility Reserve Fund be amended by adding the following after the second paragraph:

“AND THAT 100% of the City’s portion of the Municipal Accommodation Tax for the 2019 Budget year be allocated to the newly created Reserve Fund for the Indoor Turf Facility.”

CARRIED

Amended Amending Motion - Reserve Fund Indoor Turf Facility

MOVED BY: Mayor Bill Mauro
SECONDED BY: Councillor Shelby Ch'ng

With respect to Report No. R 1/2019 (Corporate Services & Long Term Care – Financial Services) we recommend that the \$4,000,000 allocated in Renew Thunder Bay Reserve Fund be transferred to a newly established reserve fund specifically for Indoor Turf Facility;

AND THAT the source of funding for the proposed 2019 Indoor Turf Facility Capital Project be \$4,000,000 from the Indoor Turf Facility Reserve Fund and \$1,000,000 from other Revenue;

AND THAT 100% of the City’s portion of the Municipal Accommodation Tax for the 2019 Budget year be allocated to the newly created Reserve Fund for the Indoor Turf Facility.

CARRIED

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2019 Community, Youth, and Cultural Funding Program

Report No. R 166/2019 (Community Services - Recreation & Culture) recommending the Community, Youth, and Cultural Funding Program allocations for the 2019 fiscal year was presented at the January 14, 2019 Committee of the Whole meeting.

The resolution relative to the above noted report was deferred to the January 15, 2019 Committee of the Whole - Special Session meeting.

MOVED BY: Councillor Brian Hamilton

SECONDED BY: Councillor Aldo Ruberto

With respect to Report No. R 166 (Community Services – Recreation and Culture), we recommend that, subject to approval of the 2019 operating budget, \$2,775,700 for the Community, Youth, and Cultural Funding Program grants for 2019 be allocated as follows:

Sustaining Grants

Community Funding

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| 1. Regional Food Distribution Association | \$ 90,000 |
| 2. Thunder Bay Emergency Shelter (Shelter House) | \$399,000 |

Youth Funding

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| 3. Boys & Girls Clubs of Thunder Bay | \$120,000 |
| 4. Children's Aid Society (Outreach Program) | \$ 69,100 |

Cultural Funding

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| 5. Definitely Superior Art Gallery | \$ 67,500 |
| 6. Magnus Theatre Company Northwest | \$134,700 |
| 7. Northwestern Ontario Sports Hall of Fame and Museum | \$ 69,100 |
| 8. Thunder Bay Art Gallery | \$266,200 |
| 9. Thunder Bay Community Auditorium | \$727,600 |
| 10. Thunder Bay Historical Museum | \$412,300 |
| 11. Thunder Bay Symphony Orchestra | \$244,700 |

Operating Grants

Community Funding

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| 12. Community Clothing Assistance | \$ 15,000 |
| 13. Lakehead Social Planning Council | \$ 31,000 |
| 14. New Directions Workers Resource Centre | \$ 17,500 |
| 15. Northwestern Ontario Women's Centre
(Good Food Box Program) | \$ 10,000 |

Youth Funding

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| 16. Evergreen a United Neighbourhood | \$ 30,000 |
| 17. Roots to Harvest | \$ 25,000 |

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Cultural Funding

18. Community Arts and Heritage Education Project (CAHEP) \$ 17,000

Project Grants

To be allocated within the 2019 fiscal year based on applications
received through two intakes in 2019 \$ 30,000

AND THAT the Grant Review Team's 2020 Operating Grant recommendations, to be presented for Council's consideration, not exceed \$160,000;

AND THAT the eligibility for Project Grants be expanded to include Community Sport on a pilot basis in 2019-2020, beginning with the October 2019 Project Grant application intake;

AND THAT any necessary By-laws be presented to City Council for ratification.

CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT

At 12:56 a.m. it was consensus of Committee to recess until Thursday, January 17, 2019 at 5:30 p.m.