



MEETING: Committee of the Whole

DATE: Tuesday, February 1, 2022

Reference No. 18/53

OPEN SESSION in S.H. Blake Memorial Auditorium at 5:04 p.m.

Committee of the Whole - Special Session
Chair: Councillor Mark Bentz

ELECTRONIC PARTICIPATION: OFFICIALS:

Mayor Bill Mauro
Councillor Albert Aiello
Councillor Mark Bentz
Councillor Shelby Ch'ng
Councillor Andrew Foulds
Councillor Cody Fraser
Councillor Trevor Giertuga
Councillor Brian Hamilton
Councillor Rebecca Johnson
Councillor Kristen Oliver
Councillor Aldo Ruberto
Councillor Peng You

Krista Power, City Clerk
Katie Piché, Council & Committee Clerk

OFFICIALS - ELECTRONIC PARTICIPATION:

Norm Gale, City Manager
Linda Evans, General Manager – Corporate Services
& Long Term Care & City Treasurer
Kerri Marshall, General Manager – Infrastructure &
Operations
Kelly Robertson, General Manager – Community
Services
Karen Lewis, General Manager – Development &
Emergency Services
Chief Sylvie Hauth, Thunder Bay Police Service
Dawn Paris, Director – Finance & Facilities - TBPS
Gerry Broere, Director – Facilities, Fleet & Energy
Management
Matthew Miedema, Acting Director – Engineering &
Operations
Leah Prentice, Director – Recreation & Culture
Emma Westover, Director – Financial Services
Cory Halvorson, Manager – Parks & Open Spaces
Mike Vogrig, Project Engineer
Moira Gallagher, Accountant – Financial Services

DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA

Confirmation of Agenda - February 1, 2022 - Committee of the Whole - Reconvened Special Session

MOVED BY: Councillor Kristen Oliver
SECONDED BY: Councillor Shelby Ch'ng

WITH RESPECT to the February 1, 2022 Committee of the Whole – Reconvened Special Session meeting, we recommend that the agenda as printed, including any additional information and new business, be confirmed.

CARRIED

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Unfinished business from the January 26, 2022 Committee of the Whole - Special Session meeting.

REPORTS OF MUNICIPAL OFFICERS

Proposed 2022 Capital and Operating Budget

Report R 1/2022 (Corporate Services & Long Term Care - Financial Services) relative to the proposed 2022 Capital and Operating Budget, was printed in the January 18, 2022 Committee of the Whole - Special Session agenda.

Memorandum from Emma Westover, Director – Financial Services, dated December 20, 2021 attaching detailed agendas for January 18, 20, 26 and February 1, 2022 meetings, 2022 Budget Executive Summary, 2022 Tax Supported Operating and Capital Budget, and 2022 Rate Supported Operating & Capital Budget was distributed separately on December 20, 2021.

Copy of PowerPoint from City Manager Norm Gale, providing follow up information relative to Historical Cost Containment 2016-2022 and Year End Variance through 2020, for information.

CAPITAL & OPERATING BUDGET REVIEW

Amendment to Budget - TBDSSAB Board Levy

Memorandum from Director - Financial Services Emma Westover, dated January 27, 2022, relative to Update - 2022 District of Thunder Bay Social Services Administration Board Levy.

MOVED BY: Mayor Bill Mauro
SECONDED BY: Councillor Albert Aiello

WITH RESPECT to Report R 1/2022 (Corporate Services and Long Term Care - Financial Services) Proposed 2022 Operating and Capital Budget we recommend that the District of Thunder Bay Social Services Administration Board budget be increased by \$43,275.

CARRIED

Amendment to Budget - New Ontario Health North Funding

Memorandum from General Manager – Corporate Services & Long Term Care & City Treasurer Linda Evans, dated January 28, 2022 relative to Proposed 2022 Budget Amendment – New Ontario Health North Funding.

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

WITH RESPECT to Report R 1/2022 (Corporate Services and Long Term Care – Financial Services) Proposed 2022 Operating and Capital Budget we recommend the Pioneer Ridge Capital Budget - Jasper Call System project be increased by \$20,500 to total \$90,500 and that the source of financing for the project be changed from Capital Out of Revenue to Provincial Grant;

AND THAT the 2022 Revenue Division Capital Budget – Tax Billing and Payment Software project be increased by \$70,000;

AND THAT the 2023 Revenue Division Capital Budget – Tax Billing and Payment Software project be decreased by \$70,000.

CARRIED

OVERALL BUDGET REVIEW AND DISCUSSION

Amendment to Budget - Community Services (Protective Netting - Indoor Arenas)

At the January 20, 2022 Budget meeting, this item was deferred until the February 1, 2022 Budget meeting.

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

WITH RESPECT to Report R 1/2022 (Corporate Services and Long Term Care - Financial Services) Proposed 2022 Operating and Capital Budget we recommend that the Proposed 2022 Operating and Capital Budget be amended to provide an addition of \$284,250 to supply and install protective safety netting in indoor arenas;

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

Amendment - Protective Netting - Indoor Arenas

MOVED BY: Councillor Andrew Foulds
SECONDED BY: Councillor Brian Hamilton

WITH RESPECT to the resolution presented on the installation of netting at indoor arenas, we recommend that the resolution be amended by deleting “\$284,250” and replacing it with “\$74,250” and deleting “indoor arenas” and replacing it with “Delaney, Port Arthur, Neebing, Current River and Grandview arenas”.

LOST

Original Resolution - Amendment to Budget - Community Services (Protective Netting - Indoor Arenas)

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

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

LOST

Thunder Bay Police Service

Memorandum from Chief Sylvie Hauth, dated January 28, 2022 containing follow up information relative to TBPS Comparison Data, for information.

Police Facility - Thunder Bay Police Services Board Request

At the January 26, 2022 Committee of the Whole Special Session meeting a budget amendment was presented as requested by the Thunder Bay Police Services Board via resolution passed at the Board’s January 25, 2022 meeting. This resolution requested reduction in the capital budget submission from \$56 million for the full project to \$2.4 million for capital work associated with a new Police Facility. At that time, the resolution was referred back to the Thunder Bay Police Services Board recommending that the original motion be referred to the Thunder Bay Police Service Board requesting consideration of the following:

- That the capital project of 56 million for the new Police Facility be removed from the 2022 budget;
- Establish a new project for Police Facility – Preliminary Work in the amount of \$2.4 million; and
- The Thunder Bay Police Services Board submit a 2023 Capital Project for construction of a new facility for consideration in the 2023 budget.

Memorandum from Director - Facilities, Fleet & Energy Management Gerry Broere dated January 27, 2022 relative to Police Campus – Project Advancement - Follow up Information.

Memorandum from City Clerk Krista Power, dated January 28, 2022 relative to Police Campus – Updated request for consideration from TBPSB.

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

WITH RESPECT to Report R 1/2022 (Corporate Services and Long Term Care - Financial Services) Proposed 2022 Operating and Capital Budget we recommend that the Proposed 2022 Operating and Capital Budget be amended as follows as requested by the Thunder Bay Police Services Board:

- 1) Deletion of the new Police Facility project at a cost of \$56 million from the Police Services Capital Budget
- 2) Addition of \$2.4 million to the Police Services Capital Budget to be used to fund preliminary work towards the proposed new Police Headquarters.

It was requested that Item 1 and Item 2 contained in the resolution be voted on separately.

Item 1 - Police Facility Request - Deletion of \$56 Million

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

WITH RESPECT to Report R 1/2022 (Corporate Services and Long Term Care - Financial Services) Proposed 2022 Operating and Capital Budget we recommend that the Proposed 2022 Operating and Capital Budget be amended as follows as requested by the Thunder Bay Police Services Board:

- 1) Deletion of the new Police Facility project at a cost of \$56 million from the Police Services Capital Budget.

CARRIED

Item 2 - Police Facility Request - Addition of \$2.4 Million

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

WITH RESPECT to Report R 1/2022 (Corporate Services and Long Term Care - Financial Services) Proposed 2022 Operating and Capital Budget we recommend that the Proposed 2022 Operating and Capital Budget be amended as follows as requested by the Thunder Bay Police Services Board:

- 2) Addition of \$2.4 million to the Police Services Capital Budget to be used to fund preliminary work towards the proposed new Police Headquarters.

Amendment – Police Facility Request – Addition of \$2.4 Million

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

WITH RESPECT to the Memorandum from City Clerk Krista Power, dated January 28, 2022 relative to an updated revised budget submission from the Thunder Bay Police Services Board dated January 28, 2022, we recommend that the following paragraph be added after item two –

“AND THAT the source of funding be Renew Thunder Bay, notwithstanding the criteria established in the Renew Thunder Bay – Strategic Infrastructure Plan.”

CARRIED

Amended Resolution - Addition to \$2.4 Million

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

WITH RESPECT to Report R 1/2022 (Corporate Services and Long Term Care - Financial Services) Proposed 2022 Operating and Capital Budget we recommend that the Proposed 2022 Operating and Capital Budget be amended as follows as requested by the Thunder Bay Police Services Board:

- Addition of \$2.4 million to the Police Services Capital Budget to be used to fund preliminary work towards the proposed new Police Headquarters;

AND THAT the source of funding be Renew Thunder Bay, notwithstanding the criteria established in the Renew Thunder Bay – Strategic Infrastructure Plan.

CARRIED

Amendment to Budget – Engineering & Operations (Chip Seal Roads)

Memorandum from Councillor Albert Aiello, dated January 28, 2022 containing a motion relative to Amendment to Budget – Chip Seal Roads.

MOVED BY: Councillor Albert Aiello
SECONDED BY: Councillor Trevor Giertuga

WITH RESPECT to Report 1/2022 (Corporate Services & Long-Term Care – Financial Services) we recommend that the chipseal budget be increased by \$75,000 in order to provide greater resurfacing of rural roads;

AND THAT Administration consider increasing this budget annually in future years to increase the amount of work that can be completed in-year.

CARRIED

Amendment to Budget – Recreation & Culture (Public Art)

Memorandum from Councillor Brian Hamilton, dated January 31, 2022 containing a motion relative to Amendment to Budget – Public Art.

MOVED BY: Councillor Brian Hamilton
SECONDED BY: Councillor Andrew Foulds

WITH RESPECT to Report 1/2022 (Corporate Services & Long-Term Care – Financial Services) we recommend that the Community Services Budget (Public Art Budget) be increased by \$50,000 with a one-time expansion in order to provide support for a higher number of projects in 2022;

AND THAT Administration consider increasing this budget annually in future years to increase the amount of work that can be completed annually.

LOST

At the request of the Chair, Councillor Brian Hamilton assumed the Chair.

Amendment to Budget – Engineering & Operations (Vickers/Carrick Street Bridge)

Memorandum from Councillor Mark Bentz, dated January 28, 2022 containing a motion relative to the Budget Amendment - Vickers/Carrick Street Bridge.

MOVED BY: Councillor Mark Bentz
SECONDED BY: Councillor Peng You

WITH RESPECT to Report 1/2022 (Corporate Services & Long-Term Care – Financial Services) we recommend that the Infrastructure and Operations budget be amended by reallocating the \$120,000 allocated for the Vickers/Carrick Street bridge design to the recreational trail maintenance budget;

AND THAT the design work be deferred until 2023 to allow for further negotiations and work to establish a partnership with CN to achieve a joint crossing on the Neebing-McIntyre Floodway;

AND THAT, Administration, with the assistance the Inter-Governmental Affairs Committee as needed, pursue dialog with CN Rail to explore such a partnership.

LOST

Councillor Mark Bentz resumed the Chair.

Budget Report R 1/2022 Amended Resolution

Amended 2022 Budget Resolution:

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

WITH RESPECT to Report R 1/2022 (Corporate Services and Long Term Care - Financial Services), we recommend that the proposed 2022 Operating and Capital budgets for tax and rate supported operations be received for consideration of Committee of the Whole;

AND THAT the 2022 General Municipal Tax Supported Operating Budget be approved at \$329,071,000 gross and \$248,563,500 net;

AND THAT the following Business Improvement Area levies be approved:

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| 1. | Waterfront District B.I.A. | \$101,500 |
| 2. | Victoria Avenue B.I.A. | \$60,000; |

AND THAT the 2022 General Municipal Tax Supported Capital Budget be approved at \$71,025,700 gross with financing as follows:

Capital Financed by the Tax Levy (before EIRP and Debenture)	16,239,600	
Enhanced Infrastructure Renewal Program (EIRP)	8,440,600	
Less Debenture Debt	<u>(7,284,400)</u>	
Net Capital Financed by the Tax Levy		\$17,395,800
Debenture Debt (Annual)		\$7,284,400
Reserve & Reserve Funds:		
Fifty-Five Plus Centre Endowment	25,000	
Capital General	3,310,000	
Capital Transit	35,200	
Corporate Information Technology	412,100	
Clean Green and Beautiful	220,000	
Corporate Energy Innovation	50,000	
Dedicated Gas Tax (Obligatory)	2,056,084	
Equipment Replacement	540,000	
EMS Vehicle & Equipment	855,000	
Canada Community Building Fund (Obligatory)	12,684,700	
Ontario Community Infrastructure Fund (OCIF)	10,000,000	
Municipal Accommodation Tax	12,000	
Recreation Trails	39,500	
Renew Thunder Bay	3,050,000	
		\$33,289,584
Subsidy:		
Disaster Mitigation & Adaptation Funding	767,000	
Federal Grants – Miscellaneous	230,000	
NORD Funding	800,000	
FedNor Grant	296,096	
Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program (ICIP) - Transit Stream	6,839,660	
Provincial Grants – Miscellaneous	882,504	
		\$9,815,260
Other Sources:		
Capital carry forward	85,000	
Recoveries and fees	2,549,300	
Other	<u>606,356</u>	<u>\$3,240,656</u>

Total 2022 Gross Tax Supported Capital Budget \$71,025,700

AND THAT contributions to Capital reserve funds supported by the tax levy be approved at \$2,051,700;

AND THAT the 2022 Solid Waste (Landfill Operations) Operating Budget be approved at \$3,011,300 gross expenditure and \$1,238,100 net income, with a contribution to the Landfill reserve fund to result in \$0 net profit;

AND THAT the 2022 Solid Waste (Landfill Operations) Capital Budget be approved at \$460,900 gross, with the Landfill reserve fund as the source of financing;

AND THAT the 2022 Wastewater Operating Budget be approved at \$15,087,800 gross expenditure and \$6,325,300 net income, with a contribution to the Sewer Rate reserve fund to result in \$0 net profit;

AND THAT the 2022 Wastewater Capital Budget be approved at \$14,430,500 gross, with financing from the Sewer Rate reserve fund (\$5,922,500), debenture debt (\$8,000,000) and Disaster Mitigation & Adaptation grant funding (\$508,000);

AND THAT the 2022 Waterworks Operating Budget be approved at \$19,960,200 gross expenditure and \$8,042,000 net income, with a contribution to the Waterworks reserve fund to result in \$0 net profit;

AND THAT the 2022 Waterworks Capital Budget be approved at \$12,606,000 gross, with financing from the Waterworks reserve fund (\$8,406,000) and debenture debt (\$4,200,000);

AND THAT the 2022 Prince Arthur's Landing – Boater Services Operating Budget be approved at \$342,200 gross expenditure and \$92,600 net income, with a contribution to the Marina (Boater Services) reserve fund to result in \$0 net profit;

AND THAT the 2022 Prince Arthur's Landing – Boater Services Capital Budget be approved at \$360,000 gross, with financing from the Marina (Boater Services) reserve fund (\$60,000) and debenture debt (\$300,000);

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

1. Child Care –2.0-2.8% increase in fees;
2. Transit – \$2.50 increase to adult monthly pass fee, effective April 1, 2022;
3. Recreation & Culture – various user fee changes on average 2.8% increase;
4. Recreation & Culture – various new user fees such as advertising fees at arenas, new fitness and swim lesson, additional child care fees at Canada Games Complex (CGC) and new swim lane fees at CGC;
5. Supply Management – weigh scale fee increased by 1.1%;

6. Revenue – new user fees added for water final disconnection notice and water service representative property visit – no turn off fee;
7. Long Term Care and Senior Services – Jasper single tenant fee – per day to increase 6.0% and Jasper double tenant fee – per day to increase 6.4%;
8. Long Term Care and Senior Services – fees for extra tenant meals (per meal) to increase 9.8% and guest meals (per meal) to increase 9.0%;
9. Long Term Care and Senior Services – Meals on Wheels (per meal) fee to increase 10.3%;
10. City Solicitor & Corporate Counsel – Registrations fee to increase by 2.0%;
11. Planning – majority of user fees to increase by 2.0%;
12. Engineering – \$5 increase to multiple user fees including tender package, engineering development standards documentation, heavy/oversize load permits, driveway permit applications, and street closures application processing;
13. Engineering – Subdivision Agreement Review & Administration to Final Acceptance – Per Stage fee to increase by 2.0%;
14. Parks – fee for adult organized league activities (charge per team for season) – outdoor rinks to increase by 2.0%;
15. Parks – some cemetery and campground user fees to increase by approximately 2.8% on average;
16. Parks – some recreation facilities fees to increase by approximately 2.8% on average;
17. Parks – new user fees added for Pool 6 including cruise ship docking, passenger fees and miscellaneous services;
18. Parks – golf - various user fee increases, reduction of \$0.89 (16.8%) to pull cart (round) fee and removal of golf Season pass for adults and older adults double (Monday to Friday until 4:00pm) fee and removal and replacement of 9 and 18 Hole Golf Power Cart Fees (round) with Power Cart Trail Fee (round);
19. Solid Waste – Multi-residential and Commercial pickup fees to increase by \$0.50 per pickup;
20. Solid Waste – tonnage charge for loads over 120kg to increase by 3% from \$81.64 to \$84.09/tonne;
21. Solid Waste – Other user fees including dumping charges (excluding passenger vehicles), non-residential user pay schedule (per trip), special commodities over 200kg and minimum charge and weight certificate for vehicle for waste requiring pit handling increased by approximately 3% on average;
22. Parking Authority – parkade monthly rates will increase from \$62.50/month to \$65.00/month effective June 2022;
23. Waterworks fixed and volumetric charges to increase by 3.0% effective April 1, 2022;
24. Other Waterworks charges related to consumption and services to be increased by 3.0% effective April 1, 2022;
25. Wastewater surcharge to remain at 90% of water fixed and volumetric charges;
26. Wastewater – new user fee added for Emergency/After-Hours/Weekend/Holiday Laboratory Opening Fee based on cost recovery;
27. Prince Arthur’s Landing – Boater Services fees to increase by 5% on average effective April 1, 2022;

AND THAT the “Additional Financial Disclosure Requirements Pursuant to Ontario Regulation 284/09” be received for information purposes;

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

CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 9:33 p.m.