



MINUTES

Corporation of the City of Cambridge

Budget and Audit Committee

Date: December 19, 2023, 9:30 a.m.

Location: Council Chambers

Council Members In Attendance: Councillor Devine - Ward 2, Councillor Kimpson - Ward 3, Councillor Earnshaw - Ward 4, Councillor Roberts - Ward 5, Councillor Cooper - Ward 6, Councillor Hamilton - Ward 7, Councillor Ermeta - Ward 8, Mayor Liggett, Councillor Shwery - Ward 1

Staff Members in Attendance: David Calder - City Manager, Hardy Bromberg, Deputy City Manager - Community Development, Yogesh Shah, Deputy City Manager - Infrastructure Services, Sheryl Ayres - Chief Financial Officer, Danielle Manton - City Clerk, Jennifer Shaw - Deputy City Clerk, Maria Barrantes Barreto - Council Committee Services Coordinator, Nicole Auty - Assistant City Solicitor, Jamie Croft - Manger of Infrastructure Engineering, Andrew Martin - Director of Engineering, Mike Hausser - Director of Operations, Damond Jamieson - Deputy Fire Chief - Administration, Lesley Head - Director of Recreation and Culture, Mohammad Mamun - Chief Information Officer, Mike Parsons - Director of Environmental Services, Karen Pepper - Director, Mayor and Council Operations and Initiatives, Jenna Brown-Jowett - Director of Corporate Strategy, Joan Jylanne - Manager of Policy Planning, Tanya Gies - Chief Building Official, Mike Launslager - Director of Economic Development, Allison Jones - Acting Director of Communications, Shenna Pawliwec - Director of Finance and Deputy Treasurer, Victoria Terella - Manager of Financial Planning, Lisa MacInnis - Senior Financial Analyst - Budgets, Kifayyat Ali - Senior Financial Analyst - Budgets, Angela Witkowski - Senior Financial Analyst - Budgets, Sarah Kamenz - Financial Analyst - Budgets, Mary Kennedy - PMO Analyst, Rutvik Shah - Network Administrator and Chrissy Hodgins - CEO - Idea Exchange

Others in Attendance: None.

1. Meeting Called to Order

2. Disclosures of Pecuniary Interest

None.

3. Presentations

3.1 Sheryl Ayres, Chief Financial Officer re: 2024 Draft Budget and Business Plan

4. Consideration of Reports

4.1 23-145-CRS 2024 Municipal User Fees and Charges

Motion: 23-420

Moved by Councillor Devine

Seconded by Councillor Cooper

Amendment

THAT the water and wastewater rates as per Report 23-145-CRS Appendix A be approved at an overall 3 per cent increase.

In Favour (3): Councillor Shwery, Councillor Devine and Councillor Ermeta

Opposed (6): Councillor Kimpson, Councillor Earnshaw, Councillor Roberts, Councillor Cooper, Councillor Hamilton and Mayor Liggett

Defeated (3 to 6)

Motion: 23-419

Moved by Councillor Kimpson

Seconded by Councillor Hamilton

THAT Report 23-145-CRS 2024 Municipal User Fees and Charges be received;

AND THAT the Municipal User Fees and Charges by-law as per 23-145-CRS Appendix A be approved.

In Favour (7): Councillor Kimpson, Councillor Earnshaw, Councillor Roberts, Councillor Cooper, Councillor Hamilton, Councillor Ermeta and Mayor Liggett

Opposed (2): Councillor Shwery and Councillor Devine

Carried (7 to 2)

4.2 23-033-IFS Capital Projects Pre-approval

Motion: 23-421

Moved by Councillor Kimpson
Seconded by Councillor Devine

Deferral

THAT consideration of the Fire Equipment Growth Vehicle Project A/01461-10 be deferred to the 2024 Budget deliberations in February.

In Favour (8): Councillor Shwery, Councillor Devine, Councillor Kimpson, Councillor Earnshaw, Councillor Roberts, Councillor Hamilton, Councillor Ermeta and Mayor Liggett

Opposed (1): Councillor Cooper

Carried (8 to 1)

Motion: 23-422

Moved by Councillor Earnshaw
Seconded by Councillor Shwery

THAT Report 23-033-IFS 2024 Capital Projects Pre-approval be received;
AND THAT the capital project expenditures and revenue sources identified in report 23-033-IFS 2024 Capital Project Pre-approval be approved **with the exception of the deferred Fire Equipment Growth Vehicle Project #A/01461-10 Fire vehicle purchase.**

AND THAT the changes to the 2024 Draft Budget and Business Plan identified in report 23-033-IFS 2024 Capital Project Pre-approval be made in the 2024 Approved Budget and Business Plan.

In Favour (8): Councillor Shwery, Councillor Kimpson, Councillor Earnshaw, Councillor Roberts, Councillor Cooper, Councillor Hamilton, Councillor Ermeta and Mayor Liggett

Opposed (1): Councillor Devine

Carried (8 to 1)

5. Correspondence

6. Motion to Receive Correspondence and Presentations

Motion: 23-423

Moved by Councillor Roberts

Seconded by Councillor Cooper

THAT all presentations and correspondence from the December 19th, 2023, Budget and Audit Committee meeting be received.

In Favour (9): Councillor Shwery, Councillor Devine, Councillor Kimpson, Councillor Earnshaw, Councillor Roberts, Councillor Cooper, Councillor Hamilton, Councillor Ermeta and Mayor Liggett.

Carried (9 to 0)

7. Adjournment

Motion: 23-424

Moved by Councillor Devine

Seconded by Councillor Earnshaw

THAT the Budget and Audit Committee meeting does now adjourn at 12:26 p.m.

In Favour (9): Councillor Devine, Councillor Kimpson, Councillor Earnshaw, Councillor Roberts, Councillor Cooper, Councillor Hamilton, Councillor Ermeta, Mayor Liggett, and Councillor Shwery

Carried (9 to 0)

Mayor

Clerk