

### **Budget Committee of the Whole Meeting**

#### **Minutes**

BCW#04-19 Tuesday, February 26, 2019, 1:00 p.m. Council Chambers 225 East Beaver Creek Road Richmond Hill, Ontario

Committee Members Present: Mayor Barrow

Regional and Local Councillor Perrelli

Regional and Local Councillor DiPaola (Chair)

Councillor Beros
Councillor Muench
Councillor Liu
Councillor West
Councillor Cilevitz
Councillor Chan

#### Staff Members Present:

- N. Garbe, Chief Administrative Officer
- I. Brutto, Commissioner of Environment and Infrastructure Services
- M. Dempster, Commissioner of Corporate and Financial Services
- I. Simanovskis, Commissioner of Community Services
- K. Kwan, Commissioner of Planning and Regulatory Services
- S. Adams, Director, Human Resources
- J. DeVries, Director of Regulatory Services and Chief Building Official
- D. Dexter. Director of Financial Services and Treasurer
- A. Dimilta, Town Solicitor
- G. Galanis, Director, Development Planning
- M. Gandhi, Director, Strategic Initiatives
- S. Huycke, Director, Legislative Services/Town Clerk
- D. Joslin, Director, Recreation and Culture
- S. Kraft, Fire Chief
- P. Lee, Director, Policy Planning
- P. Masaro, Director, Design and Construction Services
- T. Ricketts, Director, Corporate Asset Management and Environment Services
- T. Steele, Director, By-law and Licensing Enforcement

- G. Taylor, Director, Public Works Operations
- D. Terzievski, Director, Development Engineering and Transportation
- D. Alexander, Manager, Access Richmond Hill
- B. Ellsworth, Deputy Fire Chief Support Services
- P. Guerreiro, Manager, Development Engineering (Site Plans, Infill and High Rise)
- R. Hui, Manager, Transportation
- R. Jones, Manager, Application Services
- C. Moore, Manager, Communication Services
- D. Olding, Manager, Grants and Strategic Initiatives
- D. Oliveira, Manager, Water and Wastewater
- C. Stone, Manager, Revenue
- J. Goodwin-Hall, Supervisor, Support Services
- J. Concepcion, Financial Management Advisor
- M. Lam, Financial Management Advisor
- H. Leung, Financial Management Advisor
- A. Li, Financial Management Advisor
- A. Daneshvar, Administrative Assistant to Members of Council
- J. Hambleton, Administrative Assistant To Members Of Council
- S. Margolin, Administrative Assistant to Members of Council
- L. Hood, Communications Advisor
- J. Hypolite, IT Service Desk Technical Analyst
- G. Collier, Deputy Town Clerk
- K. Hurley, Council/Committee Coordinator
- L. Procter Maio, Chief Executive Officer, Richmond Hill Public Library
- M. Celsie, Director, Content, Richmond Hill Public Library
- C. Charles, Director, Community Connections, Richmond Hill Public Library
- B. Ransom, Director, Customer Experiences, Richmond Hill Public Library
- N. Ahmed, Manager, Business Services, Richmond Hill Public Library

# 1. Adoption of Agenda

Moved by: Councillor Beros

That the agenda be adopted as distributed by the Clerk with the following addition:

a) Correspondence received regarding the draft 2019 Operating Budget for the Town of Richmond Hill - Item 4.2

Carried

## 2. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and General Nature Thereof

There were no disclosures of pecuniary interest by members of Council under the *Municipal Conflict of Interest Act*.

## 3. Delegations

There were no delegations.

#### 4. Scheduled Business

### 4.1 SRCFS.19.005 - 2019 Operating Budget

David Dexter, Director, Financial Services and Treasurer, made a presentation to provide a status update on the 2019 draft Operating Budget. He reviewed 2018 investment income, growth data for Richmond Hill specific to population and number of households, infrastructure growth, and operating budget considerations. D. Dexter concluded the presentation by providing a financial outlook for the years 2020 to 2022.

Moved by: Councillor Liu

a) That the 2019 draft Operating Budget for the Richmond Hill Public Library Board be approved at an increase of 5.9% from the 2018 operating budget.

Motion Failed to Carry

Moved by: Councillor Chan

a) That the 2019 draft Operating Budget for the Richmond Hill Public Library Board be approved at an increase of 3.87% from the 2018 operating budget to maintain the library service level.

A recorded vote was taken:

In favour: (4): Councillor Liu, Councillor West, Mayor Barrow, Councillor Chan

Opposed: (5): Regional and Local Councillor Perrelli, Councillor Cilevitz, Regional and Local Councillor DiPaola, Councillor Muench, Councillor Beros

Motion Failed to Carry (4 to 5)

Moved by: Regional and Local Councillor Perrelli

a) That new staffing requests start date of July 1, 2019 be delayed to October 1, 2019.

Carried Unanimously

Moved by: Councillor Cilevitz

 a) That the new staffing request for Council Support be deleted from the 2019 draft Operating Budget for the Corporate and Financial Services Department.

A recorded vote was taken:

In favour: (3): Councillor Cilevitz, Councillor Chan, Councillor West

Opposed: (6): Mayor Barrow, Regional and Local Councillor DiPaola, Councillor Liu, Councillor Beros, Regional and Local Councillor Perrelli, Councillor Muench

Motion Failed to Carry (3 to 6)

Moved by: Councillor Muench

a) That the 2019 business case for 4 firefighter positions in the Community Services Department 2019 draft Operating Budget be approved, and delay the hiring until Council provides direction to staff.

Carried

Moved by: Councillor Liu

a) That the new staffing request for Council Support for Local Councillor administrative support be increased from \$10,000 to \$25,000 in the 2019 draft Operating Budget for the Corporate and Financial Services Department.

A recorded vote was taken:

In favour: (6): Councillor Liu, Regional and Local Councillor Perrelli, Councillor Beros, Councillor Muench, Mayor Barrow, Regional and Local Councillor DiPaola

Opposed: (3): Councillor Chan, Councillor West, Councillor Cilevitz

Carried (6 to 3)

Moved by: Councillor Beros

a) That the 2019 draft Town operating budget be recommended to Special Council with the adjustments approved by Budget Committee of the Whole.

Carried Unanimously

## 5. Adjournment

Moved by: Regional and Local Councillor Perrelli

That the meeting be adjourned.

# Carried Unanimously

The meeting was adjourned at 3:34 p.m.