



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

### **Minutes**

**BCW#03-25**

**Tuesday, September 16, 2025, 1:30 p.m.**

**Council Chambers**

**225 East Beaver Creek Road**

**Richmond Hill, Ontario**

A Budget Committee of the Whole meeting of the Council of the City of Richmond Hill was held on Tuesday, September 16, 2025 at 1:30 p.m. in Council Chambers via videoconference.

Committee Members present in Council Chambers:

Regional and Local Councillor DiPaola (Chair)  
Mayor West (Vice-Chair)  
Regional and Local Councillor Chan  
Councillor Davidson  
Councillor Thompson  
Councillor Liu  
Councillor Cilevitz  
Councillor Shiu

Committee Member present via videoconference:

Councillor Cui

Staff Members present in Council Chambers:

D. Joslin, City Manager  
S. Adams, Commissioner of Corporate and Financial Services  
G. Galanis, Commissioner of Planning and Building Services  
P. Masaro, Commissioner of Infrastructure and Engineering Services  
T. Steele, Commissioner of Community Services  
B. Gorman, Chief Executive Officer, RHPL  
S. Huycke, Director, Legislative Services/City Clerk  
G. Li, Director, Financial Services and Treasurer  
L. Chen, Manager, Financial Planning and Analysis  
A. Li, Financial Management Advisor  
S. Wang, Financial Management Advisor

B. Yu, Financial Management Advisor  
R. Ban, Deputy City Clerk  
K. Hurley, Council/Committee Coordinator  
C. Connolly, Legislative Services Assistant

Staff Members present via videoconference:

C. Debi, Director, Communications Services  
D. Hearn, Director, Recreation and Culture  
A. Ierullo, Director, Economic Development and Richmond Hill Centre  
N. Khan, Director, Building Division and Chief Building Official  
J. Manhas, Director, Strategy Transformation and Organizational Performance  
F. Quarisa, Director, Public Works Operations  
T. Raeburn, Deputy Fire Chief - Support Services  
F. Suppa, Director, Infrastructure Planning and Development Engineering  
B. Yu, Financial Management Advisor

**1. Call to Order**

The Chair called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.

**2. Adoption of Agenda**

Moved by: Councillor Liu

That the agenda be adopted as distributed by the Clerk.

Carried

**3. Disclosures 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*.

**4. Delegation(s)**

There were no delegations.

**5. Scheduled Business**

**5.1 SRCFS.25.036 - 2025 Year-End Operating Forecast**

Gigi Li, Director, Financial Services and Treasurer, made a presentation to Committee regarding the 2025 Year-End Operating Forecast. She provided an overview of the Operating Budget Forecast for 2025 by Department, explaining the favourable and unfavourable budget variances, and reviewed both the 2025 Water and Wastewater Forecast

and 2025 Stormwater Management Forecast. G. Li concluded the presentation by advising that staff's recommendation was to receive the staff report for information purposes.

Moved by: Councillor Davidson

a) That staff report SRCFS.25.036 regarding 2025 Year-End Operating Forecast be received for information purposes.

Carried Unanimously

## **5.2 SRCFS.25.037 - 2026 Budget Survey Results**

Gigi Li, Director, Financial Services and Treasurer, made a presentation to Committee regarding the 2026 Budget Survey Results. She provided background information including the engagement approach that was undertaken in accordance with Council's endorsed budget engagement strategy and highlighted the survey participation and results. G. Li concluded the presentation by reviewing the learnings and recommendations that arose from the survey, next steps in the process and staff's recommendations as outlined in the staff report.

Moved by: Regional and Local Councillor Chan

a) That staff report SRCFS.25.037 regarding 2026 Budget Survey Results be received for information purposes and for consideration by staff in the staff proposed 2026 Budget;

b) That future annual online budget surveys commence in September, with results reviewed by staff and, where applicable, integrated into the proposed budget ahead of budget deliberations.

Carried Unanimously

## **6. Adjournment**

Moved by: Councillor Liu

That the meeting be adjourned

Carried

The meeting was adjourned at 2:44 p.m.