



City of Barrie

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Minutes - Final General Committee

Monday, November 4, 2019

5:00 PM

Council Chamber

GENERAL COMMITTEE REPORT

For consideration by Barrie City Council on November 25, 2019.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Lehman at 5:03 p.m. The following were in attendance for the meeting:

Present: 9 - Mayor, J. Lehman
Deputy Mayor, B. Ward
Councillor, K. Aylwin
Councillor, R. Thomson
Councillor, N. Harris
Councillor, G. Harvey
Councillor, J. Harris
Councillor, S. Morales
Councillor, M. McCann

Absent: 1 - Councillor, C. Riepma

STAFF:

Acting Deputy City Clerk, T. McArthur
Chief Administrative Officer, M. Prowse
City Clerk/Director of Legislative and Court Services, W. Cooke
Director of Engineering, B. Araniyasundaran
Director of Finance/Treasurer, C. Millar
Director of Human Resources, A.M. Langlois
Director of Information Technology, R. Nolan
Director of Planning and Building Services, M. Banfield
Director of Roads, Parks and Fleet, D. Friary
Director of Transit and Parking Strategy, B. Forsyth
Executive Director of Access Barrie, R. James-Reid
Executive Director of Invest Barrie, Z. Lifshiz
General Manager of Community and Corporate Services, D. McAlpine
General Manager of Infrastructure and Growth Management, A. Miller

Investment Analyst, J. Bayley
Manager of Business Planning and Budgets, M. Jerney
Portfolio Manager, T. Rayaisse
Senior Manager of Corporate Finance and Investments, J. Cowles
Service Desk Specialist, T. Versteeg
Supervisor of Development Charges, M. Villeneuve.

The General Committee met and reports as follows:

19-G-323 2020 BUSINESS PLAN AND OPERATING BUDGET PRESENTATION

C. Millar, Director of Finance/Treasurer provided a presentation on the 2020 Business Plan and Operating Budget.

Mr. Millar discussed slides concerning the following topics:

- An overview on the 2020 Business Plan associated to the Operating Budget;
- The 2020 Business Plan Process;
- The 2020 Budget Directions related to Operating;
- A chart illustrating a summary of the proposed 2020 Tax Budget Changes;
- The User Rate Budgets for water, wastewater and parking;
- An overview on the 2020 Business Plan associated to the Capital Plan;
- A financial outlook associated to the City's "AA" credit rating from S&P Global Ratings;
- The 2020 Budget Directions related to the Capital Plan from 2020 - 2029;
- The Capital Prioritization Process;
- The Capital Plan key projects;
- A chart illustrating how the 2019 - 2024 Capital Plan is to be funded;
- The forecasted debt levels between 2019 - 2024; and
- The next steps in the 2020 Budget Process.

Members of General Committee asked a number of questions of City staff and received responses related to the following:

- The urbanization of the Secondary Plans and access to existing neighbourhoods municipal services;
- Further clarification on:
 - The calculations of the proposed Tax Budget Changes;
 - The forecasted Debt Levels and related to Development Charges, water and wastewater;
 - The User Rate Budgets associated to parking rates;
 - The impacts of provincial funding cuts and downloading; and
 - The capital costs, tax capital reserve an associated debt associated with new infrastructure and infrastructure renewal.

This matter was recommended to City Council for consideration of receipt at its meeting to be held on 11/25/2019.

ENQUIRIES

Members of General Committee did not address any enquires to City staff.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Members of General Committee did not provide any announcements.

The meeting adjourned at 5:43 p.m.

CHAIRMAN