



Location:	Council Chamber, Tom Davies Square
Commencement:	4:02 PM
Adjournment:	7:17 PM

## Minutes

**For the 20<sup>th</sup> Finance Committee Meeting held  
Monday, December 5, 2011**

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### Chair

#### **COUNCILLOR TERRY KETT, IN THE CHAIR**

### Present

Councillors Cimino; Barbeau; Berthiaume; Dutrisac; Dupuis; Rivest; Kilgour, Belli; Caldarelli; Landry-Altmann; Mayor Matichuk

### City Officials

Doug Nadorozny, Chief Administrative Officer; Greg Clausen, General Manager of Infrastructure Services; Catherine Matheson, General Manager of Community Development; Bill Lautenbach, General Manager of Growth & Development; Lorella Hayes, Chief Financial Officer/Treasurer; Kevin Fowke, Director of Human Resources & Organizational Development; Caroline Hallsworth, Executive Director, Administrative Services/City Clerk; Tim Beadman, Chief of Emergency Services; David Shelsted, Acting Director of Roads & Transportation; Roger Sauvé, Director of Transit Services; Kevin Shaw, Director of Engineering Services; Peter Chiesa, Acting Director of Engineering Services; Luisa Valle, Director of Social Services; Nick Benkovich, Director of Water/Wastewater Services; Real Carré, Director of Leisure Services; Christina Dempsey, Manager of Finance & Administration, Ontario Works; Eric Bertrand, Fleet Manager; Lynn Webster, Manager of Finance & Facility Administration, Emergency Services; Ron St. Onge, Manager of Software and Business Applications; Ed Stankiewicz, Manager of Financial Planning & Policy; Paddy Buchanan, Manager of Accounting; Barbara Dubois, Senior Budget Analyst; Brent Fleury, Senior Budget Analyst; Dion Dumontelle, Co-ordinator of Accounting; Apryl Lukezic, Co-ordinator of Capital; Marc Rancourt, Web Administrator/Developer; Paul Javor, Operations Engineer, Water/ Wastewater Services; Wendi Mannerow, Water/Wastewater Engineer; Cheryl Beam, Supervisor, Water/Wastewater Services; Gary Comin, Supervisor, Water/ Wastewater Services; Dan Miron, Supervisor, Water/Wastewater Services; Alastair Cook, Compliance Supervisor, Water/Wastewater Services; Bard Johns, Facilities Engineer, Water/Wastewater Services; Ron Norton, Drainage Engineer; Rosalind Thibeault, Administrative Assistant to the Director of Water/Wastewater Services; Gail Spencer, Co-ordinator of Shelters & Homelessness; Christine Hogarth, Chief of Staff, Mayor's Office; Brigitte Sobush, Deputy City Clerk; Jason Nelson, Clerks Services Co-ordinator; Franca Bortolussi, Council Secretary

### News Media

EastLink News; Le Voyageur; Northern Life; Sudbury Star

### Declarations of Pecuniary Interest

None declared.

## Presentations

- 1 . Lorella Hayes, Chief Financial Officer/Treasurer, made an electronic presentation regarding Next Steps for 2012 Budget Deliberations. She advised the current position is a total municipal levy increase of 2.6% and presented the 2012 proposed budget enhancements. She indicated the proposed levy increase including budget and capital enhancements is 3.0% and outlined the impact of the municipal tax increase on a typical bungalow and a senior executive home. She explained the Ontario Municipal Partnership Fund (OMPF). She outlined the 2012 Overall Water/Wastewater increase, options for residential increases and total household impact. She advised that, tonight, the Committee would be voting on Budget Options, approving the 2012 Water/Wastewater Budget and approving the 2012 Capital Budget. She concluded by stating that the 2012 Budget would be finalized on January 2012, subject to significant changes to the OMPF estimates, and the Property Tax Policy established in Spring of 2012.

## **Follow Up Reports to Parking Lot Items**

- 2 . Report dated November 30, 2011 was received from the Chief Financial Officer/Treasurer regarding Seniors' Rebate.  
  
Letter dated December 2, 2011 from Anadel Hastie, Chair, City of Greater Sudbury Seniors Advisory Panel, in support of the proposed seniors' rebate was distributed to Committee Members at the meeting.  
  
The Committee directed that the seniors' rebate be by way of \$75 property tax credit rather than a \$75 water/wastewater rebate.
- 4 . Report dated December 1, 2011 was received from the General Manager of Infrastructure Services regarding Hauled Liquid Waste Tipping Fees.  
  
The following recommendation was presented:  
  
2011-33 Dupuis/Berthiaume: THAT Council of the City of Greater Sudbury authorize the deferral of the Hauled Liquid Waste tipping fees from January 1, 2012 to July 1, 2012;  
  
AND THAT Council of the City of Greater Sudbury authorize Staff to make required adjustments to the Water/Wastewater By-laws to coincide with the above deferral;  
  
AND THAT Staff prepare and implement a community education and outreach initiative which includes an information letter fully explaining the new processes needed to deal with Hauled Liquid Waste for distribution to every rural resident affected by the fees;  
  
AND THAT Staff prepare a report and presentation with recommendations for separate holding tank fees for the consideration of Council.  
  
**CARRIED**
- 3 . Report dated December 5, 2011 from the Chief Financial Officer/Treasurer regarding Funding Sources for Staffing Increases was distributed to Committee Members at the meeting for information only.
- 5 . Report dated December 1, 2011 was received from the General Manager of Community Development regarding Emergency Shelter Funding for information only.

## **Review of Budget Options**

- 6 . 2012 Budget Document Update including Budget Ranking Process Guideline was distributed under separate cover.  
  
The Committee reviewed the Operating Budget Options:
  - Councillor Dupuis, Page 90 (Provide one-time funding for a Truckload Sale of Big Blues at a subsidized rate of \$10/unit charged to citizens)
  - Increase from \$10/unit to \$17/unit
  - Councillor Dutrisac, Page 242 (Extend the Azilda Chelmsford route to service St. Gabriel's Villa, funded from Ridership Growth Initiatives)
  - Remove option

## **Review of Water/Wastewater Options**

- 7 . 2012 Operating Budget Update including Water/Wastewater Services Budget Ranking Process Guideline was distributed under separate cover.

The Committee reviewed the Water/Wastewater Operating Budget Options:

- Option 3 (Implement a \$75 Elderly Water/Wastewater Rebate for single dwelling homeowners over age 65 and in receipt of GIS)
  - The Committee noted this option was change to a Property Tax Credit (see Item 2)
- Option 4 (Introduce new fees for emergency locates, private sewer lateral corrective call outs and increase existing fees related to tampering and water shut offs)
  - Councillor Caldarelli - Split into two options:
    1. Introduce new fees for emergency locates, private sewer lateral corrective call outs
    2. Increase existing fees related to tampering and water shut offs
  - Councillor Rivest - separate option for new \$50 user fee for after hour thawing of water lines
  - Councillor Caldarelli - separate option for new user fee of \$286 for verification of water meter accuracy if meter is found to be accurate

## Correspondence for Information Only

- 8 . Report dated November 30, 2011 was received from the General Manager of Growth & Development regarding Downtown Parking Rates for information only.

## Voting on Budget Options

- 9 . Ron St. Onge, Manager of Software and Business Applications; made an electronic presentation to demonstrate the voting process.

### Recess

At 5:55 p.m. Council recessed.

### Reconvene

At 6:25 p.m. Council reconvened.

- 10 . The Finance Committee voted on the 2012 Budget Options.

## Managers' Reports

- 11 . Report dated November 17, 2011 was received from the Chief Financial Officer/Treasurer regarding Realignment of Meter Equivalency Ratios.

The following recommendation was presented:

2011-34 Belli/Dupuis: THAT Council of the City of Sudbury approve Option 1, which states that the 2012 monthly fixed charge for the 5/8 or 3/4 inch water meters be frozen at the 2011 rate of \$15.71, and the foregone fixed charge revenue be passed on to the high volume customers with service lines equal to or greater than a 1 inch meter, as outlined in the report dated November 17, 2011 from the Chief Financial Officer/Treasurer regarding Realignment of Meter Equivalency Ratios.

**CARRIED**

- 12 . Report dated November 17, 2011 was received from the Chief Financial Officer/Treasurer and General Manager of Infrastructure Services regarding 2012 Water and Wastewater Services Budget.

### Parking Lot 1 - Motion for Deferral

The Committee approved a motion by Mayor Matichuk to defer the matter to January for a full report regarding two additional Water/Wastewater Services staff.

The following recommendation was presented:

2011-35 Belli/Dupuis: THAT the Finance Committee approves the 2012 Water and Wastewater rates as follows: \$1.134 per cubic metre; \$15.71 water fixed service rate for either a 5/8 inch or 3/4 inch meter; and a wastewater surcharge of 113.3% of the total fixed and variable water bill;

WHICH represents an overall increase of 3.6% based on residential customer using 250 cubic metres per annum;

AND THAT the remaining Miscellaneous Water Wastewater User Fees increase by the greater of 3% or September Consumer Price Index;

AND THAT the Finance Committee approve the revised Sustainable Capital Asset Management Program, subject to annual approval by Council during budget deliberations;

AND THAT the necessary Water and Wastewater Rate By-law be prepared in accordance with the report dated November 17, 2011 from the Chief Financial Officer/Treasurer and the General Manager of Infrastructure Services.

**CARRIED**

- 13 . Report dated November 24, 2011 was received from the General Manager of Community Development regarding – Capital Funded Projects Reallocation.

Split motion

The Committee agreed to a request by Councillor Kilgour to split the recommendation and vote on the Lily Creek Boardwalk Renewal separately.

The following recommendations were presented:

2011-36 Barbeau-Cimino: THAT the Finance Committee approve the re-allocation of Capital projects as part of the existing Community Development Capital envelope;

AND THAT \$260,000 be funded in 2012 for the Chelmsford Family Health Team (CFHT) site which will cover the cost of remedial repairs and project design drawings;

AND THAT leasehold improvements for the CFHT in the amount of \$650,000 be funded in 2013;

AND FURTHER THAT the I.J. Coady Memorial Arena plumbing retrofit estimated at \$115,000 be funded from the 2013 Community Development Capital envelope for implementation in the spring of 2012.

**CARRIED**

2011-37 Landry-Altmann/Matichuk: THAT the City of Greater Sudbury's partnership funding in the amount of \$40,000 for the Lily Creek Boardwalk renewal be funded from the Community Development 2012 Capital contingency.

**CARRIED**

- 14 . Report dated November 30, 2011 was received from the Chief Financial Officer/Treasurer regarding Amended 2012 to 2016 Capital Budget.

The following recommendation was presented:

2011-38 Cimino/Barbeau: THAT the Finance Committee approve the amended 2012 Capital Budget in the amount of \$95,814,617 which is funded as follows:

- Contribution from the Operating Budget of \$36,388,657;
- Contribution from Water and Wastewater user fees of \$23,665,506;
- Provincial and Federal Grants of \$10,663,527;
- Contributions from CGS reserve and reserve funds of \$18,704,364; and
- Internal Financing of \$6,392,563 be approved for projects to be completed in 2012 and be repaid from future capital envelopes in 2013 to 2022;

THAT Council accept the 2012 Police Services Capital Budget;

AND THAT the remainder of the 2013 to 2016 Capital Budgets be accepted for information for staff to use as a planning tool.

**CARRIED**

- 15 . Report dated November 30, 2011 was received from the Chief Financial Officer/Treasurer regarding Ontario Regulations 284/09 – Budget Matters.

The following recommendation was presented:

2011-39 Barbeau/Cimino: THAT the report dated November 30, 2011 from the Chief Financial Officer/Treasurer regarding Ontario Regulation 284/09 – Budget Matters, as required by Municipal Act Regulation 284/09, be approved.

**CARRIED**

- 16 . Report dated December 1, 2011 was received from the Chief Financial Officer/Treasurer and the General Manager of Infrastructure Services regarding 2011 Water Wastewater Operating Budget Variance Report – September.

The following recommendation was presented:

2011-40 Cimino/Barbeau: THAT Council of the City of Greater Sudbury accept the September 30, 2011 Water Wastewater Variance Report dated December 1, 2011 from the Chief Financial Officer/Treasurer and the General Manager of Infrastructure Services outlining the projected year end position.

**CARRIED**

#### Parking Lot 2 - Paris Street Water Main Break

Mayor Matichuk requested a report on the cost comparison with the use of staff as opposed to contractors regarding the Paris Street water main break.

#### Parking Lot 3 - Bell Park Landscaping Project

Councillor Landry-Altmann requested a report on the Bell Park Landscaping Project.

### **Parking Lot Review**

#### 17 . Parking Lot

The Committee reviewed the December 5, 2011 Parking Lot and voted on the items. ([see attached](#))

#### Adjournment

2011-41 Caldarelli/Kilgour: THAT this meeting does now adjourn. Time: 7:17 p.m.

**CARRIED**

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Councillor Terry Kett, Chair

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Caroline Hallsworth, Executive Director,  
Administrative Services/City Clerk