

Location: Council Chamber, Tom

Davies Square

Commencement: 4:00 PM

Adjournment: 5:15 PM

**Minutes** 

For the 2<sup>nd</sup> Finance Committee Meeting held Wednesday, February 16, 2011

## Chair

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

#### Present

Councillors Cimino; Barbeau; Berthiaume; Dutrisac; Dupuis; Rivest; Kilgour, Belli; Craig; Caldarelli (A4:12pm); Landry-Altmann (A4:06pm); 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; Caroline. Hallsworth, Executive Director, Administrative Services; Lorella Hayes, Chief Financial Officer/Treasurer; Kevin Fowke, Director of Human Resources & Organizational Development; Real Carré, Director of Leisure, Community & Volunteer Services; Luisa Valle, Director of Social Services; Barbara Arbuckle, Manager of Income Support, Social Services; Christina Dempsey, Manager of Finance & Administration, Social Services; Eliza Bennett, Manager of Corporate Communications & French Language Services; Robert Blackwell, Manager of Quality, Administrative & Financial Services, Community Development; Ed Stankiewicz, Manager of Financial Planning & Policy; Paddy Buchanan, Manager of Accounting; Jamie Klotz, Manager of Financial Information Systems; Barbara Dubois, Senior Budget Analyst; Brent Fleury, Senior Budget Analyst; Apryl Lukezic, Co-ordinator of Capital; Dion Dumontelle, Co-ordinator of Accounting; Michael Jamieson, Development Facilitator, Organizational Development; Brian Bigger, Auditor General; Angie Haché, City Clerk; Poppy Pelletier, Audio-Visual Operator; Franca Bortolussi, Council Secretary

#### Other

Paul Sajatovic, General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer, Nickel District Conservation Authority

# News Media

CBC Radio; EastLink News; Le Voyageur; Northern Life; Sudbury Star

### **Declarations of Pecuniary Interest**

None declared.

## **Presentations**

1. Doug Nadorozny, Chief Administrative Officer, and Lorella Hayes, Chief Financial Officer/Treasurer, made an electronic presentation to provide an overview of the 2011 Budget.

The Chief Administrative Officer advised of the City's vision and mission. He stated that the three pillars of the strategic vision are Our Community, Our Employees and Our Organization and listed the four key strategic plans. He explained the 4-year planning cycle of the strategic vision. He listed the top of mind issues revealed by the OraclePoll Community Survey undertaken in the fall of 2009 as well as the importance and rating of services. He provided key highlights of the 2011 Budget with a base tax increase of 3.9% and the challenges and opportunities. He highlighted the Action Plan for

Fiscal Sustainability. He stated that the three largest components of the budget are investing in public safety, investing in roads and investing in a community which make up 70% of municipal tax levy. Other components include investing in Social Services, investing in the environment, investing in seniors and health care and investing in economic growth. He advised that employees, full time as well as part-time and temporary hours make up 44% of the 2011 gross budget.

The Chief Financial Officer/Treasurer provided the key principles of the base budget. She outlined key highlights resulting in a net municipal tax increase of 3.9%. She explained the assessment growth of 2.4% and compared assessment growth from 2002 to 2011. She advised how the 2011 operating dollars will be spent. She explained the net municipal levy increase of \$12.2 M equaling 3.9% municipal tax increase. She highlighted major budget component parts including provincially funded programs, water/wastewater redistribution of expenses, Police Services, Nickel District Conservation Authority (NDCA) and Sudbury & District Board of Health (SDBH) and fiscal sustainability reductions totaling a gross budget decrease of \$54.7 M and a municipal tax levy increase of \$12.2 M. She provided key highlights regarding provincial mandated programs, other municipal expenses and revenues, redistribution of expenses to tax levy and outside boards (Police, SDBH and NDCA). She outlined in detail the Toward Fiscal Sustainability plan proposal for 2011, 2012 and beyond. With respect to the 2011 capital budget and the 2012 to 2015 capital outlook, she explained investments in capital of \$60 M (excluding WWW), federal and provincial gas taxes, and key items of the 2011 capital budget. She advised that the City of Greater Sudbury has low levels of debt and outlined the 2010 estimated and 2011 projected reserves and reserve funds. She provided a break down between mandatory services which represent 47% of the tax levy and other municipal services representing 53% of the tax levy. She compared municipal taxes and overall property taxes from 2002 to 2010. She concluded by advising of the 2011 budget schedule.

The Base Budget Document was distributed to Committee Members at the meeting.

Adjournment	
2011-02 Berthiaume-Rivest: THAT this meeting does now adjourn. Time: 5:15 p.m.	CARRIED
Councillor Terry Kett, Chair	
Angie Haché, City Clerk	