Minutes

For the Finance and Administration Committee Meeting

February 15, 2023 Tom Davies Square

Present (Mayor and Councillors)

Councillor Signoretti, Councillor Vagnini, Councillor Montpellier, Councillor Fortin, Councillor Parent, Councillor Lapierre, Councillor Labbee, Councillor Sizer, Councillor Cormier, Councillor Leduc, Councillor Landry-Altmann, Mayor Lefebvre, Councillor McIntosh

City Officials

Ed Archer, Chief Administrative Officer, Kevin Fowke, General Manager of Corporate Services, Tony Cecutti, General Manager of Growth and Infrastructure, Steve Jacques, General Manager of Community Development, Marie Litalien, Director of Communications & Community Engagements, Dawn Noel de Tilly, Chief of Staff, Jeff Pafford, Director of Leisure Services, Jesse Oshell, Deputy Fire Chief, Joe Rocca, Director of Infrastructure Capital Planning, Kelsi Bernier, Coordinator of Budgets, Stefany Mussen, Manager of Corporate Security and By-Law Services, David Shelsted, Director of Engineering Services, Kris Longston, Director of Planning Services, Eric Labelle, City Solicitor and Clerk, Erin Foreshew, Clerk's Services Assistant, Madison Pacey, Clerk's Services Assistant, Ashley Gosselin, Clerk's Services Assistant, Jodie Godbout, Clerk's Services Assistant

Councillor McIntosh, In the Chair

1. Call to Order

The meeting commenced at 4:00 p.m.

2. Roll Call

A roll call was conducted prior to the commencement of moving into closed session.

Declarations of Pecuniary Interest and the General Nature Thereof None declared.

4. Community Delegations

4.1 Conservation Sudbury Board - 2023 Budget

Carl Jorgensen, Manager of Conservation Sudbury Board, presented an electronic presentation for information only.

Recess at 4:31 p.m.

Reconvene at 4:42 p.m.

5. Managers' Reports

5.1 Finalization of the 2023 Budget

The following resolution was presented:

FA2023-04

Moved By Councillor McIntosh Seconded By Councillor Cormier

THAT the rules of procedure regarding reconsideration be temporarily suspended at the Finance & Administration Committee while dealing with the "Finalization of the 2023 Budget" report such that the entirely of the deliberations pursuant to such report be treated as the same meeting requiring only a simple majority for consideration.

Rules of Procedure

A Roll Call vote was held:

YEAS: (11): Councillor Signoretti, Councillor Vagnini, Councillor Fortin, Councillor Parent, Councillor Lapierre, Councillor Labbee, Councillor Sizer, Councillor Cormier, Councillor Landry-Altmann, Mayor Lefebvre, and Councillor McIntosh

ABSENT: (2): Councillor Montpellier, and Councillor Leduc

CARRIED (11 to 0)

The following resolution was presented:

FA2023-05

Moved By Councillor McIntosh Seconded By Councillor Cormier

THAT the rules of procedure regarding automatic adjournment be suspended for the 2023 budget meetings of the Finance and Administration Committee.

Rules of Procedure

YEAS: (11): Councillor Signoretti, Councillor Vagnini, Councillor Fortin, Councillor Parent, Councillor Lapierre, Councillor Labbee, Councillor Sizer, Councillor Cormier, Councillor Landry-Altmann, Mayor Lefebvre, and Councillor McIntosh

ABSENT: (2): Councillor Montpellier, and Councillor Leduc

CARRIED (11 to 0)

The following resolution was presented:

FA2023-06

Moved By Councillor McIntosh Seconded By Councillor Cormier

THAT the water/wastewater operating budget be approved in the gross expenditure amount of \$93,781,771, representing a user rate increase of 4.8%, all in accordance with the Water/Wastewater Long Term Financial Plan.

Rules of Procedure

A Roll Call vote was held:

YEAS: (10): Councillor Signoretti, Councillor Fortin, Councillor Parent, Councillor Lapierre, Councillor Labbee, Councillor Sizer, Councillor Cormier, Councillor Landry-Altmann, Mayor Lefebvre, and Councillor McIntosh

ABSENT: (3): Councillor Vagnini, Councillor Montpellier, and Councillor Leduc

CARRIED (10 to 0)

The following resolution was presented:

FA2023-07

Moved By Councillor McIntosh Seconded By Councillor Cormier

THAT the water/wastewater 2023 capital budget be approved in the amount of \$38,717,028 funded as follows:
Contributions from Water/Wastewater User Fees \$37,757,028
Contributions from Federal Grants \$960,000

Rules of Procedure

YEAS: (10): Councillor Signoretti, Councillor Fortin, Councillor Parent, Councillor Lapierre, Councillor Labbee, Councillor Sizer, Councillor Cormier, Councillor Landry-Altmann, Mayor Lefebvre, and Councillor McIntosh

ABSENT: (3): Councillor Vagnini, Councillor Montpellier, and Councillor Leduc

CARRIED (10 to 0)

The following resolution was presented:

FA2023-08

Moved By Councillor McIntosh Seconded By Councillor Cormier

THAT the municipal share of the Nickel District Conservation Authorities (Conservation Sudbury) 2023 budget in the gross expenditure amount of \$1,165,788 and a net property tax levy requirement of \$1,165,788, be approved.

Rules of Procedure

A Roll Call vote was held:

YEAS: (10): Councillor Signoretti, Councillor Fortin, Councillor Parent, Councillor Lapierre, Councillor Labbee, Councillor Sizer, Councillor Cormier, Councillor Landry-Altmann, Mayor Lefebvre, and Councillor McIntosh

ABSENT: (3): Councillor Vagnini, Councillor Montpellier, and Councillor Leduc

CARRIED (10 to 0)

The following resolution was presented:

FA2023-09

Moved By Councillor McIntosh Seconded By Councillor Cormier

THAT the municipal share of the Public Health, Sudbury & Districts 2023 budget in the gross expenditure amount of \$8,055,880 and a net property tax levy requirement of \$8,055,880, be approved.

Rules of Procedure

YEAS: (9): Councillor Signoretti, Councillor Fortin, Councillor Parent, Councillor Lapierre, Councillor Sizer, Councillor Cormier, Councillor Landry-Altmann, Mayor Lefebvre, and Councillor McIntosh

NAYS: (2): Councillor Vagnini, and Councillor Labbee

ABSENT: (2): Councillor Montpellier, and Councillor Leduc

CARRIED (9 to 2)

The following resolution was presented:

FA2023-10

Moved By Councillor McIntosh Seconded By Councillor Cormier

THAT the municipal share of the Greater Sudbury Police Services 2023 budget in the gross expenditure amount of \$77,110,857 and a net property tax levy requirement of \$71,329,718, be approved.

AND THAT the capital budget for Greater Sudbury Police Services for 2023 in the amount of \$5,695,109 be approved to be funded from Police related reserve funds.

Rules of Procedure

A Roll Call vote was held:

YEAS: (8): Councillor Signoretti, Councillor Fortin, Councillor Lapierre, Councillor Sizer, Councillor Cormier, Councillor Landry-Altmann, Mayor Lefebvre, and Councillor McIntosh

NAYS: (3): Councillor Vagnini, Councillor Parent, and Councillor Labbee

ABSENT: (2): Councillor Montpellier, and Councillor Leduc

CARRIED (8 to 3)

The following resolution was presented:

FA2023-11

Moved By Councillor McIntosh Seconded By Councillor Cormier

THAT the municipal share of the Greater Sudbury Public Library 2023 Budget, inclusive of Citizen Services Centres, in the gross expenditure amount of \$9,927,139 and a net property tax levy requirement of \$9,262,091, be approved.

Rules of Procedure

YEAS: (7): Councillor Signoretti, Councillor Lapierre, Councillor Sizer, Councillor Cormier, Councillor Landry-Altmann, Mayor Lefebvre, and Councillor McIntosh

NAYS: (4): Councillor Vagnini, Councillor Fortin, Councillor Parent, and Councillor Labbee

ABSENT: (2): Councillor Montpellier, and Councillor Leduc

CARRIED (7 to 4)

The following resolution was presented:

FA2023-12

Moved By Councillor McIntosh Seconded By Councillor Cormier

THAT the municipal share of the tax supported budget for the Sudbury Airport Personnel 2023 budget in the gross expenditure amount of \$3,645,188 and a net property tax levy requirement of \$0, be approved.

Rules of Procedure

A Roll Call vote was held:

YEAS: (11): Councillor Signoretti, Councillor Vagnini, Councillor Fortin, Councillor Parent, Councillor Lapierre, Councillor Labbee, Councillor Sizer, Councillor Cormier, Councillor Landry-Altmann, Mayor Lefebvre, and Councillor McIntosh

ABSENT: (2): Councillor Montpellier, and Councillor Leduc

CARRIED (11 to 0)

Recess at 5:15 p.m.

Reconvene at 5:45 p.m.

The following resolution was presented:

FA2023-13

Moved By Councillor McIntosh Seconded By Councillor Cormier

THAT the 2023 City of Greater Sudbury tax supported base operating budget for municipal operations, inclusive of fees and charges and excluding the City's share of the Service Partners' budgets described in Resolutions 3-7 of this report, be approved in the gross expenditure amount of \$506,484,166 and the net amount of \$239,398,256, subject to the following adjustments/amendments:

a. An increase in the Greater Sudbury Police Services budget of

\$1,378,637.

b. A decrease in Conservation Sudbury's budget of \$43,759.

Rules of Procedure

Councillor McIntosh presented the following amendment:

FA2023-13-A-1

Moved By Councillor McIntosh Seconded By Councillor Cormier

THAT the 2023 Budget be amended to include the business case entitled "Implement Changes to Development Application Fees" as outlined on page 239 of the 2023 budget document with projected ongoing net revenue of \$123,150 (0.04% levy decrease) and that the proceeds be directed to the Tax Rate Stabilization Reserve in recognition of the need identified in the Long-Range Financial Plan to strengthen reserves.

Rules of Procedure

A Roll Call vote was held:

YEAS: (7): Councillor Signoretti, Councillor Lapierre, Councillor Sizer, Councillor Cormier, Councillor Landry-Altmann, Mayor Lefebvre, and Councillor McIntosh

NAYS: (4): Councillor Vagnini, Councillor Fortin, Councillor Parent, and Councillor Labbee

ABSENT: (2): Councillor Montpellier, and Councillor Leduc

CARRIED (7 to 4)

Rules of Procedure

Councillor McIntosh presented the following amendment:

FA2023-13-A-2

Moved By Councillor McIntosh Seconded By Councillor Cormier

THAT the 2023 Budget be amended to include the business case entitled "Create a Permanent Linear W/WW Condition Assessment & Analytics Section" as outlined on page 241 of the 2023 budget document with projected gross costs in 2023 of \$362,606 and funding from the water/wastewater rate of \$362,606 producing no property tax levy impact.

Rules of Procedure

YEAS: (11): Councillor Signoretti, Councillor Vagnini, Councillor Fortin, Councillor Parent, Councillor Lapierre, Councillor Labbee, Councillor Sizer, Councillor Cormier, Councillor Landry-Altmann, Mayor Lefebvre, and Councillor McIntosh

ABSENT: (2): Councillor Montpellier, and Councillor Leduc

CARRIED (11 to 0)

Rules of Procedure

Councillor McIntosh presented the following amendment:

FA2023-13-A-3

Moved By Councillor McIntosh Seconded By Councillor Cormier

THAT the 2023 Budget be amended to include the business case entitled "Convert Contract Project Managers to Permanent Employees" as outlined on page 244 of the 2023 budget document with projected operating costs in 2023 of \$278,606 and funding provided by the capital project budgets these positions support, producing no property tax levy impact.

CARRIED

Rules of Procedure

Councillor McIntosh presented the following amendment:

FA2023-13-A-4

Moved By Councillor McIntosh Seconded By Councillor Cormier

THAT the 2023 Budget be amended to include the business case entitled "Reclassify the Energy Analyst Clerk as Permanent Full Time" as outlined on page 246 of the 2023 budget document with an annual net levy impact of \$20,423 (0.01% levy increase).

Rules of Procedure

A Roll Call Vote was held:

YEAS: (10): Councillor Signoretti, Councillor Fortin, Councillor Parent, Councillor Lapierre, Councillor Labbee, Councillor Sizer, Councillor Cormier, Councillor Landry-Altmann, Mayor Lefebvre, and Councillor McIntosh

NAYS: (1): Councillor Vagnini

ABSENT: (2): Councillor Montpellier, and Councillor Leduc

CARRIED (10 to 1)

Rules of Procedure

Councillor Lapierre presented the following amendment:

FA2023-13-A-5

Moved By Councillor McIntosh Seconded By Councillor Cormier

THAT the 2023 Budget be amended to include the business case entitled "Increase Operating Grant to Place des Arts" as outlined on page 250 of the 2023 budget document with an ongoing annual net levy impact of \$50,787 (0.02% levy increase).

Rules of Procedure

A Roll Call Vote was held:

YEAS: (9): Councillor Signoretti, Councillor Fortin, Councillor Parent, Councillor Lapierre, Councillor Labbee, Councillor Sizer, Councillor Cormier, Councillor Landry-Altmann, and Mayor Lefebvre

NAYS: (1): Councillor Vagnini

ABSENT: (2): Councillor Montpellier, and Councillor Leduc

CARRIED (9 to 1)

Rules of Procedure

Councillor Landry-Altmann presented the following amendment:

FA2023-13-A-6

Moved By Councillor McIntosh Seconded By Councillor Cormier

THAT the 2023 Budget be amended to include the business case entitled "Convert Animal Shelter Attendant to Full-Time" as outlined on page 248 of the 2023 budget document with an annual net levy impact of \$31,879 (0.01% levy increase).

Rules of Procedure

A Roll Call Vote was held:

YEAS: (10): Councillor Signoretti, Councillor Fortin, Councillor Parent, Councillor Lapierre, Councillor Labbee, Councillor Sizer, Councillor Cormier, Councillor Landry-Altmann, Mayor Lefebvre, and Councillor McIntosh

NAYS: (1): Councillor Vagnini

ABSENT: (2): Councillor Montpellier, and Councillor Leduc

CARRIED (10 to 1)

Rules of Procedure

Councillor McIntosh presented the following amendment:

FA2023-13-A-7

Moved By Councillor Lapierre Seconded By Councillor McIntosh

THAT the 2023 Budget be amended to include the business case entitled "Implement Automated Speed Enforcement Program" as outlined on page 255 of the 2023 budget document with a 2023 net revenue of \$43,667 (0.01% levy decrease) and ongoing net revenue of approximately \$412,000 commencing in 2024 and that the proceeds be directed to the Tax Rate Stabilization Reserve;

And, further, that staff inform Council about the number of cameras to be deployed in the automated speed enforcement rollout based on an assessment of workload implications and process capacity with the expectation that at least two and as many as six cameras will be introduced in 2023.

CARRIED

Rules of Procedure

Councillor Lapierre presented the following amendment:

FA2023-13-A-8

Moved By Councillor Lapierre Seconded By Councillor McIntosh

THAT the 2023 Budget be amended to include the business case entitled "Invest in Additional Full-Time Ambulances" as outlined on page 261 of the 2023 budget document subject to this service enhancement beginning July 1, 2023 with one-time capital costs for 2023 of \$650,384 to be funded from the Capital Financing Reserve Fund – Paramedic Services and 2023 operating costs of \$694,991 (0.22% levy increase) to be funded on the tax levy and levy impacts of \$1,416,785 in 2024 and each following year which may be reduced in 2024 and future years if the Ministry provides grant funding of up to 50% for costs incurred in each previous year.

CARRIED

At 7: 31 p.m. the Committee Recessed.

At 7:45 p.m. the Committee Reconvened.

Rules of Procedure

Councillor Parent presented the following amendment:

FA2023-13-A-9

Moved By Councillor Parent Seconded By Councillor McIntosh

THAT the 2023 Budget be amended to include the business case entitled "Enhance Security Services - Greater Sudbury Housing Corporation" as outlined on page 281 of the 2023 budget document with an ongoing net levy impact of \$354,027 (0.11% levy increase).

Rules of Procedure

Councillor Sizer presented an amendment to the amendment:

FA2023-13-A-9-1

Moved By Councillor Sizer Seconded By Councillor McIntosh

That the amendment be amended to delete the words after "document" and include:

"with a net levy impact in 2023 of \$315,500 and a net levy impact of \$159, 500 in subsequent years."

Rules of Procedure

A Roll Call Vote was held:

YEAS: (4): Councillor Fortin, Councillor Parent, Councillor Lapierre, and Councillor Sizer

NAYS: (7): Councillor Signoretti, Councillor Vagnini, Councillor Labbee, Councillor Cormier, Councillor Landry-Altmann, Mayor Lefebvre, and Councillor McIntosh

ABSENT: (2): Councillor Montpellier, and Councillor Leduc

DEFEATED (4 to 7)

Rules of Procedure

Councillor Parent presented the following amendment

FA2023-13-A-9

Moved By Councillor Parent Seconded By Councillor McIntosh THAT the 2023 Budget be amended to include the business case entitled "Enhance Security Services - Greater Sudbury Housing Corporation" as outlined on page 281 of the 2023 budget document with an ongoing net levy impact of \$354,027 (0.11% levy increase).

CARRIED

Rules of Procedure

Councillor Lapierre presented the following amendment:

FA2023-13-A-10

Moved By Councillor Lapierre Seconded By Councillor McIntosh

THAT the 2023 Budget be amended to include the business case entitled "Adopt Mobile Responder - Cellular Paging System" as outlined on page 284 of the 2023 budget document with \$154,000 to be funded from the Tax Rate Stabilization Reserve in 2023 and an ongoing net levy impact starting in 2023 of \$159,500 (0.05% levy increase).

Rules of Procedure

A Roll Call Vote was held:

YEAS: (10): Councillor Signoretti, Councillor Fortin, Councillor Parent, Councillor Lapierre, Councillor Labbee, Councillor Sizer, Councillor Cormier, Councillor Landry-Altmann, Mayor Lefebvre, and Councillor McIntosh

NAYS: (1): Councillor Vagnini

ABSENT: (2): Councillor Montpellier, and Councillor Leduc

CARRIED (10 to 1)

6. Members' Motions

No Motions were presented.

7. Addendum

No Addendum was presented.

8. Civic Petitions

No Petitions were submitted.

9. Question Period

Please visit: https://www.greatersudbury.ca/agendas to view questions asked.

10. Adjournment

Councillor McIntosh moved to adjourn the meeting, Time 8:35 p.m.