

Minutes

Special City Council Minutes of 12/16/19

Location: Tom Davies Square -
Council Chamber

Commencement: 6:33 PM

Adjournment: 6:51 PM

Present Councillors Signoretti, McCausland, Kirwan, Lapierre, Jakubo, Sizer, McIntosh, Cormier, Leduc, Landry-Altman, Mayor Bigger

City Officials Ed Archer, Chief Administrative Officer; Kevin Fowke, General Manager of Corporate Services; Ian Wood, Director of Strategic Initiatives and Citizen Services; Steve Jacques, General Manager of Community Development; Ed Stankiewicz, Executive Director of Finance, Assets and Fleet; Ron Foster, Auditor General; Marie Litalien, Acting Director of Communications & Community Engagements; Joseph Nicholls, General Manager of Community Safety; Melissa Zanette, Chief of Staff; Mike Jensen, Water/Wastewater Treatment and Compliance; Eric Labelle, City Solicitor and Clerk; Lisa Locken, Clerk's Services Assistant; Julie Lalonde, Clerk's Services Assistant

DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY INTEREST AND THE GENERAL NATURE THEREOF

Mayor Bigger declared a pecuniary interest regarding FA2019-113, Car Allowance.

MATTERS ARISING FROM THE FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE

December 3, 4, 5, 9 and 16, 2019

Councillor Jakubo, as Chair of the Finance and Administration Committee, reported on the matters arising from the Finance and Administration Committee meetings of December 3, 4, 5, 9 and 16, 2019.

Rules of Procedure

Resolutions FA2019-80-A4 and FA2019-113 were dealt with separately as they were the subject of a tied vote at Committee.

The following resolution was presented:

CC2019-376 Jakubo/McIntosh: THAT the City of Greater Sudbury approves the Finance and Administration Committee resolutions FA2019-76 to FA2019-79. FA2019-80-A1 to FA2019-80-A2, FA2019-84, FA2019-80-A3, FA2019-80-A5 to FA2019-80-A6, FA2019-87-A1 to FA2019-87-A5, FA2019-87, FA2019-89 to FA2019-106, FA2019-108 to FA2019-112, FA2019-114, FA2019-117 to FA2019-123 inclusive from the meetings of December 2, 4, 5, 9 and 16, 2019.

CARRIED

The following are the Finance and Administration Committee resolutions:

Approval of the Budget

FA2019-76 Lapierre/Sizer: THAT the City's share of the tax supported budget for the Nickel District Conservation Authorities 2020 budget in the gross expenditure amount of \$1,018,094 and a net property tax levy requirement of \$1,018,094, be approved.

CARRIED

FA2019-77 Sizer/Lapierre: THAT the City's share of the tax supported budget for the Police Services 2020 budget in the gross expenditure amount of \$68,587,049 and a net property tax levy requirement of \$62,950,756, be approved.

CARRIED

FA2019-78 Lapierre/Sizer: THAT the City's share of the tax supported budget for the Public Health - Sudbury and District 2020 budget in the gross expenditure amount of \$6,949,771 and a net property tax levy requirement of \$6,949,771, be approved.

CARRIED

FA2019-79 Sizer/Lapierre: THAT the City's share of the tax supported budget for the Sudbury Airport Personnel 2020 budget in the gross expenditure amount of \$2,981,394 and a net property tax levy requirement of \$0, be approved.

CARRIED

FA2019-80-A1 Sizer/Lapierre: THAT the resolution be amended by increasing the OMPF funding in the amount of \$290,500; and

THAT the assessment growth be reduced from 0.8% to 0.7%.

CARRIED

FA2019-80-A2 Cormier/Sizer: THAT resolution 7 be amended as follows:

THAT funding of \$50,000 for the Social Planning Council be included in the 2020 base operating budget.

CARRIED

FA2019-84 (FA2019-77) Sizer/Lapierre: THAT the City's share of the tax supported budget for the Police Services 2020 budget in the gross expenditure amount of \$68,587,049 and a net property tax levy requirement of \$62,950,756, be approved.

DEFEATED

FA2019-80-A3 Signoretti/Lapierre: THAT Resolution #7 be amended as follows:

THAT the contribution to capital be reduced by \$460,000 to facilitate a five-year financing plan that anticipates the replacement of 7 fleet snowplow vehicles, with the effect that the 2020 capital budget has \$1M available to support one-time funding for alternate projects, or as a contribution to reserve.

CARRIED

FA2019-80-A5 Bigger/Sizer: THAT resolution #7 be amended as follows:

THAT the amount set aside in the 2020 Budget preparing for future debt repayments for projects be reduced by \$1 million dollars to be applied to the reduction of the tax levy.

CARRIED

FA2019-80-A6 Signoretti/Leduc: WHEREAS rate payers in the City of Greater Sudbury cannot endure unsustainable tax increases year after year;

AND WHEREAS an organization the size of the City of Greater Sudbury can and should uncover efficiencies as do private sector entities;

AND WHEREAS the Council for the City of Greater Sudbury has requested that the Police Services review their budget to cut \$500,000 from the proposed gross expenditure amount of \$68,587,049;

AND WHEREAS City Council wishes to have staff maintain the current service level with fewer dollars, in order to respect each hard earned tax dollar collected;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Resolution #7 be amended to provide that staff from every department be directed to review their operating budgets to reach reductions up to 5% without cutting service levels or any personnel, for consideration during the current 2020 budget deliberations.

DEFEATED

FA2019-80 Lapierre/Sizer: THAT the 2020 City of Greater Sudbury's tax supported base operating budget for municipal operations, inclusive of fees and charges and excluding the City's share of the Outside Boards' budgets be approved in the gross expenditure amount of \$452,619,032 and the net amount of \$215,296,359.

Subject to:

THAT the resolution be amended by increasing the OMPF Funding in the amount of \$290,500;

THAT the assessment growth be reduced from 0.8% to 0.7%.

Subject to:

THAT the funding of \$50,000 for the Social Planning Council be included in the 2020 base operating budget.

Subject to:

THAT the contribution to capital be reduced by \$460,000 to facilitate a five-year financing plan that anticipates the replacement of 7 fleet snowplow vehicles, with the one-time funding for alternate projects, or as a contribution.

Subject to:

THAT the amount set aside in the 2020 Budget preparing for future debt repayment for projects be reduced by \$1 million dollars to be applied to the reduction of the tax levy.

CARRIED

FA2019-87-A1 Montpelier/McCausland: THAT resolution #8 be amended as follows:

Subject to the inclusion of the Whitson River Trail Project for the remaining estimated cost of \$1,150,000 to be funded from the property tax levy.

DEFEATED

FA2019-87-A2 Leduc/Landry-Allmann: THAT resolution #8 be amended as follows:

THAT the 2020 capital budget be amended to include the fire sprinklers for basement at Pioneer Manor in the amount of \$120,000 as shown on pages 456 of the 2020 budget

document and that it be funded from the \$1M available to support one-time funding for alternative projects from FA2019-80-A3.

CARRIED

FA2019-87-A3 McCausland/Lapierre: THAT resolution #8 be amended as follows:

THAT the capital project entitled "St. Joseph's Parking Lot Redevelopment Phase 2" be deferred to the 2020 Budget process.

CARRIED

FA2019-87-A4 Jakubo/Landry-Altmann: THAT the projects for the Northern Ontario Railway Museum Capreol Garage Replacement and the Northern Ontario Railway Museum Retaining Wall be added to the capital budget in the amounts of \$80,000 and \$75,000, respectively.

CARRIED

FA2019-87-A5 Cormier/McIntosh: THAT as a result of resolution FA2019-80-A3, resolution #8 be amended to replace the gross amount of \$123,020,282 with the amount of \$121,560,282 and the contribution from reserves and reserve funds in the amount \$10,575,508 with the amount of \$9,115,508.

CARRIED

The following resolution as amended was presented:

Resolution #8:

FA2019-87 Leduc/McCausland: THAT the City of Greater Sudbury's 2020 tax supported capital budget be approved in the gross amount of \$123,020,282 funded as follows:

Contributions from the Operating Budget \$37,845,481

Contributions from Federal Grants \$15,790,984

Contributions from Provincial Grants \$13,837,297

Contributions from the City of Greater Sudbury's Reserves and Reserve Funds \$10,575,508

Contributions from the City of Greater Sudbury's Obligatory Reserve Funds \$2,315,097

External debt financing of \$42,265,915

Third party recoveries of \$200,000

Development Charges \$190,000

AND THAT the City of Greater Sudbury approves the future years spending and funding for years 2021 to 2024 and beyond for those projects noted as "recommended" as outlined on pages 395 and 396 of the 2020 Budget document.

Subject to:

That the 2020 capital budget be amended to include the fire sprinklers for basement at Pioneer Manor in the amount of \$120,000 as shown on page 456 of the 2020 budget document and that it be funded from the \$1M available to support one-time funding for alternative projects from FA2019-80-A3.

Subject to:

That the capital project entitled "St. Joseph's Parking Lot Redevelopment Phase 2" be

deferred to the 2021 Budget process.

Subject to:

That the projects for the Northern Ontario Railway Museum Capreol Garage Replacement and the Northern Ontario Railway Museum Retaining Wall be added to the capital budget in the amounts of \$80,000 and \$75,000, respectively.

Subject to:

That as a result of resolution FA2019-80-A3, resolution #8 be amended to replace the gross amount of \$123,020,282 with the amount of \$121,560,282 and the contribution from reserves and reserve funds in the amount of \$10,575,508 with the amount of \$9,115,008.

CARRIED

FA2019-89 Bigger/Lapierre: THAT the 2020 Budget be amended to include the business case to Implement Survey Services Review as outlined on pages 279 to 280 of the 2020 budget document with a net levy impact of \$6,967.

CARRIED

FA2019-90 McCausland/Lapierre: THAT the 2020 Budget be amended to include the business case for Community Paramedicine as outlined on pages 284 to 287 of the 2020 budget document with the exception that it be amended to reflect an one-time pilot for 2020 and that it be funded from the use of Social Services funding in the amount of \$104,000, in order to maximize the Provincial Grant, and the remainder of \$257,174 from cannabis funding.

CARRIED

FA2019-91 Leduc/Lapierre: THAT the funding received from the Provincial government in 2019 related to the legalization of cannabis be contributed to the tax rate stabilization reserve - committed for uses permitted in accordance with eligibility criteria.

CARRIED

FA2019-92 Bigger/McCausland: THAT the 2020 Budget be amended to include the business case for the Implement 2020 Downtown Sudbury Community improvement Plan as outlined on pages 301 to 303 of the 2020 budget document with a net levy impact of \$128,317.

CARRIED

FA2019-93 Jakubo/Bigger: THAT the 2020 Budget be amended to include the business case to Increase Annual Funding for Northern Ontario Railway Museum & Heritage Centre as outlined on pages 304 to 305 of the 2020 budget document with a net levy impact of \$106,430.

CARRIED

FA2019-94 Leduc/Landry-Altmann: THAT the 2020 Budget be amended to include the business case to Provide Human League Association Emergency Funding as outlined on pages 309 to 310 of the 2020 budget document in the amount of \$35,000 to be funded from allocated capital.

CARRIED

FA2019-95 Landry-Altmann/Leduc: THAT the 2020 Budget be amended to include the business case to Provide Permanent Operational Funding for the Junction Creek Stewardship Committee as outlined on pages 311 to 313 of the 2020 budget document with a net levy impact of \$40,000.

CARRIED

FA2019-96 Bigger/McIntosh: THAT the 2020 Budget be amended to include the business case for the Climate Change Adaption Plan as outlined on pages 314 to 316 of the 2020 budget document in the amount of \$34,200 to be funded from unallocated capital.

CARRIED

FA2019-97 McIntosh/Cormier: THAT the 2020 Budget be amended to include the business case to Provide Annual Support for Kivi Park as outlined on pages 317 to 319 as of the 2020 budget document as as amended with no tax levy impact.

CARRIED

FA2019-98 Bigger/McCausland: THAT the 2020 Budget be amended to include the business case to implement 2020 Town Centre Community Improvement Plan as outlined on pages 320 to 322 of the 2020 budget document with a net levy impact of \$6,758.

CARRIED

FA2019-99 McIntosh/Cormier: THAT the 2020 Budget be amended to include the business case for Additional Labour Resources for Capital Project Delivery as outlined on pages 323 to 325 of the 2020 budget document with no tax levy impact.

CARRIED

FA2019-100 Lapierre/Kirwan: THAT the 2020 Budget be amended to include the business case to Advance the Valley East Twin Pad Multipurpose Sports Complex as outlined on pages 328 to 330 of the 2020 budget document with the exception that it reflect a one-time cost of \$227,000 in 2020 for the purpose of environmental studies and soil testing, and that it be funded from unallocated capital, and;

THAT staff be directed to bring forward a business case in the 2021 budget document for the remainder of the project.

CARRIED

FA2019-101 McCausland/Kirwan: THAT the 2020 Budget be amended to include the business case to increase security for downtown City facilities as outlined on pages 331 to 334 of the 2020 budget document and pages 22 to 23 of the December 3, 2019 Finance and Administration Committee Agenda based on the third proposed option for the amount of \$275,576 to be funded with \$225,576 from cannabis funding with the remainder of \$50,000 to be funded by the Downtown BIA.

CARRIED

FA2019-102 Bigger/McCausland: THAT the 2020 Budget be amended to include the business case for the Addition of a Cyber Security Officer as outlined on pages 344 to 347 of the 2020 budget document with a net levy impact of \$152,490.

CARRIED

FA2019-103 Lapierre/Leduc: THAT the 2020 budget be amended to include the business case for Implementation of Tactical Paramedic Service as outlined on pages 348 to 350 of the 2020 budget document with the exception that it reflect a one-time contribution of \$80,000 from the EMS Capital Reserve Fund and that the one-time cost of \$55,000 be funded from the \$1 million available to support one-time funding for alternative projects from FA2019-80-A3.

CARRIED

FA2019-104 Bigger/McCausland: THAT the 2020 Budget be amended to include the business case for the Addition of a Small Business Specialist for Regional Business Centre as outlined

on pages 354 to 357 of the 2020 budget document with a net levy impact of \$72,829.

CARRIED

FA2019-105 Bigger/McCausland: THAT the 2020 Budget be amended to include the business case to Increase Hours of Operation and Staffing Levels for the Downtown Transit Kiosk as outlined on pages 366 to 368 of the 2020 budget document with a net levy impact of \$32,893.

CARRIED

FA2019-106 McCausland/Landry-Altmann: THAT the 2020 Budget be amended to include the business case to Increase to Syringe Recovery Services as outlined on pages 369 to 370 of the 2020 budget document with a net levy impact of \$23,900.

CARRIED

FA2019-108 Bigger/McCausland: THAT the 2020 Budget be amended to include the business case for the Addition of a Property Assessment Assistant as outlined on pages 371 to 373 of the 2020 budget document with no tax levy impact.

CARRIED

FA2019-109 Jakubo/Lapierre: THAT the 2020 Budget be amended to include the business case for the Addition of a Tool Crib Operator as outlined on pages 374 to 376 of the 2020 budget document with no tax levy impact.

CARRIED

FA2019-110 Landry-Altmann/Leduc: THAT the 2020 Budget be amended to include the business case for Community Housing Security Camera Revitalization with the exception that a one-time draw of \$100,000 from the Greater Sudbury Housing Corporation Operating Reserve be used in 2020.

CARRIED

FA2019-111 Landry-Altmann/Leduc: THAT the 2020 Budget be amended to include the business case for the Installation of Lighting along Junction Creek Waterway Park in the amount of \$91,800 to be funded from the unallocated Capital.

CARRIED

FA2019-112 McCausland/Bigger: THAT the 2020 Budget be amended to include the business case for the LED Streetlight Conversion with no tax levy impact.

CARRIED

FA2019-114 McCausland/Kirwan: THAT the 2020 Budget be amended to include the business case for the Conversion of Youth Strategy Coordinator to Business Development Officer as outlined on pages 362 to 365 of the 2020 budget document with a net levy impact of \$50,103.

CARRIED

FA2019-117 Kirwan/Sizer: THAT the City's share of the tax supported budget for the Police Services 2020 budget in the gross expenditure amount of \$68,337,049 and a net property tax levy requirement of \$62,700,756, be approved.

CARRIED

FA2019-118 Bigger/Sizer: THAT the 2020 Budget be amended to include funding for the Sudbury Multicultural and Folk Arts Association in the amount of \$30,000 as one-time funding for 2020 to be funded from unallocated capital.

CARRIED

FA2019-119 Leduc/McCausland: THAT the Human League Association Emergency Funding be conditional on the organization providing the City with satisfactory evidence that it has charitable status with the Canada Revenue Agency.

CARRIED

FA2019-120 Leduc/McCausland: THAT the 2020 Budget be amended to commit unallocated capital in the amount of \$811,000 to the Hot-In-Place Recycling Asphalt Project.

CARRIED

FA2019-121 Leduc/McCausland: THAT a special capital levy of 1.5% be used as an investment towards the City's aging infrastructure.

CARRIED

FA2019-122 Landry-Altman/McCausland: THAT the City of Greater Sudbury in its capacity as Shareholder and Board of Directors for the Greater Sudbury Housing Corporation approves the allocation of the operating budget in the gross expenditure amount of \$13,918,864 and the net amount of \$5,898,675 included on page 219 as well as the allocation of the capital budget in the gross amount of \$910,000 included on page 395 of the budget document as amended for the addition of the business case for the Community Housing Security Camera Revitalization.

CARRIED

FA2019-123 Leduc/McCausland: THAT pursuant to Ontario Regulation 284/09, this report serve as the method for communicating the exclusion of the following estimated expenses from the 2020 Budget:

- a) Amortization expense - \$70.6 million
- b) Post-employment benefit expenses - \$2.7 million
- c) Solid waste landfill closure and post-closure expenses/(recovery) - \$(0.6 million)

CARRIED

Resolution FA2019-113 was dealt with separately.

The following resolution was presented:

CC2019-377 (FA2019-113) Landry-Altman/Cormier: THAT the 2020 Budget be amended to provide that monthly vehicle allowances and mileage per km rates be frozen at 2019 levels for all staff and Council Members.

Rules of Procedure

Councillor Landry-Altman requested a Simultaneous Written Recorded Vote.

YEAS: Councillors Signoretti, Jakubo, Cormier, Leduc, Landry-Altman

NAYS: Councillors McCausland, Kirwan, Jakubo, Sizer, McIntosh

LOST

Mayor Bigger, having declared a pecuniary interest in the foregoing matter, did not take part in the discussion or vote on the matter.

Resolution FA2019-80-A4 was dealt with separately.

The following resolution was presented:

CC2019-378 (FA2019-80-A4) Lapierre/Cormier: THAT resolution #7 be amended as follows:
THAT staff travel budgets be reduced by the amount of \$145,354 on a one time basis.

Rules of Procedure

Councillor Signoretti requested a Simultaneous Written Recorded Vote.

YEAS: Councillors Signoretti, Cormier, Leduc, Landry-Altmann

NAYS: Councillors McCausland, Kirwan, Lapierre, Jakubo, Sizer, McIntosh, Mayor Bigger
DEFEATED

Members' Motions

No Motions were presented.

Addendum

No Addendum was presented.

Civic Petitions

No Civic Petitions were submitted.

Question Period

NO Questions were asked.

Adjournment

CC2019-379 Signoretti/McCausland: THAT this meeting does now adjourn. Time 6:51 p.m.
CARRIED

Mayor Bigger, Chair

Eric Labelle, City Solicitor and City Clerk