January 21, 2015

Council Members Present:

Mayor L. Jeffrey  (Chair)
Regional Councillor M. Medeiros – Wards 3 and 4
Regional Councillor E. Moore – Wards 1 and 5
Regional Councillor G. Miles – Wards 7 and 8  (arrived at 9:03 a.m. – other municipal business)
City Councillor G. Dhillon – Wards 9 and 10  (arrived at 9:04 a.m. – personal)

Staff Members Present:

Mr. J. Corbett, Chief Administrative Officer
Ms. M. Ball, Chief Planning and Infrastructure Services Officer
Mr. D. Cutajar, Chief Operating Officer
Mr. J. Patteson, Chief Public Services Officer
Mr. P. Simmons, Chief Corporate Services Officer
Mr. P. Honeyborne, Executive Director, Finance and Treasurer, Corporate Services

Others Present:

City Councillor P. Fortini – Wards 7 and 8
D. Sutton, Director, Financial Planning and Budgets, Corporate Services
P. Fay, City Clerk, Corporate Services
S. Pacheco, Legislative Coordinator, Corporate Services
The meeting was called to order at 9:02 a.m. and adjourned at 9:35 a.m.

After due consideration of the matters placed before this Committee, the members beg leave to present its report as follows:

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Mayor L. Jeffrey, Chair
A. **Approval of Agenda**

BU001-2015 That the agenda for the Budget Sub-Committee Meeting of January 21, 2015 be approved, as printed and circulated.

Carried

B. **Declarations of Interest under the Municipal Conflict of Interest Act** – nil

C. **Consent**

The following items listed with an asterisk (*) were considered to be routine and non-controversial by the Committee and were approved at one time.

(nil)

D. **Announcements** – nil

E. **Delegations** – nil

F. **Staff Presentations** – nil

G. **Reports** – nil

H. **Other/New Business**

H 1. Discussion, re:
   1. Review of Budget Sub-Committee mandate
   2. Confirmation of staff composition
   3. Basic 2015 Budget timeline
   4. Current state of 2015 Operating Budget
   5. Current state of 2015 Capital Budget
   6. 2015 Budget theme
   7. Public engagement

Mr. P. Honeyborne, Executive Director, Finance and Treasurer, Corporate Services, made a presentation regarding the 2015 Budget, as follows:
Minutes
Budget Sub-Committee

- Agenda (for this meeting)
- 2015 Budget Timetable
- 2015 Budget Drivers
- Tax Increases (Blended – Excluding Education)
- 2015 Preliminary Operating Budget
  - Operating Budget Pressures
- 2015 Preliminary Capital Budget
  - Capital Budget Priorities
- Transition to Full Accrual Budgeting
- Potential 2015 Budget Themes

J. Corbett, Chief Administrative Officer, provided information with respect to the following:

- Importance of establishing a theme for the 2015 Budget to guide budget priorities
- Results of the public survey which will assist in identifying budget priorities
- Information and benefits relating to multi-year budgeting. The following example was provided:
  - Year 1 – focus on neighbourhood facility development
  - Year 2 – focus on financial sustainability and long-term financial planning
  - Year 3 – focus on arts, culture and community development
  - Year 4 – focus on civic and environmental design

Committee discussion took place with respect to the following:

- Questions of staff regarding the process for multi-year capital budgeting
- The need to ensure the hospital levy is clearly identified in the budget
- Suggestion that projects such as the LRT and a university be identified as budget pressures
- The need to include the Brampton Board of Trade and other business associations in discussions regarding unemployment
- Indication that the report from Mr. Jim McCarter, Auditor General (appointed by Council on an interim basis) will provide some guidance on the budget
- Timelines for approval of the 2015 Budget
- The need to communicate to the public and business community:
  - information regarding budget relief, if any (e.g. possible savings in fuel costs)
  - the City’s transition to full accrual budgeting
  - that transit is a major, long-term issue in the City’s budget
- Importance of the public survey to ensure priorities are appropriately identified
- Enhancing community engagement in the budget process
• Confirmation that the 2015 Budget process will be a subject for discussion at the next Council Workshop, scheduled to take place on January 27, 2015

BU002-2015 That the presentation by P. Honeyborne, Executive Director, Finance and Treasurer, Corporate Services, to the Budget Sub-Committee Meeting of January 21, 2015, re: 2015 Budget be received.

Carried

I. Deferred/Referred Matters – nil

J. Notices of Motion – nil

K. Correspondence – nil

L. Councillors Question Period – nil

M. Public Question Period – nil

N. Closed Session – nil

O. Adjournment

BU003-2015 That the Budget Sub-Committee do now adjourn to meet again on February 4, 2015.

Carried