

Wednesday, February 26, 2020
Special Meeting

Members Present: Mayor P. Brown
Regional Councillor P. Vicente – Wards 1 and 5
Regional Councillor R. Santos – Wards 1 and 5
Regional Councillor M. Palleschi – Wards 2 and 6
Regional Councillor M. Medeiros – Wards 3 and 4
Regional Councillor P. Fortini – Wards 7 and 8
Regional Councillor G. Dhillon – Wards 9 and 10
City Councillor D. Whillans – Wards 2 and 6
City Councillor J. Bowman – Wards 3 and 4
City Councillor C. Williams – Wards 7 and 8 (arrived at 7:03 p.m.)
City Councillor H. Singh – Wards 9 and 10

Members Absent: nil

Staff Present: D. Barrick, Chief Administrative Officer
R. Forward, Commissioner of Planning and Development Services
J. Pittari, Commissioner of Corporate Services
J. Raina, Commissioner of Public Works and Engineering
D. Sutton, Treasurer, Corporate Services
D. Boyce, Acting Commissioner of Community Services
D. Soos, Acting City Solicitor, Corporate Services
C. Barnett, Director, Economic Development and Culture
B. Boyes, Fire Chief, Fire and Emergency Services
A. Milojevic, General Manager, Transit
P. Fay, City Clerk
C. Gravlev, Deputy City Clerk
T. Brenton, Legislative Coordinator, City Clerk's Office

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The meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m. and adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

1. Approval of the Agenda

The Mayor outlined the purpose of the Special Meeting to consider the 2020 Budget for the City of Brampton. The Mayor noted that under Council's meeting rules, no other business could be considered at this special meeting.

The following motion was considered.

C060-2020 Moved by Regional Councillor Vicente
Seconded by City Councillor Bowman

That the agenda for the Special Council Meeting of February 26, 2020, be approved as published and circulated.

Carried

The following item, listed on the agenda for distribution prior to the meeting, was published on the City's web portal on February 26, 2020:

- 5.1. Recommendations – Budget Committee – February 18, 19, 20, 24 and 25, 2020

The following was received by the City Clerk's Office after the agenda was printed and related to published items on the agenda (Council approval was not required for addition of these items in accordance with Procedure By-law 160-2004, as amended):

- 3.1. Delegations re: 2020-2022 Operating and Capital Budget Approval:
1. Richard Antonio, Chair, Peel Health Coalition
 2. Mark Sebamaalai, Brampton resident
 3. Jotvinder Sodhi, Home Owner Welfare Association (HOWA)
 4. Sylvia Roberts, Brampton resident
 5. Dipak Patel, Brampton resident

2. Declarations of Interest under the Municipal Conflict of Interest Act

1. City Councillor Bowman declared verbally, and filed with the City Clerk, a Statement of Disclosure of Interest with respect to the Economic Development community grants portion of the budget, as his son does graphics work for one of the companies listed on the grants program.

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2. City Councillor Whillans declared verbally, and filed with the City Clerk, a Statement of Disclosure of Interest under the Public Works section on compensation, as his brother and nephew work for the Public Works Department.
3. Regional Councillor Fortini declared verbally, and filed with the City Clerk, a Statement of Disclosure of Interest as his daughter works part-time for By-laws.

3. Delegations

3.1. Delegations re: **2020-2022 Operating and Capital Budget Approval:**

1. Richard Antonio, Chair, Peel Health Coalition
2. Mark Sebamaalai, Brampton resident
3. Jotvinder Sodhi, Home Owner Welfare Association (HOWA)
4. Sylvia Roberts, Brampton resident
5. Dipak Patel, Brampton resident

Jotvinder Sodhi, Home Owner Welfare Association (HOWA), was not in attendance at the meeting.

The following delegations outlined their comments, concerns and suggestions with respect to the 2020-2022 Operating and Capital Budget:

1. Richard Antonio, Chair, Peel Health Coalition
2. Mark Sebamaalai, Brampton resident
3. Sylvia Roberts, Brampton resident
4. Dipak Patel, Brampton resident

The following motion was considered.

C061-2020 Moved by Regional Councillor Vicente
Seconded by City Councillor Bowman

That the following delegations, to the Special Council Meeting of February 26, 2020, re: **2020-2022 Operating and Capital Budget Approval**, be received:

1. Richard Antonio, Chair, Peel Health Coalition
2. Mark Sebamaalai, Brampton resident
3. Sylvia Roberts, Brampton resident
4. Dipak Patel, Brampton resident

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4. Reports

4.1. 2020 Operating and Capital Budget Technical Recommendations

The subject technical recommendations were presented at the meeting.

The following motion was considered.

C062-2020 Moved by Regional Councillor Palleschi
Seconded by City Councillor Singh

1. That the City of Brampton net property tax levy variance for 2020 be \$0 or 0.0 per cent for City Operations, after accounting for assessment growth;
2. That Council approve the 2020 Proposed Operating and Capital Budgets, including any amendments recommended through Budget Committee deliberations and the Special Council meeting of February 26th, 2020;
3. That the Treasurer be authorized to make all necessary transfers between Reserves, Reserve Funds, the Operating Fund and Capital Fund, as and when required;
4. That the Treasurer be authorized to make all necessary transfers of amounts budgeted on a provisional basis in General Government accounts to Department operating accounts, as and when the necessary supporting information is available;
5. That the departments proceed with their respective 2020 programs as described in the 2020 Proposed Operating and Capital Budget binder, including all amendments approved through Budget Committee deliberations and the Special Council meeting of February 26th, 2020;
6. That Council approve the 2020 Capital Cash Flow of \$220,000,000 for use on the City's 2020 annual financial statements;
7. That Council approve in-principle, the draft proposed 2021 and 2022 Capital budgets as described in the 2020 Proposed Operating and Capital Budget binder, including all amendments approved through Budget Committee deliberations and the Special Council meeting of February 26th, 2020;

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8. That Council approves the 2020 Full Accrual Budget as described in the 2020 Proposed Operating and Capital Budget binder, including all amendments approved through Budget Committee deliberations and the Special Council meeting of February 26th, 2020;

Transit Service Supporting Recommendations

9. That Council approve 12 additional full-time positions for Transit, to extend Züm Transit service to Pearson Airport, as recommended through Budget Committee; and
10. That Council approve 18 additional full-time positions for Transit to help address critical ridership needs, as recommended through Budget Committee.

A recorded vote was requested and the motion carried, as follows:

<u>Yea</u>	<u>Nay</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Dhillon	nil	nil
Singh		
Fortini		
Williams		
Medeiros		
Mayor		
Bowman		
Palleschi		
Whillans		
Vicente		
Santos		
		Carried
		11 Yeas
		0 Nays
		0 Absent

5. Committee Reports

5.1. Recommendations – Budget Committee – February 18, 19, 20, 24 and 25, 2020

Council consideration of the Budget Committee recommendations included:

- potential for in-house expertise versus hiring of consultants
- need for succession planning to ensure the City maintains adequate staffing levels and potential use of surplus funds for staff hires
- potential for locksmith services to be provided in-house

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- potential impacts resulting from increased licensing fees for adult entertainment establishments
- request that staff:
 - determine if funding is available in the 2020 budget for replacement of the curling stones at the Brampton Curling Club and Chinguacousy Curling Club
 - provide outline in the 2021 budget material of the amounts and sources of sponsorship revenue
 - provide the status of the program for hiring of veterans

Staff responded to questions from Council regarding the following:

- 2022 Capital Budget for downtown storage
- budget for Brampton U and other university options
- budget for marketing of various post-secondary programs
- grass cutting service levels
- staffing levels for enforcement of illegal signs
- enforcement of and proposed licensing fees for adult entertainment establishment
- status of Igloo Vision technology

David Barrick, Chief Administrative Officer, provided a presentation titled “2020 Operating and 2020-2022 Capital Budgets Office of the CAO”, and responded to questions from Council.

David Sutton, Treasurer, Corporate Services, provided a presentation, which included:

- 2020 Operating Budget – Amendments to Baseline Proposal
- 2020 Operating Budget – Contribution to Reserve Adjustment
- 2020 Capital Budget – Amendments to Baseline Proposal

The Treasurer responded to questions from Council.

The following motion was considered.

C063-2020 Moved by Mayor Brown
Seconded by Regional Councillor Medeiros

1. That the **Summary of Recommendations from the Budget Committee Meeting of February 18, 19, 20, 24 and 25, 2020**, to the Special Council Meeting of February 26, 2020, be received; and,
2. That Recommendations BC001-2020 to BC022-2020 be approved as amended.

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The recommendations were considered and approved, as amended, as follows.

- BC001-2020 That the agenda for the Budget Committee Meeting of February 18, 19, 20, 24 and 25, 2020, be approved as amended to add the following:
- 4.7. **Information Report – 2020 Proposed Operating and Capital Budgets – Pre-Budget Discussion**
- BC002-2020
1. That the presentation by D. Barrick, Chief Administrative Officer, and D. Sutton, Treasurer, Corporate Services, to the Budget Committee Meeting of February 18, 19, 20, 24 and 25, 2020, re: **2020-2022 Operating and Capital Budgets** be received; and
 2. That the following documents be received:
 - Consideration of Optional Investment and Efficiency Considerations (Item 4.6)
 - Information Report – 2020 Proposed Operating and Capital Budgets – Pre-Budget Discussion (Item 4.7)
- BC003-2020 That the information report from Gary Milakovic, Forum Research Inc., to the Budget Committee Meeting of February 18, 19, 20, 24 and 25, 2020, re: **City of Brampton – Community Satisfaction Survey** be received.
- BC004-2020 That the information report and presentation from Alan Mitchell and Steve Batty, KPMG, to the Budget Committee Meeting of February 18, 19, 20, 24 and 25, 2020, re: **Operational Service Review Consolidation – Business Improvement & Prioritization** be received.
- BC005-2020 That the following departmental presentations to the Budget Committee Meeting of February 18, 19, 20, 24 and 25, 2020, re: **2020-2022 Capital Budgets** be received:
- a. Community Services
 - b. Public Works and Engineering
 - c. Transit
 - d. Corporate Services

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- BC006-2020 That the following departmental presentations to the Budget Committee Meeting of February 18, 19, 20, 24 and 25, 2020, re: **2020-2022 Operating Budgets** be received:
- a. Public Works and Engineering
 - b. Fire and Emergency Services
 - c. Transit
 - d. Community Services
 - e. Corporate Services
 - f. Planning and Development Services

- BC007-2020 That the following delegations and related submissions, to the Budget Committee Meeting of February 18, 19, 20, 24 and 25, 2020, re: **2020-2022 Operating and Capital Budget Approval (including proposed 2020 Brampton Transit Fares, User and Licensing Fees)** be received:

February 19, 2020

1. Kevin Montgomery, Brampton resident – Brampton as a Police Community Partner
2. Vinkal Desai, Brampton resident – Provision of Ping Pong Tables at Cassie Campbell Community Centre
3. Sylvia Roberts, Brampton resident – Purpose of Brampton Transit
4. Todd Letts, Chief Executive Officer, and Glenn Williams, Brampton Board of Trade – 2020 Budget
5. Mark Seba, Brampton Resident – Transit Investments

February 20, 2020

1. Terry Miller, President, CARP – 2020 Budget
2. Myrna Adams, President, Brampton Senior Citizens Council – 2020 Budget
3. Peter Howarth, Past President, CARP – 2020 Budget

February 24, 2020

1. Azad Goyat, Brampton resident – Property Tax Freeze
2. Dave Kapil, President, Kapil Holdings Inc. – 2020 Budget
3. Ravi Kanagasabay, Brampton resident – 2020 Budget
4. Jotvinder Sodhi, Brampton resident – 2020 Budget
5. Surjit Singh, Brampton resident – 2020 Budget
6. Sylvia Roberts, Brampton resident
 - Budget and demographics
 - Property Rates and other municipalities
7. Malcolm Hamilton, Brampton resident – Environmental considerations

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Recommendation BC008-2020 carried, as amended in Clause 2, as follows.

- BC008-2020
1. That the presentation by Suzy Godefroy, Executive Director, and Kristina Romasco, Chair, Downtown Brampton BIA, to the Budget Committee Meeting of February 18, 19, 20, 24 and 25, 2020, re: **Downtown Brampton Business Improvement Area (BIA) 2020 Operating Budget Request**, be received;
 2. That the 2020 Operating Budget submission for the Downtown Brampton BIA be approved, as presented, including the following:
 - a. financial assistance of \$38,838 to the BIA for the estimated BIA levy impact in 2020 for City purchased properties, and
 - b. financial assistance of \$21,773 to the BIA for rent and other relief in maintaining the BIA levy for 2020.
- BC009-2020
1. That the presentation by Susan Bartoletta, Interim Chief Executive Officer, and Jaipaul Massey-Singh, Board Chair, Brampton Library Board, to the Budget Committee Meeting of February 18, 19, 20, 24 and 25, 2020, re: **Brampton Library 2020 Operating and Capital Budget Request** be received;
 2. That the 2020 Operating Budget submission for the Brampton Library be approved, as presented;
 3. That the 2020 Capital Budget submission for the Brampton Library be approved, as presented;
 4. That the 2021 and 2022 Capital Budget submission for the Brampton Library be endorsed, in principle, as presented.
- BC010-2020
1. That the report titled: **RM 11/2020 – Installation of a Brampton Sign for Tourism Promotion** to the Budget Committee Meeting of February 18, 19, 20, 24 and 25, 2020, be received, and;
 2. That staff be requested to report in approximately one month on potential partnerships.

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An amendment, moved by Regional Councillor Santos and seconded by Mayor Brown, was made to Recommendation BC011-2020. The amendment was voted on and carried, with the amended recommendation as follows.

- BC011-2020
1. That the report titled: **Amendment to Adult Entertainment Establishment Bylaw 114-2017 to Increase Licensing Fee (R20/2020, BJX)**, to the Budget Committee meeting of February 18, 2020, be received; and,
 2. That the adult entertainment related licence fee changes, as set out in the corresponding by-law amendment as generally set out in Appendix 3 to this report, be approved, subject to the following fee changes:
 - a. Increasing the Body-rub Business licensing fee to \$9,025; and
 - b. Increasing the Body-rub Business Operator licensing fee to \$923;
 3. That staff further review the Adult Entertainment Establishment By-law, including consultation with Peel Regional Police, Region of Peel, Brampton Community Safety, the City of Hamilton, and other community partners and report back to Council thereon at the earliest opportunity.
- BC012-2020
1. That the report titled: **Business Licensing Fee Increases for 2020** (R428/2019, BJX) to the Budget Committee Meeting of February 18, 19, 20, 24 and 25, 2020, be received; and
 2. That the business license fee changes, as set out in Appendix 3 to this report, and the corresponding by-law amendment as generally set out in Appendix 4 to this report, be approved, effective February 26, 2020.
- BC013-2020
1. That the report titled: **2020 User Fees – Community Services, Corporate Services, Fire & Emergency Services, Economic Development & Culture, Public Works & Engineering, and, Planning & Development Services** to the Budget Committee Meeting of February 18, 19, 20, 24 and 25, 2020, be received; and

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2. That the Community Services user fee charges proposed for 2020, as set out in Appendix 1 in this report, be approved; and
3. That the Corporate Services user fee charges proposed for 2020, as set out in Appendix 2 in this report, be approved; and
4. That the Fire and Emergency Services user fee charges proposed for 2020, as set out in Appendix 3 in this report, be approved; and
5. That the Economic Development and Culture user fee charges proposed for 2020, as set out in Appendix 4 in this report, be approved; and
6. That the Public Works and Engineering user fee changes proposed for 2020, as set out in Appendix 5 in this report be approved; and
7. That the Planning and Development Services user fee changes proposed for 2020, as set out in Appendix 6 in this report be approved; and
8. That the respective schedules to User Fee By-Law 380-2003, as amended, be further amended to include the approved fees for 2020

BC014-2020

1. That the report titled: **Brampton Transit Fare Change (R34/2020, IB.C)**, to the Budget Committee Meeting of February 18, 19, 20, 24 and 25, 2020, be received; and
2. That Brampton Transit fares and related charges be approved and set, with an effective date of April 13, 2020, as detailed in Appendix B of this report;
3. That Schedule G of the User Fee (Municipal Act) By-Law 380-2003, as amended be updated to reflect the approved 2020 Brampton Transit fares and related charges as detailed in Appendix B; and
4. That there be no increase to fares for the youth fee category (12-19 years) at this time.

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BC015-2020 That the presentation from Z. Majid, Senior Manager, Accounting Services and Deputy Treasurer, Corporate Services, to the Budget Committee Meeting of February 18, 19, 20, 24 and 25, 2020, re: **Financial Assistance to the Downtown Brampton BIA (RM 15/2020)** be received; and

Whereas properties purchased by the City that are within the geographic area comprising the Downtown Brampton Business Improvement Area and have no commercial tenants become tax-exempt; and

Whereas as a result of becoming tax-exempt, those properties no longer have the BIA levy applied to them.

Therefore be it resolved that on a go-forward basis:

The City absorbs the BIA levy impact for properties purchased by the City, that are within the geographic area comprising the Downtown, and have no commercial tenants thereby becoming tax-exempt;

The City tracks the total assessment value of properties within the geographic area comprising the Downtown and once this total assessment returns back to the 2018 assessment value (indexed) in future years, the City stops any further financial assistance to the BIA; and

City Staff track the actual BIA levy impact and report back to Council for approval as part of budget deliberations on an annual basis.

BC016-2020 That the report titled: **2019 Third Quarter Operating Budget and Reserve Report (R321/2019)**, to the Budget Committee Meeting of February 18, 19, 20, 24 and 25, 2020, be received.

BC017-2020 That the following correspondence to the Budget Committee Meeting of February 18, 19, 20, 24 and 25, 2020, re: **2020-2022 Operating and Capital Budgets** be received:

1. Louis Kdouh, Brampton resident, dated February 15, 2020
2. Ewa Milewska, Brampton resident, dated February 15, 2020
3. Donna Laevens-Van West, Brampton resident, dated February 16, 2020
4. Cindy Evans, Brampton resident, dated February 17, 2020
5. Peter Bolton, Brampton resident, dated February 18, 2020
6. Adele Rochon, Brampton resident, dated February 23, 2020

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An amendment, moved by Regional Councillor Palleschi and seconded by City Councillor Bowman, was made to Clause 5 (last sentence) of Recommendation BC018-2020. The amendment was voted on and carried, with the amended recommendation as follows.

BC018-2020 That the 2020 Operating Budget submissions be amended to incorporate the following:

1. That the number of grass cuttings be maintained at 12 per season rather than the proposed 10 cuts per season, at a value of \$480,000;

That cutting to fence lines be provided three times per season where practical, at an approximate value of \$100,000; and

That the park enhancement program be continued for the 2020 budget year at a value of \$1.25 million, to be provided for by a one-time allocation from reserves to be determined by staff.

2. That the savings related to energy efficiency retrofits and other energy efficiency related programs be allocated to a reserve account to be re-invested toward further energy efficiency related initiatives; and

That a minimum of 25 per cent of the annual surplus also be allocated to this account.

3. Whereas through the Forum Community Research Program, residents mentioned that investments in commuting infrastructure, including transit, improves their quality of life;

Whereas the City of Brampton has declared a climate emergency and improving transit services is a priority in responding to climate issues;

Whereas the current transit operating budget does not provision for any additional service and does not account for any additional revenue through ridership growth;

Whereas Pearson Airport is an important employment area for Brampton residents with more than 10,000 workers already choosing Pearson as a place of employment;

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Whereas Brampton Transit ridership growth in the last half of 2019 averaged 4.7 per cent per month and was over 15 per cent in January 2020;

Whereas, if strong ridership growth continues through 2020, Transit could expect to collect additional operating revenue of approximately \$1.5 million;

Therefore be it resolved that:

1. The net Transit Operating Budget for 2020 be increased by \$900,000, from surplus, to extend Züm transit service to Pearson Airport; and
2. The net Transit Operating Budget for 2020 be increased by \$1.5 million to help address critical ridership needs, to be offset with additional base revenue growth of \$1.5 million; and
3. Staff continue to monitor ridership increase through 2020 and should ridership growth not be realized, then adjust 2021 operating budget to reflect the change in demand.
4. Whereas the City has a current total reserve balance of approximately \$480 million;

Whereas the City has approx. \$300 million in deferred revenue;

Whereas reserve contributions in the 2020 proposed budget is \$116 million which exceeds 2019 contributions by \$34 million;

Therefore be it resolved:

That Council reduce the 2020 over 2019 increase to the reserves from \$34 million to \$29 million;

That staff make the necessary adjustments within the reserve funds to accommodate; and

This saves the City \$5 million (or approximately 1 percent) from 2020 operating budget while still contributing more to reserves this year than last year.

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5. That \$2 million be removed from the 2020 budget as allocated for Core Data and Voice, and leaving approximately \$1.85 million;

That the \$35,000 be removed from the 2020 budget for the Communications Master Plan, and be shifted to 2021 in due course;

That the \$40,000 allocated for the rebranding of the City be removed from the 2020 Communications budget; and

That the capital budget be reduced from \$700,000 to \$450,000, for a temporary parkette.

A recorded vote was taken on Recommendation BC019-2020, with the exception of the clauses on which conflicts were declared, with the results as follows:

<u>Yea</u>	<u>Nay</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Santos	nil	nil
Vicente		
Whillans		
Palleschi		
Bowman		
Mayor		
Medeiros		
Williams		
Fortini		
Singh		
Dhillon		
		Carried
		11 Yeas
		0 Nays
		0 Absent

A separate recorded vote was taken on the following clauses from Recommendation BC0019-2020 relating to capital budgets, with the results as follows:

That the 2020 Capital Budget submission for the Corporate Departments and Programs be approved, as presented; and

That the 2021 and 2022 Capital Budget submission for the Corporate Departments and Programs be endorsed, in principle, as presented.

<u>Yea</u>	<u>Nay</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Dhillon	nil	nil
Singh		

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Fortini
Williams
Medeiros
Mayor
Bowman
Palleschi
Whillans
Vicente
Santos

Carried
11 Yeas
0 Nays
0 Absent

Separate votes were taken on the following clauses of Recommendation BC019-2020 to accommodate declared conflicts of interest.

The following clause, moved by Regional Councillor Fortini and seconded by Regional Councillor Medeiros, was voted on and carried.

City Councillor Whillans left the meeting during consideration of this clause, due to his declared conflict of interest.

That the 2020 Operating Budget submission for the Corporate Departments and Programs, as it pertains specifically to the compensation portion of the Public Works and Engineering Department budget, be approved;

The following clause, moved by City Councillor Singh and seconded by Regional Councillor Dhillon was voted on and carried.

Regional Councillor Fortini left the meeting during consideration of this clause, due to his declared conflict of interest.

That the 2020 Operating Budget submission for the Corporate Departments and Programs, as it pertains specifically to the compensation portion of the Enforcement and By-law Services Division of the Corporate Services Department budget, be approved;

The following clause, moved by Regional Councillor Palleschi and seconded by City Councillor Williams, was voted on and carried.

City Councillor Bowman left the meeting during consideration of this clause, due to his declared conflict of interest.

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That the 2020 Operating Budget submission for the Corporate Departments and Programs, as it pertains specifically to the grant funding portion of the Economic Development and Culture Department budget, be approved;

Recommendation BC019-2020, in its entirety, carried as follows.

- BC019-2020 That the 2020 Operating Budget submission for the Corporate Departments and Programs be approved, as amended in the recommendation above, except for:
- a. the compensation portion of the Public Works and Engineering Department budget;
 - b. the compensation portion of the Enforcement and By-law Services Division of the Corporate Services Department budget;
 - c. the grant funding portion of the Economic Development and Culture Department budget

That the 2020 Operating Budget submission for the Corporate Departments and Programs, as it pertains specifically to the compensation portion of the Public Works and Engineering Department budget, be approved;

That the 2020 Operating Budget submission for the Corporate Departments and Programs, as it pertains specifically to the compensation portion of the Enforcement and By-law Services Division of the Corporate Services Department budget, be approved;

That the 2020 Operating Budget submission for the Corporate Departments and Programs, as it pertains specifically to the grant funding portion of the Economic Development and Culture Department budget, be approved;

That the 2020 Capital Budget submission for the Corporate Departments and Programs be approved, as presented; and

That the 2021 and 2022 Capital Budget submission for the Corporate Departments and Programs be endorsed, in principle, as presented.

A motion, moved by City Councillor Whillans and seconded by City Councillor Bowman, was introduced to approve Recommendation BC020-2020 as presented. The motion was voted on and carried, as follows.

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BC020-2020 That staff be requested to provide a recommendation to the Special Council Meeting for Budget, related to the creation of a position of environmental coordinator.

A motion, moved by Regional Councillor Santos and seconded by City Councillor Williams, was introduced to approve Recommendation BC021-2020 as presented. The motion was voted on and carried, as follows.

BC021-2020 That \$21 million in External Debt related to the Fire Headquarters be substituted with excess capital funding returned, which will result in a \$1.43 million (approximately 0.3 per cent) reduction in debt servicing costs to the taxpayer.

BC022-2020 That the Budget Committee do now adjourn to meet again at the call of the Chair.

6. **Correspondence** – nil

7. **Public Question Period** – nil

8. **By-laws** - nil

9. **Confirming By-law**

The following motion was considered.

C064-2020 Moved by City Councillor Bowman
Seconded by City Councillor Singh

That the following by-law before Council at its Special Meeting of February 26, 2020, be given the required number of readings, taken as read, and signed by the Mayor and the City Clerk, and the Corporate Seal affixed thereto:

37-2020 To confirm the proceedings of Council at its Special Meeting held on February 26, 2020

Carried

10. **Adjournment**

The following motion was considered.

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C065-2020 Moved by City Councillor Bowman
Seconded by City Councillor Singh

That Council do now adjourn to meet again for a Regular Meeting of Council on Wednesday, March 11, 2020 at 9:30 a.m. or at the call of the Mayor.

Carried

P. Brown, Mayor

P. Fay, City Clerk