



City of Barrie

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Final General Committee

Wednesday, January 24, 2024

7:00 PM

Council Chamber/Virtual

GENERAL COMMITTEE REPORT For consideration by Barrie City Council on January 31, 2024.

The meeting was called to order by the Chair, Mayor, A. Nuttall at 7:20 p.m. The following were in attendance for the meeting:

Present: 10 - Mayor, A. Nuttall
Deputy Mayor, R. Thomson
Councillor, C. Riepma
Councillor, C. Nixon
Councillor, A.M. Kungl
Councillor, A. Courser
Councillor, N. Nigussie
Councillor, G. Harvey
Councillor, S. Morales
Councillor, B. Hamilton

Absent: 1 - Councillor, J. Harris

STAFF:

Associate Director of Corporate of Asset Management, K. Oakley
Chief Administrative Officer, M. Prowse
Chief Financial Officer, C. Millar
City Clerk/Director of Legislative and Court Services, W. Cooke
Coordinator of Elections and Special Projects, T. McArthur
Director of Corporate Facilities, R. Pews
Director of Legal Services, I. Peters
Executive Director of Access Barrie, R. James-Reid
General Manager of Community and Corporate Services, D. McAlpine
General Manager of Infrastructure and Growth Management, B. Araniyasundaran
Senior Asset Management Program Coordinator, S. Drewette
Senior Manager of Corporate and Finance Investments, C. Gillespie
Senior Policy and Special Projects Advisor, E. Chappell
Service Desk Generalist, K. Kovacs.

The General Committee reports that the following matter(s) were dealt with on the consent portion of the agenda:

SECTION "A"

24-G-007 REPORT OF THE AFFORDABILITY COMMITTEE DATED JANUARY 17, 2024

That the Report of the Affordability Committee dated January 17, 2024 be received. (File: C05)

This matter was recommended (Section "A") to City Council for consideration of receipt at its meeting to be held on 2024-01-31.

The General Committee recommends adoption of the following recommendation(s) which were dealt with on the consent portion of the agenda:

SECTION "B"

24-G-008 FUNDING REQUESTS: EMERGENCY RETAINING WALL RECONSTRUCTION AND ASSET MANAGEMENT PLAN UPDATE

1. That a new capital project be created in 2024 capital plan, for emergency reconstruction of the retaining wall on the south side of Blake Street and the west side of Nelson Square West at 18 Nelson Square West, with funding in the amount of \$425,000 with the funding sources outlined in the Financial section of Staff Report CAM001-24.
2. That the approved budget for Capital Project EN1470 - Asset Management Plan Updates - Regulatory Compliance and Program Advancement be increased by \$200,000 with the funding sources outlined in the Financial section of Staff Report CAM001-24. (CAM001-24) (File: F06-EN1470)

This matter was recommended (Section "B") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 2024-01-31.

The General Committee met and recommends adoption of the following recommendation(s):

SECTION "C"

24-G-009

2024 BUSINESS PLAN AND BUDGET - SERVICE PARTNERS

Operating Budget Approvals

1. That the 2024 budget request from the Barrie Public Library Board presented on page 283 of the 2024 Business Plan, with a net tax supported municipal funding requirement of \$9.7 million, be approved with the following amendments to reflect changes since the 2024 Business Plan's publication on November 15, 2023:
 - a) That the contracted support for information referral and community navigation position be funded through external grant funding and that the tax levy be reduced by \$78,387.
2. That the 2024 budget request from the County of Simcoe, including contributions to the County of Simcoe Capital Reserve, presented on page 283 of the 2024 Business Plan, with a net tax supported municipal funding requirement of \$30.5 million, be approved.
3. That the 2024 budget request from the Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority presented on page 283 of the 2024 Business Plan, with a net tax supported municipal funding requirement of \$370.8 thousand, be approved.
4. That the 2024 budget request from the Nottawasaga Valley Conservation Authority presented on page 283 of the 2024 Business Plan, with a net tax supported municipal funding requirement of \$420.0 thousand, be approved.
5. That the 2024 budget request from the Barrie Area Physician Recruitment presented on page 283 of the 2024 Business Plan, with a net tax supported municipal funding requirement of \$60 thousand, be approved.
6. That the 2024 budget estimate for the Simcoe Muskoka District Health Unit presented on page 283 of the 2024 Business Plan, with a net tax supported municipal funding requirement of \$2.2 million, be approved.
7.
 - a) That the Barrie Public Library be requested to identify 3-5 performance goals reflecting key performance indications of

the City and the Barrie Public Library Board with the goals being established by the end of May 2024.

- b) That the Barrie Public Library CEO provide a presentation outlining the key performance indicators to the Finance and Responsible Governance Committee in October 2024.
8. That staff undertake the following actions prior to any renegotiations taking place with the County of Simcoe for the Shared Services Agreement and report back to General Committee by the end of September 2024:
- a) A review of the agreement to ensure its in alignment with the City Council's Strategic Priorities; and
 - b) A value for service audit of the past 3 years of the County's Financial information, with funding of up to \$50,000 being allocated from the Council Strategic Priorities Reserve to undertake this.

Council and Staff authorization requests

9. That the City Clerk be authorized to prepare all necessary by-laws to implement the above recommendations. (EMT001-24) (File: F05)

This matter was recommended (Section "C") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 2024-01-31.

SECTION "D"

24-G-010

2024 BUSINESS PLAN AND BUDGET - BARRIE POLICE SERVICE

Councillor, G. Harvey declared that to remain in compliance with his statutory obligations under Section 17(3) of the *Police Services Act*, he was unable to participate in the discussions or vote on the foregoing matter. He did not participate in the discussion or vote on the matter. He left the Council Chamber.

Operating Budget Approvals

- 1. That the 2024 budget request from the Barrie Police Services Board presented on page 283 of the 2024 Business Plan, with a net tax supported municipal funding requirement of \$67.5 million, be approved.
- 2. a) That the Barrie Police Services Board identify 3-5 performance goals reflecting key performance indicators of the City and the Barrie Police Service with the goals being established by the end of May 2024.

- b) That the Barrie Police Chief provide a presentation outlining the key performance indicators to the Community Safety Committee in October 2024. (EMT001-24) (File: F05)

This matter was recommended (Section "D") to City Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 2024-01-31.

ENQUIRIES

Members of General Committee did not address any enquires to City staff.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Members of General Committee provided announcements concerning a number of matters.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:47 p.m.

CHAIRMAN