

Minutes - Final
Finance and Corporate Services
Committee

Wednesday, March 26, 2014

6:30 PM

Council Chamber

For consideration by General Committee on April 14, 2014.

The meeting was called to order by Councillor Prowse at 6:39 p.m. The following were in attendance for the meeting:

PRESENT:

Councillor, M. Prowse, Finance and Corporate Services Committee Chairperson
Mayor, J. Lehman, Finance and Corporate Services Committee Member (ex officio)
Councillor, B. Ainsworth, Finance and Corporate Services Committee Member
Councillor, B. Jackson.

STAFF:

Acting General Manager of Infrastructure and Growth Management, S. Naylor
Chief Administrative Officer, C. Ladd
City Clerk/Director of Legislative and Court Services, D. McAlpine
Deputy City Clerk, W. Cooke
Deputy Treasurer, M. Jermey
Director of Corporate Asset Management, B. Parkin
Director of Engineering, J. Weston
Director of Finance, D. McKinnon
Director of Legal Services, I. Peters
General Manager of Community and Corporate Services, R. Forward
Growth Management Coordinator, E. Hodgins
Infrastructure Planning Engineer, R. Scheunemann
Infrastructure Program Engineer, K. Oakley
Manager of Infrastructure Planning, S. Patterson
Supervisor of Administrative Support Services, W. Sutherland.

ALSO PRESENT:

J. Cook, Watson & Associates Economists Ltd
N. Neale, Watson & Associates Economists Ltd

The Finance and Corporate Services Committee met and reports as follows:

SECTION "A"

FISCAL IMPACT ANALYSIS CAPITAL PLAN DETAILS

Ms. J. Weston, Director of Engineering and Mr. B. Parkin, Director of Corporate Asset Management provided the Finance and Corporate Services Committee with a presentation concerning the Fiscal Impact Analysis associated with the Growth Management Strategy. Ms. Weston noted that the purpose of the presentation is to provide information on the 20 Year Capital Forecast detailing the following:

- Existing asset planning and capital requirements
- Growth asset planning and capital requirements
- Next steps

Ms. Weston highlighted the overall program costs and the breakdown of costs between existing assets and new assets.

Mr. Parkin advised the Committee that the Infrastructure Master Plan lays the foundation for determining the costs found within the Fiscal Impact Analysis. He reviewed the asset management planning process and provided charts concerning the existing asset installation profile and replacement forecasts. Mr. Parkin noted that the level of investment in asset replacement planning directly impacts service levels and risk. He reviewed the determination of criticality of assets, stated that risk exposure is comprised of the probability of failure, consequences of failure and efforts to mitigate those risks. Mr. Parkin provided charts illustrating the asset risk portfolio based on both 20 and 30 year horizons and the tax, water and wastewater asset replacement scenarios utilizing base case funding version the capital scenario. Mr. Parkin summarized by stating that asset replacement planning would be done in consultation with Council as part of the long range capital plan process.

Ms. Weston outlined the overall costs required for new assets included in the 20 year capital forecast for Barrie including the annexed lands. She highlighted the costs associated with new assets by asset class and the level of service for each class assumed in the planning associated with the Fiscal Impact Analysis. Ms. Weston provided maps illustrating the proposed City facilities, water servicing to 2031, wastewater servicing to 2031, drainage improvements to 2031, road network to 2031, ultimate cycling network, ultimate sidewalk and pathway network, transit improvements to 2031 and roads to be built in the first 10 years. She reviewed the timeline for construction associated with major infrastructure projects.

Ms. Weston concluded by noting that a growth management update would be provided to General Committee on March 31, 2014 with final presentation of the Memorandum of Understanding and the Infrastructure Master Plans scheduled for May, 2014.

Members of Finance and Corporate Services Committee asked a number of questions and received responses from the presenters and City staff.

The Finance and Corporate Services Committee met and recommends adoption of the following recommendation(s):

SECTION "B"

2013 COUNCIL REMUNERATION

1. That the 2013 Council Remuneration Report outlining expenses for members of Council be posted immediately within the Mayor and Council section of the City of Barrie web site.
2. That staff in the Finance Department prepare a report to General Committee regarding implementation of quarterly reporting of Council expenses effective the 2014-2018 term of Council. (File: F00)

This matter was recommended to General Committee for consideration of its adoption at the meeting to be held on 14/04/2014.

The Finance and Corporate Services Committee met and reports as follows:

SECTION "C"

REPORT OF THE ACCESSIBILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE DATED JANUARY 23, 2014.

The Report of the Accessibility Advisory Committee dated January 23, 2014 was received. (File: C05)

The Finance and Corporate Services Committee met and recommends adoption of the following recommendation(s):

SECTION "D"

SUNNIDALE PARK PLAYGROUND

That in accordance with the Accessible Playground Design Policy, the location and conceptual design of the Sunnidale Playground redevelopment be endorsed and the following accessible specifications for the Sunnidale Playground be supported:

- a) That the Accessible routes will not exceed a maximum gradient of 16:1 (6.25 %);
- b) That the Accessible ramps will not exceed a maximum gradient of 12:1 (8.33 %);
- c) That the surface materials of the accessible routes and ramps will consist of compacted limestone screenings, 3m in width, to be consistent with the Trans-Canada Trail network existing throughout Sunnidale Park;
- d) That the surface material of the playground fall zones will be 100% cedar engineered wood fiber, (with the exception of a small provisional sand play area) with a minimum 100mm high containment edging, including 1200 mm wide depressed access ramps strategically located to facilitate the Accessible routes;
- e) That the containment edging will be specified as poured in place concrete curbing, but a provisional cost will be requested for a pressure-treated timber alternative if the site construction costs come in over-budget;
- f) That the adaptation of the existing topography will endeavour to reduce the cost of providing ramped access to elevated play structures, and minimize the requirement for retaining walls through the grading of maximum 3:1 sodded / planted slopes;
- g) That the inclusion of CSA compliant transfer stations will be used to complete accessible routes where necessary;
- h) That the Playground areas as laid out in the site concept will be considered as one playground location, which must meet or exceed the minimum Accessible criteria of the CSA standards, Annex "H";

- i) That additional universal/inclusive play components will be mandated in the Request for Proposals, as will the provision of Fire Prevention Safety elements. (File:C00)

This matter was recommended to General Committee for consideration of its adoption at the meeting to be held on 14/04/2014.

The Finance and Corporate Services Committee met and reports as follows:

SECTION "E"

REPORT OF THE TOWN AND GOWN COMMITTEE DATED JANUARY 28, 2014.

The Report of the Town and Gown Committee dated January 28, 2014 was received. (File: C05)

REPORT OF THE INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE DATED MARCH 18, 2014.

The Report of the International Relations Committee dated March 18, 2014 was received. (File: C05)

The Finance and Corporate Services Committee met and recommends adoption of the following recommendation(s):

SECTION "F"

PUERTO PRINCESSA, PHILLIPINES TWINNING COMMITTEE

That B. Crasco be appointed to the International Relations Committee as the second voting member for the Puerto Princessa, Phillipines Twinning Committee pending official resignation of R. Cabansag. (File: C00)

This matter was recommended to General Committee for consideration of its adoption at the meeting to be held on 14/04/2014.

The meeting adjourned at 7:49 p.m.

CHAIRMAN