

City of Barrie

70 Collier Street (Box 400) Barrie, ON L4M 4T5

Meeting Agenda General Committee

Monday, January 21, 2013 7:00 PM Council Chamber

1. PUBLIC MEETING.

Nil.

2. CONSENT AGENDA.

Nil.

3. DEFERRED BUSINESS.

Nil.

4. REPORTS OF REFERENCE, ADVISORY OR SPECIAL COMMITTEES.

REPORT OF THE FINANCE AND CORPORATE SERVICES COMMITTEE REPORT DATED JANUARY 16, 2013

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5. STAFF REPORT(S).

2013 BUSINESS PLAN

- 1. That the 2013 tax-supported base operating budget for municipal operations, with total gross expenditures of \$161.5 million and a net property tax levy requirement of \$108.2 million be approved with the following amendments to reflect changes since the Business Plan's publication on December 19, 2012:
 - a) That the advertising budgets for the Economic Development and Communications and Strategic Initiatives Departments be reduced by \$40,000 and \$30,000 respectively;
 - b) That the Simcoe Muskoka District Health Unit budget be reduced by \$76,952 to match the updated funding request included in its draft 2013 budget;
 - c) That the Nottawasaga Valley Conservation Authority's budget be reduced by \$3,193 to reflect the updated funding request included in its draft 2013 budget;

- d) That \$92,500, representing project savings from the now-completed Parkview Seniors Centre capital projects, be returned to the Tax Capital Reserve; and
- e) That an additional \$7.1 million of Federal Gas Tax funding be applied to the Landfill Phase 2 Capital project, reducing the planned 2013 debt issue for this project from \$12.8 million to \$5.7 million and reducing the 2013 budget for interest charges by \$102.000.
- 2. That the 2013 tax supported base operating budget for Barrie's Service Partners with total gross expenditures of \$80.9 million and a net property tax levy requirement of \$76.4 million, broken down as follows, be approved:

a)	Police Services	\$ 44,882,027
b)	County of Simcoe *	\$ 20,537,519
c)	Library	\$ 5,816,056
d)	Conservation Authorities	\$ 1,124,023
e)	Simcoe County Health Unit	\$ 1,678,270
f)	Lake Simcoe Regional Airport	\$ 591,071
g)	Other	\$ 1,815,594

- * County of Simcoe includes Social Services, Social Housing, Land Ambulance, and the County Museum and Archives.
- 3. That Tax-supported Program Changes, including service enhancements worth \$1.6 million and service reductions worth \$1.7 million, for a net 2013 savings of \$0.1 million as detailed on pages 288-350 of the 2013 Business Plan, be approved.
- 4. That any new services or service levels introduced in 2013 not included in the approved 2013 Business Plan be funded with adjustments to existing, approved funds to increase the potential for successfully achieving Council's goal of strengthening Barrie's financial condition.
- 5. That the water base operating budget, with gross expenditures of \$27.3 million and revenues of \$27.3 million, be approved.

- 6. That the wastewater base operating budget, with gross expenditures of \$30.5 million and revenues of \$30.5 million, be approved.
- 7. That the Parking Operations base budget, with gross expenditures of \$1.3 million and gross revenues of \$1.3 million, be approved.
- 8. That User-rate supported Program Changes with gross 2013 costs of \$1,647,288 be approved as follows:
 - a) \$150,854 for wastewater programs, as described on page 93 of the 2013 Business Plan; and
 - b) \$1,129,376 for water programs, as described on pages 99-101 of the 2013 Business Plan.
- 9. That the 2013 capital budget of \$135.6 million, comprised of \$42.5 million in new funding and \$93.1 million in funding approved in prior periods, be approved.
- That, consistent with the Capital Project Control Policy, the 2014 and 2015 capital budget relating to new 2013 capital projects of \$38.6 million in 2014 and \$13.7 million in 2015 be approved.
- 11. That the 2014 and 2015 preliminary operating budgets be approved as forecasts.
- 12. That effective March 1, 2013, By-law 2012-035, as amended, be repealed and replaced with a by-law incorporating the fees and charges presented in the 2013 Business Plan, published December 19, 2012, pages 408-449.
- 13. That pursuant to Ontario Regulation 284/09, this report serve as the method for communicating the exclusion of the following estimated expenses from the 2013 Business Plan:
 - a) Amortization expense \$40 million
 - b) Post-employment benefit expenses \$1.4 million; and
 - Solid waste landfill closure and post-closure expenses \$1.1 million.

- 14. That staff be authorized to submit applications for grants that would reduce expenditures associated with projects, programs and services approved as part of the operating and capital budgets, or to advance improvements where such grants represent the full value of the service or capital improvement.
- 15. That the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to execute any agreements that may be required to accept grant funding from other levels of governments or other partners to reduce expenditures associated with programs, services and/or capital projects or to advance improvements where such grants represent the full value of the service or capital improvement.
- 16. That staff be authorized to submit applications for grants that would reduce future capital expenditures, fund service enhancements or enable capital projects to be advanced and a report be presented prior to the execution of any agreement associated with the acceptance of such grants.
- 17. That the City Clerk be authorized to prepare all necessary By-laws to implement the above recommendations. (EMT001-13) (File: F05)

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6. ITEM(S) FOR DISCUSSION.

Nil.

7. INFORMATION ITEMS.

Nil.

8. ENQUIRIES.

Nil.

9. ANNOUNCEMENTS.

NII.

10. ADJOURNMENT.

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