



City of Barrie

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Meeting Agenda General Committee

Monday, January 18, 2021

7:00 PM

Virtual Meeting

Notice:

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1. CONSENT AGENDA

2. PUBLIC MEETING(S)

Nil.

3. PRESENTATIONS BY STAFF/OFFICERS/AGENTS OF THE CORPORATION

Nil.

4. DEFERRED BUSINESS

Nil.

5. REPORTS OF REFERENCE, ADVISORY OR SPECIAL COMMITTEES

Nil.

6. STAFF REPORT(S)

EMT001-21 2021 BUSINESS PLAN

1. That the 2021 tax-supported base operating budget for municipal operations, with total gross expenditures of \$370.5 million and a net property tax levy requirement of \$262.7 million, be approved.
2. That the 2021 budget request from the Barrie Police Services Board presented on page 24 of the 2021 Business Plan, with a gross tax supported municipal funding requirement of \$57.3 million, be approved.

3. That the 2021 budget request from the Barrie Public Library Board presented on page 24 of the 2021 Business Plan, with a gross tax supported municipal funding requirement of \$9.2 million, be approved, with the following amendments to reflect changes since the 2021 Business Plan's publication on December 15, 2020:
 - a) That the 2021 budget for the Barrie Public Library Board be reduced by \$127,131.
4. That the 2021 budget request from the County of Simcoe, including contributions to the County of Simcoe Capital Reserve, presented on page 24 of the 2021 Business Plan, with a gross tax supported municipal funding requirement of \$23.6 million, be approved, with the following amendments to reflect changes since the 2021 Business Plan's publication on December 15, 2020:
 - a) That the net levy requirement be increased by \$538,394 with an equivalent reduction in the draw from the County of Simcoe Capital Reserve.
5. That the 2021 tax supported base Operating Budget for the remainder of Barrie's Service Partners presented on page 24 of the 2021 Business Plan, with total gross expenditures of \$3.8 million, and a net property tax levy requirement of \$2.8 million, be approved.
6. That the New Investment and Service Recommendations as outlined on page 21 of the 2021 Business Plan with a net cost of \$2.6 million with reduced funding from sundry revenue of \$97 thousand and additional funding from: tax \$352 thousand, water \$42 thousand, wastewater \$47 thousand, parking \$17 thousand, reserves \$2.1 million, and capital \$158 thousand, be approved.
7. That the Water base Operating Budget, with gross expenditures of \$29.1 million and revenues of \$29.1 million, be approved.
8. That the Wastewater base Operating Budget, with gross expenditures of \$37.4 million and revenues of \$37.4 million, be approved.
9. That the Parking Operations base budget, with gross expenditures of \$2.6 million and gross revenues of \$2.6 million, be approved.
10. That effective May 1, 2021, By-law 2020-009, as amended, be repealed, and replaced with a by-law incorporating the fees and charges presented in the 2021 Business Plan, with the following amendments:
 - a) Section 3 of Schedule J be replaced with Section 3 of Schedule J in Appendix "D" to Staff Report EMT001-21 to include approved Parking Fee increases per paragraph 6 i) of motion 20-G-168 to be in force October 4, 2021, as per the Parking Strategy Staff Report TSP006-20 dated October 19, 2020.

11. That forecast information for 2022, 2023, and 2024 presented in the 2021 Business Plan be received for information.
12. That, consistent with the Capital Project Control Policy, the 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024 and 2025 Capital Budget relating to new capital spending requests of \$59.4 million, \$60.8 million, \$36.8 million, \$10.8 million, and \$2.5 million respectively be approved with the following amendments to reflect changes since the 2021 Business Plan's publication on December 15, 2020 and the 2021-2025 Capital Budget items not requiring spending approval, be received as forecast information:
 - a) That project FC1138 - Fisher Auditorium Redevelopment (page 60 of the 2020 Capital Plan), be amended as follows:
 - i) To add \$425K to demolish the structure to be funded by the Reinvestment Reserve (350340), in accordance with motion 20-G-227.
 - b) That project FC1084 - BFES Fire Station #6 New Building Development be added to the 2021 Capital Plan per Appendix "E" to Staff Report EMT001-21 at a cost of \$5.425M (total project cost of \$5.451M less \$26K previously approved) to be funded from the Development Charge Protection Reserve (237060);
 - c) That the funding source of project 001035 - Collier Street Parkade Sprinkler Replacement Program be replaced with Parking Capital Reserve (342010); and
 - d) That the impact of any amendments in the Capital Project Status Staff Report FIN014-20 (motion 20-G-207) approved by Council on December 7, 2020 be incorporated into the final 2021 Capital Plan as appropriate.
13. That pursuant to Ontario Regulation 284/09, Staff Report EMT001-21 serve as the method for communicating the exclusion of the following estimated expenses from the 2021 Business Plan:
 - a) Amortization expense - \$55.4 million;
 - b) Post-employment benefit expenses - \$1.6 million; and
 - c) Solid waste landfill closure and post-closure expenses - \$100 thousand.
14. That any Industrial Development Charge Discounts in 2021 be funded first from the \$200 thousand allocated annually in the operating budget, followed by any year-end surplus, with any remaining balance funded from the appropriate capital reserve.

15. That the Executive Management Team (EMT) be authorized to add temporary non-complement positions to the end of the budget year utilizing existing approved funds to deal with any unforeseen circumstances that impact delivery of City services.
16. That the Executive Management Team (EMT) be authorized to implement the economic adjustment for the Non-Union Group (NUG) of employees (including full time, part time and students), effective January 1, 2021.
17. That the impact of any amendments in the Business Plan Status Report EMT004-20 (motion 20-G-198) approved by Council on November 23, 2020 be incorporated into the final tax, water, wastewater, parking budgets or fees schedule as appropriate.
18. 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 Budget.
19. That two of the following officers; either the Mayor, Clerk, Treasurer or their designates, be authorized to execute any agreements that may be required to accept grant funding from other levels of government or other partners, to reduce expenditures associated with programs, services, and/or capital projects.
20. 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 or memo be presented, as appropriate, prior to the execution of any agreement associated with the acceptance of such grant.
21. That the Director of Finance and Treasurer or designate(s) be delegated the authority to negotiate and execute financing agreements including debt for up to \$3 million for the purpose of financing Capital Project RP1156 "Fleet Replacement Program".
22. That the Treasurer be authorized to make the necessary alterations to the transfer to and/or from reserves to reflect changes since the 2021 Business Plan's publication on December 15, 2020.
23. That the City Clerk be authorized to prepare all necessary by-laws to implement the above recommendations. (EMT001-21) (File: F05)

Attachments: [EMT001-210118](#)

7. REPORTS OF OFFICERS OF THE CORPORATION

Nil.

8. ITEM(S) FOR DISCUSSION

Nil.

9. INFORMATION ITEMS

Nil.

10. ENQUIRIES**11. ANNOUNCEMENTS****12. ADJOURNMENT****HEARING DEVICES AND AMERICAN LANGUAGE (ASL) INTERPRETERS:**

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