

## **Town of Aurora**

# **Budget Committee**

# **Meeting Report**

Date: Monday, November 9, 2020

Time: 6:00 p.m.

Location: Video Conference

Council Members: Mayor Mrakas

Councillor Gilliland Councillor Humfryes

Councillor Kim

Councillor Gaertner Councillor Thompson

Councillor Gallo

Other Attendees: Doug Nadorozny, Chief Administrative Officer

Allan Downey, Director of Operations

Robin McDougall, Director of Community Services Techa Van Leeuwen, Director of Corporate Services Rachel Wainwright-van Kessel, Director of Finance

David Waters, Director of Planning and Development Services Eliza Bennett, Acting Manager, Corporate Communications

Jason Gaertner, Manager, Financial Management Alice Liu, Senior Advisor, Financial Management Tracy Evans, Advisor, Financial Management Laura Sheardown, Advisor, Financial Management Sandeep Dhillon, Advisor, Financial Management

Michael de Rond, Town Clerk

Ishita Soneji, Council/Committee Coordinator

## 1. Procedural Notes

This meeting was held electronically as per Section 19. i) of the Town's Procedure By-law No. 6228-19, as amended, due to the COVID-19 situation.

Mayor Mrakas in the Chair.

The Chair called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

# 2. Approval of the Agenda

Budget Committee approved agenda as circulated by Legislative Services.

### 3. Declarations of Pecuniary Interest and General Nature Thereof

There were no declarations of pecuniary interest under the *Municipal Conflict of Interest Act, R.S.O.* 1990, c. M.50.

### 4. Delegations

None

#### 5. Consideration of Items

## 5.1 2021-2022 Operating Budget – Business Plans and Presentation

Ms. Rachel Wainwright-van Kessel, Director of Finance, presented an overview of the proposed 2021-2022 Operating Budget including details on the rate funded budget changes and the proposed 2021 water, wastewater and stormwater rates, and the tax funded budget changes including overall net reductions and non-COVID changes to the budget. She highlighted the COVID related operating budget pressures which are being offset by one-time savings and funding and noted that the Community Services department has the most COVID-19 related impacts. Ms. Robin McDougall, Director of Community Services, provided details of the impacts to the Community Services department noting the anticipated decline in facility rentals and program registrations in 2021 due to the ongoing pandemic. Ms. Wainwright-van Kessel further provided a summary of the department specific operating budget changes and the next steps in the budget process.

#### 5.1.1 Council Administration

# **Budget Committee recommends:**

1. That the 2021-2022 Operating Budget for Council Administration as presented be tentatively approved.

Carried

#### 5.1.2 Office of the CAO

## **Budget Committee recommends:**

1. That the 2021-2022 Operating Budget for the Office of the CAO as presented be tentatively approved.

Carried

### 5.1.3 Community Services

### **Budget Committee recommends:**

1. That the 2021-2022 Operating Budget for Community Services as presented be tentatively approved.

Carried

## 5.1.4 Corporate Services

#### **Budget Committee recommends:**

1. That the 2021-2022 Operating Budget for Corporate Services as presented be tentatively approved.

Carried

#### 5.1.5 Finance

#### **Budget Committee recommends:**

1. That the 2021-2022 Operating Budget for Finance as presented be tentatively approved.

Carried

## 5.1.6 Operational Services

### **Budget Committee recommends:**

1. That the 2021-2022 Operating Budget for Operational Services as presented be tentatively approved.

Carried

# 5.1.7 Planning and Development Services

# **Budget Committee recommends:**

1. That the 2021-2022 Operating Budget for Planning and Development Services as presented be tentatively approved.

Carried

# **5.1.8 Corporate Revenues and Expenditures**

# **Budget Committee recommends:**

1. That the 2021-2022 Operating Budget for Corporate Revenues and Expenditures as presented be tentatively approved.

Carried

# 6. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:49 p.m.