

General Committee Budget Meeting Report Tuesday, January 15, 2019 9:30 a.m. Council Chamber, Town Hall

> Chair: Councillor J. Innis Vice-Chair: Councillor C. Early Mayor A. Thompson Councillor N. deBoer Councillor J. Downey Councillor A. Groves Councillor L. Kiernan Councillor T. Rosa Councillor I. Sinclair

Chief Administrative Officer: M. Galloway Manager, Legislative Services/Interim Town Clerk: A. Fusco Interim Manager, Information Technology: E. Britnell Manager, Revenue/Deputy Treasurer: H. Bryers Treasurer: H. Haire Interim General Manager, Corporate Services/Deputy Clerk: L. Hall Coordinator, Council Committee: J. Lavecchia Coordinator, Council Committee: E. Robert General Manager, Community Services: P. Tollett General Manager, Finance and Infrastructure Services/Chief Financial Officer: F. Wong

# CALL TO ORDER

Chair J. Innis called the meeting to order in the Council Chamber at 9:30 a.m.

## DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST - none.

## CONSENT AGENDA - none.

## STAFF REPORTS

## The General Committee recommends adoption of the following recommendation:

## STAFF REPORT 2019-1 REGARDING PROPOSED 2019 BUDGET

That the 2019 Operating Budget net increase of \$3,747,410 representing a 5.79% average residential tax increase to the Town levy only be approved;

That the 2019 Budget, be approved at a net Town tax levy amount of an estimated \$68,489,911 inclusive of:

- a) a base operating budget increase of \$3,203,691 inclusive of \$1,563,611 in recommended Change in Service Levels (as outlined in Schedule B of Staff Report 2019 - 001), and
- b) additional Tax Levy Funded Capital of \$1,836,581 for a total tax funded capital program of \$19,575,877 (as outlined in Schedule A of Staff-Report 2019-001)

That for 2019, 50% assessment growth revenues in the amount of \$646,431 be used to offset the financial impact of the Town's tax funded capital program;

That for 2019, the remaining 50% assessment growth revenues of \$646,431 be used to offset the financial impact of the base operating budget;

That the continuation of a special levy for Broadband of \$300,000 be approved;

That the Town's operating budget, in the gross expense budget amount of \$100,540,372 be approved funded from the sources listed below:

Operating Budget Funding Sources	Amount
Tax Revenue (including supplementary, PILs)	\$70,315,733
Fines & Penalties	\$5,422,340
User Fees / Rentals	\$14,271,578
Transfer from Development Charge Reserve fund to fund the Fire Aerial growth-related debt servicing costs	\$47,535
Transfer from Community Improvement Plan Reserve	\$100,000

Transfer from Building Stabilization	\$256,416
Reserve fund	
Transfer from Operating Contingency	\$7,000
Reserve	
Transfer from Capital Asset	\$2,637,455
Replacement Reserve	
Interest	\$2,518,143
Grants	\$1,069,341
Sales	\$201,550
Other	\$3,693,281
Total Operating Budget Funding	\$100,540,372

That the 2019 capital program (expenditures and funding sources), in the gross capital budget amount of \$46,022,519 as listed in Schedule A of Staff Report 2019-1 be approved and funded from the funding sources as follows:

Total Capital Funding	\$46,022,519
Other	\$332,500
Grant – Ontario Community Infrastructure Fund	\$1,247,096
Region of Peel	\$650,000
Main Street Revitalization Fund	\$88,420
Debenture	\$4,100,000
Development Charge Reserves (as detailed in Schedule A to staff report 2019-001)	\$13,544,097
Comprehensive Adaptive Management Plan Reserve	\$34,543
Tax Funded Capital Contingency Reserve	\$642,500
Bridge Replacement Reserve	\$407,133
Fitness Equipment Reserve	\$85,000
Fleet Equipment Reserve	\$1,030,000
Fire Equipment Reserve	\$85,000
Facility Repairs and Reinvestment Reserve	\$196,378
Building Permit Stabilization Reserve	\$34,375
Animal Shelter Reserve	\$58,000
Aggregate Levy	\$191,600
Gas Tax Funding	\$3,720,000
Tax Levy Funding	\$19,575,877

That the Town receive Ontario Community Infrastructure Funding (OCIF) grant funding for 2019 of \$1,247,096, allocate the 2019 grant to capital project 19-098 Mississauga Road Stabilization Works, and the Town recognizes proposed formula based funding for 2020 of \$1,413,316;

That the Town's enhanced roads program, capital project 19-072 in the amount of \$4,100,000, be funded from a debenture to be issued, through the Region of Peel, following construction;

That the Treasurer's update of the Town's projected debt servicing charges as it impacts the Town's Annual Repayment Limit for all previously approved debentures and the proposed debenture outlined in Staff Report 2019-001, be received;

That a 2019 wage increase of 1.75% for all eligible non-union staff including council members be approved for 2019, retroactive to the first pay period in January 2019;

That the Mayor's salary and Councillor's salary be adjusted to \$106,940 and \$43,084, respectively, for the first pay in January 2019 to offset the elimination of the one-third income tax exemption as noted in service level request #39 included in Schedule B to staff report 2019-1;

That the Treasurer be authorized to issue cheques or in-kind grants to the organizations in the amounts listed in Schedule C of Staff Report 2019-001 as part of the Town's

Municipal Agricultural and Community grants program (MACG). (Account # 01-10-115-40010-365-62319);

That the Treasurer be authorized to make technical adjustments to the 2019 Capital and Operating budget based on business needs, good accounting practices and assessment growth from the return of the municipal assessment roll to be received from the Municipal Property Assessment Corporation;

That the Treasurer be authorized to make technical adjustments to the 2019 Capital Budget due to any changes resulting from the 2019 Development Charges Background Study;

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;

That staff be authorized to submit and authorize claim summary reports, project status update reports, any other grant reporting that is required as part of the 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;

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;

That the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to execute all necessary agreements between the Town and the Region of Peel for the Region's funding of capital project 19-118 – the Caledon East Community Complex – Renovation of Caledon Arts and Crafts for Youth and Community Room project;

That the Town's 10-year capital forecast and basic principles for a multi-year long term plan, approved in principle, and incorporated into the Town of Caledon's Council Work plan;

That the Treasurer be authorized to make adjustments to the 10-year capital forecast as a result of any changes made by Council to the budget, any technical changes required or based upon budget discussions that have occurred if deemed appropriate;

That the updated Caledon Long-Term Strategic Financial Plan as identified on Schedule D of Staff Report 2019-001 be approved;

That the Treasurer be authorized to make technical adjustments as required to the Caledon Long-Term Strategic Financial Plan as required;

That the Treasurer be authorized to establish new reserve funds as a result of the 2019 Budget;

That the Clerk be authorized to prepare all necessary by-laws to implement the above recommendations;

That the 10-year capital forecast be approved in principle and staff be directed to investigate moving the Caledon East Community Center Phase 4 expansion from the 2027 term of Council to the 2023 term of Council;

That the 2019 Capital Budget be amended to include a new capital project, in the amount of 50,000 funded by the tax levy, for topographic surveys to characterize the drainage of the former station lands, located along the Caledon Trailway in Inglewood, and a 30 metre radius around the lands and Queen Street West, in the Village of Alton, from Main Street to Mississauga Road, and 30 metre beyond the road right-of-way not already included in the current Queen Street Environmental Assessment;

That the 2019 Budget be amended to add the unfunded Capital Project 19-125, Terra Cotta Trailway Parking/Rest Area Design in the amount of \$35,000 funded by \$8,225 Tax Levy Funding and \$26,775 of Parkland Development Charges Reserve Funding;

That the 2019 Budget be amended to remove the funded Capital Project #19-020 Town Hall and POA Expansion in the amount of \$7,539,252 funded by \$6,956,500 of Tax Levy Funding and \$582,750 of Provincial Offence Development Charges Reserve Funding;

That the 2019 Budget be amended to add a new Capital Project in the amount of \$6,956,500 funded from the Tax Levy;

That staff report back to Council in February 2019 with the details of the capital projects moving forward within the \$6,956,500 funding envelope;

That the CAO be directed to engage in discussions with the Caledon Fire-fighters Union regarding their request to consider increasing the staffing complement as part of the upcoming collective agreement negotiations and when appropriate report back to Council;

That the 2019 Budget be amended to add the unfunded Capital Project 19-086, Asphalt Walkways Program in the amount of \$150,000 Tax Levy Funding.

This matter was recommended to Town Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on January 22, 2019.

Councillor A. Groves left the meeting at 10:35 a.m. and returned at 10:37 a.m.

Mayor A. Thompson left the meeting at 11:03 a.m. and returned at 11:09 a.m.

The General Committee recessed from 11:34 a.m. to 11:44 a.m.

Councillor T. Rosa left the meeting at 12:00 p.m. and did not return.

Councillor A. Groves left the meeting at 12:08 p.m. and returned at 12:10 p.m.

The General Committee recommends adoption of the following recommendation:

## STAFF REPORT 2019-2 ONTARIO REGULATION 284/09 2019 BUDGET

That the full accrual accounting items identified in Staff Report 2019-2 be approved and included as budget figures in the December 31, 2019 audited financial statements; and

That the Treasurer be authorized to make the required amendments to the budget figures in the Town's audited financial statements for any amendments to the Town's budget approved by Council.

This matter was recommended to Town Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on January 22, 2019.

## The General Committee recommends adoption of the following recommendation:

## STAFF REPORT 2019-5 REGARDING PROPOSED 2019 FEES BY-LAW

That By-Law 2017-79 be repealed and replaced with a by-law establishing fees as set out in Schedule A to Staff Report 2019-5 in accordance with the Municipal Act, 2001 to take effect February 1, 2019.

This matter was recommended to Town Council for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on January 22, 2019.

## CORRESPONDENCE - none.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

The Committee adjourned at 12:27 p.m.