

Council Committee Room B  
December 3, 2008 6:00 p.m.

**A meeting of Guelph City Council.**

Present: Mayor Farbridge, Councillors Beard, Bell, Billings, Burcher, Farrelly, Findlay, Hofland, Kovach, Laidlaw, Piper, Salisbury and Wettstein

Staff Present: Mr. H. Loewig, Chief Administrative Officer; Dr. J. Laird, Director of Environmental Services; Ms. L.E. Payne, Director of Corporate Services/City Solicitor; Mr. J. Riddell, Director of Community Design and Development Services; Ms. T. Sinclair, Manager of Legal Services; Mrs. L.A. Giles, Director of Information Services/City Clerk; and Ms. J. Sweeney, Council Committee Co-ordinator

1. Moved by Councillor Farrelly  
Seconded by Councillor Salisbury  
THAT the Council of the City of Guelph now hold a meeting that is closed to the public, pursuant to Section 239 (2) (e) of the Municipal Act, with respect to:
  - litigation or potential litigation.

Carried

The meeting adjourned at 6:01 o'clock p.m.

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Mayor

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Clerk

Council Committee Room B  
December 3, 2008 6:02 p.m.

**A meeting of Guelph City Council meeting in Committee of the Whole.**

Present: Mayor Farbridge, Councillors Beard, Bell, Billings, Burcher, Farrelly, Findlay, Hofland, Kovach, Laidlaw, Piper, Salisbury and Wettstein

Staff Present: Mr. H. Loewig, Chief Administrative Officer; Dr. J. Laird, Director of Environmental Services; Ms. L.E. Payne, Director of Corporate Services/City Solicitor; Mr. J. Riddell, Director of Community Design and Development Services; Mr. S. Hannah, Manager of Development and Parks Planning; Ms. T. Sinclair, Manager of Legal Services; Mrs. L.A. Giles, Director of Information Services/City Clerk; and Ms. J. Sweeney, Council Committee Co-ordinator

### **DECLARATIONS UNDER MUNICIPAL CONFLICT OF INTEREST ACT**

Councillor Hofland declared a possible pecuniary interest with regards to the proposed development 30 & 40 Silvercreek Parkway because she owns property in the vicinity and did not discuss or vote on the matter.

The Manager of legal Services provided the Committee with an update relating to a litigation matter.

Ms. L.E. Payne

1. Moved by Councillor Piper  
Seconded by Councillor Farrelly  
THAT staff be given direction with respect to a litigation matter.

Carried

2. Moved by Councillor Burcher  
Seconded by Councillor Laidlaw  
THAT Committee hear the delegation of Peter Pickfield.

Carried

Mr. Pickfield provided the Committee with an update on a litigation matter.

The meeting adjourned at 6:50 o'clock p.m.

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Mayor

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Clerk

Council Chambers  
December 3, 2008

**Council reconvened in formal session at 7:00 p.m.**

Present: Mayor Farbridge, Councillors Beard, Bell, Billings, Burcher, Farrelly, Findlay, Hofland, Kovach, Laidlaw, Piper, Salisbury and Wettstein

Staff Present: Mr. H. Loewig, Chief Administrative Officer; Dr. J. Laird, Director of Environmental Services; Mr. D. McCaughan, Director of Operations; Ms. M. Neubauer, Director of Finance; Mr. J. Riddell, Director of Community Design and Development Services; Mr. P. Busatto, Manager of Waterworks; Mr. R. Hagey, Supervisor of Budget Services; Mr. C. Walsh, Manager of Wastewater Services; Mrs. L.A. Giles, Director of Information Services/City Clerk; and Ms. J. Sweeney, Council Committee Co-ordinator

**DECLARATIONS UNDER MUNICIPAL CONFLICT OF INTEREST ACT**

There was no declaration of pecuniary interest.

**2009 Water and Wastewater Operating and Capital Budgets**

Dave Schultz on behalf of the Grand River Conservation Authority provided information on the Grand River Watershed and the roles of the

Authority. He outlined the issues relating to growth, climate change and farm intensification which impact the budget.

Bill Murch of the Grand River Conservation Authority highlighted the proposed 2009 budget expenditures and sources of revenue and summarized the municipal levies contained within the budget.

The Director of Environmental Services provided information on user pay budgets and the departments involved. She advised that the proposed budgets meet Council and department goals. She provided information on the success of the waterworks conservation program. She also provided information relating to the Master Servicing Plans and their impact on the budget. She then provided information on the plan to manage the increases that will be required to capital and the use of debt funding. She highlighted the proposed waterworks expansions being, Conservation Project Manager, electrician with vehicle and supplies and a part-time customer service clerk.

Councillor Kovach retired from the meeting at 8:20 p.m.

The Director of Environmental Services then provided information with respect to the wastewater services regulatory compliance issues. She outlined the projects to meet the needs of growth such as upgrade of treatment infrastructure and the plant expansion. She highlighted impacts to the proposed wastewater budget with respect to compensation increases, decrease in revenue resulting from water conservation and economic conditions and the decrease in revenue from the University of Guelph due to their move from population bases billing to actual usage plus water conservation efforts. She highlighted the proposed expansions for an Agronomist/Biosolids Program Coordinator, a sample technician, 2 CCTV/flusher truck and operations. She further provided information on the wastewater services capital budget and forecast.

The Supervisor of Budget Services provided information on the status of the reserves. He also

provided information on the history of water/wastewater volume charges and summarized the proposed rate impact. He outlined the strategy to manage future rate increases.

Dr. J. Laird  
Mr. D. McCaughan  
Mr. R. Riddell  
Ms. M. Neubauer  
Mr. H. Loewig

1. Moved by Councillor Findlay  
Seconded by Councillor Burcher

THAT the proposed expansion packages in the net amounts of \$141,500 for Water and \$425,500 for Wastewater be approved;

AND THAT the 2009 Water and Wastewater Operating Budgets in the amounts of \$17,374,800 and \$20,044,200 respectively, inclusive of expansions be approved;

AND THAT the 2009 Water and Wastewater Capital Budgets and Forecasts in the amounts of \$263,025,000 and \$148,608,000 respectively, be approved;

AND THAT the City of Guelph water rate of \$0.97 cents per cubic metre effective March 1, 2009 and the wastewater rate of \$1.05 cents per cubic metre, effective March 1, 2009, be approved;

AND THAT the City of Guelph water and wastewater basic service charges and various fees and charges, be increased as per attached schedule "A" effective March 1, 2009;

AND THAT the Waterworks Fees and Services By-law be passed.

VOTING IN FAVOUR: Councillors Beard, Bell, Billings, Burcher, Farrelly, Findlay, Hofland, Laidlaw, Piper, Salisbury, Wettstein and Mayor Farbridge (12)

VOTING AGAINST: (0)

Carried

## **BY-LAWS**

2. Moved by Councillor Laidlaw  
Seconded by Councillor Beard

THAT By-law Number (2008)-18684 is hereby passed.

Carried

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 9:30 o'clock p.m.

Minutes read and confirmed December 22, 2008.

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Mayor

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Clerk

December 3, 2008  
Schedule A

**2008/2009 Water and Wastewater Basic  
Service Charge Summary  
stated as a Daily Charge**

**WATER**

<b>Meter size</b>	<b>2008 Basic Service Charge</b>	<b>2009 Basic Service Charge</b>	<b>\$ Change</b>
5/8"	\$0.15	\$0.17	\$0.02
3/4"	\$0.15	\$0.17	\$0.02
1"	\$0.21	\$0.24	\$0.03
1 1/2"	\$0.58	\$0.63	\$0.05
2"	\$1.24	\$1.36	\$0.12
3"	\$2.61	\$2.87	\$0.26
4"	\$4.51	\$4.96	\$0.45
6"	\$8.44	\$9.28	\$0.84
8"	\$14.69	\$16.15	\$1.46
10"	\$24.24	\$26.66	\$2.42

**WASTEWATER**

<b>Meter size</b>	<b>2008 Basic Service Charge</b>	<b>2009 Basic Service Charge</b>	<b>\$ Change</b>
5/8"	\$0.23	\$0.25	\$0.02
3/4"	\$0.23	\$0.25	\$0.02
1"	\$0.38	\$0.41	\$0.03
1 1/2"	\$0.99	\$1.08	\$0.09
2"	\$2.20	\$2.42	\$0.22
3"	\$4.47	\$4.91	\$0.44
4"	\$7.99	\$8.78	\$0.79
6"	\$15.00	\$16.50	\$1.50
8"	\$26.42	\$29.06	\$2.64
10"	\$44.02	\$48.42	\$4.40