

City Hall Meeting Room C
July 17, 2012 6:00 p.m.

Council convened in Special Meeting for the purpose of the 2013 Budget Workshop at 6:00 p.m.

Present: Mayor Farbridge, Councillors Bell, Burcher, Dennis, Findlay, Furfaro, Guthrie, Hofland, Kovach, Laidlaw, Piper, and Wettstein

Absent: Councillor Van Hellemond

Staff Present: Ms. A. Pappert, Chief Administrative Officer; Mr. M. Amorosi, Executive Director of Corporate & Human Resources; Mr. A. Horsman, Executive Director of Finance & Enterprise; Dr. J. Laird, Executive Director of Planning & Building, Engineering and Environment; Mr. D. McCaughan, Executive Director of Operations, Transit & Emergency Services; Ms. S. Aram, Deputy Treasurer; Ms. S. Purton, Supervisor of Financial Planning and Mr. B. Labelle, City Clerk

DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST AND GENERAL NATURE THEREOF

There were no disclosures.

2013 Budget Guideline Workshop

Mr. A. Horsman, Executive Director of Finance & Enterprise, delivered the presentation contained in the meeting agenda with respect to the 2013 budget process. He provided relevant background information and noted several decisions which would be sought at forthcoming Council meetings. Staff noted preference for a 3% guideline which would serve as a tool to direct the development of the 2013 budget.

Council posed various questions for follow up and clarification purposes. There was discussion regarding: budget approval timelines; the relationship between, and value of, the Municipal Price Index (MPI) and Consumer Price Index (CPI); the proposed 3% guideline as a benchmark; the process for engaging local boards with respect to the development of their operating budgets; the timing associated with ongoing service reviews; budget management options; the characterization and impact of the term "affordability"; surplus and reserve amounts; the 10-year capital budget and priority model; infrastructure gap reporting; findings and associated

impacts of the BMA and Making a Difference reports and setting parameters based on the local economy to help inform the development of the budget.

- 1. Moved by Councillor Burcher
Seconded by Councillor Dennis

THAT the July 17, 2012 presentation entitled "2013 Budget Workshop" be received for information.

VOTING IN FAVOUR: Councillors Bell, Burcher, Dennis, Findlay, Furfaro, Guthrie, Hofland, Kovach, Laidlaw, Piper, Wettstein and Mayor Farbridge (12)

VOTING AGAINST: (0)

Carried

ADJOURNMENT

- 2. Moved by Councillor Findlay
Seconded by Councillor Dennis

THAT the July 17, 2012 Special Meeting of Council be adjourned.

Carried

The meeting adjourned at 7:26 p.m.

Minutes to be confirmed on July 23, 2012.

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Mayor

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Clerk