



CITY OF WINDSOR MINUTES 04/03/2023

Special Meeting of Council – 2023 Operating & Capital Budgets

Date: Monday, April 03, 2023

Time: 10:00 o'clock a.m.

Location: Council Chambers, 1st Floor, Windsor City Hall

Members Present:

Mayor

Mayor Dilkens

Councillors

Ward 1 - Councillor Fred Francis

Ward 2 - Councillor Fabio Costante

Ward 3 - Councillor Renaldo Agostino

Ward 4 - Councillor Mark McKenzie

Ward 5 - Councillor Ed Sleiman

Ward 6 - Councillor Jo-Anne Gignac

Ward 7 - Councillor Angelo Marignani

Ward 8 - Councillor Gary Kaschak

Ward 9 - Councillor Kieran McKenzie

Ward 10 - Councillor Jim Morrison

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1. ORDER OF BUSINESS

2. CALL TO ORDER

The Mayor calls the meeting to order at 10:17 o'clock a.m.

3. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST AND THE GENERAL NATURE THEREOF

None disclosed.

6. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Moved by: Councillor Angelo Marignani
Seconded by: Councillor Kieran McKenzie

That Council do now rise and move into Committee of the Whole with the Mayor presiding for the purpose of dealing with:

- (a) communication items;
- (b) hearing requests for deferrals, referrals and/or withdrawals of any items of business;
- (c) hearing presentations and delegations;
- (d) consideration of business items;
- (e) consideration of Committee reports;
- (f) Report of Special In-Camera Meeting or other Committee as may be held prior to Council (if scheduled); and
- (g) consideration of by-law 31-2023.

Carried.

7. COMMUNICATIONS INFORMATION PACKAGE

7.3. Response to CQ 3-2022 - Deficient Residential Roads Not in 10-Year Capital Budget

Moved by: Councillor Mark McKenzie
Seconded by: Councillor Jim Morrison

That the report of Executive Director, Operations and the Senior Manager of Asset Planning entitled "Response to CQ 3-2022 – Deficient Residential Roads Not in 10-Year Capital Budget"

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dated March 3, 2023 BE DEFERRED to later in the Council meeting when the 2023 10-Year Recommended Capital Budget – City Wide report is being considered.

The motion is **put** and **lost**.

Aye votes: Councillors Fred Francis, Mark McKenzie and Gary Kaschak.

Nay votes: Councillors Fabio Costante, Renaldo Agostino, Ed Sleiman, Jo-Anne Gignac, Angelo Marignani, Kieran McKenzie, and Jim Morrison.

Absent: None.

Abstain: None.

Moved by: Councillor Jo-Anne Gignac

Seconded by: Councillor Angelo Marignani

Decision Number: B2/2023

That Council **APPROVE** the implementation of an annual AMP levy increase of 0.25% to achieve the desired service level improvements for Local Residential roads for each of the next four years, beginning in 2023 and ending in 2026; and,

That Council **DIRECT** Administration to prepare a report for the Environment, Transportation & Public Safety Committee outlining specific strategies and rationale for local road rehabilitation selection and prioritization.

Carried.

At the request of Councillor Fred Francis, a record vote is taken on this matter.

Aye votes: Mayor Drew Dilkens and Councillors Angelo Marignani, Jo-Anne Gignac, Renaldo Agostino, Jim Morrison, Fabio Costante, Kieran McKenzie, Ed Sleiman, Mark McKenzie, Gary Kaschak.

Nay Votes: Councillor Fred Francis.

Abstain: None.

Absent: None.

Report Number: C 39/2023

Clerk's File: AF/14372

7.2. WPL 2022 Annual Reserve Fund Expenditure Plan & List of Donations and Bequests received in 2022 - WPL Board - City Wide

Moved by: Councillor Mark McKenzie

Seconded by: Councillor Jim Morrison

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Decision Number: B1/2023

That the report of the Deputy Treasurer – Financial Accounting and Corporate Controls dated March 3, 2023 entitled “WPL 2022 Annual Reserve Fund Expenditure Plan & List of Donations and Bequests Received in 2022 - Windsor Public Library Board” **BE RECEIVED** for information.

Carried.

Report Number: C 43/2023

Clerk’s File: ML/10013

7.4. Response to CQ 3-2021 Regarding Parking Assessments of Business Improvement Areas - Wards 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6

Moved by: Councillor Mark McKenzie

Seconded by: Councillor Jim Morrison

Decision Number: B3/2023 CR510/2021

That the report of the Transportation Planning Senior Engineer and Executive Initiatives Coordinator dated March 18, 2021 entitled, “Response to CQ 3-2021 Regarding Parking Assessments of Business Improvement Areas – Wards 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6” **BE RECEIVED** for information.

Carried.

Report Number: C 36/2021

Clerk’s File: ST2023

8. CONSENT AGENDA

None.

9. REQUESTS FOR DEFERRALS, REFERRALS OR WITHDRAWALS

None requested.

10. PRESENTATIONS AND DELEGATIONS

10.1. 2023 Operating Budget Report – City Wide

AND

10.2. 2023 10-Year Recommended Capital Budget

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Joe Mancina, Commissioner, Corporate Services CFO/City Treasurer

Joe Mancina, Commissioner, Corporate Services CFO/City Treasurer appears before Council and provides an overview of the Budget Process timeline; 2023 Recommended Municipal Gross Operating expenditures by Function; gross budget of \$934.1 Million including an outline of items funded by property taxes and funded by other sources; 2023 Recommended Gross Operating Revenue: \$934.1 Million; What the 2023 Recommended Property Tax Levy is Being Spent On, Net Budget of \$458.2 Million, including details related to 22% completely discretionary spending and 78% completely or mostly mandated spending; A financial Snapshot of Life Cycle Costing; the Asset Management Plan; Inflationary Pressures; Homelessness Programs; Contractual Programs; Continued Fiscal Responsibility \$1.06 Billion Cumulative Savings to Date and \$106 Million Perpetual Annual Savings Going Forward; Overall Comparison of Residential Charges including water, sewer and taxes with the Provincial average; Decreasing Debt, continued fiscal responsibility; Increasing reserves; Reserves as a percentage of taxation; City of Windsor Bond Rating; Inflationary Pressures, Tax Levy vs. Prior Years CPI; 2023 Recommended Budget Overview including the proposed 2023 Tax Levy increase percentage; Budget Overview City Departments includes 22.6 Million – Expenditure Increases / Revenue Decreases; (\$12.2) Million – Expenditure Decreases / Revenue Increases; Budget Overview – ABC’s; 2023 Budget overview- Executive Summary; 2023 Estimated COVID-19 Related One-Time Budget Impacts, approximately \$7.5 Million; Sewer Surcharge; 2023 Capital Budget; Recommended 10-Year Plan Approximately \$1.8 Billion; Service Sustainability Investments; 2019 Capital Budget vs. 2023 Capital Budget (Annual Average); Roads & Sewers Infrastructure Increase; 2019 Capital Budget vs. 2023 Capital Budget (Annual Average); Grant Funding, Total Grant Funding since Asset Planning Began Pursuing Grants in 2017—Pursued-\$423.5 Million, Awarded-\$208.8 Million, Pending-\$76.5 Million; Looking Forward, the City continues to operate at a lean and fiscally responsible budgetary level; and concludes by indicating Inflationary & post pandemic pressures continue to place a strain on operational budgets (i.e. inflation, reduced revenues, increased service demands, etc.); 2023 continues to have some remaining pandemic pressures that will likely require permanent base funding increases in future years; While the annual budget exercise will continue to be based on the paramount objective of fiscal responsibility it will need to be balanced and funded appropriately if it is to address increased and enhanced service levels and focused efforts on significant economic development growth initiatives on the horizon.

Michelle Bishop, General Manager, and Steffan Brisebois, Manager, Finance and Administration Essex-Windsor Solid Waste Authority (re: Item 11.4)

Michelle Bishop, General Manager, and Steffan Brisebois, Manager, Finance & Administration Essex-Windsor Solid Waste Authority appear before Council regarding the administrative report entitled “Essex-Windsor Solid Waste Authority 2023 Budget - City Wide” and are available for questions.

Carolyn Taylor, Resident of Ward 2

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Carolyn Taylor, Resident of Ward 2, appears before Council regarding the administrative report entitled “2023 Operating Budget Report – City Wide” and “2023 10-Year Recommended Capital Budget – City Wide” and indicates that holding the line on taxes is not working and is causing a detrimental effect on the community; provides some details regarding the recent election; statistics related to housing; expresses concerns related to bike lanes and the hospital; and concludes by suggesting that property taxes increase as investment in the potential of this community begins.

Nate Hope, representing Activate Transit Windsor Essex

Nate Hope, representing Activate Transit Windsor Essex appears before Council regarding the administrative report “2023 Operating Budget Report – City Wide” and “2023 10-Year Recommended Capital Budget – City Wide” and provides information related to the group, and concludes by urging Council to support and improve the recommendations related to transit, including enhancing the service of the busiest routes as investment in transit is critical to improving the quality of life for the community.

Mark Lalovich, President; Krista Gionet, Executive Officer of Windsor-Essex County Association of Realtors (WECAR); and, Matthew Thornton, President, Real North Strategies Inc.

Mark Lalovich, President, Krista Gionet, Executive Officer of Windsor-Essex County Association of Realtors (WECAR) and Matthew Thornton, President, Real North Strategies Inc. appear before Council regarding the administrative report entitled “2023 Operating Budget Report – City Wide” and “2023 10-Year Recommended Capital Budget – City Wide” and provide a brief outline of their organizations; and urge Council to act on Housing affordability; more homes are needed in Windsor to accommodate the increase in anticipated growth as a result of the major investments to the area; and concludes by commending Council for adding planners to the staff complement but encourages Council to consider adding more resources to the planning department to address the anticipated future growth increase.

Terry Fink, Resident of Ward 1 (re: Item 11.9)

Terry Fink, Resident of Ward 1, appears before Council regarding the administrative report entitled “Roseland Golf and Curling Club - Redevelopment - Ward 1” and provides information related to their curling committee; statistics related to users of the Roseland Curling Club; and concludes by indicating that a lack of process in determining the future of Roseland has caused stress and that ratepayers should be involved in the undertaking; suggests abandoning the current study as it was geared more towards the golfing and lacked community involvement and to start a new process ensuring the community is involved.

Vino Patel, Manager, Bruce Villa Manor (re: Item 11.8)

Vino Patel, Manager, Bruce Villa Manor appears before Council regarding the administrative report entitled “Per Diem Rate Increase for the Residential Services Homes Program – City Wide” dated March 9, 2023 and is available for questions.

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Gerry Corriveau, Resident of Ward 6

Gerry Corriveau, Resident of Ward 6 appears before Council regarding the administrative report entitled “2023 Operating Budget Report – City Wide” and “2023 10-Year Recommended Capital Budget – City Wide” and expresses concern regarding Lakeview Marina and his attempts to secure a boat slip; and concludes by suggesting that City residents should have priority in renting the slips and charging an added fee for non-residents.

Marion Overholt, Legal Assistance of Windsor

Marion Overholt, Legal Assistance of Windsor appears before Council regarding the administrative report entitled “2023 Operating Budget Report – City Wide” and “2023 10-Year Recommended Capital Budget – City Wide” and suggests that savings in the Ontario Works budget be reinvested in preventative strategies for keeping residents housed; and concludes by suggesting that Council consider an increase in funding for outreach workers; investment in rapid housing; and implementing a 1% tax levy to raise revenue for social and affordable housing and expanding the availability of affordable housing,

David Petten, President, CUPE Local 543

David Petten, President, CUPE Local 543 appears before Council regarding the administrative report entitled “2023 Operating Budget Report – City Wide” and “2023 10-Year Recommended Capital Budget – City Wide” and expresses concern with by-law enforcement having to enforce the proposed aggressive panhandling by-law if approved which will place a further burden on officers, and is not a good use of limited resources without the addition of any new by-law officers; and concludes by suggesting that the funding would be better used to fund poverty reduction initiatives, or to improve mental health resources and affordable housing and an increase to the child care staff and wages.

Anne Ryan, Executive Director, IRIS Residential Inns and Services and Karen Soulliere, Board Chair, IRIS House

Anne Ryan, Executive Director, IRIS Residential Inns and Services and Karen Soulliere, Board Chair IRIS House appears before Council regarding the administrative report entitled “Per Diem Rate Increase for the Residential Services Homes Program – City Wide” and requests that Council approve the increase to the per diem rates and hopes there can be some annual indexing included in the increase to take into account inflation amounts. Ms. Soulliere provides details related to per diems for other institutions such as nursing homes and prisons as a comparison to the funds they receive, and concludes by urging Council to increase the rates by a few dollars more to avoid future larger annual increases as the current rates haven’t increased since 2019.

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Moved by: Councillor Jo-Anne Gignac
Seconded by: Councillor Angelo Marignani

Decision Number: B18/2023

That a priority wait list for City residents **BE ESTABLISHED** for Lakeview Marina; and,

That Administration **BE DIRECTED** to report back to Council to provide information regarding charging different fees for non-City of Windsor residents using the Lakeview Marina facility; and,

That Administration **BE DIRECTED** to provide information outlining options for establishing a priority wait list at other City owned facilities for Councils consideration.
Carried.

Clerk's File:SR2023

11. REGULAR BUSINESS ITEMS

11.8. Per Diem Rate Increase for the Residential Services Homes Program – City Wide

Moved by: Councillor Fred Francis
Seconded by: Councillor Angelo Marignani

B13/2023 RESCINDED BY CR205/2023 ADOPTED MAY 29, 2023

Decision Number: B13/2023

That the report from the Manager of Homelessness and Housing Support dated March 9, 2023 regarding the per diem increase for the Residential Services Homes program **BE RECEIVED**; and,

That the Commissioner of Health and Human Services **BE AUTHORIZED** to increase the per diem rate to \$60.00 effective April 1, 2023 for the Residential Services Homes program in Windsor and Essex County, which will require an increase in the annual municipal funding up to \$600,000 from the City of Windsor and up to \$400,000 from the County of Essex that will be prorated in 2023 for nine months (\$450,000 City, \$300,000 County); and further,

That the Commissioner of Health and Human Services **BE AUTHORIZED** to pursue an increase to the annual funding allocation from the County of Essex up to \$400,000 for the Residential Services Homes program; and further,

That the Chief Administrative Officer and City Clerk **BE AUTHORIZED** to execute, amend, and terminate agreements with the County of Essex related to the Residential Services Homes program and other homelessness programs funded through the provincial Homelessness Prevention Program (HPP) and the federal Reaching Home funding streams, provided such agreements are in

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a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor, satisfactory in financial content to the City Treasurer and satisfactory in technical content to the Commissioner of Health and Human Services and the Executive Director of Housing and Children's Services; and further,

That the Manager of Homelessness and Housing Support be **DIRECTED** to review the Residential Services Homes program per diem rate and/or funding model every three years and provide recommendations to City Council; and further,

That Council Resolution CR235/2018 SDHC 565 which established the previous Residential Services Homes program per diem rate **BE RESCINDED**.

Carried.

Report Number: C 45/2023

Clerk's File: SS/13026

11.4. Essex-Windsor Solid Waste Authority 2023 Budget - City Wide

Moved by: Councillor Gary Kaschak

Seconded by: Councillor Fabio Costante

Decision Number: B9/2023

That City Council **APPROVE** the 2023 Essex-Windsor Solid Waste Authority budget, attached as Appendix A.

Carried.

Report Number: C 32/2023

Clerk's File: SW/14547

The Special Meeting of Council recesses at 12:35 o'clock p.m.

The Special Meeting of Council reconvenes 1:11 o'clock p.m.

11.1. Change to the Transit Windsor Charter Policy- City Wide

Moved by: Councillor Fred Francis

Seconded by: Councillor Kieran McKenzie

Decision Number: B6/2023 ETPS 934

That the Environment, Transportation and Public Safety Standing Committee, sitting as the Transit Windsor Board of Directors, and City Council

- i. **APPROVE** the recommended Transit Windsor Charter Policy (Appendix A);
- ii. **RESCIND** all previous policies related to Transit Windsor charters;

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- iii. **APPROVE** the recommended Transit Windsor Charter Rates (Appendix C), detailed within this report, and their inclusion into the User Fee Schedule, with annual increases tied to general fare increases as prescribed in the 2019 *Fare Structure Review*; and,
- iv. **APPROVE** the changes to take effect for all charters booked after April 1, 2023.
Carried.

Report Number: S 2/2023
Clerk's File: MT/13708

11.2. Transit Windsor 2023 Operating Budget - City Wide

Moved by: Councillor Fred Francis
Seconded by: Councillor Mark McKenzie

Decision Number: B7/2023 ETPS 935

That the report of the Executive Director, Transit Windsor entitled "Transit Windsor 2023 Operating Budget – City Wide" dated February 3, 2023 **BE DEFERRED** to later in the Council meeting in conjunction with discussion related to the Operating Budget.
Carried.

Report Number: S 19/2023
Clerk's File: MT/13708

11.3. 2023 Sewer Surcharge Budget - City Wide

Moved by: Councillor Fred Francis
Seconded by: Councillor Mark McKenzie

Decision Number: B8/2023

- I. That City Council **RECEIVE** the updated 2023 Sewer Surcharge Budget and 4-Year Sewer Surcharge Forecasts (2024-2027) as presented in Appendix A of the report; and,
- II. That the following wastewater rates **BE APPROVED** as soon as practicable:
 - A. Fixed Charge - To be based on the meter size as detailed in Appendix B (\$20.17 for residential customers)
 - B. Water Consumption Charge - To be based on a rate per cubic metre of water (\$3.11 per m³ of water for residential users and \$3.04 per m³ for commercial customers); and,
- III. That in order to avoid charging a surcharge on the water that is estimated to not have been returned to the sewer system, water consumption for the purpose of calculating the sewer surcharge bills for the extended summer months (May through October) continue to **BE**

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BASED on the lower of actual consumption or average winter usage (November through April) and that WUC continue to use the appropriate billing methodology to achieve this goal; and,

- IV. That Council **DIRECT** the City Solicitor to update the Sewer Surcharge Bylaw to reflect the new rates.

Carried.

Report Number: C 27/2023

Clerk's File: AF/14372

11.5. Additional Resources to meet Bills 23, 108 and 109 – Engineering Department - City Wide

Moved by: Councillor Kieran McKenzie

Seconded by: Councillor Fabio Costante

Decision Number: B10/2023

- I. That Council **AUTHORIZE** the addition of four (4) Full time Equivalent (FTE) positions within the Engineering Department as follows:
- Development Engineer in the Development Division; and,
 - Engineer II in the Development Division; and,
 - Technologist II in the Right-of-Way Division, and,
 - Technologist III in the Right-of-Way Division.
- to address the anticipated increase workload resulting from Bills 23, 108 and 109 and increased development pressures related to the Electric Vehicle Battery Plant, Regional Hospital and development activities within the Sandwich South lands and that the positions report directly to the Manager of Development and Manager of Right-of-way in the Engineering Department.
- II. That the total cost to the Engineering Department for the 4 new FTE positions to meet Bills 23, 108 & 109 estimated at \$496,576 (net amount from tax levy \$25,924) **BE FUNDED** within 2023 operating budget as follows:
- Recovery from Capital projects of \$196,456; and,
 - Revenue from the new stormwater management review user fee estimated as \$34,210 annually; and,
 - Increase right-of-way permit revenue estimated at \$127,200 annually; and,
 - Recovery from sewer surcharge of \$112,786; and,
 - Charge to the general tax levy of \$25,924.
- III. That Council **APPROVE** a new Stormwater Management Review fee as follows:
- For sites less than 2Ha - \$490/application; and,
 - For sites greater than 2Ha - \$820/application; and,
 - For SPC Amendment (AMT) type developments (all sizes) - \$430/application; and,
 - Additional Revisions (after 2 revisions to the original application) - \$200/revision.

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and that the Fees and Charges By-Law 392-2002 **BE AMENDED** accordingly; and,

IV. That Administration **BE DIRECTED** to correspond with the Provincial Government to request support with resources to comply with new legislation.

Carried.

Report Number: C 41/2023
Clerk's File: AS2023

11.6. Sewer Master Plan Implementation 2023 Update - City Wide

Moved by: Councillor Fred Francis

Seconded by: Councillor Angelo Marignani

Decision Number: B11/2023

That City Council **RECEIVE** for information the report regarding "Sewer Master Plan Implementation 2023 Update – City Wide" dated March 3, 2023 as an overall 2023 status update on the progress of the Sewer Master Plan Implementation Program.

Carried.

Report Number: C 36/2023
Clerk's File: SW/12983

11.7. Organizational Structure Changes - Office of the CFO/City Treasurer - City Wide

Moved by: Councillor Fabio Costante

Seconded by: Councillor Fred Francis

Decision Number: B12/2023

That in order to comply with mandatory legislative and regulatory requirements under Payment Card Industry (PCI) Standards, City Council **APPROVE** a permanent Senior Treasury Analyst position to be funded in 2023 from monies which are available within the existing PCI capital project (Project ID 7211036); and further,

That ongoing funding for the permanent position of Senior Treasury Analyst **BE APPROVED** as a pre-commitment to the 2024 Operating budget; and further,

That as a result of the enhanced investment strategy resulting in increased investment yields, funding for the existing position of Manager of Treasury & Cash Management **BE APPROVED** as a recovery from the Corporate Interest budget; and,

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That City Council **APPROVE** a permanent position of Manager of Administration Corporate Services to be funded on a cost neutral basis through the existing Corporate Services operating budget.

Carried.

Report Number: C 35/2023

Clerk's File: AS2023

11.9. Roseland Golf and Curling Club - Redevelopment - Ward 1

Moved by: Councillor Kieran McKenzie

Seconded by: Councillor Jo-Anne Gignac

Decision Number: B14/2023

That City Council **DIRECT** Administration to bring back options for Council's consideration regarding the redevelopment of the Roseland parking lot, clubhouse and the future of Curling; and,

That City Council **DIRECT** Administration to begin public consultation and the results be included in the report back to Council regarding the various options.

Carried.

Report Number: C 44/2023

Clerk's File: SR2023

11.10. Legacy Beacon/Streetcar No.351 - Tender Update - Ward 3

Moved by: Councillor Jo-Anne Gignac

Seconded by: Councillor Renaldo Agostino

Decision Number: B15/2023

- I. THAT City Council **RECEIVE** this report regarding ongoing negotiations related to the Legacy Beacon/StreetCar No.351 Tender 72-22 for information; and,
- II. THAT Council **PRE-APPROVE** and **AWARD** any procurement(s) necessary that are related to the above noted project, provided that the procurement(s) are within the funds allocated to this project by Council, pursuant to the Purchasing By-Law 93-2012 and amendments thereto; satisfactory in financial content to the Commissioner of Corporate Services CFO/City Treasurer, in legal form to the Commissioner of Legal & Legislative Services/City Solicitor; and in technical content to the Executive Director of Engineering; and,
- III. THAT the Purchasing Manager **BE AUTHORIZED** to issue Purchase Orders as may be required to effect the recommendations noted above, pursuant to the Purchasing By-Law 93-2012 and amendments thereto, subject to all specifications being satisfactory in financial

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content to the Commissioner of Corporate Services CFO/City Treasurer, and in technical content to the Commissioner of Infrastructure Services/City Engineer; and,

- IV. THAT Administration **BE AUTHORIZED** to take any other steps as may be required to bring effect to these resolutions, and that the Chief Administrative Officer and City Clerk **BE AUTHORIZED** to execute any required documentation/agreement(s) for that purpose, subject to legal approval by the Commissioner of Legal & Legislative Services/City Solicitor, financial approval by the Commissioner of Corporate Services CFO/City Treasurer, and technical approval by the Commissioner of Infrastructure Services/City Engineer.

Carried.

Councillor Fred Francis, Fabio Costante and Angelo Marignani voting nay.

Report Number: C 52/2023

Clerk's File: SR/13823

2023 Operating Budget Binder Items

Appendix A: Executive Summary

Section B

Reference # B44

Issue Reference # 2023-0133

Increase in the Corporate Contingency Budget

Moved by: Councillor Fred Francis

Seconded by: Councillor Jo-Anne Gignac

Decision Number: B19/2023

That with regards to "Increase in the Corporate Contingency Budget" the amount of \$300,000 **BE NOT APPROVED.**

Carried.

Reference # B49

Issue Reference # 2023-0088

Increase to STAR Committee Budget

Moved by: Councillor Jo-Anne Gignac

Seconded by: Councillor Fred Francis

Decision Number: B20/2023

That with regards to "Increase to STAR Committee Budget" the amount of \$87,800 **BE NOT APPROVED**

Carried.

Councillors Fabio Costante, Kieran McKenzie, and Jim Morrison voting nay.

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Reference # B62

Issue Reference # 2023-0276

One-Time funding of Financial Analyst-Parks & Recreation Support

Moved by: Councillor Fred Francis

Seconded by: Councillor Angelo Marignani

That with regards to “One-Time funding of Financial Analyst-Parks & Recreation Support” one-time funding in the amount of \$84,655 BE NOT APPROVED.

The motion is **put** and **lost**.

Aye votes: Councillors Fred Francis and Angelo Marignani.

Nay votes: Councillors Jo-Anne Gignac, Jim Morrison, Kieran McKenzie, Fabio Costante, Mark McKenzie, Ed Sleiman, Gary Kaschak and Renaldo Agostino.

Absent: None.

Abstain: None.

Reference # B63

Issue Reference # 2023-0020

One-Time Funding for an Accessibility Assistant Position

Moved by: Councillor Fred Francis

Seconded by: Councillor Jo-Anne Gignac

That with regards to “One-Time Funding for an Accessibility Assistant Position” one-time funding in the amount of \$62,001 BE NOT APPROVED

The motion is **put** and **lost**.

Aye votes: Councillors Fred Francis and Jo-Anne Gignac.

Nay votes: Councillors Jim Morrison, Kieran McKenzie, Fabio Costante, Mark Mckenzie, Ed Sleiman, Gary Kaschak, Renaldo Agostino and Angelo Marignani.

Absent: None.

Abstain: None.

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Reference # C86 Issue Reference # 2023-0258 Creation of Fleet Reserve for Transit Fleet

Moved by: Councillor Jo-Anne Gignac
Seconded by: Councillor Fred Francis

Decision Number: B21/2023

That with regards to "Creation of Fleet Reserve for Transit Fleet" the amount of \$480,000 **BE NOT APPROVED**

Carried.

Councillors Fabio Costante and Kieran McKenzie voting nay.

Reference # C87 Issue Reference # 2023-0131 2023 Transit Windsor Service Plan

Moved by: Councillor Fred Francis
Seconded by: Councillor Mark McKenzie

That with regards to "2023 Transit Windsor Service Plan" the amount of \$465,769 one-time funding through BSR as opposed to the requested \$931,538 **BE APPROVED**.

The motion is **put** and **lost**.

Aye votes: Councillors Fred Francis, Mark McKenzie and Ed Sleiman.

Nay votes: Councillors Jim Morrison, Kieran McKenzie, Fabio Costante, Jo-Anne Gignac, Gary Kaschak, Renaldo Agostino and Angelo Marignani.

Absent: None.

Abstain: None.

Reference # C89 Issue Reference # 2023-0009 Addition of One Deputy Fire Chief of Professional Standards & Quality

Moved by: Councillor Jo-Anne Gignac
Seconded by: Councillor Fred Francis

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Decision Number: B22/2023

That with regards to “Addition of One Deputy Fire Chief of Professional Standards & Quality” the amount of \$219,427 **BE NOT APPROVED**

Carried.

Councillor Kieran McKenzie voting nay.

Reference # C93

Issue Reference # 2023-0226

Addition of RFT Community Energy Plan Project Administrator Position

Moved by: Councillor Jo-Anne Gignac

Seconded by: Councillor Fred Francis

Decision Number: B23/2023

That with regards to “Addition of RFT Community Energy Plan Project Administrator Position” the amount of \$107,073 **BE APPROVED** through one-time Budget Stabilization Reserve Fund funding (BSR).

Carried.

Councillor Kieran McKenzie, Fabio Costante and Jim Morrison voting nay.

Reference # C91

Issue Reference # 2023-0100

Addition of a Fleet Technology and Training Administrator

Moved by: Councillor Mark McKenzie

Seconded by: Councillor Fred Francis

Decision Number: B24/2023

That with regards to “Addition of a Fleet Technology and Training Administrator” the amount of \$124,272 **BE NOT APPROVED**

Carried.

Councillors Kieran McKenzie, Fabio Costante, Jim Morrison and Renaldo Agostino voting nay.

Reference # C95

Issue Reference # 2023-0191

Addition of Parks and Facilities Asset Analyst Position

Moved by: Councillor Mark McKenzie

Seconded by: Councillor Fred Francis

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Decision Number: B25/2023

That with regards to "Addition of Parks and Facilities Asset Analyst Position" the amount of \$87,963

BE NOT APPROVED

Carried.

Councillors Kieran McKenzie, Jim Morrison, Gary Kaschak and Fabio Costante voting nay.

Reference # C96

Issue Reference # 2023-0063

Addition of One Planning Analyst

Moved by: Councillor Ed Sleiman

Seconded by: Councillor Fred Francis

Decision Number: B26/2023

That with regards to "Addition of One Planning Analyst" the amount of \$77,922 **BE NOT**

APPROVED

Carried.

Councillors Kieran McKenzie, Jim Morrison, Gary Kaschak and Fabio Costante voting nay.

2023 Operating Budget Binder Items Agencies, Boards, and Committees

Arts Council Windsor and Region

Moved by: Councillor Jo-Anne Gignac

Seconded by: Councillor Angelo Marignani

Decision Number: B27/2023

That with regards to the "Arts Council Windsor and Region" that \$15,000 **BE APPROVED** as opposed to the requested \$25,000.

Carried.

Councillors Mark McKenzie, Renaldo Agostino and Fabio Costante voting nay.

Moved by: Councillor Ed Sleiman

Seconded by: Councillor Jo-Anne Gignac

Decision Number: B28/2023

That the Agencies, Boards and Committees Funding Requests **BE APPROVED** as amended.

Carried.

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2023 Capital Budget Binder Items

2023 Budget Capital Projects Detail University Avenue/Victoria Avenue (ECP-014-07)

Moved by: Councillor Fabio Costante
Seconded by: Councillor Angelo Marignani

Decision Number: B29/2023

That Administration **BE DIRECTED** to report back with regards to the University Avenue West Project # (ECP-14-07) road reconstruction, with information related to Potential Funding or other options that can be utilized to complete the entire road reconstruction, without affecting the current Capital Budget allocations; and,

That the temporary construction of pop-up bike lanes along University Avenue West **BE NOT APPROVED** until such time as the road re-construction is completed.
Carried.

10.1. 2023 Operating Budget Report - City Wide

Moved by: Councillor Ed Sleiman
Seconded by: Councillor Jo-Anne Gignac

Decision Number: B4/2023

That City Council **APPROVE** the 2023 recommended operating budget which is reflective of an overall property tax levy increase of 4.48% (inclusive of a 1.89% increase for City Departments, 1.18% for Agencies, Boards & Committees (ABC's), 1.16% for the previously approved Asset Management Plan (AMP), and 0.25% for AMP – Local Residential Roads (as referenced in resolution #B2/2023) and subject to any further amendments that may be required and which are approved by City Council; and attached as Schedule 1; and,

That contingent upon approval of the 2023 Recommended Budget, one-time funding estimated at \$6,297,423 (plus or minus any amounts related to Council changes to the recommended budget) **BE APPROVED** from the specific Reserve Funds as detailed in this report; and,

That contingent upon approval of the 2023 Recommended Budget, that an estimated one-time amount of \$7,453,000 **BE APPROVED** for projected 2023 COVID-19 pressures as detailed in this report and that administration be authorized to seek additional senior level government relief funding and continue with ongoing mitigation measures to address such one time costs; and,

That the updated Long Term Debt Forecast as detailed in this report **BE RECEIVED** for information; and,

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That the 2023 Schedule of Fees detailed in section 5 of the Budget Document appendix D: 2023 User Fee Schedule **BE APPROVED**; and,

That the Fees and Charges By-law of Record **BE AMENDED** to reflect the 2023 Schedule of Fees; and,

That existing Recreation Fees, **REMAIN UNCHANGED** at 2022 levels; and, that the resulting cost of \$150,000 **BE OFFSET** by an increase in interest income revenue; and,

That the necessary bylaws **BE PRESENTED** for Council's approval in support of the adoption of the 2023 Operating Budget; and,

That Council **APPROVE** the required transfers to and from various funds in accordance with the 2023 Approved Budget; and,

That the CFO & City Treasurer **BE AUTHORIZED** to process budget adjustments during the fiscal year, which does not change the overall approved property tax levy.

Carried.

Councillor Fred Francis voting nay.

Report Number: C 34/2023
Clerk's File: AF/14372

10.2. 2023 10-Year Recommended Capital Budget - City Wide

Moved by: Councillor Kieran McKenzie

Seconded by: Councillor Angelo Marignani

Decision Number: B5/2023

That City Council **RECEIVE** the 2023 10-Year Capital Budget documents reflective of \$1,756,783,528 in total funding; and,

That City Council **APPROVE** the recommended allocation of the 2023 available funding, inclusive of funding required for pre-commitments and placeholders previously approved by City Council, for capital projects totalling \$178,530,254; and,

That City Council **APPROVE IN PRINCIPLE** the recommended allocation of the 2024 through 2032 available funding, inclusive of funding required for pre-commitments and placeholders previously approved by City Council, for capital projects totalling \$1,578,253,274; and,

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That City Council **APPROVE** the reallocation of funding sources for previously approved pre-committed funding, as well as the pre-commitment of additional funding, as identified in the Financial Matters section of this report; and,

That City Council **APPROVE** an extension of the Asset Management Plan levy of 1.16% for one additional year in 2026 to support the City's commitment under the Social Housing Repair & Renewal funding agreement and to provide additional, dedicated funding to support housing and homelessness initiatives.

Carried.

Councillor Fred Francis voting nay.

Report Number: C 26/2023
Clerk's File: AF/14372

√**CLERK'S CORRECTION****

11.2. Transit Windsor 2023 Operating Budget - City Wide

Moved by: Councillor Ed Sleiman

Seconded by: Councillor Fabio Costante

Decision Number: B30/2023

That the Environment, Transportation and Public Safety Standing Committee, sitting as the Transit Windsor Board of Directors **RECOMMEND** √**APPROVE**√ Transit Windsor's 2023 Operating Budget reflective of a Property Tax Levy Contribution of \$17,831,080 which is \$1,409,537 (or 8.58%) greater than the 2022 Property Tax Levy contribution; and,

~~√That Transit Windsor's 2023 Operating Budget **BE REFERRED** to City Council for consideration as part of the City's 2023 Operating Budget deliberations.√~~

Carried.

Report Number: S 19/2023
Clerk's File: MT/13708

12. CONSIDERATION OF COMMITTEE REPORTS

√**CLERK'S CORRECTION****

12.1. (i) Report of the Special In-Camera meeting or other Committee as may be held prior to Council

Moved by: Councillor Jo-Anne Gignac

Seconded by: Councillor Gary Kaschak

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Decision Number: B31/2023

That the report of the In-Camera meeting held March 30, 2023 **BE ADOPTED** as presented.

Carried.

Clerk's File: ACO2023

12.2. (i) Report of the Special In-Camera meeting or other Committee as may be held prior to Council

Moved by: Councillor Jo-Anne Gignac

Seconded by: Councillor Gary Kaschak

Decision Number: B16/2023

That the report of the In-Camera meeting held April 3, 2023 **BE ADOPTED** as presented.

Carried.

Clerk's File: ACO2023

12.3. Minutes of the 2023 Operating Budget Review Committee of its meetings held January 23, 2023 to January 26, 2023

Moved by: Councillor Jo-Anne Gignac

Seconded by: Councillor Gary Kaschak

Decision Number: B17/2023

That the minutes of the 2023 Operating Budget Review committee of its meetings held January 23, 2023 to January 26, 2023 **BE ADOPTED** as presented.

Carried.

Report Number: SCM 102/2023

13. BY-LAWS (First and Second Readings)

Moved by: Councillor Angelo Marignani

Seconded by: Councillor Kieran McKenzie

That the following By-law No. 31-2023 be introduced and read a first and second time:

By-law 31-2023 A BY-LAW TO CONFIRM PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF WINDSOR AT ITS SPECIAL MEETING HELD ON THE 3rd DAY OF APRIL, 2023

Carried.

14. MOVE BACK INTO FORMAL SESSION

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Moved by: Councillor Mark McKenzie
Seconded by: Councillor Jim Morrison

That the Committee of the Whole does now rise and report to Council respecting the business items considered by the Committee:

- 1) Communication Items (as amended)
- 2) Items Deferred
Items Referred
- 3) Consideration of the Balance of Business Items (as amended)
- 4) Committee Reports as presented
- 5) By-laws given first and second readings as presented

Carried.

16. THIRD AND FINAL READING OF THE BY-LAWS

Moved by: Councillor Ed Sleiman
Seconded by: Councillor Renaldo Agostino

That By-law No. 31-2023 having been read a first and second time be now read a third time and finally passed and that the Mayor and Clerk **BE AUTHORIZED** to sign and seal the same notwithstanding any contrary provision of the Council.

Carried.

21. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by: Councillor Fabio Costante
Seconded by: Councillor Fred Francis

That this Council meeting stand adjourned until the next regular meeting of Council or at the call of the Mayor.

Carried.

Accordingly, the meeting is adjourned at 3:20 o'clock p.m.

Mayor

City Clerk

Adopted by Council at its meeting held April 3, 2023 (B16/2023)
SV/bm

SPECIAL MEETING OF COUNCIL – IN CAMERA
April 3, 2023

Meeting called to order at: 9:01 a.m.

Members in Attendance:

Mayor Drew Dilkens
Councillor Renaldo Agostino
Councillor Fabio Costante
Councillor Fred Francis
Councillor Jo-Anne Gignac
Councillor Gary Kaschak
Councillor Angelo Marignani
Councillor Kieran McKenzie
Councillor Mark McKenzie
Councillor Jim Morrison
Councillor Ed Sleiman

Also in attendance:

Onorio Colucci, Acting Chief Administrative Officer
Andrew Daher, Commissioner, Human and Health Services
Chris Nepsy, Commissioner, Infrastructure Services

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Joe Mancina, Commissioner, Corporate Services CFO/City Treasurer
Shelby Askin-Hager, Commissioner, Legal and Legislative Services
Ray Mensour, Commissioner, Community Services
Jelena Payne, Commissioner Economic Development and Innovation
Steve Vlachodimos, City Clerk
Andrew Teliszewsky, Mayor's Chief of Staff
Dana Paladino, Acting Executive Director, Human Resources (Item 3)
Neil Robertson, Deputy City Planner (Item 2)
Michael Cooke, Deputy City Planner (Item 2)
Kristina Savi-Mascaro, Deputy City Solicitor (Items 1 and 3)
Stephen Laforet, Fire Chief (Item 3)

Verbal Motion is presented by Councillor Angelo Marignani, seconded by Councillor Kieran McKenzie, to move in Camera for discussion of the following item(s):

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<u>Item No.</u>	<u>Subject</u>	<u>Section – Pursuant to Municipal Act, 2001, as amended</u>
1.	Legal matter – litigation update	239(2)(e)(f)
2.	Personal matter – labour negotiations – reorganization	239(2)(d)
3.	Personal matter – in-camera questions/discussion re 2023 budget	239(2)(b)(k)

Motion Carried.

Declarations of Pecuniary Interest:

Councillor Fred Francis discloses an interest and abstains from voting on Item 1 as he is involved with the bingo litigation.

Councillor Renaldo Agostino discloses an interest and abstains from voting on Item 1 as he is involved with the bingo litigation.

Discussion on the items of business. (Items 1, 2 and 3)

Verbal Motion is presented by Councillor Fabio Costante, seconded by Councillor Jo-Anne Gignac, to move back into public session.

Motion Carried.

Moved by Councillor Ed Sleiman, seconded by Councillor Mark McKenzie,

THAT the Clerk BE DIRECTED to transmit the recommendation(s) contained in the report(s) discussed at the In-Camera Council Meeting held April 3, 2023 directly to Council for consideration at the next Regular Meeting.

1. That the confidential memo from the Commissioner, Legal and Legislative Services and Commissioner, Corporate Services CFO/City Treasurer respecting a legal matter – litigation update **BE RECEIVED**, and that

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Administration **BE DIRECTED TO PROCEED** in accordance with the verbal instructions of Council.

Councillors Fred Francis and Renaldo Agostino declare a conflict and abstain from voting on this matter.

2. That the recommendation contained in the in-camera report from the Executive Director of Planning and Development, Financial Planning Administrator, Acting Executive Director of Human Resources, Commissioner, Economic Development and Innovation and Commissioner, Corporate Services CFO/City Treasurer respecting a personal matter – labour negotiations/reorganization **BE APPROVED**.

3. That the in-camera discussion/questions regarding the 2023 budget **BE RECEIVED** and that Administration **BE DIRECTED TO PROCEED** in accordance with the verbal direction of Council.

Motion Carried.

**Moved by Councillor Gary Kaschak, seconded by Councillor Angelo Marignani,
That the special meeting of council held April 3, 2023 BE ADJOURNED.
(Time: 10:06 a.m.)**

Motion Carried.