



Town of Newmarket
MINUTES

**SPECIAL COMMITTEE OF THE
WHOLE**

Monday, December 5, 2016 at 10:00 AM
Council Chambers

For confirmation only by Council
on January 23, 2017

The meeting of the Special Committee of the Whole was held on Monday, December 5, 2016 in Council Chambers, 395 Mulock Drive, Newmarket.

Members Present: Mayor Van Bynen
Deputy Mayor & Regional Councillor Taylor
Councillor Vegh
Councillor Kerwin
Councillor Twinney
Councillor Hempen
Councillor Kwapis
Councillor Broome
Councillor Bisanz

Staff Present: R.N. Shelton, Chief Administrative Officer
E. Armchuk, Commissioner of Corporate Services
I. McDougall, Commissioner of Community Services
P. Noehammer, Commissioner of Development and Infrastructure Services
M. Mayes, Director of Financial Services/Treasurer
W. Bennett, Director of Corporate Communications
C. Finnerty, Council/Committee Coordinator
H. Leznoff, Elections Assistant, Legislative Services

The meeting was called to order at 10:01 a.m.

Mayor Van Bynen in the Chair.

Declarations of Interest

None.

Presentation

1. The Chief Administrative Officer and the Commissioner of Development and Infrastructure Services indicated the purpose of this meeting was to obtain feedback from Members of Council on the proposed draft budget. They introduced the Director of Financial Services/Treasurer and the Director of Corporate Communications. The Director of Financial Services addressed those present with a PowerPoint Presentation highlighting details of the Preliminary 2017 Draft Budget including Council's strategic priorities.

The Director of Corporate Communications provided an overview of community engagement activities that included the 2017 budget game and various advertising techniques related to budget topics.

Members of Council queried staff with requests for explanation of aspects of the budget document including extraordinary costs, stormwater rates, tax rates, traffic mitigation measures, sidewalk clearing, possible revenue generating opportunities, enhancements and service levels, targets and sustainability.

The Special Committee of the Whole recessed at 12:10 p.m.

The Special Committee of the Whole reconvened at 12:37 p.m.

Moved by: Councillor Vegh
Seconded by: Councillor Kwapis

a) THAT the PowerPoint Presentation by the Director of Financial Services and the Director of Corporate Communications be received;

i) AND THAT Council consider another budget option, similar to Option A – Meeting the Target but with the inclusion of the following:

- a) snow clearing for 100% of Newmarket sidewalks – an additional \$55,000
- b) traffic mitigation not be deferred for future consideration – an additional \$50,000

Carried

Items

2. Corporate Services Report - Financial Services 2016-56 dated December 5, 2016 regarding the 2017 Preliminary Draft Operating and Capital Budgets.

Moved by: Councillor Vegh
Seconded by: Councillor Kwapis

a) THAT Corporate Services - Financial Services Report 2016-56 dated December 5, 2016 regarding 2017 Preliminary Draft Operating and Capital Budgets be received and that the preliminary draft budgets, as amended are made available for public comment.

Carried

Adjournment

Moved by: Councillor Bisanz
Seconded by: Councillor Broome

THAT the meeting adjourn.

Carried

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 1:37 p.m.

Tony Van Bynen, Mayor

Esther Armchuk, Acting Town Clerk