



Town of Newmarket

Minutes

Special Committee of the Whole – Electronic

(Budget Overview)

Date: Monday, January 30, 2023
Time: 9:00 AM
Location: Streamed live from the Municipal Offices
395 Mulock Drive
Newmarket, ON L3Y 4X7

Members Present: Mayor Taylor
Deputy Mayor & Regional Councillor Vegh (9:01 AM - 10:29 AM;
10:37 AM - 11:18 AM)
Councillor Simon (9:04 AM - 11:18 AM)
Councillor Woodhouse
Councillor Twinney (9:02 AM - 11:18 AM)
Councillor Morrison
Councillor Kwapis
Councillor Broome
Councillor Bisanz (9:02 AM - 11:18 AM)

Staff Present: I. McDougall, Chief Administrative Officer
E. Armchuk, Commissioner of Corporate Services
P. Noehammer, Commissioner of Development & Infrastructure
Services
C. Service, Acting Commissioner of Community Services
L. Lyons, Director of Legislative Services/Town Clerk
K. Saini, Deputy Town Clerk
J. Unger, Director of Planning & Building Services
M. Mayes, Director of Financial Services/Town Treasurer
A. Tang, Manager Finance and Accounting
K. Huguenin, Legislative Coordinator
S. Granat, Legislative Coordinator

For consideration by Council on February 13, 2023.

Mayor Taylor in the Chair.

The meeting was called to order at 9:01 AM.

1. Notice

Mayor Taylor advised that this meeting was streamed live at [Newmarket.ca/meetings](https://newmarket.ca/meetings). Residents who would like to provide comment on an item on this agenda were encouraged to provide their feedback in writing through email to Legislative Services at clerks@newmarket.ca or by joining the meeting electronically through video or telephone. He advised residents that their comments would form part of the public record.

2. Additions & Corrections to the Agenda

None.

3. Conflict of Interest Declarations

None.

4. Presentations & Recognitions

4.1 2023 Preliminary Draft Operating and Capital Budgets

The Chief Administrative Officer provided an introduction. The Director Financial Services presented an overview of the budget, fiscal strategy, debt servicing, tax discretionary reserves, construction price index, asset replacement fund contributions, and historic tax increases. The Manager Finance and Accounting presented the preliminary draft budgets, guiding principles, tax supported operating budget, budget process, capital budget, rate supported operating budget for water, wastewater, and stormwater, monthly cost of service, project municipal levy, future risks, Bill 23, the More Homes Built Faster Act, 2022 and public engagement.

Members of Council asked queried staff regarding funding for water and wastewater asset replacement, and potential impacts of service reductions, federal grants for asset replacement, and additional household property tax impact charts.

Members of Council discussed generating ideas for potential service reductions, Bill 23, deferral of service reductions, revisiting prior audit recommendations for service changes, opportunities for revenue

generation.

Moved by: Councillor Broome

Seconded by: Councillor Woodhouse

1. That the presentation provided by Ian McDougall, Mike Mayes, and Andrea Tang regarding the 2023 Preliminary Draft Operating and Capital Budgets be received.

Carried

5. Deputations

None.

6. Consent Items

6.1 2023 Preliminary Draft Budget

Moved by: Councillor Woodhouse

Seconded by: Councillor Simon

1. That the report entitled 2023 Preliminary Draft Budget dated January 30, 2023 be received; and,
2. That Council approve the capital spending authority for “Trails & Multi-Use Path” in the amount of \$1,920,000 in advance of the 2023 Budget approval; and,
3. That Council approve the deferral of 2023 capital spending authority for capital project “Recreation Playbook Implementation” for the RJT Outdoor Skating Rink to 2024; and,
4. That subject to any further direction, Staff be authorized to provide Council and the public with details of the Preliminary Draft 2023 Capital and Rate-Supported Operating Budgets on February 13,

2023 and Tax-Supported Operating Budget on March 20, 2023;
and,

5. That Staff be authorized and directed to do all things necessary to give effect to this resolution.

Carried

7. New Business

None.

8. Adjournment

Moved by: Councillor Broome

Seconded by: Councillor Woodhouse

1. That the meeting be adjourned at 11:18 AM.

Carried

John Taylor, Mayor

Lisa Lyons, Town Clerk