

CITY OF VAUGHAN
REPORT NO. 3 OF THE
FINANCE, ADMINISTRATION AND AUDIT COMMITTEE

*For consideration by the Council
of the City of Vaughan
on February 18, 2014*

The Finance, Administration and Audit Committee met at 9:37 a.m., on January 29, 2014.

Present: Councillor Marilyn Iafrate, Chair
Hon. Maurizio Bevilacqua, Mayor
Regional Councillor Gino Rosati
Regional Councillor Deb Schulte
Councillor Tony Carella
Councillor Alan Shefman

The following items were dealt with:

1 DRAFT 2014 BUDGET AND 2015-2017 PLAN UPDATE
(Referred)

The Finance, Administration and Audit Committee recommends:

- 1) That the following motions be referred to the Interim City Manager and the Acting Commissioner of Finance & City Treasurer for consolidation into the draft budget and/or such response as required, for consideration at the Special Council meeting of February 18, 2014:**
 - a) That the recommendation contained in Communication C3, Memorandum from the Interim City Manager and the Acting Commissioner of Finance & City Treasurer, dated January 24, 2014, be approved as follows:**
 - 1. That the budget adjustments illustrated within Communication C3 to achieve a 2.5% tax rate increase be incorporated in the Proposed 2014 Budget and 2015-2017 Plan; and**
 - 2. That the revised Additional Resource Request (ARR) list be approved;**
 - b) That in view of the cost prohibitive nature, the construction of a sidewalk on the north side of Teston Road, from Quail Run Boulevard to Bathurst Street, be deferred until such time that this work can be coordinated with future road widening/reconstruction work by the Regional Municipality of York;**
 - c) That the recommendation contained in Communication C1, Memorandum from the Commissioner of Legal & Administrative Services/City Solicitor and the Director of By-law & Compliance, dated January 24, 2014, be approved as follows:**

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1. That the request for the 2 ARR Clerical/Client Service positions for By-Law and Compliance be amended to provide for full-time 18-month contracts of employment as opposed to full-time permanent positions, given the on-going operational review of By-Law and Compliance and linkages with Access Vaughan and Engineering & Public Works to be further explored in that time period;
- d) That the recommendation contained in Communication C5, Memorandum from the City Clerk, dated January 29, 2014, be approved as follows:
 1. That the 2014 OMEX insurance premium increase of \$375,442 be funded initially through reallocating funds within the business unit; and
 2. That future requirements to sustain the premium increase be incorporated in the 2015-2017 plan as illustrated in the communication;
- 2) That the recommendation contained in Communication C2, Memorandum from the Interim City Manager, dated January 24, 2014, be approved as follows:
 1. That as the Vaughan Metropolitan Centre (VMC) is identified by Council as one of the City's priorities, Council endorse Staff, with the assistance of a consultant if needed, to prepare and report back to Council with a Terms of Reference for a Vaughan Metropolitan Centre Development Facilitator no later than May 2014;
 2. That the resources identified within the economic impact section amounting to \$1,483,000 be funded by a special one-time dividend from Vaughan Holdings Inc.;
 3. That these amounts be incorporated in the City's proposed 2014 budget and 2015-2016 plan;
 4. That Vaughan Holdings be requested to declare a special dividend in the amount specified in recommendation #2; and
 5. That consolidated project leadership for VMC implementation and facilitation be assigned to the Executive Director, Office of the City Manager;
- 3) That Communication C4 from Mr. Martin Segal, Quail Run Boulevard, Vaughan, dated January 28, 2014, be received; and
- 4) That the deputation by Mr. Guido Masutti, Riverview Avenue, Woodbridge, be received.

Report of the Acting Commissioner of Finance/City Treasurer, dated January 29, 2014

Recommendation

The Finance, Administration and Audit Committee, at its meeting of January 20, 2014, recommended (Item 6.1, Finance, Administration and Audit Committee Report No. 2):

- 1) That the report of the Acting Commissioner of Finance & City Treasurer dated January 20, 2014, be deferred to the January 29, 2014, Finance, Administration and Audit Committee meeting to continue deliberations;
- 2) That Communication C2, Memorandum from the Commissioner of Engineering and Public Works and the Director of Engineering Services, dated January 17, 2014 (attached), with

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respect to Pedestrian Linkages at Teston Road and Bathurst Street – Ward 1, be deferred to the January 29, 2014, Finance, Administration and Audit Committee meeting;

- 3) That the following motions be referred to the Acting Commissioner of Finance & City Treasurer for consolidation into the draft budget and/or such response as requested:
- a)
 - (i) That the funds allocated for Project No. EN-1990-14 (Railway Crossing Safety Assessment – City Wide) be retained in the 2014 Budget; and
 - (ii) That Communication C4, Memorandum from the Commissioner of Engineering and Public Works and the Director of Engineering Services, dated January 17, 2014, be received;
 - b) That the recommendation contained in Communication C5, Memorandum from the Commissioner of Engineering and Public Works and the Director of Engineering Services, dated January 16, 2014, be approved as follows:
 - (i) That Capital Project No. EN-1998-14, “Millwood Estates Servicing”, be considered as part of the 2014 Budget deliberation, to be funded on a temporary basis from the Water and Wastewater Reserves; and
 - (ii) That should Capital Project No. EN-1998-14 “Millwood Estates Servicing” be approved as a part of the 2014 Capital Budget, staff be directed to only initiate design works once a by-law is passed enacting a special local municipality levy in accordance with the Municipal Act 2001, to reimburse the Water and Wastewater reserves for the full capital cost and any accrued interest of the project; and
 - c) That Option 2, as outlined in Communication C6, Memorandum from the Commissioner of Engineering and Public Works dated January 17, 2014, regarding Recycling at Designated Canada Post Super Mailboxes be approved as follows:
 - (i) That the pilot project be eliminated and the requested \$26,000 Operating funds be directed to an extensive promotion and education program, along with a feasibility assessment of a potential dedicated anti-litter enforcement program.

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Recommendation

The Finance, Administration and Audit Committee, at its meeting of January 15, 2014, recommended (Item 1, Finance, Administration and Audit Committee Report No. 1):

- 1) That the report of the Interim City Manager and the Acting Commissioner of Finance & City Treasurer dated January 15, 2014, be deferred to the January 20, 2014, Finance, Administration and Audit Committee meeting to continue deliberations;
- 2) That the following motions be referred to the Interim City Manager and the Acting Commissioner of Finance & City Treasurer for consolidation into the draft budget and/or such response as requested:
 - a) That for 2014, a 2.50% tax increase be approved;
 - b) That staff be directed to initiate the design for watermains and sanitary sewer servicing for the Millwood Estates Community as a local improvement; and

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- c) That staff report further on the proposed pilot project PW-2067-14 (Recycling at Designated Canada Post Super Mailboxes) by referencing additional options to control littering;
- 3) That the presentation by the Acting Commissioner of Finance & City Treasurer and Communication C2, presentation material entitled, "*Draft 2014 Budget and 2015-2017 Plan UPDATE*", dated January 15, 2014, be received;
- 4) That the following deputations be received:
 - 1. Mr. Guido Masutti, Riverview Avenue, Woodbridge;
 - 2. Mr. Sam Maltese, Royal Ridge, Maple, representing Vaughan World Series Slo-pitch League; and
 - 3. Mr. Richard Lorello, Treelawn Boulevard, Kleinburg; and
- 5) That Communication C1, memorandum from the Commissioner of Community Services, dated January 14, 2014, be received.

2 NEW BUSINESS – SECOND DOG PARK

The Finance, Administration and Audit Committee recommends:

- 1) **That providing the application with respect to Capital Project No.PK-6265-14 Maple Reservoir Park-Senior Soccer Field Lighting is successful for Municipal Infrastructure Investment Initiative (MIII) funding, any balance remaining in capital taxation for this project be considered for allocation in favour of a second dog park in the City of Vaughan at a location to be determined west of Highway 400.**

The foregoing was brought to the attention of the Committee by Councillor Carella.

The meeting adjourned at 10:13 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Councillor Marilyn Iafrate, Chair