CITY OF VAUGHAN

REPORT NO. 13 OF THE

FINANCE, ADMINISTRATION AND AUDIT COMMITTEE

For consideration by the Council of the City of Vaughan on December 11, 2017

The Finance, Administration and Audit Committee met at 7:06 p.m., on November 23, 2017.

Present: Councillor Rosanna DeFrancesca, Chair

Regional Councillor Mario Ferri Regional Councillor Gino Rosati Regional Councillor Sunder Singh

Councillor Marilyn Iafrate Councillor Tony Carella Councillor Alan Shefman

The following items were dealt with:

1 DRAFT 2018 BUDGET AND 2019-2022 FINANCIAL PLAN

(Referred)

Further consideration of the Draft 2018 Budget and 2019-2022 Financial Plan was deferred to the January 30, 2018, Special Council (Budget) meeting to continue deliberations (see 3. OTHER MATTERS CONSIDERED BY THE COMMITTEE, Item 3.1: DRAFT 2018 BUDGET AND 2019-2022 FINANCIAL PLAN).

2 TRAFFIC CONTROL SIGNALS AT TESTON ROAD AND MOSQUE GATE

The Finance, Administration and Audit Committee recommends:

- 1) That consideration of this matter be referred to the January 30, 2018, Special Council (Budget) meeting;
- 2) That Communication C2 from the Deputy City Manager, Public Works, dated November 23, 2017, be received and referred to the January 30, 2018, Special Council (Budget) meeting to continue deliberations; and
- 3) That the following deputations, be received:
 - 1. Mr. Mohammad Bhatti, Nasir Drive, Maple;
 - 2. Mr. Abdool Rahman, Bashir Street, Maple;
 - 3. Mr. Karim Tahir, Zafarullah Khan Crescent, Maple; and
 - 4. Mr. Muzaffai Sheikh, Cranston Park Avenue, Maple.

Member's Resolution

Submitted by Councillor Marilyn Iafrate.

Whereas, the Ahmadiyya Muslim Jama' at Canada have requested York Region advance the installation of traffic control signals at the intersection of Teston Road and Mosque Gate; and

Whereas, the installation of traffic control signals at this intersection would provide increased ease and comfort for the community to access Teston Road, especially during morning and evening rush hour periods and during community events; and

Whereas, York Region has advised that traffic control signals are not warranted at this time based on Regional policy; and

Whereas, York Region Council has previously authorized the installation of unwarranted traffic control signals, subject to the local municipality agreeing to be responsible for all installation costs, plus annual maintenance costs, until such time that the intersection satisfies the Region's policy criteria; and

Whereas, York Region staff have advised the estimated Capital cost for installing traffic control signals is \$180,000 and the estimated annual Operating cost for this traffic control signal is \$7,800 with ten years of operating costs (\$78,000) payable in year one.

It Is therefore recommended:

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- That Council, on behalf of Ahmadiyya Muslim Jama' at Canada, requests York Region to install traffic control signals at Teston Road and Mosque Gate and have them operational no later than 2019; and
- 2. That subject to York Region Council approving the installation of the traffic control signals, a new project entitled Traffic Control Signals Teston Road at Mosque Gate be added to the 2018 Capital Budget in the amount of \$180,000, plus 10 percent contingency and administration fees funded by the City-Wide Engineering Development Charges; and
- 3. That should a 2018 Capital Project be added, that staff be directed to add the annual operating costs, to be funded temporarily by growth assessment, for consideration in the 2019 Budget process; and
- 4. That the operating costs for the traffic control signal be recovered on a permanent basis from the requestor.

OTHER MATTERS CONSIDERED BY THE COMMITTEE

3.1 DRAFT 2018 BUDGET AND 2019-2022 FINANCIAL PLAN

The following action was taken by the Finance, Administration and Audit Committee on November 23, 2017:

1) The report of the Chief Financial Officer and City Treasurer, the Director of Financial Planning & Development Finance and Deputy City Treasurer, and the Director of Financial Services and Deputy City Treasurer, dated November 13, 2017, was referred to the January 30, 2018, Special Council (Budget) meeting to continue deliberations;

- 2) The following recommendation contained in Communication C1, Member's Resolution from Regional Councillor Singh, dated November 23, 2017, was referred to the January 30, 2018, Special Council (Budget) meeting to continue deliberations:
 - 1. That staff be directed to add a Community Gardens 2018 capital project to the Draft 2018 Budget for Council's consideration;
 - 2. That the Community Gardens 2018 project include a minimum of one community garden per ward;
 - 3. That staff work within the framework of the approved Community Garden Policy to engage Council members and the community in identifying the appropriate locations on City-owned lands;
 - 4. That staff bring a communication to the January 30, 2018, Special Council (Budget) meeting that identifies appropriate fiscally neutral 2018 funding sources for the capital project by proposing corresponding offsets in the Draft 2018 Budget;
 - 5. That staff be directed to consider the ongoing operations and maintenance of the Community Gardens in the 2018 Budget Process; and
- 3) The following deputations, were received:
 - 1. Mr. Kevin Hanit, Queensbridge Drive, Concord; and
 - 2. Mr. Richard Lorello, Treelawn Boulevard, Kleinburg.

Report of the Chief Financial Officer and City Treasurer, the Director of Financial Planning & Development Finance and Deputy City Treasurer, and the Director of Financial Services and Deputy City Treasurer, dated November 13, 2017

The Finance, Administration and Audit Committee, at its meeting of November 13, 2017, (Item 1, Finance, Administration and Audit Committee Report No. 12), recommended:

- That the report of the Chief Financial Officer and City Treasurer, the Director of Financial Planning & Development Finance and Deputy City Treasurer, and the Director of Financial Services and Deputy City Treasurer, dated November 6, 2017, be referred to the November 23, 2017, Finance, Administration and Audit Committee meeting to continue deliberations;
- 2) That the following presentations and Communication C5, presentation material titled "Vision, Leadership and Responsibility, Volume 1, Draft 2018 and Budget and 2019 2022 Financial Plan", be received:
 - 1. Chief Financial Officer and City Treasurer;
 - 2. Deputy City Manager, Public Works;
 - 3. Director of Parks Operations:
 - 4. Deputy City Manager, Community Services;
 - 5. Chief Executive Officer, Vaughan Public Libraries; and
 - 6. Chief Corporate Initiatives and Intergovernmental Relations:
- 3) That the following be approved in accordance with Communication C4, from the Deputy City Manager, Community Services, and the Director, Recreation Services, dated November 13, 2017, and referred to the Finance, Administration and Audit Committee meeting to continue deliberations:

- 1. That the cost options associated with a proposed pilot project for youth ("Open to You(th)"), be received;
- 4) That the following deputations, be received:
 - 1. Mr. Kevin Hanit, Queensbridge Drive, Concord;
 - 2. Ms. Monika Sudds, Oren Street, Kleinburg;
 - 3. Ms. Melanie Borel, Bologna Road, Woodbridge;
 - 4. Mr. Liviu Zugravu, Scarborough;
 - 5. Ms. Heather Reppin, Tulip Drive, Brampton;
 - 6. Ms. Lydia Carroccia, Flushing Avenue, Woodbridge; and
 - 7. Mr. Richard Lorello, Treelawn Boulevard, Kleinburg; and
- 5) That the following Communications, be received:
 - C1 Chief Financial Officer and City Treasurer, the Director of Financial Planning and Development Finance and Deputy City Treasurer, dated November 10, 2017;
 - C2 Chief Financial Officer and City Treasurer, the Director of Financial Planning and Development Finance and Deputy City Treasurer, dated November 10, 2017; and
 - C3 Ms. Susan Jagminas, dated November 11, 2017.

Report of the Chief Financial Officer and City Treasurer, the Director of Financial Planning & Development Finance and Deputy City Treasurer, and the Director of Financial Services and Deputy City Treasurer, dated November 6, 2017

The Finance, Administration and Audit Committee, at its meeting of November 6, 2017, (Item 1, Finance, Administration and Audit Committee Report No. 11), recommended:

- That the recommendation contained in the following report of the Chief Financial Officer and City Treasurer, the Director of Financial Planning & Development Finance and Deputy City Treasurer, and the Director of Financial Services and Deputy City Treasurer, dated November 6, 2017, be referred to the November 13, 2017, Finance, Administration and Audit Committee meeting to continue deliberations;
- 2) That the following be approved in accordance with Communication C1, from the Deputy City Manager of Public Works, the Chief Financial Officer and City Treasurer, and the Director of Environmental Services, dated November 2, 2017 and referred to the November 13, 2017, Finance, Administration and Audit Committee meeting to continue deliberations:
 - That the recommended Draft 2018 Budget be updated to include both the capital and operating impacts of the Smart Water Meter Project as outlined in this communication:
 - That upon further investigation into the merits of internal or external borrowing for the
 project, that the Chief Financial Officer and City Treasurer be delegated the authority
 to finance the project with the method that minimizes financial risk and interest costs
 and maximizes value for money; and
 - 3. That staff be directed to pursue a partnership with Alectra to implement an Advanced Metering Infrastructure solution;
- That the presentation by the Chief Financial Officer and City Treasurer and Communication C2, presentation material titled "Draft 2018 Budget and 2019-2022 Financial Plan", dated November 6, 2017, be received; and

- 4) The following deputations be received:
 - 1. Mr. Kevin Hanit, Queensbridge Drive, Concord;
 - 2. Mr. Adriano Volpentesta, America Avenue, Vaughan; and
 - 3. Mr. Richard Lorello, Treelawn Boulevard, Kleinburg.

Report of the Chief Financial Officer and City Treasurer, the Director of Financial Planning & Development Finance and Deputy City Treasurer, and the Director of Financial Services and Deputy City Treasurer, dated November 6, 2017

Recommendation

The Chief Financial Officer and City Treasurer, the Director of Financial Planning & Development Finance and Deputy City Treasurer, and the Director of Financial Services and Deputy City Treasurer, in consultation with the City Manager and the Senior Management Team recommend:

- 1. That the presentation on the DRAFT 2018 Budget and 2019 2022 Financial Plan (the "2018 Budget Book") be received;
- 2. That Council approve the 2018 tax supported operating budget with budgeted operating gross expenditures of \$296.8 million and budgeted revenues of \$296.8 million;
- 3. That Council approve the 2018 water, wastewater rate and stormwater charge supported operating budget (collectively the "Rate Budgets") with budgeted operating gross expenditures of \$161.3 million and budgeted revenues of \$161.3 million;
- 4. That the list of 2018 capital projects, together with their total costs in the amount of \$121.2 million, summarized in Volumes 1 and 2 and detailed in Volume 3 of the Draft 2018 Budget and 2019 2022 Financial Plan, be approved subject to annual capital funding;
- 5. That the list of 2019 2022 capital projects together with their total costs, outlined in Volume 3 of the Draft 2018 Budget and 2019 2022 Financial Plan, be recognized;
- 6. That the draft 2018 operating and capital spending authority be approved and the 2019-2022 plan be recognized as outlined in the 2018 Budget Book Volume 1, 2 and 3.
- 7. That the City Clerk and/or CFO & City Treasurer be authorized to apply for grants and to execute required documents including but not limited to funding agreements, should grants be made available related to initiatives within the approved or recognized budget.
- 8. That for user fees and service charges:
 - a. The schedules outlined in Volume 3 of the 2018 Budget Book be approved;
 - b. That the necessary by-laws be passed with effective dates of January 1, 2018;
 - c. That should the indexing of the user fees and service charges not be prescribed in the respective by-law and a budget not be passed by January 1st in a given year, the Treasurer be authorized to apply a 3 per cent fee/charge increase for economic adjustment, on January 1st of each year in 2019 and years after; and
 - d. That the Treasurer be authorized to revise Harmonized Sales Tax (HST) applicability for user fees and service charges as required by legislation.
- 9. That this matter and any comments received be referred to the next Finance, Administration and Audit Committee to continue deliberations.

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The meeting adjourned at 9:16 p.m.		
Respectfully submitted,		
Councillor Rosanna DeFrancesca, Chair		