

memorandum

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Council - November 17/15

TO: MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF COUNCIL

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RE: COMMUNICATION - COUNCIL - NOVEMBER 17, 2015

REPORT NO.42, ITEM 2, COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE (WORKING SESSION)

- NOVEMBER 10, 2015

NEW BUSINESS - REQUEST FOR A REPORT ON COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH OFFICIAL PLAN 2010

Recommendation

The Deputy City Manager, Planning & Growth Management, Chief Financial Officer/City Treasurer and City Solicitor recommend:

1. That the motion introduced at the November 10th Committee of the Whole (Working Session) be amended to reflect a report back to Council by February 2016.

Purpose

The purpose of this communication is to provide Council with an estimate of the time and effort required to present a report to a future Finance, Administration and Audit Committee to address the following motion:

That staff report back to Council by January 2016 on the total monies spent to date on the Official Plan 2010, including the Official Plan process itself which concluded September 2010, all legal costs for appeals to the Official Plan, all costs to conduct secondary plans that came out of the Official Plan 2010, legal and OMB costs to defend these and any other costs related to such, whether internal or externally spent; and

That these expenses be categorized with explanations.

Analysis

In order to provide the information that is being requested, staff have estimated the following:

Department	Task	Expense Timeframe	Timeline
Financial Planning & Development Finance Policy Planning & Environmental Services Parks Development Development Engineering & Transportation Services Development Planning	compile a list of associated capital projects; provide actuals; categorize and explain these costs	2007-2014	4-6 weeks
Financial Planning & Development Finance Legal Services	compile a list of external consultants used to defend OMB appeals; allocate staff time spent to defend OMB appeals; categorize and explain these costs	2007-2014	4-6 weeks

Department Task Expense Timeling			
Financial Planning & Development Finance Policy Planning & Environmental Services Legal Services Parks Development Development Engineering & Transportation Services Development Planning	prepare a report to a future Finance, Administration and Audit Committee, including staff and senior management review	2-4 weeks	

Based on the above estimates, the report is therefore expected to be available for the February 29th 2016 Finance, Administration and Audit Committee meeting.

Conclusion

Staff expects to be able to report back to Council at the February 29th 2016 Finance, Administration and Audit Committee meeting.

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