

**Committee of the Whole
Meeting Number 01-2021
Addendum Number 2
January 26, 27 and 28, 2021**

The consent of Council is request for the **inclusion** of New Motions into the agenda.

New Motions

The consent of Council is requested for the **addition** of New Motion Number **1**.

1. Moved by Councilor McLaren

Seconded by Councilor Hutchison

That council direct staff to develop some doable, sustainable, blue-sky, outside the box options to use the City's various competitive advantages to reduce the cost of doing business in the short, medium and long term for local businesses, local non-profits, and local artists.

Communications

The consent of Council is requested for the **addition** of Communication Numbers **01-03 and 01-04**.

01-03 Correspondence received from Greg Lightfoot with respect to Letter to Council – Police Budget Increase, dated January 28, 2021.

(Distributed to all members of Council on January 28, 2021)

(Attached to Addendum as schedule pages 1-2)

01-04 Interoffice Memorandum received from Desirée Kennedy, Chief Financial Officer and City Treasurer, with respect to 2021 Draft Operating and Capital Budgets – Supplementary Information, dated January 28, 2021.

(Distributed to all members of Council on January 28, 2021)

(Attached to Addendum as schedule pages 3-5)

Also, kindly note for clarification - pertaining to this paragraph in my letter;

".. A Solicitor General's audit would be innovative, and publically responsible, because for any one who has done research into this, it is near impossible to find out, from law enforcement itself, in Democratic Ontario, just how many guns and weapons and things the police are purchasing, storing, and potentially hoarding in their walls .."

Appendix A:

It is near impossible to find out if audit counts, of the mentioned items, are even being conducted. The concern is not-so-much as to the types/brands of purchased items (possibly) as it is if the public is even aware, or allowed to be aware, that such "counts" are being or not being done (regularly) - and that Municipal Staff/Councils get notification(s)/results.

ie. Are counts even being done?

If yes, should that not be readily available to City staff/Council/Citizens to review in order to have improved public awareness of organizational needs? I see nothing wrong, or argumentative, in simply being told if such counts are done.

Greg

Begin forwarded message:

From: G L
Date: January 28, 2021 at 2:04:59 PM EST
To: City Clerk <CityClerk@cityofkingston.ca>
Subject: Letter to Council - Police Budget Increase

Hello,

Pertaining to the requested budget increase for City of Kingston Police, I ask Council to consider, through a thought-out Motion, automatically binding any future budget increases, received by the police, to another city department or service. (ie. If the police get a 3.6% budget increase it will automatically mean that City Sanitation or City Utilities or Street Health will receive the same increase plus 1 additional percent.)

This type of binding would help contribute to accountability, because any budgetary increase requested by the police would absolutely have to consider its broader impact on the City. Moreover, "Budgetary Binding" of Municipal Police Services would be innovative in a way that promotes overall community citizenship as opposed to gated autonomous hierarchical entities of "enforcement".

Furthermore, I ask Council, with their request for the budget increase, have the Kingston Police already agreed to have an official Solicitor General's "audit of total inventory" conducted (including the counting of all weapons, guns, vehicles, equipment, military/*paramilitary equipment, etc.)?

The audit would ensure that the Kingston Police have not become over-abundant with equipment that's really not needed. (Also, any unneeded items could possibly be sold at public auction - to nonpolice employees - to help contribute to the budgetary demands?)

A Solicitor General's audit would be innovative, and publically responsible, because for any one who has done research into this, it is near impossible to find out, from law enforcement itself, in Democratic Ontario, just how many guns and weapons and things the police are purchasing, storing, and potentially hoarding in their walls.

I ask, does City staff (in its office) presently have an audit sheet that shows the total quartermaster inventory of the Municipal Police of Kingston?

Thank you

Greg Lightfoot

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**COMMUNICATION
No: 01-03**



Financial Services
Interoffice Memorandum

To: Mayor and Members of Council
From: Desirée Kennedy, Chief Financial Officer and City Treasurer
Subject: 2021 Draft Operating and Capital Budgets - Supplementary Information
Date: January 28, 2021

In response to Council's requests for additional information at Tuesday and Wednesday nights' Committee of the Whole meetings, please see the supplementary information as provided below.

Information received from Katrina Furlanetto, Cataraqui Region Conservation Authority:

This is a follow-up for Council regarding Cataraqui Conservation reserves as inquired at Tuesday's Committee of the Whole meeting.

To clarify, within the 2021 budget, Cataraqui Conservation has planned \$221,678 in reserve transfers. The majority of these transfers are to support our capital program through the approved 10-year forecast with the remaining used for Corporate Financing.

Let me know if you have any questions or require further information.

Development Charges installment arrangements:

Staff confirm that there were three properties in 2020 that entered into installment arrangements for their development charge payments. Totalling approximately \$2.3M, these amounts will be paid over a 5 year period.

2020 Building permit revenues:

2020 building permit revenues of approximately \$3.2 million included \$2 million for residential permits, of which \$1 million was from multi-residential projects. As a result, the multi-residential form of development represented approximately 1/3 of our overall building permit revenues.

Transportation and Public Works – 2021 Contracted Services budget:

The 2021 T&PW budget includes about \$11M for contracted services.

Approximately \$1.1M is budgeted for Utilities Kingston services, primarily to manage the City's traffic signals and street lights.

At a high level the expenses are as indicated below.

Solid Waste - \$5.7M

- Yard waste processing
- Organics processing
- Recycling processing
- Collection contracts – Kingston East and West
- Household Hazardous Waste management and disposal

Public Works \$2.1M

- winter control contract for Kingston East
- grass cutting – primarily parks and roadside in remote areas

Parking -\$600,000

- Coin collection from meters
- Coin counting and processing – this contract also covers coin processing for transit
- Software licensing and support for equipment – pay and display machines
- Winter control for parking lots

Transit - \$100,000

- bus shelter maintenance (glass repair) and cleaning

Fleet - \$300,000

- Paint and body shop work
- Other maintenance like windshield repairs and tire retreads

The remainder is for a variety of contracted services throughout the departments to support operations.

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