

---

## Budget Committee

### Date

2016/10/05

### Time

1:07 PM

### Location

Civic Centre, Council Chamber,  
300 City Centre Drive,  
Mississauga, Ontario, L5B 3C1

### Members Present

Mayor Bonnie Crombie	(Chair)
Councillor Jim Tovey	Ward 1
Councillor Karen Ras	Ward 2
Councillor Chris Fonseca	Ward 3
Councillor John Kovac	Ward 4
Councillor Carolyn Parrish	Ward 5
Councillor Ron Starr	Ward 6
Councillor Nando Iannicca	Ward 7 (Arrived at 1:12 pm)
Councillor Matt Mahoney	Ward 8
Councillor Pat Saito	Ward 9
Councillor Sue McFadden	Ward 10
Councillor George Carlson	Ward 11

### Members Absent - Nil

### Staff Present

Janice Baker, City Manager and Chief Administrative Officer  
Gary Kent, Commissioner of Corporate Services and Chief Financial Officer  
Paul Mitcham, Commissioner of Community Services  
Geoff Wright, Commissioner of Transportation and Works  
Ed Sajecki, Commissioner of Planning and Building  
Crystal Greer, Director of Legislative Services and City Clerk  
Diana Rusnov, Manager of Legislative Services and Deputy Clerk  
Sacha Smith, Legislative Coordinator

### Find it online

<http://www.mississauga.ca/portal/cityhall/budgetcommittee>

1. CALL TO ORDER – 1:07 PM

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Approved (Councillor Ras)

3. DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST - Nil

4. DEPUTATIONS

4.1. Item 6.1 Jeff Jackson, Director, Finance

See the discussion under Item 6.1.

Received (Councillor Starr)  
Recommendation BC-0006-2016

Councillor Iannicca arrived at 1:12pm during Item 4.1.

6. MATTERS CONSIDERED

6.1. Public Transit Infrastructure Fund (PTIF) and Clean Water Wastewater Fund - Federal Funding Programs

Mr. Jackson provided an overview of the Public Transit Infrastructure (PTIF) and the Clean Water Wastewater Funds (CWWF). He explained the funding allocation for PTIF in the amount of \$116.6 million and CWWF at \$13.2 million. He spoke further to the objectives of PTIF, program details, priorities, categorized projects, considerations/challenges and an overview of the CWWF.

Members of Committee spoke to the matter and raised the following issues:

- The need to explore purchasing electric/hybrid buses as part of the PTIF funding, in particular the Volvo 7900 model.
- Members of Council should be aware of the locations of the additional 100 bus shelters.
- Concerns regarding the 12 contract full-time positions to implement the PTIF and CWWF programs.
- The need for public washrooms at the Malton bus terminal.
- Request for coordination with the Region of Peel for the signage on the Hanlan Trail on Dixie Road because pedestrians, cyclists and transit riders are confused.
- The importance of bus shelters to transit ridership.

In response to questions from Members of Committee, Janice Baker, City Manager and CAO, Geoff Wright, Commissioner, Transportation and Works and Geoff Marinoff, Director, Transit explained the challenges to consider including electric buses in the

PTIF program. Ms. Baker explained the need for additional staff to implement the PTIF and CWWF programs. Gary Kent, Commissioner, Corporate Services and Chief Financial Officer and Ms. Baker noted that washrooms for the Malton bus terminal may be addressed through the regular capital budget. Mr. Marinoff explained that the PTIF fund would clear the pending list for bus shelters and the challenge would be to pick the locations that should have a bus shelter.

Direction was given to staff to review the electric bus technology and report back to Budget Committee.

#### RECOMMENDATION

1. That the Director of Finance and Treasurer or his designate be authorized to submit grant applications for Public Transit Infrastructure Fund (PTIF) recommended projects as listed in Appendix 1 attached to the report dated September 30, 2016 from the Commissioner of Corporate Services and Chief Financial Officer, to Grants Ontario;
2. That the Director of Finance and Treasurer or his designate be authorized to submit grant applications for Clean Water Wastewater Fund (CWWF) recommended projects as listed in Appendix 2 attached to the report dated September 30, 2016 from the Commissioner of Corporate Services and Chief Financial Officer, to Infrastructure Ontario;
3. That the projects included in Appendix 1 and Appendix 2 be included in the 2017-2026 Business Plan and Budget for budget approval;
4. That 12 contract FTEs be approved to implement the PTIF and CWWF programs, and that these positions be funded from the PTIF and CWWF projects and be included in the 2017 budget for budget approval;
5. That notwithstanding section 12 and section 18 of the Purchasing By-law #0374-2006 as amended, the City Manager and Chief Administrative Officer, or designate, be authorized to approve sole/single source procurements and contract amendments where appropriate for the PTIF and CWWF projects to meet the necessary timelines for the completion of these projects;
6. That the 2017-2019 budgets for MiWay bus acquisition totaling \$57.2M be approved for tendering purposes;
7. That the Purchasing Agent be authorized to negotiate with New Flyer Industries and/or Nova Bus and execute all necessary agreements on a single source basis to purchase buses for MiWay in an amount up to \$57.2 million in a form satisfactory to Legal Services;
8. That all necessary bylaws be enacted.

Approved (Councillor Parrish)  
Recommendation BC-0007-2016

5. PUBLIC QUESTION PERIOD - 15 Minute Limit  
(Persons who wish to address the Budget Committee about a matter on the Agenda. Persons addressing the Budget Committee with a question should limit preamble to a maximum of two statements sufficient to establish the context for the question. Leave must be granted by the Committee to deal with any matter not on the Agenda.)

Chris Mackie, Cranberry Cove Association enquired about the Committee of Adjustment fees and suggested a fee for deferrals and an escalating fee for subsequent deferrals. Mr. Mackie further enquired about the MiWay revenue shortfall. Mayor Crombie explained that Mr. Mackie's questions would be addressed by staff during discussion of items 6.3 and 6.8.

#### 6.2. Recreation Program Fees and Rental Rates

In response to questions regarding affiliated group rental rates, Jodi Robillos, District Manager, Northwest advised that staff would have to review Policy 08-01-01 to determine if scouts could be eligible to be an affiliated group. She further explained that affiliated groups receive a free room rental to hold an AGM. Kristina Zietsma, Manager, Customer Service explained the discounted room rates for the school boards and government agencies where there is a partnership with a City program. Direction was given to staff to provide further information on the scouts group.

Ms. Robillos commented that staff met with the GTHL Associations and noted that they are happy to receive the information in advance to build it into their plans going forward. She spoke further to the discounted fee for ice rentals and noted that the Director, Recreation has the authority as per the Fees By-law to approve promotional pricing. Staff plan to bring a report back on the proposal for the discounted rates and outline the uptake of it. Ms. Robillos explained the ice allocation policy.

#### RECOMMENDATION

1. That a by-law be enacted incorporating new, revised and existing charges for Arenas and the Hershey SportsZone Dome and Fieldhouse, from May 1, 2017 through to April 30, 2018 as outlined in Appendix 1 attached to the Corporate Report entitled "Recreation Program Fees and Rental Rates" from the Commissioner of Community Services dated September 13, 2016.
2. That a by-law be enacted incorporating new, revised and existing charges for meeting rooms, Garry W Morden Centre, pools, civic centre, central library, sundries and minor centres, from January 1, 2017 through to December 31, 2017 as outlined in Appendix 1 attached to the Corporate Report entitled "Recreation Program Fees and Rental Rates" from the Commissioner of Community Services dated September 13, 2016.
3. That a by-law be enacted incorporating new, revised and existing charges for Recreation program fees from the start of the Spring session 2017 through to the end of the Winter session of 2018 as outlined in Appendix 3 attached to the Corporate Report entitled "Recreation Program Fees and Rental Rates" from the Commissioner of Community Services dated September 13, 2016.

Approved (Councillor Fonseca)  
Recommendation BC-0008-2016

### 6.3. MiWay 2017 Fare Strategy

Geoff Marinoff, Director, Transit spoke to the factors that have impacted MiWay revenue. Geoff Wright, Commissioner, Transportation and Works spoke to the adjustments to Presto due to the transition from tickets and cash to a card. Janice Baker, City Manager and CAO spoke to the progress with Presto and that staff would report back at the right time on the outcome of negotiations with Metrolinx and Presto and presumably recommendations on next steps.

In response to questions from Councillor Ras and Parrish, Mr. Marinoff spoke to Presto reloading locations and technology, and explained the GTHA revenue/cost ratio comparison between MiWay and the TTC.

#### RECOMMENDATION

1. That the proposed transit fare changes outlined in the report to Budget Committee dated August 22, 2016 from the Commissioner of Transportation and Works be implemented effective January 30, 2017.
2. That the post-secondary fare increase be effective May 1, 2017 to coincide with completion of the 2016/2017 academic term.
3. That the 'Student' fare category be renamed to 'Youth' effective Jan 30, 2017 for consistency and fare harmonization with other transit systems within the Greater Toronto and Hamilton Area (GTHA).
4. That a by-law be enacted to establish the proposed 2017 MiWay fares and related charges as set out in Appendix 1 of the report to Budget Committee dated August 22, 2016 and MiWay Fares By-law 0240-2015 be repealed.

Approved (Councillor Kovac)  
Recommendation BC-0009-2016

### 6.4. 2017 General Fees and Charges By-law Amendments

In response to a question from Councillor Saito, Gary Kent, Commissioner, Corporate Services and Chief Financial Officer noted that staff are recommending to maintain the fee structure for a tax receipt. Staff would review the feasibility of adjusting the technology and the costs of changing the technology and report back in January/February 2017 with an updated recommendation.

In response to a question from Councillor Ras, Mr. Kent explained the rationale for the rental fees for the Great Hall. Mr. Kent noted that he would look into the fees for commercial groups booking the Great Hall.

#### RECOMMENDATION

1. That the new and revised fees outlined in Appendix 1 attached to the Corporate Report dated September 20, 2016 from the Commissioner of Corporate Services and Chief Financial Officer entitled "2017 General Fees and Charges By-law Amendments" be approved.

2. That a by-law be enacted, effective January 1, 2017, to establish and require payment of various fees and charges under the authority of the Municipal Act that incorporates all existing general fees and charges, and the recommended revisions as outlined in Appendix 1 and attached to the Corporate Report dated September 20, 2016 from the Commissioner of Corporate Services and Chief Financial Officer entitled "2017 General Fees and Charges By-law Amendments" and that By-law 0241-15, as amended be repealed.

Approved (Councillor Ras)  
Recommendation BC-0010-2016

#### 6.5. 2017 Fees and Charges By-Laws related to Fire & Emergency Services

In response to a question from Councillor McFadden, Jamie Zimmerman, Assistant Chief explained that MTO sets the response rates for responses to provincial highways. The fee is then charged back to the resident or owner of the vehicle.

In response to a question from Councillor Ras, Janice Baker, City Manager and CAO explained that each service area reviews comparators and the marketplace and that is why there are a variety of different increases.

#### RECOMMENDATION

That a by-law be enacted to establish fees and charges for Mississauga Fire & Emergency Services in accordance with the report to Budget Committee from the Commissioner of Community Services dated September 1, 2016 and that said by-law be effective as of January 1, 2017.

Approved (Councillor Iannicca)  
Recommendation BC-0011-2016

#### 6.6. Parks and Forestry Fees and Charges

Members of Committee spoke to the matter and noted the following concerns:

- Concerns with a fee associated with corporate group tree planting events.
- Challenges with booking parks that have soccer fields after the playing season due to mandatory preparations for the fields for the following season. There may be opportunities to rent the parks during the off-season that would not affect the fields.
- The possibility of a fee for the option to expedite a commemorative tree or park bench.
- The corporate community has embraced tree planting events. Corporations are aware that there is usually a fee related to corporate tree planting events.
- The possibility of collecting a deposit to discourage late cancellations by corporations.

Jessica McEachren, Acting Forestry Manager explained that a new fee was added for the corporate group tree planting event to recover costs, however it is not applicable to school, community and public sector groups. Any additional money that is generated

would go to naturalization planting. There is a higher rate of cancellations with corporate groups and often it is close to the event date. The proposed fee is lower than the TRCA and the City of Toronto.

In response to questions from Councillor Parrish, Paul Mitcham, Commissioner, Community Services explained that the City of Mississauga is behind comparators in terms of cost recovery. He further clarified that for designated park sites a park permit is required, but for casual picnics it is not required. Mr. Mitcham noted that staff would report back on the cost to remove the dead ash trees on City property.

In response to a question from Councillor Fonseca, Gavin Longmuir, Manager, Parks Operations explained the permanent picnic tables for parks and picnic tables that are moved between locations for events.

In response to questions from Councillor Starr, Ms. McEachren explained the booking process for corporate tree planting events. He requested information on the number of cancellations and the size of the group.

#### RECOMMENDATION

That a by-law be enacted incorporating new, revised and existing fees and charges for park permits and additional fees for the period of September 1, 2017 to August 31, 2018, and Marinas, Forestry, Sports Fields, Cemeteries and other Parks fees for the period of January 1, 2017 to December 31, 2017 as outlined in Appendix 1, Appendix 2, and Appendix 3 attached to the Corporate Report dated September 13, 2016 from the Commissioner of Community Services entitled "Parks and Forestry Fees and Charges" and with the exception of the fees related to Corporate Group Tree Planting Events which are referred back to staff for further review and report back to Budget Committee.

Amended (Councillor Tovey)  
Recommendation BC-0012-2016

#### 6.7. 2017 Culture Program Fees and Rental Rates

In response to a question from Councillors Parrish and Tovey, Sonja Banic, Manager, Culture Operations advised that the applications that are not approved for the Celebration Square, staff would offer advice on other venues. Ms. Banic provided information and explained the World War One Educational Program that operates in the City Museums.

Councillor Parrish expressed concern with the operation of the Rotary Ribfest at City Hall. She requested a list of the applicants that were denied use of the Mississauga Celebration Square over the last 2 years.

RECOMMENDATION

1. That a by-law be enacted incorporating new, revised and existing Pre-Registered Culture Program Fees from May 1, 2017 to April 30, 2018, as outlined in Appendix 1 of the Corporate Report dated September 8, 2016 from the Commissioner of Community Services entitled "2017 Culture Program Fees and Rental Rates".
2. That a by-law be enacted incorporating new, revised and existing Culture Program and Rental Rates from January 1, through December 31, 2017 as outlined in Appendix 2 attached to the Corporate Report dated September 8, 2016 from the Commissioner of Community Services entitled "2017 Culture Program Fees and Rental Rates".

Approved (Councillor Ras)

Recommendation BC-0013-2016

6.8. Planning Act Processing Fees and Charges By-law 246-15, as amended

In response to questions from Councillor Tovey, Dave Martin, Committee of Adjustment Secretary/Treasurer explained that the fees for consent applications are based on cost recovery for processing as per the *Planning Act*. He confirmed that the fees requested by Mr. Mackie in Public Question Period are also subject to the *Planning Act*.

In response to a question from Councillor Parrish, Mr. Martin explained the process for deferrals at the Committee of Adjustment.

In response to a question from Councillor Carlson, Ed Sajecki, Commissioner, Planning and Building noted that he did not recall at the municipal level where an application was ruled as frivolous.

RECOMMENDATION

That the existing Planning Act fees and charges remain the same until the completion of the Fees Review as outlined in the Corporate Report dated September 19, 2016 from the Commissioner of Planning and Building titled "The Planning Act Processing Fees and Charges By-law 246-15, as amended".

Approved (Councillor Starr)

Recommendation BC-0014-2016

6.9. Transportation and Works Fees and Charges By-law

Councillor Saito and Councillor Parrish spoke to the report and the following comments were noted:

- Concern about the increase in the owner surrender fee. Staff were requested to review the owner surrender fee from an affordability perspective and include it in the licensing fees report to come back in February/March 2017.
- Concern that the installation fee for a pad up to 4 boxes for publication distribution boxes is cheaper than a pad up to 2 boxes.



- Suggested that the City refer owners that are surrendering their pets to go to a rescue society or offer to drop them off for the owner.

Geoff Wright, Commissioner, Transportation and Works advised that staff would clarify the fees for the publication distribution boxes prior to the next Council meeting.

#### RECOMMENDATION

1. That the Transportation and Works Department fees and charges, as outlined in Appendix 1 attached to the Corporate Report dated August 5, 2016 from the Commissioner of Transportation and Works entitled "Transportation and Works Fees and Charges By-law" be approved.
2. That a by-law, effective January 1, 2017, be enacted to establish new, revised, and existing fees and charges for the Transportation and Works Department as outlined in the Corporate Report dated August 5, 2016 from the Commissioner of Transportation and Works entitled, "Transportation and Works Fees and Charges By-law" and that By-law 247-2015 be repealed.

Approved (Councillor Saito)

Recommendation BC-0015-2016

#### 6.10. Committee of Adjustment Fees Update

Councillor Saito expressed concern about minor variance fees that are very minor in nature. Dave Martin, Committee of Adjustment Secretary/Treasurer explained that as per the Planning Act, costs need to be recovered and explained the work involved with minor variance applications.

#### RECOMMENDATION

That the Corporate Report dated July 25, 2016 from the Commissioner of Corporate Services and Chief Financial Officer titled "Committee of Adjustment Fees Update" be received.

Received (Councillor Parrish)

Recommendation BC-0016

7. OTHER BUSINESS

Councillor Parrish enquired about the budget impact when Metrolinx funding for the LRT is completed. Janice Baker, City Manager and CAO explained that there would be an impact and explained the challenges in creating a model now.

8. CLOSED SESSION- Nil

9. ADJOURNMENT – 3:41PM