

TOWN OF AJAX REPORT OF THE GENERAL GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE

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For consideration by the Council of the Town of Ajax on November 9, 2015

The General Government Committee met at 2:00 p.m. on November 5, 2015

Present: Councillor M. Crawford, Chair
Regional Councillor S. Collier
Regional Councillor C. Jordan
Councillor R. Ashby
Councillor J. Dies
Councillor P. Brown
Mayor Parish

1. Call to Order (2:00 p.m.)

Chair Crawford called the meeting to order.

D. Meredith, Director of Operations and Environmental Services, introduced new staff member Julian Perez, Supervisor of Operations.

2. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest

There were no disclosures of pecuniary interests.

The General Government Committee recommends as follows:

3. Adoption of In-Camera Minutes

Moved by: P. Brown

That the Minutes of the In-Camera meeting of the General Government Committee held on October 8, 2015 be adopted.

CARRIED

4. Consent Agenda

Members separated items 4.1, 4.2 and 4.3 for discussion.

4.1 Insurance Renewal – July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016

Moved by: C. Jordan

That the report on the Insurance Renewal – July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016 be received for information.

CARRIED

4.2 2015 Operating Budget Surplus

Moved by: S. Collier

That the report on the 2015 Operating Budget Surplus be received for information.

CARRIED

4.3 Contract Award – Consulting Services Paradise Park Site Improvements

Moved by: C. Jordan

1. That Council award the contract for the Park and Trail Design ~ Paradise Park Site Improvements to AECOM Canada Architects in the amount of \$33,369.00 (inclusive of all taxes).
2. That Council award the contract for the Designated Substance Survey ~ Paradise Park Site Improvements to Golders Associates in the amount of \$9,040.00 (inclusive of all taxes).
3. That Council award the contract for the Detailed Archaeological Study ~ Paradise Park Site Improvements to TRCA in the amount of \$9,605.00 (inclusive of all taxes).
4. That Council approve funding of \$49,952.45 to be allocated to Capital Account No. 966311 from Development Reserve.

CARRIED

4.4 North Ajax Rehab Lease Agreement

Moved by: C. Jordan

1. That the report on the North Ajax Rehab Lease Agreement be received for information.
2. That the Mayor and the Clerk, or their designates, be authorized to execute the attached Agreement to authorize Lee Boss (North Ajax Rehab) to operate physiotherapy and rehabilitation services at the McLean Community Centre.
3. That Staff be delegated the authority to renew the Agreement for an additional three year period, pending an analysis, satisfactory performance review, and successful negotiation on terms and conditions at the anniversary date of the Agreement.

CARRIED

5. Discussion

5.1 2016-2019 Staffing Forecast

Moved by: C. Jordan

That Council approve the 2016-2019 Staffing Forecast.

CARRIED

5.2 2016 On-Line Budget Builder Survey Results

Moved by: J. Dies

That the report on the 2016 On-Line Budget Builder Survey Results be received for information.

CARRIED

5.3 Contract Award – Consulting Services for Audley Recreation Centre Future Phases

Moved by: S. Collier

That Council award the contract for Consulting Services, to MacLennan Jaunkalns Miller Architects (“MJMA”) in the amount of \$80,569.00 (inclusive of all taxes).

CARRIED

6. Presentations

6.1 2016-2019 General Levy Forecast

Amendment

Moved by: S. Parish

That the following clause be added to the recommendation:

“3. *That staff develop a strategy to set an annual target tax rate increase of 1.75% for 2017 and beyond.*”

CARRIED

Motion as Amended

Moved by: J. Dies

1. That the report on the 2016-2019 General Levy Forecast (“GLF”) be received for information.
2. That Council approve a 2016 tax rate increase of 2.75% for the Town’s portion of the property tax bill.
3. **That staff develop a strategy to set an annual target tax rate increase of 1.75% for 2017 and beyond.**

CARRIED

7. Departmental Updates

C. Bridgeman, Manager of Infrastructure and Capital Projects, provided an update on the roof repairs at the McLean Community Centre.

P. Allore, Director of Planning and Development Services, provided updates on the Lemine and Steam Plant projects.

8. Adjournment (4:00 p.m.)

Moved by: C. Jordan

That the November 5, 2015 meeting of the General Government Committee be adjourned.
CARRIED

M. Crawford, Chair