



Town of Aurora
Budget Committee
2018 Operating Budget Review
Meeting Report

Council Chambers, Aurora Town Hall
Monday, November 20, 2017

Attendance

Council Members Mayor Dawe in the Chair; Councillors Abel (arrived 7:21 p.m.), Gaertner, Humfryes, Kim, Mrakas, Thom, and Thompson

Members Absent Councillor Pirri

Other Attendees Al Downey, Director of Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services (and Acting Chief Administrative Officer), Dan Elliott, Director of Financial Services, Marco Ramunno, Director of Planning and Building Services, Stephanie Mackenzie-Smith, Manager of Corporate Communications, Jason Gaertner, Manager of Financial Planning, Michael de Rond, Town Clerk, and Ishita Soneji, Council/Committee Secretary

The Chair called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

1. Approval of the Agenda

Budget Committee approved the agenda as circulated by Legislative Services.

2. Declaration of Pecuniary Interest and General Nature Thereof

None

3. Delegations

None

4. Public Consultation – Open Session – Opportunity of members of the Public to Provide Input Regarding the 2018 Budget

None

5. Consideration of Items

1. 2018 Operating Budget – Aurora Public Library Board Presentation by Jill Foster, Chief Executive Officer and Secretary-Treasurer, Aurora Public Library Board; and Discussion

Ms. Foster presented an overview of the Aurora Public Library including: the Library's mission, vision and growth; 2017 key achievements; 2018 Budget development process and framework; and the 2018 Budget highlights, pressures and growth.

Budget Committee recommends:

1. That the presentation by the Aurora Public Library Board be received; and
2. That the 2018 operating grant to the Aurora Public Library Board in the amount of \$3,843,100 be approved.

Carried

2. 2018 Operating Budget – Aurora Cultural Centre Board 2018 Operating Grant Presentation by Craig Mather, President, Board of Directors, and Suzanne Haines, Executive Director, Aurora Cultural Centre Board; and Discussion

Mr. Mather and Ms. Haines presented an overview of the Aurora Cultural Centre including: elements of the Centre's activities including programming, fundraising, and community facility rentals; volunteer contributions;

governance; 2017 program revenue; 2018 operating budget overview, pressures, highlights and 2018 new initiatives.

Budget Committee recommends:

1. That the presentation by the Aurora Cultural Centre Board be received;
and
2. That the 2018 operating grant to the Aurora Cultural Centre Board in the amount of \$415,700 be approved.

Carried

3. 2018 Operating Budget – Aurora Historical Society Board 2018 Operating Grant

Presentation by Bill Albino, President, Board of Directors, Aurora Historical Society Board; and Discussion

Mr. Albino and Ms. Erika Mazanik, Curator, presented an overview of the Aurora Historical Society's 2018 Operating Budget including: mission statement; request for Town's support; background, 2017 highlights including fundraising, Hillary House rehabilitation, 2017 key financial metrics; and plans for 2018.

Budget Committee recommends:

1. That the presentation by the Aurora Historical Society Board be received;
and
2. That the 2018 operating grant to the Aurora Historical Society Board in the amount of \$74,400 be approved.

Carried

4. 2018 Operating Budget – General Discussion

None

6. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 9:13 p.m.

Geoffrey Dawe, Mayor

Michael de Rond, Town Clerk

The report of the Budget Committee – 2018 Operating Budget Review meeting of November 20, 2017, is subject to receipt by Council on December 12, 2017.