



## City of Kelowna Regular Council Meeting Minutes

Date: Thursday, December 17, 2015  
 Location: Council Chamber  
 City Hall, 1435 Water Street

Council Members Present: Mayor Colin Basran and Councillors Maxine DeHart, Ryan Donn\*, Gail Given, Tracy Gray, Charlie Hodge, Brad Sieben, Mohini Singh and Luke Stack

Staff Present: City Manager, Ron Mattiussi; City Clerk, Stephen Fleming; Financial Services Director, Genelle Davidson; Financial Planning Manager, George King; Deputy City Manager, Paul Macklem; Divisional Director, Corporate & Protective Services, Rob Mayne; the Divisional Directors\*, Directors\*, Department Managers\*, Managers\* and Supervisors\* of the Strategic Services Division, Community Planning & Real Estate Division, Infrastructure Division, Civic Operations Division, Active Living & Culture Division, Corporate & Protective Services Division, Communications & Information Services Division, Human Resources & Corporate Division; and Financial Analyst, Melanie Antunes

(\* denotes partial attendance)

### 1. Call to Order

Mayor Basran called the meeting to order at 9:03 a.m.

### 2. Budget Discussion Schedule

#### 2.1 Director, Financial Services - Opening Comments

The Financial Services Director provided opening remarks.

#### 2.2 Strategic Services (Operating Program)

City Manager:

- Confirmed that the Kelowna Fire Department's Strategic Plan will be coming to Council in 2016.

There were no amendments to the Fire Department Operating or Capital Program budget as presented.

There were no amendments to the Airport Operating or Capital Program budget as presented.

### **2.3 Real Estate (Capital Program)**

There were no amendments to the Real Estate Capital Program budget as presented.

### **2.4 Building Capital (Capital Program)**

Council:

- Discussed the Rutland Arena - Dehumidifier Replacement P3 after page N11.

### **2.5 Parks Capital (Capital Program)**

There were no amendments to the Parks Capital Program budget as presented.

### **2.6 Transportation Capital (Capital Program)**

Council:

- Discussed current and 2016 traffic calming initiatives as part of their review of the P2 Traffic Calming request on page P14.

There were no amendments to the Transportation Capital Program budget as presented.

The meeting recessed at 10:54 a.m. The meeting reconvened at 11:05 a.m.

### **2.4 Building Capital (Capital Program) (con't)**

Financial Planning Manager:

- Brought to the attention of Council a minor amendment to the Rutland Arena - Dehumidifier Replacement on page N11, which was considered by Council earlier in the meeting.

**Moved By Councillor Hodge/Seconded By Councillor Singh**

**B001/15/12/17** THAT the Rutland Arena - Dehumidifier Replacement Late item following page N11 be changed from P3 to P1, eliminating the item from budget and reducing taxation by \$55,300.

**Carried**

### **2.7 Solid Waste Capital (Capital Program)**

There were no amendments to the Solid Waste Capital Program budget as presented.

### **2.8 Storm Drainage Capital (Capital Program)**

**Moved By Councillor Hodge/Seconded By Councillor Singh**

**B002/15/12/17** THAT the Hardy Street Oil/Water Separator Operating request be changed from a P3 to a P1 with no change in 2016 taxation.

**Carried**

## 2.9 Information Services Capital (Capital Program)

Moved By Councillor Stack/Seconded By Councillor Donn

**B003/15/12/17** THAT the last sentence of the Justification for Fibre Optic Network be amended by deleting:

"This project will be internally financed from the disposition of Fortis share holdings with repayment including interest at 3% from lease revenues. Currently projected to pay out over nine years."

and replacing it with:

"This project will be internally financed from the disposition of \$2.4M Fortis share holdings with repayment and repurchase of shares, including interest at the City's current quarterly average investment for the period plus 1%. Currently projected to pay out over twenty years."

**Carried**

## 2.10 Vehicle & Mobile Equipment Capital (Capital Program)

There were no amendments to the Vehicle & Mobile Equipment Capital Program budget as presented.

## 2.11 Water Capital (Capital Program)

There were no amendments to the Water Capital Program budget as presented.

## 2.12 Wastewater Capital (Capital Program)

There were no amendments to the Wastewater Capital Program budget as presented.

## 2.13 Infrastructure (Operating Program)

Council:

- Raised questions pertaining to the Leon-Lawrence Two-Way Conversion Functional Design P1 request on page F6.

Staff:

- Confirmed completion of study does not mean Leon-Lawrence must be converted from one-way to two-way.

A motion by Councillor Singh to star the Temporary Public Art in Public Places P2 request on page F12 for consideration later in the meeting was lost due to a lack of a seconder.

There were no amendments to the Infrastructure Operating Program budget as presented.

## 2.14 Community Planning & Real Estate (Operating Program)

Council:

- Raised questions pertaining to the Community Strategic Planning Process P1 item on page G3.

City Manager:

- Spoke to the rationale behind the Community Strategic Planning Process P1 item, and that the City has been using the 1992 Strategic Plan, which laid the basis for many "big picture" City initiatives and programs that have since been implemented.

There were no amendments to the Community Planning & Real Estate Operating Program budget as presented.

## **2.16 Active Living & Culture (Operating Program)**

Council:

- Raised questions pertaining to the Social Issues Coordinator - Term Position P1 item on page H3.

City Manager:

- Confirmed the position's Terms of Reference will come to Council for consideration.

Council:

- Discussed the Strategic Event Program P2 request on page H8.

A motion by Councillor Donn to change the Strategic Event Program P2 request on page H8 from a P2 to a P1, with an impact on taxation in 2016 of \$25,000 and an on-going taxation impact in future years was lost due to a lack of a seconder.

**Moved By Councillor Donn/Seconded By Councillor Sieben**

**B004/15/12/17** THAT the Strategic Event Program P2 request on Page H8 be starred for consideration later in the meeting.

**Carried**  
Councillor Stack - Opposed.

Council:

- Discussed the merits of the Ogoogo Float and its impact on City marketing efforts.

**Moved By Councillor Singh/Seconded By Councillor Hodge**

**B005/15/12/17** THAT the City of Kelowna Float's Refresh P2 item on page H9 be changed from a P2 to a P1 with a one-time impact on taxation in 2016 of \$20,000.

**Carried**  
Mayor Basran and Councillors Gray and Sieben - Opposed.

The meeting recessed for lunch at 12:51 p.m. The meeting reconvened at 1:27 p.m.

## **2.10 Vehicle & Mobile Equipment Capital (Capital Program) (con't)**

Financial Planning Manager:

- Brought to the attention of Council a minor amendment to the Capital Projects Vehicle & Mobile Equipment Roll-off Front Loader on page U3, which considered by Council earlier in the meeting.

**Moved By Councillor Sieben/Seconded By Councillor Singh**

**B006/15/12/17** THAT the Asset cost for the Capital Projects Vehicle & Mobile Equipment Roll-off Front Loader on page U3 be identified as coming from "Utility" rather than from "Taxation", with no change in 2016 taxation.

**Carried**

**2.17 Civic Operations (Operating Program)**

**Staff:**

- Confirmed environmentally-safe paint used for road markings needs to be re-applied at regular intervals.

**Council:**

- Raised questions and made comment pertaining to the Graffiti Eradication Program P1 item on page I13.
- Raised questions and made comment pertaining to the Special Event/Tournament Support P1 item on Page I25.
- Raised questions and made comment pertaining to the Mobile Security Patrols P2 item from page I30.
- Raised questions and made comment pertaining to the Yards Security Cameras and Fencing at City Yard P2 items from page I31.

**Staff:**

- Confirmed the Justification for the Glenmore Road - Roadside Garbage Cleanup P1 item on page I17 should read "15% rather than 50%".
- Confirmed special events and tournaments create additional costs for Parks Operations that are not captured by fees paid by event or tournament organizers.
- Recommended Council approves additional Bylaw Enforcement P1 items coming up later in the meeting rather than consider changing the security-related Civic Operations P2 requests.

**Financial Services Director:**

- Commented on how the H<sub>2</sub>O Capital Reserves are funded.

There were no amendments to the Civic Operations Operating Program budget as presented.

**2.18 Corporate & Protective Services (Operating Program)**

**Council:**

- Raised questions and made comment pertaining to the Bylaw Enforcement Officers - Two Positions P1 item on page J6.

**Staff:**

- Spoke to the proposed deployment of additional Bylaw Enforcement Officers requested under the Bylaw Enforcement Officers - Two Positions P1 item.
- Responded to questions from Council regarding the spheres of enforcement responsibility of the RCMP vs. City Bylaw staff.

**City Manager:**

- Recommended Council hold a Bylaw Enforcement priority setting workshop.

**Moved By Councillor Sieben/Seconded By Councillor Hodge**

**B007/15/12/17** THAT the Two Accounting Positions P1 item on page J7 be starred for consideration later in the meeting.

**Carried**  
Councillors DeHart, Given, Singh and Stack - Opposed.

**Council:**

- Raised questions and made comment on the Business Licence Improvement Implementation - Term Position P2 item on page J8 and the Business Licence Revenue P1 item on page J25.

**City Manager:**

- Confirmed a comprehensive overview of the Business Licence program is required.

**Council:**

- Raised questions and made comment pertaining to the RCMP- 3 Regular Member Positions P1 item on page J6.
- Would like a workshop on RCMP member funding options.

**RCMP Superintendent:**

- Spoke to the proposed deployment of additional RCMP members requested under the RCMP - 3 Regular Member Positions P1.
- Spoke to how member deployment priorities are set.
- Spoke to the time lag from creation of a new RCMP member position by Council to the member actually appearing at the Kelowna Detachment.

**Financial Services Director:**

- Spoke to how the monies budgeted for new RCMP members are allocated should there be a delay in new members arriving.

**City Manager:**

- Council has the option to defer consideration of additional RCMP members identified as a P2 priority to Final Budget, pending additional financing options brought forward by staff.

**Moved By Councillor Stack/Seconded By Councillor Hodge**

**B008/15/12/17** THAT the RCMP 3 Regular Members Positions P2 item on page J21 be moved to a P1 with a budgeted start date of July 1, matching the current P1 request;

AND THAT these 3 officers' 6 month 2016 salary be funded from RCMP reserve, for an increase of \$239,480 for 2016 with no increase in taxation for 2016.

**Carried**

**Moved By Councillor Donn/Seconded By Councillor Singh**

**B009/15/12/17** THAT the Grants in Lieu of Taxes P1 item on page J27 be deleted with a decrease in 2016 taxation of \$2,430.

**Carried**

**Moved By Councillor Donn/Seconded By Councillor Gray**

**B010/15/12/17** THAT the Grants in Lieu of Taxes P3 item on page J28 be changed from a P3 to a P1, with an increase in 2016 taxation of \$47,750.

**Carried****2.19 Communications & Information Services (Operating Program)**

There were no amendments to the Communications & Information Services Operating Program budget as presented.

**2.20 Human Resources & Corporate Performance (Operating Program)****Moved By Councillor Sieben/Seconded By Councillor Hodge**

**B011/15/12/17** THAT the Employee Engagement Survey Project P1 item on page L4 be starred for consideration later in the meeting.

Mayor Basran and Councillors DeHart, Donn, Singh and Stack - **Defeated**  
**Opposed.**

The meeting recessed at 3:56 p.m. The meeting reconvened at 4:26 p.m.

**2.21 Wrap Up & Discussion**

Financial Services Director:

- Spoke to the various starred options and their impact on the proposed tax increase.

Councillor Donn left the meeting at 4:35 p.m.

**Moved By Councillor Stack/Seconded By Councillor DeHart**

**B012/15/12/17** THAT Council keep the Two Accounting Positions request on page J7 as P1 and the Strategic Fund Program request on page H8 as P2, with no increase in taxation for 2016;

AND THAT the 2016 Financial Plan, as amended by Council, and resulting in a 4.12% tax increase, be approved subject to Final Budget considerations.

**Carried****3. Termination**

This meeting was declared terminated at 4:53 p.m.

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 Mayor

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 City Clerk