



INFORMATION REPORT

TO:	Mayor and Members General Issues Committee
COMMITTEE DATE:	November 25, 2016
SUBJECT/REPORT NO:	Ward 1 2016 Participatory Capital Budget – Operating Budget Impacts (FCS16100) (Ward 1)
WARD(S) AFFECTED:	Ward 1
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Council Direction:

General Issues Committee at its meeting on October 21, 2016 considered a motion regarding Ward 1 2016 Participatory Capital Budget and approved the following:

“That staff be directed to report back to the November 25, 2016 General Issues Committee Tax Capital Budget meeting with any operating impacts related to the projects listed in sub-sections (a) through (d).”

Information:

Over the last two years, Ward 1 has made participatory budgeting a key factor in determining how their Area Rated Special Capital Infrastructure funding is spent. Due to this process, there are often time delays associated with project selection and determining operating costs. The following projects were selected in 2016 to be funded from Ward 1 Area Rating Special Capital Re-Investment Reserve.

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| (i) | Native Wildflower Garden | \$5,000 |
| (ii) | Chedoke Golf Course Redevelopment – Community Consultation Process | \$50,000 |

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(iii)	Upgrades to Dow Parkette	\$60,000
(iv)	Victoria Park Beautification (installation of 2 floral beds with concrete curbing and irrigation)	\$70,000
(v)	Victoria Park Playground Improvements	\$80,000
(vi)	Improvements to Locke Street Library	\$150,000
(vii)	Westdale Neighbourhood Complete Streets Master Plan	\$150,000
(viii)	Ainslie Wood Neighbourhood Complete Streets Review, including Main Street	\$150,000
(ix)	Natural Playground at Canadian Martyrs Catholic Elementary School (in partnership with Catholic School Board)	\$205,000
(x)	Upgrade to HAAA Park	\$220,000
(xi)	Churchill Park Master Plan Implementation	\$400,000
(xii)	Recreation Centre / Community Hub at the former Prince Philip School Site	\$520,000

During the Committee meeting on October 21, 2016, the following project was removed from the project list:

“(d) That \$65,000 be provided to Social Planning and Research Council for the 2017 Tastebud’s Program to be funded from the 2016 Ward 1 Area Rating budget.”

Staff was asked to provide feedback on the selected projects and the operating budget impact they may have on their divisions and departments. Staff in the Public Works Department and the Recreation Division provided input.

Below is a table that summarizes the operating costs for Public Works Department associated with these projects.

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Ward 1 Project	Impact on Public Works
Native Wildflower Garden	\$1,500/year
Chedoke Golf Course	Unknown until studies identify the work scope
Upgrades to Dow Parkette	\$5,700/year
Victoria Park Playground Improvements	\$5,700/year
Victoria Park Beautification	\$11,000/year
Improvements to Locke Street Library	None
Westdale Neighbourhood Complete Streets Master Plan	Unknown until studies identify the work scope
Ainslie Wood Neighbourhood	Unknown until studies identify the work scope
Natural Playground at Canadian Martyrs Catholic Elementary School	None, Not on City Property
Upgrade to HAAA Park	Currently has no impact due to the no winter policy
Churchill Park Master Plan Implementation	Unknown until studies identify the work scope
Total	\$23,900/year

The projects identified above and the operating budget impacts have been incorporated in the 2017 Tax Capital Budget.

The Recreation Division will also be impacted due to the set-up of these projects. The table below summarizes the Recreation Division's findings.

Ward 1 Project	Impact on Recreation
Recreation Centre former Prince Phillip School	\$120,000/year and 1.5 FTE

The additional operating cost associated with the above project will be incorporated in a future operating budget. Overall, by creating these projects, there will be an operating impact of \$143,900/year as well as the need for 1.5 FTEs.

The following table illustrates the financial impact these projects will have on Ward 1's Area Rating Reserve. Currently, Ward 1's Reserve balance is expected to continue to grow due to the special capital reinvestment levy revenue and the closing of previous projects.

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Ward 1's Area Rating Capital Reserve	2016	2017
Opening Balance	1,294,306.00	1,506,668.14
Add:		
Interest Earned	33,213.13	47,603.34
Special Levy	1,678,608.75	1,678,608.75
Sub-Total - To Reserves	1,711,821.88	1,726,212.09
Less:		
New Projects Funded in Year	50,000.00	
Funding Adjustments for PY Projects		555,000.00
Commitments (not funded yet)	1,715,000.00	70,000.00
Projects to be closed and returned to reserve	(365,540.26)	
Capital Reinvestment (\$100K Unallocated)	100,000.00	100,000.00
Sub-Total - From Reserves	1,499,459.74	725,000.00
Ending Balance - Dec 31	1,506,668.14	2,507,880.23

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