



Hamilton

INFORMATION REPORT

TO:	Mayor and Members General Issues Committee
COMMITTEE DATE:	January 17, 2020
SUBJECT/REPORT NO:	2020 Budget Overview (FCS20001) (City Wide)
WARD(S) AFFECTED:	City Wide
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COUNCIL DIRECTION

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INFORMATION

At the General Issues Committee (GIC) meeting on July 8, 2019, Council approved the 2020 Budget Guidelines, Outlook and Process (Report FCS19054). The 2020 Budget Overview (Report FCS20001) provides an updated overview of the 2020 Budget Process and Schedule. Preliminary budget information will be provided to GIC in a staff presentation.

The 2020 Budget Process incorporates the following components:

Tax Supported Capital Budget and Rate Supported Budget:

The City of Hamilton's multi-year Capital Budget supports the City's planned investment in capital infrastructure and capital assets. The Tax Supported Capital Budget Available Funding represents a portion of the financing required to support the City's existing capital infrastructure repair and replacement requirements based on industry standards and Council priorities.

The 2020 Tax Supported Capital Budget (Report FCS19091) was approved by Council on December 11, 2019.

The City of Hamilton's Rate Supported Operating Budget provides the cost and ongoing financial obligations to deliver water, wastewater and stormwater programs and services to ratepayers. The City of Hamilton's Rate Supported Capital Budget supports the City's investment in capital infrastructure and capital assets. The cost for water, wastewater and stormwater programs are fully funded from user fees and, therefore, do not affect municipal property taxes.

The 2020 Recommended Water, Wastewater and Stormwater Budget (Report FCS19070) was approved by Council on November 27, 2019.

Tax Supported Operating Budget:

The City of Hamilton's Tax Supported Operating Budget provides the costs and ongoing financial obligations to deliver programs and services to taxpayers.

The 2020 Budget Overview (Report FCS20001) is submitted for Council's consideration with the overview to be presented at GIC on January 17, 2020. This includes the distribution of a budget book in the form of Appendix "A" – 2020 Preliminary Tax Supported Operating Budget Report.

Tax Supported User Fees:

The City of Hamilton's User Fees represent charges to individual users of specific municipal services and are an integral part of the annual budget process. Revenue estimates for the current budget year are based on the fees contained in the Tax Supported User Fee Report FCS19092 and other user fee reports are included in the Tax Supported Operating Budget.

The 2020 Tax Supported User Fees (Report FCS19092) was approved by Council on December 11, 2019.

The schedule for the meetings for the General Issues Committee is summarized in the following Table:

ITEM	DATE
Tax Supported Operating Budget Overview	January 17, 2020
Boards and Agencies Presentation	January 21 and 23, 2020
Departmental Budget Presentations	January 17, 28, 29, 30 and February 7, 2020
Public Delegations	February 10, 2020
GIC Budget Deliberations	February 24, 27 and March 2, 4, 2020
Council Budget Approval	April 1, 2020

APPENDICES AND SCHEDULES ATTACHED

Appendix “A” to Report FCS20001 – 2020 Preliminary Tax Supported Operating Budget Report

(Due to the bulk size of Appendix “A”, it is not included as part of Report FCS20001 but is available for viewing in the City Clerk’s Office and online at www.hamilton.ca)

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