

# CITY OF HAMILTON

## MOTION

Special Council: December 16, 2020

**MOVED BY COUNCILLOR .....**

**SECONDED BY MAYOR/COUNCILLOR.....**

**2021 Tax Supported Capital Budget (FCS20101) (City Wide)**

- (a) That the 2021 Tax Supported Capital Levy in the amount of \$127,365,000 be approved, inclusive of:
  - (i) a net levy increase of \$1,654,000 (0.18%) in 2021 for associated debt financing for the Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program – Public Transit Stream that was previously approved; and,
  - (ii) a net levy increase of \$2,000,000 (0.22%) in 2021 to fund an increase in the recovery of exemptions of tax services provided through the City’s Development Charge exemption programs;
  
- (b) That an additional \$5,100,000, which is required to maintain the same infrastructure investment to address state-of-good repair requirements be approved, as follows:
  - (i) Transportation Infrastructure for Council Priority Minor Rehabilitation Projects equally distributed to all Wards - \$3,000,000 to be funded from the Federal Gas Tax Reserve (#112213);
  - (ii) That \$560,000 in WIP funding be transferred from Active Transportation Connections to Council Priority Minor Rehabilitation Projects allocated equally to each ward; and,
  - (iii) Facilities Management - \$1,500,000, to be funded from the 2020 Unallocated 2020 Capital Levy Reserve (#108020);

- (c) That the 2021 Tax Supported Capital Budget and Financing Plan in the amount of \$474,333,000, attached hereto as Appendix “A”, be approved with the following funding sources:
- (i) \$153,899,000 from government grants and subsidies;
  - (ii) \$25,000 from other external sources;
  - (iii) \$78,287,000 from Development Charges Reserves;
  - (iv) \$46,323,000 from Reserves;
  - (v) \$22,908,000 from Work-in-Progress and other internal transfers;
  - (vi) \$86,657,000 from the 2021 Tax Supported Capital Levy;
  - (vii) \$5,300,000 from Hamilton Utilities Corporation (HUC) / Alectra Dividends;
  - (viii) \$4,000,000 from Hamilton Future Fund Reserve (112246);
  - (ix) \$39,543,000 from Federal Gas Tax Reserve (112213);
  - (x) \$1,100,000 from COVID-19 Emergency Reserve (110053);
  - (xi) \$2,090,000 from Roads, Bridges and Traffic Capital Reserve (108041);
  - (xii) \$5,125,000 from the Unallocated Capital Levy Reserve (108020);  
and,
  - (xiii) \$29,076,000 from Tax Supported Debenture Financing;
- (d) That the General Manager of Finance and Corporate Services be authorized to transfer \$5,125,000 to the Unallocated Capital Levy Reserve (108020) from the forecasted 2020 Capital Financing Surplus for the purposes of funding the 2021 Capital Financing Plan;
- (e) That the Tax Supported Discretionary Net Capital Funding Forecast 2022–2030, attached hereto as Appendix “B”, which assumes the following, be approved, in principle, and re-visited by Council each budget year:
- (i) a net levy increase of \$4,500,000 (0.5%) in each year from 2022 to 2030;

- (ii) an additional net levy increase of \$374,000 (0.04%) in 2022, \$626,000 (0.07%) in 2023, \$1,773,000 (0.19%) in 2024, \$54,000 (0.01%) in 2025, \$20,000 (0.01%) in 2026, \$59,000 (0.01%) in 2027, \$87,000 (0.01%) in 2029 and \$3,072,000 (0.66%) in 2030 to fund the debt charges associated with the West Harbour Development;
- (f) That the operating budget and full-time equivalent (FTE) impacts of the 2021 Tax Supported Capital Budget, estimated at \$865,500 and 4 FTEs for 2021 and \$5,640,400 and 74.9 FTEs for future years, included in Appendix "C" attached hereto, be incorporated into future Tax Supported Operating Budgets subject to Council approval;
- (g) That the General Manager, Finance and Corporate Services, be authorized to negotiate the terms and placement of a debenture issue(s), and / or private placement debenture issue(s), in either a public or private market and / or bank loan agreement and debenture issue(s) and / or variable interest rate bank loan agreement and debenture issue(s), in an amount not to exceed \$86,025,000 Canadian currency, attached hereto in Appendix "A", which includes \$29,076,000 in Tax Supported municipal debt and \$56,475,000 in Development Charges Tax Supported municipal debt;
- (h) That the General Manager, Finance and Corporate Services, be authorized to engage the services of all required professionals to secure the terms and issuance of the debenture issue(s) described in subsection (g) including, but not limited to, external legal counsel, fiscal agents and Infrastructure Ontario's Loan Program;
- (i) That the General Manager, Finance and Corporate Services, Mayor and City Clerk are each authorized and directed to enter into and / or execute, on behalf of the City of Hamilton, all agreements and necessary ancillary documents requiring their respective signatures, to secure the terms and issuance of the debenture issue(s) described in subsections (g) and h), in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor;
- (j) That the Mayor and City Clerk are authorized and directed to enter into and / or execute, on behalf of the City of Hamilton, all agreements and necessary ancillary documents not requiring any specific signing authority, to secure the terms and issuance of the debenture issue(s) described in subsections (g) and (h), in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor and with content acceptable to the General Manager, Finance and Corporate Services; and,
- (k) That all necessary By-Law(s) be passed to authorize the debenture issue(s) negotiated placed and secured in accordance with subsections (g) and (h).