



INFORMATION REPORT

TO:	Mayor and Members General Issues Committee
COMMITTEE DATE:	November 8, 2021
SUBJECT/REPORT NO:	2022 Budget, Public Engagement Process (FCS21110) (City Wide)
WARD(S) AFFECTED:	City Wide
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COUNCIL DIRECTION

Report FCS21057(a) was presented to the General Issues Committee (GIC) on October 6, 2021 and approved by Council on October 13, 2021. The direction provided included the following related to public engagement:

That staff be directed to enhance the public delegation opportunity to the 2022 Budget by adding a date between February 10th to March 3rd, 2022.

INFORMATION

The proposed 2022 budget schedule presented within Report FCS21057(a) identified moving the traditional February date for public delegation to November 8, 2021.

Public delegations have been held in February, in past years, as part of the Tax Supported Operating Budget deliberations in order to coincide with the timing of when the preliminary budget books and reports would be available for public consumption. In an effort to provide the public the opportunity for input at the beginning of the process, the Public Delegations meeting at GIC has been moved up to November 8, 2021.

OUR Vision: To be the best place to raise a child and age successfully.

OUR Mission: To provide high quality cost conscious public services that contribute to a healthy, safe and prosperous community, in a sustainable manner.

OUR Culture: Collective Ownership, Steadfast Integrity, Courageous Change, Sensational Service, Engaged Empowered Employees.

The input received through the November 8 session will assist in informing upcoming Council deliberations. In addition, following the Council direction to include an additional date for public delegations, there will be a second opportunity for the public to participate in the budget process in February 2022 prior to finalization of the 2022 Tax Operating Budget.

Information about the proposed 2022 Tax Capital Budget, 2022 Rate Supported Budget and 2022 Tax Operating Budget will be posted on the City's website as it becomes available. This will include the budget books and related staff reports and presentations.

Appendix "A" to Report FCS21110 outlines the schedule of the GIC Budget meetings planned for the 2022 Budget process.

APPENDICES AND SCHEDULES ATTACHED

Appendix A – 2022 Budget Schedule

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