

SPECIAL COUNCIL #12-97

BUDGET

PRESENT: A special meeting of Council was held with the following members present: His Worship, Mayor Ron Martelle, Aldermen Dick Aubry, Brian Lynch, Susan Carter, Denis Carr, Naresh Bhargava, Claude Poirier, Chris Savard, and Brian Sylvester, Chuck Charlebois,

ABSENT: Alderman Dean Hollingsworth.

IN ATTENDANCE: Richard Allaire, C.A.O./Clerk, Paul Fitzpatrick, Assistant C.A.O./Manager, Economic Development, Stephen Alexander, Fern Hamelin, Frank McDonald, Sherman Goodwin, Gerry McKenna, Doris McLean, Betty Cousins, Hugh O'Reilly, Frances Lafave and Robert Hubsher.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Alderman Susan Carter declared an interest on the Capital Budget regarding the Environmental Science Institute as she is an employee of the Institute. She refrained from discussing or voting on this matter and left the room during Council's discussion and vote.

Alderman Dick Aubry declared an interest on the Current Budget, regarding advertising as he has a financial interest in the Cornwall Seaway News. He refrained from discussing or voting on this matter and left the room during Council's discussion and vote.

CAPITAL BUDGET

Creative Playground Structure

Moved by Aldermen Naresh Bhargava and Brian Sylvester that funding for this project in the amount of \$50,000.00 be deferred until 1998.

MOTION CARRIED

Landfill Gas Collection System

Moved by Aldermen Brian Lynch and Dick Aubry that funding for this project in the amount of \$150,000.00 be deferred until 1998.

The motion was amended by Aldermen Denis Carr and Naresh Bhargava that the funding for this project be taken from the Tipping Fee Reserve.

AMENDMENT CARRIED

Environmental Science Institute

Moved by Aldermen Claude Poirier and Brian Sylvester that funding for this project in the amount of \$125,000.00 be deferred until 1998 by that funding in the amount of \$5,000.00 which would be equivalent to a 4% return for twelve months on \$125,000. be paid.

MOTION CARRIED

Police Capital Budget

Moved by Aldermen Brian Sylvester and Dick Aubry that this budget be reduced by \$25,000.00.

MOTION CARRIED

Signage - Brookdale Avenue at Highway 401

Moved by Aldermen Brian Lynch and Naresh Bhargava that this project be funded over two years with the City's share in 1997 reduced from \$40,000 to \$20,000.

MOTION CARRIED

CURRENT BUDGET

Advertising

Moved by Aldermen Claude Poirier and Naresh Bhargava that this budget be reduced by \$20,000.00 and that the Manager of Finance report on how this reduction will be distributed to all media.

MOTION CARRIED

Audit Committee

Moved by Aldermen Naresh Bhargava and Brian Lynch that funding in the amount of \$25,000.00 be eliminated.

It was then moved by Aldermen Dick Aubry and Denis Carr that the motion be amended to retain funding in the amount of \$7,000.

AMENDMENT CARRIED

City Clerk - Contribution to Reserves

Moved by Aldermen Chris Savard and Brian Lynch that funding in the amount of \$24,000.00 be eliminated.

MOTION CARRIED

Machine Sweeping

Moved by Aldermen Claude Poirier and Brian Lynch that the amount of \$16,000.00 be retained in the budget.

MOTION CARRIED

Blue Box - Bi-Weekly Collection

Moved by Aldermen Denis Carr and Susan Carter that the amount of \$12,000.00 be retained in the budget and continue with weekly collections.

MOTION CARRIED

Stand Alone Wading Pools

Moved by Aldermen Brian Sylvester and Naresh Bhargava that the amount of \$15,000.00 be retained in the budget in order for these pools to operate.

MOTION CARRIED

Social Services - Non Mandatory Programs

Moved by Aldermen Naresh Bhargava and Dick Aubry that the amount of \$25,000.00 as the City's contribution to these programs be eliminated.

MOTION DEFEATED

Social Services - Relocation

Moved by Aldermen Brian Sylvester and Denis Carr that the operational budget of this Department be reduced by \$15,000.00.

MOTION CARRIED

Richelieu Day Care

Moved by Aldermen Brian Lynch and Claude Poirier that \$30,000.00 be returned to the budget for the operation of the Day Care.

It was moved by Aldermen Chuck Charlebois and Naresh Bhargava that this matter be re-scheduled to the next regular meeting of Council when the Manager of Social Services can report further.

MOTION CARRIED

Airport

Moved by Aldermen Brian Sylvester and Susan Carter that the City fund the airport at the 1996 level of \$40,700.00.

MOTION CARRIED

Budget Approval

Moved by Aldermen Dick Aubry and Brian Lynch that the capital out of reserve funding of \$1,563,000 be reduced to \$1 million and that the difference as a result of this evening's action be debentured.

A recorded vote resulted as follows:

FOR

Mayor Ron Martelle
Alderman Dick Aubry
Alderman Brian Lynch
Alderman Claude Poirier
Alderman Susan Carter
Alderman Chris Savard

AGAINST

Alderman Naresh Bhargava
Alderman Denis Carr
Alderman Chuck Charlebois
Alderman Brian Sylvester


MOTION CARRIED 6-4


City Controlled Budget - Report

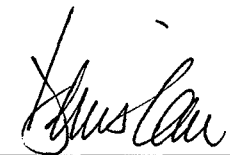
Moved by Aldermen Denis Carr and Naresh Bhargava that the Manager of Finance report on how much the City controls in the annual City expenses.

MOTION CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 8 p.m.


Clerk


Recording Secretary


Mayor