



Finance and Audit Committee

Minutes

January 24, 2022, 5:30 p.m.

City Hall Council Chambers

15322 Buena Vista Avenue, White Rock, BC, V4B 1Y6

PRESENT: Mayor Walker
Councillor Chesney
Councillor Johanson
Councillor Kristjanson (via electronic means at 5:32 p.m.)
Councillor Manning
Councillor Trevelyan

ABSENT: Councillor Fathers

STAFF: Guillermo Ferrero, Chief Administrative Officer
Tracey Arthur, Director of Corporate Administration
Joe Calenda, Acting Director of Planning and Development Services
Shannon Johnstone, Acting Director of Financial Services
Jim Gordon, Director of Engineering and Municipal Operations
Eric Stepura, Director of Recreation and Culture (via electronic means)
Ed Wolfe, Fire Chief (via electronic means)
Debbie Johnstone, Deputy Corporate Officer

GUEST: Paul Murray, Consultant for City – Budget

1. CALL TO ORDER

Councillor Chesney, Chairperson

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m.

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Motion Number: 2022-F&A-001 It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the Finance and Audit Committee adopt the agenda for January 24, 2022, as circulated.

Absent (2): Councillor Fathers, and Councillor Kristjanson

Motion CARRIED (5 to 0)

3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Motion Number: 2022-F&A-002 It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the Finance and Audit Committee adopt the following meeting minutes as presented:

- **December 13, 2021; and**
- **December 14, 2021.**

Absent (2): Councillor Fathers, and Councillor Kristjanson

Motion CARRIED (5 to 0)

4. City of White Rock 2022 Budget – Referral for Public Comment

Corporate report dated January 24, 2022, from the Acting Director of Financial Services and P. Murray, Consultant, titled "City of White Rock 2022 Budget - Referral for Public Comment".

Councillor Kristjanson arrived at the meeting 5:32 p.m. (via electronic means)

Mr. Murray gave an overview of the corporate report. The document is in a Draft stage at this time. There will be an opportunity for public comments on the draft document starting January 25, 2022, through "Talk White Rock" (Guest Book component) where the public may leave comment(s) on the various areas within the Draft Budget document.

A series of departmental budget presentations will be held early March 2022.

The following discussion points were noted:

- The previous budget format, it would be useful to include with the new document so comparisons can be made

- It was noted that more detail would be helpful, what is presented in the summary (would like to see more information as to how the summary figures were arrived at)
- Request for information in regard to financial impact as to how White Rock has been impacted by Surrey's RCMP transition to a municipal police force
- May consider using post cards to inform the public about the Financial Plan and public comment opportunity

Motion Number: 2022-F&A-003 It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the Finance and Audit Committee requests the budget document include a concise list with a breakdown of the carry forward items that make up the amount of over \$40 million with the figures noting 2021 vs. 2022.

Absent (1): Councillor Fathers

Motion CARRIED (6 to 0)

Motion Number: 2022-F& A-004 It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the Finance and Audit Committee requests staff to report back on options to bring the tax increase to be no more than 3%.

Voted in the Negative (2): Mayor Walker, and Councillor Chesney

Absent (1): Councillor Fathers

Motion CARRIED (4 to 2)

Motion Number: 2022-F&A-005 It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the Finance and Audit Committee direct there be no out of province travel for Council for 2022.

Voted in the Negative (4): Mayor Walker, Councillor Chesney, Councillor Johanson, and Councillor Kristjanson

Absent (1): Councillor Fathers

Motion DEFEATED (2 to 4)

Motion Number: 2022-F&A-006 It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the Finance and Audit and Committee direct the proposed budget document does not go to the public for comment at this time until after the department presentations are complete.

Voted in the Negative (4): Mayor Walker, Councillor Chesney, Councillor Manning, and Councillor Trevelyan

Absent (1): Councillor Fathers

Motion DEFEATED (2 to 4)

Motion Number: 2022-F&A-007 It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the Finance and Audit Committee:

1. **Receive the January 24, 2022, Corporate Report from the Acting Director of Finance, titled “City of White Rock 2022 Budget – Referral for Public Comment”; and**
2. **Direct staff to refer the 2022 budget document for public comment.**

Voted in the Negative (2): Councillor Johanson, and Councillor Kristjanson

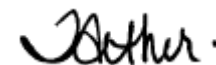
Absent (1): Councillor Fathers

Motion CARRIED (4 to 2)

5. **CONCLUSION OF THE JANUARY 24, 2022, FINANCE AND AUDIT COMMITTEE MEETING**

The meeting was concluded at 6:38 p.m.

Councillor Chesney, Chairperson



Tracey Arthur, Director of Corporate Administration