



The Corporation of the City of Sault Ste. Marie
Budget Meeting of City Council
Minutes

Monday, February 13, 2023

4:30 pm

Council Chambers and Video Conference

Present: Mayor M. Shoemaker, Councillor S. Hollingsworth, Councillor S. Spina, Councillor L. Dufour, Councillor L. Vezeau-Allen, Councillor A. Caputo, Councillor R. Zagordo, Councillor M. Bruni, Councillor S. Kinach, Councillor C. Gardi, Councillor M. Scott

Officials: M. White, R. Tyczinski, L. Girardi, T. Vair, K. Fields, S. Schell, P. Johnson, N. Ottolino, S. Hamilton Beach, B. Lamming, J. King, T. Anderson, F. Coccimiglio, T. Vecchio, M. Zuppa, M. Borowicz-Sibenik, P. Tonazzo, C. Rumiell, S. Facey, V. McLeod, A. Caputo, G. Nicholson, M. Blanchard, M. McAuley, A. Starzomski, T. Reid, F. Pozzebon, P. Milosevich, P. White, M. Pinder, M. Oliverio, M. Depatie, A. Mitchell-Wiacek, K. Izydorczyk

10. Closed Session

Moved by: Councillor L. Dufour

Seconded by: Councillor S. Kinach

Resolved that this Council move into closed session to consider one item concerning security of property of the municipality; and one item related to labour relations or employee negotiations

Further Be It Resolved that should the said closed session be adjourned, the Council may reconvene in closed session to discuss the same matters without the need for a further

authorizing resolution.

(Municipal Act section 239(2)(a) the security of property of a municipality or local board; and 239(2)(d) labour relations or employee negotiations)

Carried

1. Land Acknowledgement

2. Approve Agenda as Presented

Moved by: Councillor L. Vezeau-Allen

Seconded by: Councillor S. Kinach

Resolved that the Agenda for February 13, 2023 Budget Meeting and Addendum #1 as presented be approved.

Carried

3. Declaration of Pecuniary Interest

4. Government of Canada News Release

5. Ontario Regulation 284/09

The report of the Manager of Finance was received by Council.

Moved by: Councillor L. Dufour

Seconded by: Councillor S. Kinach

Resolved that the report of the Manager of Finance, dated February 13, 2023, concerning Ontario Regulation 284/09 be approved for the budget year 2023.

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	For	Against	Conflict	Absent
Mayor M. Shoemaker	X			
Councillor S. Hollingsworth				X
Councillor S. Spina	X			
Councillor L. Dufour	X			
Councillor L. Vezeau-Allen	X			
Councillor A. Caputo	X			
Councillor R. Zagordo	X			
Councillor M. Bruni	X			
Councillor S. Kinach	X			
Councillor C. Gardi	X			
Councillor M. Scott				X
Results	9	0	0	2
				Carried

6. Budget 2023 Community Feedback

Moved by: Councillor L. Vezeau-Allen

Seconded by: Councillor M. Bruni

Resolved that the report of the Communications Officer dated February 13, 2023 concerning Budget 2023 Community Engagement be received as information.

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Mayor M. Shoemaker	X			
Councillor S. Hollingsworth				X
Councillor S. Spina	X			
Councillor L. Dufour	X			
Councillor L. Vezeau-Allen	X			
Councillor A. Caputo	X			
Councillor R. Zagordo	X			
Councillor M. Bruni	X			
Councillor S. Kinach	X			
Councillor C. Gardi	X			
Councillor M. Scott				X
Results	9	0	0	2
				Carried

7. 2023 Budget Deliberations

Moved by: Councillor L. Vezeau-Allen
 Seconded by: Councillor S. Kinach

That City Council now proceed into the Committee of the Whole to consider the following matter referred to it for consideration – 2023 Budget Deliberations.

Carried.

7.1 2023 Budget – Additional Information

Moved by: Councillor L. Vezeau-Allen
 Seconded by: Councillor M. Bruni

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Resolved that the report of the CAO dated 2023 02 13 concerning 2023 Budget – Additional Information be received as information.

	For	Against	Conflict	Absent
Mayor M. Shoemaker	X			
Councillor S. Hollingsworth	X			
Councillor S. Spina	X			
Councillor L. Dufour	X			
Councillor L. Vezeau-Allen	X			
Councillor A. Caputo	X			
Councillor R. Zagordo	X			
Councillor M. Bruni	X			
Councillor S. Kinach	X			
Councillor C. Gardi	X			
Councillor M. Scott	X			
Results	11	0	0	0
				Carried

- 7.2 Corporate Services**
- 7.3 Community Development and Enterprise Services**
- 7.4 Public Works and Engineering Services**
- 7.5 Legal Department**
- 7.6 Fire Services**
- 7.7 Capital Budget Deliberations**
- 7.8 Downtown Plaza**

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The report of the Deputy CAO, Community Development and Enterprise Services was received by Council.

Moved by: Councillor A. Caputo

Seconded by: Councillor L. Vezeau-Allen

Resolved that the report of the Deputy CAO, Community Development and Enterprise Services dated February 13, 2023 concerning the reductions to the Downtown Plaza contingency request be received and that the following changes be approved:

Public Works install play structure: \$10,000

Remove metal rail guide: \$5,000

for a total reduction of \$15,000 and a total project contingency of \$645,000 with funding referred to the 2023 capital budget for amendment. And further that the revised project budget will be \$11,594,464 and the CAO be given delegated authority for all procurements relating to the said project contingency.

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Councillor S. Hollingsworth		X		
Councillor S. Spina		X		
Councillor L. Dufour	X			
Councillor L. Vezeau-Allen	X			
Councillor A. Caputo	X			
Councillor R. Zagordo	X			
Councillor M. Bruni		X		
Councillor S. Kinach	X			
Councillor C. Gardi	X			
Councillor M. Scott		X		
Results	7	4	0	0
				Carried

7.8.1 Downtown Plaza – Options Analysis Additional Information

Moved by: Councillor L. Vezeau-Allen

Seconded by: Councillor S. Kinach

Resolved that the report of the Deputy CAO, Community Development and Enterprise Services dated February 13, 2023 concerning the Downtown Plaza be received as information.

Carried

7.9 Operating Budget Deliberations

7.10 Supplementary Budget Items

7.10.1 Downtown Ambassador Program Letters of Support

8. Rise and Report

Moved by: Councillor L. Vezeau-Allen

Seconded by: Councillor M. Bruni

Resolved that the Committee of the Whole Council now rise and report on the matter referred to it by City Council – 2023 Budget Deliberations.

	For	Against	Conflict	Absent
Mayor M. Shoemaker	X			
Councillor S. Hollingsworth	X			
Councillor S. Spina	X			
Councillor L. Dufour	X			
Councillor L. Vezeau-Allen	X			
Councillor A. Caputo	X			
Councillor R. Zagordo	X			
Councillor M. Bruni	X			
Councillor S. Kinach	X			
Councillor C. Gardi	X			
Councillor M. Scott	X			
Results	11	0	0	0
				Carried

Moved by: Councillor L. Vezeau-Allen

Seconded by: Councillor M. Bruni

Resolved that the rules of procedure be suspended to allow the meeting to exceed five hours in length.

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Councillor S. Hollingsworth	X			
Councillor S. Spina	X			
Councillor L. Dufour	X			
Councillor L. Vezeau-Allen	X			
Councillor A. Caputo	X			
Councillor R. Zagordo	X			
Councillor M. Bruni	X			
Councillor S. Kinach	X			
Councillor C. Gardi	X			
Councillor M. Scott	X			
Results	11	0	0	0
				Carried

Moved by: Councillor L. Dufour

Seconded by: Councillor S. Kinach

Resolved that the 2023 Operating Budget be approved with the following adjustments:

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Item	Final
Additional Slot Revenue	(100,000)
Streetlight Savings	(429,220)
Capital Inflation	(523,983)
Manzo Park Splash Pad	(115,000)
Plaza Operations	(41,667)
Cremation Revenue	(50,000)
Travel & Training	(50,000)
Hire two Summer Students	24,657
Funded from Grant Revenue	(24,657)
Hire an Aquatic Lead at the John Rhodes Pool	55,844
Offset by Reduction of Complement	(55,844)
Hire an Office Clerk in Building Inspection	62,985
Funded from Building Permit Reserve Fund	(62,985)
Hire a Building Inspector	98,834
Funded from Building Permit Reserve Fund	(98,834)
Hire four firefightersHiring Costs	340,892
Overtime Savings	(447,740)
Amount available to finance Aerial Truck	106,848
Hire a Construction Supervisor in the Engineering Department	97,065
Funded by Streamline Development Fund in 2023	(97,065)
Change the Part-time By-Law Enforcement Officer to Full-time	35,803

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Expand Coverage of Downtown Ambassador Pilot Program (Option C)	95,913
Funded by Special Council Community Fund over 3 Years	(63,942)
Art Gallery of Algoma Grant Increase	17,765
Transit Adventure Bus Pilot	8,000
Funded by Special Council Community Fund	(8,000)
Long-term Financial Plan	50,000
Funded by Asset Management Reserve	(50,000)
Public Works Equipment Reserve Increase	330,000
Funded by Decreased Contribution to Asset Management Reserve	(330,000)

Resulting in an increase in the corporate portion of the municipal levy from 2022 in the amount of 2.99%.

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Councillor L. Dufour	X			
Councillor L. Vezeau-Allen	X			
Councillor A. Caputo	X			
Councillor R. Zagordo	X			
Councillor M. Bruni	X			
Councillor S. Kinach	X			
Councillor C. Gardi	X			
Councillor M. Scott	X			
Results	11	0	0	0
				Carried

Moved by: Councillor L. Vezeau-Allen

Seconded by: Councillor M. Bruni

Resolved that the 2023 Capital Budget and financing sources be approved with the following changes:

Remove capital project Bellevue Marina (\$675,000) (675,000)

Substitute with Project Contingency for Plaza Account (\$645,000) 645,000

Partial removal of capital project (road resurfacing) (423,191)

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Councillor L. Dufour	X			
Councillor L. Vezeau-Allen	X			
Councillor A. Caputo	X			
Councillor R. Zagordo	X			
Councillor M. Bruni	X			
Councillor S. Kinach	X			
Councillor C. Gardi	X			
Councillor M. Scott	X			
Results	11	0	0	0
				Carried

Moved by: Councillor L. Dufour
 Seconded by: Councillor M. Bruni

Resolved that the 2023 Sanitary Budget and financing sources be approved with the following changes:

Wastewater Master Plan (Accumulated Net Revenue – Sewer Surcharge) \$434,230

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Councillor S. Hollingsworth	X			
Councillor S. Spina	X			
Councillor L. Dufour	X			
Councillor L. Vezeau-Allen	X			
Councillor A. Caputo	X			
Councillor R. Zagordo	X			
Councillor M. Bruni	X			
Councillor S. Kinach		X		
Councillor C. Gardi	X			
Councillor M. Scott	X			
Results	10	1	0	0
				Carried

Moved by: Councillor L. Dufour
 Seconded by: Councillor M. Bruni

Resolved that the 2023 levies and local boards be approved resulting in an increase to the levy and local board portion of the municipal levy from 2022 of 1.87%

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Councillor S. Spina	X			
Councillor L. Dufour	X			
Councillor L. Vezeau-Allen	X			
Councillor A. Caputo	X			
Councillor R. Zagordo	X			
Councillor M. Bruni	X			
Councillor S. Kinach	X			
Councillor C. Gardi	X			
Councillor M. Scott	X			
Results	11	0	0	0
				Carried

Moved by: Councillor L. Dufour

Seconded by: Councillor S. Kinach

Resolved that the overall 2023 municipal levy of \$134,304,141 (corporate and levy and local boards) representing an increase of 4.86% be approved.

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Councillor L. Dufour	X			
Councillor L. Vezeau-Allen	X			
Councillor A. Caputo	X			
Councillor R. Zagordo	X			
Councillor M. Bruni	X			
Councillor S. Kinach	X			
Councillor C. Gardi	X			
Councillor M. Scott	X			
Results	11	0	0	0
				Carried

9. Memorandum of Settlement for CUPE Local 3 Public Works

The report of the Labour Relations Coordinator was received by Council.

Moved by: Councillor L. Dufour

Seconded by: Councillor M. Bruni

Resolved that the report of the Labour Relations Coordinator dated February 13, 2023 be received and Memorandum of Settlement for CUPE Local 3 Public Works be ratified.

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Councillor S. Spina	X			
Councillor L. Dufour	X			
Councillor L. Vezeau-Allen	X			
Councillor A. Caputo	X			
Councillor R. Zagordo	X			
Councillor M. Bruni	X			
Councillor S. Kinach	X			
Councillor C. Gardi	X			
Councillor M. Scott	X			
Results	11	0	0	0
				Carried

11. Adjournment

Moved by: Councillor L. Dufour

Seconded by: Councillor M. Bruni

Resolved that this Council shall now adjourn.

Carried

“Matthew Shoemaker”

Mayor

“Rachel Tyczinski”

City Clerk