

CITY OF VAUGHAN
REPORT NO. 3 OF THE
BUDGET COMMITTEE

*For consideration by the Council
of the City of Vaughan
on March 19, 2007*

The Budget Committee met at 2:43 p.m., on February 27, 2007.

Present: Mayor Linda D. Jackson (ex-officio), Chair
Councillor Peter Meffe
Councillor Alan Shefman
Councillor Sandra Yeung Racco

Also Present: Regional Councillor Gino Rosati

The following items were dealt with:

1 **2007 DRAFT CAPITAL BUDGET**

The Budget Committee recommends:

- 1) That Clauses 1, 2 and 4 of the recommendation contained in the following report of the City Manager, the Commissioner of Finance & Corporate Services, the Senior Management Team and the Director of Reserves & Investments, dated February 27, 2007, be approved;
- 2) That the proposed capital projects identified above the funding line in the 2007 Draft Capital Budget be considered for approval, subject to:
 - a) moving Project No. BF-8120-07, Patricia Kemp Community Centre – Windows, \$61,800, above the funding line;
 - b) moving Project No. BF-8128-07, Dufferin Clark Community Centre – Additional Heat Pump Replacements, \$61,800, below the funding line;
 - c) moving Project No. PK-6101-07, Maxey Park Tennis Court Replacements, \$181,300, above the funding line;
 - d) moving Project No. PK-6087-07, Basketball Court Repair/Replacement Various Locations, \$123,600, below the funding line; and
 - e) reprioritizing Project No. PK-6160-07, Park Furniture – Various Locations, \$103,000;
- 3) That staff review funding opportunities, including the benefit of moving Project No. AV-3004-07, Access Vaughan – Phase 2, \$455,000, above the funding line;

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- 4) That staff review and report back on opportunities for funding the construction of a community centre in Block 10 in 2007; and
- 5)
 - a) That staff review opportunities for repaving streets in the Historic Kleinburg area, including Art Drive, Rushworth Crescent and Cardish Street; and
 - b) That the petition submitted by Councillor Meffe, be received.

Recommendation

The City Manager, the Commissioner of Finance & Corporate Services, the Senior Management Team and the Director of Reserves & Investments recommends:

1. That the following report on the 2007 Draft Capital Budget be received for information and discussion purposes;
2. That Council amend the Development Charges policy guideline previously approved by Council to recognize that most growth related studies must proceed in advance of development and allow the management studies to be undertaken in advance of the DC funds being collected;
3. That recognizing that the Block 10 community centre is the next indoor recreation facility to be constructed based on the development charge (DC) capital plan that Council commit the DC funds currently collected for indoor recreation (\$15M) and sufficient future funds to be collected for the future construction of the North Thornhill Community Centre; and
4. That the funding for the green bin program approved in 2006 be amended to reflect the recent approval of a Green Funds grant thereby eliminating the requirement for taxation funding and reducing the use of "gas tax" funding.

2 **2007 PROPOSED CAPITAL BUDGET
ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
PERSONAL COMPUTERS (PC) REPLACEMENT PROGRAM**

The Budget Committee recommends approval of the recommendation contained in the following report of the Commissioner of Economic/Technology Development and Communications and the Chief Information Officer (CIO), dated February 27, 2007:

Recommendation

The Commissioner of Economic/Technology Development and Communications, and the Chief Information Officer (CIO), in consultation with the Director of Reserves and Investments, recommend that:

1. This report be received for information.

3 **2006 ADVERTISING EXPENDITURES FOR THE CITY PAGE ADVERTISEMENTS**

The Budget Committee recommends approval of the recommendation contained in the following report of the Commissioner of Economic/Technology Development and Communications, dated February 27, 2007:

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Recommendation

The Commissioner of Economic/Technology Development and Communications, in consultation with the Director of Corporate Communications, recommends:

That this report be received for information only, as requested by the Budget Committee, February 20, 2007, and referenced in Item 2 (1g), Report No. 2 of the Budget Committee for consideration by Council, February 26, 2007.

**4 2007 DRAFT OPERATING BUDGET – ADDITIONAL INFORMATION REQUEST
FEBRUARY 20, 2007**

The Budget Committee recommends:

- 1) That the report of the Commissioner of Finance & Corporate Services and the Acting Director of Budgeting & Financial Planning, dated February 27, 2007, be received;**
- 2) That Attachment #2, “2007 Draft Operating Budget, Corporate Promotions by Business Unit” be removed from the report for further review; and**
- 3) That staff bring forward for Council’s review and approval a list of dates for Council Corporate advertising, including media outlets and estimated costs.**

Recommendation

The Commissioner of Finance & Corporate Services and the Acting Director of Budgeting & Financial Planning recommends:

That the following report be received for information purposes.

5 CITY WIDE INFILL SIDEWALK PROGRAM

The Budget Committee recommends approval of the recommendation contained in the following report of the Commissioner of Engineering and Public Works, dated February 27, 2007:

Recommendation

The Commissioner of Engineering and Public Works in consultation with the Commissioner of Finance and Corporate Services recommends:

That the funding source for Capital Budget request EN-1662-07 City-Wide Sidewalk Infill Program which has been submitted to the Draft 2007 Capital Budget for consideration be changed from Taxation to City Wide Development Charges – Engineering and the request be moved above the funding line as funding is available.

**6 VELLORE WOODS BOULEVARD AND FOXHUNT DRIVE
PROPOSED SCHOOL CROSSING GUARD**

The Budget Committee recommends approval of the recommendation contained in the following report of the Commissioner of Engineering and Public Works, dated February 27, 2007:

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Recommendation

The Commissioner of Engineering and Public Works in consultation with the Commissioner of Legal and Administrative Services and the Commissioner of Finance and Corporate Services recommends:

1. That subject to funding approval, a school crossing guard be approved on the north side of the intersection of Vellore Woods Boulevard and Foxhunt Drive; and
2. That funds, in the amount of \$9,420 be referred to the 2007 Operating Budget for the additional school crossing guard.

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**MELVILLE AVENUE AND CUNNINGHAM DRIVE
PROPOSED SCHOOL CROSSING GUARD**

The Budget Committee recommends approval of the recommendation contained in the following report of the Commissioner of Engineering and Public Works, dated February 27, 2007:

Recommendation

The Commissioner of Engineering and Public Works in consultation with the Commissioner of Legal and Administrative Services and the Commissioner of Finance and Corporate Services recommends:

1. That subject to funding approval, a school crossing guard be approved on the west side of the intersection of Melville Avenue and Cunningham Drive; and
2. That funds, in the amount of \$9,420 be referred to the 2007 Operating Budget for the additional school crossing guard.

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YEAR END STAFFING COMPLEMENT REPORTS

The Budget Committee recommends approval of the recommendation contained in the following report of the Commissioner of Legal and Administrative Services and the Director of Human Resources, dated February 27, 2007:

Recommendation

The Commissioner of Legal and Administrative Services and the Director of Human Resources, recommend:

THAT this report be received.

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STRATEGIC PLANNING DEPARTMENT

The Budget Committee recommends that staff bring forward a report on the operating costs of the Strategic Planning Department.

The foregoing matter was brought to the attention of the Committee by Councillor Meffe.

The meeting adjourned at 5:42 p.m.

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Respectfully submitted,

Mayor Linda D. Jackson, Chair