



Council Meeting - Operating Budget

December 10, 2024, 7:00 p.m.

**Electronic and In-Person Participation - Council
The Corporation of the Town of Orangeville
(Mayor and Clerk at Town Hall - 87 Broadway)
Orangeville, Ontario**

Members Present: Mayor L. Post
Deputy Mayor T. Taylor
Councillor J. Andrews
Councillor A. Macintosh
Councillor D. Sherwood
Councillor R. Stevens

Members Absent: Councillor T. Prendergast

Staff Present: J. Austin, Manager, Communications
C. Braan, Chief Financial Officer/Treasurer
C. Cosgrove, Manager, Facilities and Parks
D. Currie, Manager, Capital Works
E. Dick, Junior Help Desk Technician
T. Dulisse, Manager, Transportation and Development
S. Fedy, Deputy Treasurer
R. Gill, Software Development Engineer
T. Kocialek, General Manager, Infrastructure Services
K. Lemire, Manager, Economic Development & Culture
R. Martell, Town Clerk
R. Medeiros, Senior Financial Analyst
A. Minichillo, General Manager, Corporate Services
C. Moran, Acting Manager, Human Resources
A. Narvali, Manager, Information Technology
R. Ondusko, Manager, Public Works
L. Raftis, Assistant Clerk
M. Richardson, Acting Fire Chief

1. Call To Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:00p.m.

2. Approval of Agenda

Resolution 2024-265

Moved by Councillor Stevens

Seconded by Councillor Sherwood

That the agenda and any addendums for the December 10, 2024 Council - Operating Budget Meeting, be approved.

Carried

3. Disclosure of (Direct and Indirect) Pecuniary Interest

None.

4. Closed Meeting

None.

5. Open Meeting - 7:00 p.m.

6. Singing of National Anthem

David Nairn, Theatre Orangeville provided a pre-recorded version of the National Anthem which was played.

7. Land Acknowledgement

The Mayor acknowledged the treaty lands and territory of the Williams Treaty Nations and the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation. The Mayor also recognized that Dufferin County is the traditional territory of the Wendat and the Haudenosaunee, and is home to many Indigenous people today.

8. Announcements by Chair

Mayor Post advised the gallery and viewing audience with respect to the public nature of Council Meetings and that it is webcast. Mayor Post also provided instructions with respect to muting and unmuting during the meeting.

9. Rise and Report

None.

10. Adoption of Minutes of Previous Council Meeting

None.

11. Question Period

Nick Garisto, Paula Court asked Council to present motions in order to lower the tax increase.

Mark Middleton, Zina Street spoke to opportunities for the Town of Orangeville to increase revenue and asked a question with respect to the debt management of the Alder Street Recreation Complex.

Ric Ugolini, Cedar Drive spoke to the jump track, fire hall, and dog park projects and expressed concern with respect to the tax rates based on population with area municipalities.

David Waugh, Amanda Street sought clarification with respect to incentivizing development and the potential cost savings with respect to residents clearing the sidewalks in front of their house.

12. Presentation, Petitions and/or Delegation

David Smith, CAO provided a brief introduction to the proposed 2025 Operating Budget.

12.1 Cheryl Braan, Chief Financial Officer/Treasurer - 2025 Operating Budget

Resolution 2024-266

Moved by Councillor Macintosh

Seconded by Councillor Sherwood

That Council waive the requirements of the procedure by-law to allow the Operating/Consolidated Budget presentation to extend beyond the 5-minute time limit.

Carried

Cheryl Braan, Chief Financial Officer/Treasurer provided a presentation with respect to the proposed 2025 Operating Budget. David Smith, CAO and General Managers Antonietta Minichillo, Tim Kocialek, and Heather Savage presented information on the Operating Budget for their respective departments.

Members of Council received clarity on various operating budget items included in the 2025 budget book.

Note: Council recessed at 8:43 p.m. and resumed at 8:53 p.m.

13. Consent Agenda

Resolution 2024-267

Moved by Councillor Andrews

Seconded by Councillor Stevens

That all Consent Agenda items for the current Council Meeting listed under 13.1 Staff Reports and 13.2 Correspondence, be received or approved as presented.

Carried

13.1 Staff Reports

13.1.1 Service Level Change – Permanent Full Time, Advisor, Special Projects, CPS-2024-085

That report CPS-2024-085, Service Level Change – Permanent Full Time, Advisor, Special Projects, be received; and

That subject to approval of the 2025 Budget, staff be directed to create a new full-time, permanent position of Advisor, Special Projects; and

That staff proceed to include funding for this position within the 2025 Operating Budget, under the Administration Department.

Carried through consent

13.1.2 Service Level Change – Permanent Full Time Program Manager, Infrastructure, Operations, and Security, CPS-2024-086

That report CPS-2024-086, Service Level Change – Permanent Full Time Program Manager, Infrastructure, Operations, and Security, be received; and

That subject to approval of the 2025 Budget, staff be directed to create a new full-time, permanent position of Program Manager, Infrastructure, Operations, and Security; and

That staff proceed to include funding for this position within the 2025 Operating Budget, under the Information Technology (IT) Division of the Corporate Service Department.

Carried through consent

13.1.3 Service Level Change – Permanent Full Time Project Manager – Storm Water, INS-2024-056

That report INS-2024-056, Service Level Change – Permanent Full Time Project Manager – Storm Water, be received; and

That subject to approval of the 2025 Budget, staff be directed to create a new full-time, permanent position of Project Manager Storm Water; and

That staff proceed to include funding for this position within the 2025 Operating Budget, under the Capital Works Division of the Infrastructure Services Department.

Carried through consent

13.2 Correspondence

None.

14. Consolidated Budget Report

14.1 2025 Consolidated Budget, CPS-2024-096

Resolution 2024-268

Moved by Deputy Mayor Taylor
Seconded by Councillor Andrews

That report CPS-2024-096, 2025 Consolidated Budget, be received; and

That Council approve the 2025 Consolidated budget as set out in Option C of CPS-2024-096 dated December 10, 2024, as follows:

That Council direct staff to add a one-time contribution to the General Capital reserve in the amount of \$509,242; and

That Council approve the 2025 Operating Budget for Town Services excluding Policing Services, with a property tax levy requirement of \$39,342,245; and

That Council receive the 2025 billing statement from the Minister of the Solicitor General for Ontario Provincial Police, adjusted for one-time relief from the province, at a cost of \$5,077,223 and approve the 2025 Operating Budget for Policing Services, inclusive of grant funding with a property tax levy requirement of \$4,877,223; and

That Council approve the 2025 Capital Budget and approve-in-principle the 2026-2034 Capital Forecast as set out in the 2025 Budget Report presented on December 2, 2024 as amended on December 9, 2024, adjusted for final year end carry-forward actuals.

Carried Unanimously

15. Announcements

None.

16. By-Laws

Resolution 2024-269

Moved by Councillor Sherwood
Seconded by Councillor Stevens

That all by-laws for the current Council Meeting listed under item 16. By-laws, be read three times and finally passed.

Carried Unanimously

16.1 A by-law to confirm the proceedings of the Council of The Corporation of the Town of Orangeville at its Council - Operating Budget Meeting held on December 10, 2024

17. Adjournment

Resolution 2024-270

Moved by Councillor Macintosh
Seconded by Deputy Mayor Taylor

That the meeting be adjourned at 9:22 p.m.

Carried Unanimously

Lisa Post, Mayor

Raylene Martell, Town Clerk