THE TWENTY-FIRST MEETING OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE
OF THE CITY OF GREATER SUDBURY

Council Chamber Tom Davies Square

Wednesday, December 8, 2004 Commencement: 6:00 p.m.

Chair

COUNCILLOR ELDON GAINER, IN THE CHAIR

Present

Councillors Berthiaume; Bradley; Caldarelli; Callaghan; Craig (A 6:26 pm); Dupuis; Gasparini; Kett (A 6:02 pm); Reynolds; Rivest; Thompson (A 6:07 pm); Mayor Courtemanche

City Officials

M. Mieto, Chief Administrative Officer; D. Belisle, General Manager of Public Works; C. Hallsworth, General Manager of Citizen & Leisure Services; H. Duff, Acting General Manager of Health & Social Services; D. Nadorozny, General Manager of Economic Development & Planning Services; A. Stephen, General Manager of Emergency Services; D. Wuksinic, General Manager of Corporate Services; S. Jonasson, Director of Finance/City Treasurer; G. Clausen, Director of Engineering Services; P. Wilson, Manager of Administrative Services; G. Lamothe, Manager of Corporate Communications & French Language Services; J. Cameron, Senior Budget Analyst; J. Van de Rydt, Co-ordinator of Capital Budget and Risk Management; R. St. Onge, Web Administrator/Developer; R. Carre, Director of Leisure, Community & Volunteer Services; K. Moxam, Manager of Parks Services; B. Mangiardi, Director of Information Technology; C. Mahaffy, Manager of Financial Planning & Policy; P. Demers, Community Relations and Policy Advisor; T. Mowry, City Clerk; F. Bortolussi, Planning Committee Secretary; CJ Caporale, Council Secretary

C.U.P.E. Local 4705

F. Posadowski, Recording Secretary

News Media

Sudbury Star; MCTV; CIGM; Channel 10 News; Le Voyageur, CBC Radio-Canada

Declarations of Pecuniary Interest

None declared.
2005 CAPITAL BUDGET REVIEW

Item 2
Presentation - Capital Funding Options

The General Manager of Corporate Services gave an electronic presentation entitled “Capital Funding Options”.

The Committee reviewed the following four options which were found on Page 5 of the Capital Budget Report found in the Budget document:

Option 1  Remaining with the Status Quo allows for $102 million in total roads expenditures over the next five years.

Option 2  COMRIF funding and no borrowing allows an additional $30 million for roads expenditures, or $132 million over the five years.

Option 3  Debenturing $45 million over the next four years, and assuming no COMRIF funding materializes would result in $136 million of roads works over the next five years.

Option 4  A combination of COMRIF funding and debenturing only $15 million over the same period allows for $143 million in roads works over the next five years.

Item 3
2005 Capital Budget - Managed Debt Financing

Report dated 2004-12-06 from the General Manager of Corporate Services regarding 2005 Capital Budget - Managed Debt Financing was received.

After reviewing the four options presented to the Committee, the following resolution was presented:


AND THAT Council direct staff to make an application with COMRIF for 2/3 funding under that program.

CARRIED
Item 4
COMRIF Funding

Report dated 2004-12-08 from the General Manager of Public Works regarding Canada-Ontario Municipal Rural Infrastructure Fund (COMRIF) was received.

The following resolution was presented:

2004-68 Bradley-Berthiaume: WHEREAS the Province of Ontario and the Federal Government have announced the Canada-Ontario Municipal Rural Infrastructure Fund;

AND WHEREAS the deadline for the first applications is January 10, 2005;

AND WHEREAS municipal councils must pass a resolution that the application submitted is their highest priority.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the City of Greater Sudbury hereby advises that its highest priority for its first submission under the Canada-Ontario Municipal Rural Infrastructure Fund is the improvement and rehabilitation of roads and bridges.

CARRIED

Item 5

Report dated 2004-12-03 from the General Manager of Corporate Services regarding 2005 Capital Budget was received.

The Chair reviewed the 2005 Capital Budget and the 2006/2007 Capital Forecast.

2005/2006/2007 Capital Budget Projects (Pages 1-3)
2005 Capital Envelopes (Page 4)
Economic Development Capital Budget (Pages 5-11)

Reduce Economic & Development’s Capital Budget

With a show of hands, Councillor Rivest’s request to reduce Economic Development’s Capital Budget by 10% was defeated.

Roads (Pages 12-18)

Amendment

With the concurrence of the Committee, Councillor Bradley requested that “MR #35 - four lane to Azilda repayment” (page 12) be deleted and replaced with “Roads Repayment”.

Parking (Pages 19-21)
Fleet & Equipment (Pages 22-24)
Facilities (Pages 25-30)
At 8:08 p.m., the Finance Committee recessed.

At 8:23 p.m., the Finance Committee reconvened.

Waste-Water (Pages 31-33)

Water (Pages 34-39)

Fire Services (Pages 40-47)

Emergency Planning & Strategic Services (Pages 48-50)

Ambulance (Pages 51-53)

Health & Social Services (Pages 54-56)

Corporate Services (Pages 57-60)

Library & Leisure (Pages 61-67)

Cemetery (Pages 68-70)

Transit (Pages 71-74)

Solid Waste (Pages 75-77)

Police Services (Pages 78-86)

The following resolution was presented:

2004-69 Berthiaume-Bradley: THAT Council approve the 2005 Capital Budget, as summarized on the following schedule, to allow those projects approved to proceed in a timely fashion;

AND THAT the 2006 and 2007 Capital Forecasts be received.

CARRIED

The following Capital Options were reviewed:

1. Install pedestrian traffic signal on Paris Street near Indian Road at an approximate cost of $70,000.

After a brief discussion regarding the construction of MR #35, Councillor Bradley presented the following resolution:

2004-70 Bradley-Berthiaume: THAT the 2005 Capital Roads Program be amended by continuing the four laning of MR #35 from Azilda to Chelmsford in the estimated amount of $5 million.

CARRIED
With the concurrence of the Committee, Councillor Caldarelli requested that the words “to be taken out of the current Traffic Signal Allocation” be added.

2. Construct a sidewalk/walkway along Dominion Drive and Notre Dame Blvd in Hanmer, a distance of 3.6 km’s, at a cost of $300,000.

With the concurrence of the Committee, Councillor Dupuis requested that “Dominion Drive and Notre Dame Blvd” be replaced with “Frost Street” and the following words “a distance of 3.6 km’s” be removed.

With the concurrence of the Committee, Councillor Rivest requested that the projected project cost of $300,000 be reduced to $100,000.

3. Four lane the Kingsway, from Falconbridge Road to the Southeast By-pass, 4.4 km’s, at a cost of $5,000,000.

With the concurrence of the Committee, Councillor Reynolds requested that this project be phased over three (3) years, with a first year funding allocation of $1.6 million.

4. Reconstruct the curve on Bancroft Drive at Lonsdale Avenue, with a super elevation in the turning radius, at a cost of $150,000.

5. Purchase dress uniforms for Volunteers to ensure uniformity between the Career and Volunteer complement at an approximate cost of $65,000.

6. Implement the expansion of current programs as identified in the Master Fire Plan in 2005. The $220,000 cost will be funded from the 2004 surplus.

7. Prepare and report to Council in January 2005 a detailed capital and operational plan to develop the Centre Lionel E. Lalonde Centre into an Emergency Operations Centre, and relocate the Land Ambulance Services headquarters, the Fire Services headquarters and the Azilda and Chelmsford Emergency Services Stations.

8. Prepare and report to Council in January 2005 a detailed plan to assume the operation of AlerTech (Academy of Learning Emergency Response Technologies) at the request of the Board of Directors of AlerTech.

With the concurrence of the Committee, Items 7 and 8 were deleted from the Options List. A report regarding these two items is to be brought back to Council at a later date.
Item 6  
Review of the Capital Options  
(continued)

The Chair then asked the Members of the Committee if there were further options to be added.

McCrea Heights

With the concurrence of the Committee, Councillor Dupuis requested that the reconstruction of MR #80 at the McCrae Heights location be added to the list of options.

Barrydowne Rd Ext.

With the concurrence of the Committee, Councillor Rivest requested that Barrydowne Road Extension be added to the list of options.

Increase Levy with Capital Options

Councillor Craig then presented the following recommendation:

2004-71 Craig-Reynolds: THAT the Levy be increased with additional Capital Options.

SIMULTANEOUS WRITTEN RECORDED VOTE:

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DEFEATED

Reserve Funds

With a show of hands, Councillor Rivest’s request to rank and use the Reserve Funds for funding, was defeated.

Item 7  
Voting on 2005 Capital Budget Options

The Committee voted with a show of hands on the 2005 Capital Budget Options.

The results of the voting on the capital options are as follows:

1. Install pedestrian traffic signal on Paris Street near Indian Road at an approximate cost of $70,000 to be taken out of the current Traffic Signal Allocation.  
   DEFEATED

2. Construct a sidewalk/walkway along Frost Street in Hanmer at a cost of $300,000.  
   DEFEATED
Item 7
Voting on 2005 Capital Budget Options
(continued)

3. Four lane the Kingsway, from Falconbridge Road to the Southeast By-pass, 4.4 km’s and the project be phased over three (3) years, with a first year funding allocation of $1.6 million.

DEFEATED

4. Reconstruct the curve on Bancroft Drive at Lonsdale Avenue, with a super elevation in the turning radius, at a cost of $150,000.

DEFEATED

5. Purchase dress uniforms for Volunteers to ensure uniformity between the Career and Volunteer complement at an approximate cost of $65,000.

DEFEATED

6. Implement the expansion of current programs as identified in the Master Fire Plan in 2005. The $220,000 cost will be funded from the 2004 surplus.

CARRIED

7. Extend the four laning on MR #35 at a cost of $5,000,000.

DEFEATED

8. Reconstruct MR #80 at McCrae Heights.

DEFEATED


DEFEATED

MANAGERS’ REPORTS

2005 CURRENT BUDGET REVIEW

Item 8
Finalization of Current Budget

The following resolution was presented:

Bradley-Berthiaume: THAT the 2005 Current Budget be approved in the gross amount of $432,415,279 and in the net amount of $147,592,079;

AND THAT City Council accept the following Board’s budgets:

- The City’s share of the Nickel District Conservation Authority’s operating budget in the amount of $262,042;

- The City’s share of the Sudbury & District Health Unit’s operating budget in the amount of $6,168,958;

- The Greater Sudbury Police Service’s operating budget in the amount of $35,004,369

subject to finalization of CRF funding.
Item 8
Finalization of Current Budget (continued)

Amendment
The following amendment was presented:

2004-72 Callaghan-Thompson: AND THAT upon finalization of the CRF funding, that the 2005 Current Budget be reviewed by the Finance Committee to make any funding adjustments.

CARRIED

Main Motion (as amended)
2004-73 Bradley-Berthiaume: THAT the 2005 Current Budget be approved in the gross amount of $432,415,279 and in the net amount of $147,592,079;

AND THAT City Council accept the following Board’s budgets:

- The City’s share of the Nickel District Conservation Authority’s operating budget in the amount of $262,042;
- The City’s share of the Sudbury & District Health Unit’s operating budget in the amount of $6,168,958;
- The Greater Sudbury Police Service’s operating budget in the amount of $35,004,369

subject to the finalization of the CRF funding;

AND THAT upon finalization of the CRF funding, that the 2005 Current Budget be reviewed by the Finance Committee to make any funding adjustments.

CARRIED

Adjournment
2004-74 Bradley-Berthiaume: That this meeting does now adjourn.
Time: 9:50 p.m.

CARRIED

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Councillor Eldon Gainer, Chair  City Clerk