December 15, 2014

At the Special Council meeting held December 15, 2014, Council approved changes to the draft 2015 – 2017 Budget as follows:

- the budget be reduced by \$15,600 by removing the Lower Boardroom sound system;
- the budget be reduced by \$50,000 by removing the Branding Strategy project;
- the budget be reduced by \$97,800 by removing the Research & Creation of a Destination Marketing Organization project;
- the budget be reduced by \$20,000 by removing the security cameras:
- the budget be reduced by \$66,000 by reducing the following projects by 20%: Network Upgrades, GIS Enhancements, Server and Storage Replacement; Satellite Imagery/Orthophotos, Communications Infrastructure Renewal, Website Enhancements, Door Access Controls and Multi-function Devices and Printers:
- the budget be reduced by \$22,700 by reducing the following projects by 20%: Server Room Upgrades, Core Switch Upgrades, Virtualization and Mapping;
- the budget be reduced by \$20,000 for Municipal Enforcement in car computers;
- the budget be reduced by \$20,000 by removing the Crestron System project;
- the budget be increased by \$60,000 for collaboration with the Yellowknife Fastball Association toward improvements to the Tommy Forrest Ball Park and reduce the Outdoor Rec Facility Needs Assessment by \$60,000 by removing the 2014 Carry Forward;
- the budget be reduced by \$60,000 by removing the Doornbos Park Playground Equipment Replacement project;

- the budget be reduced by \$30,000 by removing the Moyle Park Basketball Court / Ice Rink Pad project;
- the budget be reduced by \$26,000 by removing the Multi-Space Parking Machine project;
- the budget be reduced by \$110,000 by removing the Fire Division Master Plan;
- the budget be reduced by \$15,000 for Mobile Radar Replacement;
- the budget be reduced by \$150,000 for Harbour Plan and Smart Growth Improvements;
- the budget be reduced by \$250,000 for 52 Avenue Streetscaping;
- the budget be reduced by \$161,120 by not replacing the F250 with Service Box (#1002-05), F-350 Flat Deck (#1155-05) and F150 (#1156-05) vehicles this year;
- the budget be reduced by \$53,000 by not replacing the Crown Victoria (#1095-11) vehicle this year and that the Fleet Management Practices with regard to Municipal Enforcement vehicles be amended from a four-year replacement to five-year replacement;
- the budget be reduced by \$150,000 by removing the Carry Forward for the Transfer Station Project and that the project be cancelled;
- the budget be reduced by \$50,000 for City Garage Building and Yard Improvements and that 2014 funding be utilized for this purpose;
- the budget be reduced by \$550,000 for 50th Street Road Rehabilitation;
- the budget be reduced by \$250,000 by removing the Weigh-Out Scale;
- the budget be increased by \$50,000 annually toward funding for a Day Shelter;

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- the budget be increased by \$50,000 for the creation of a Destination Marketing Plan;
- the budget be reduced by \$37,000 in expenditure and reduced by \$50,000 in revenue due to the delay in the hiring of a Municipal Enforcement Officer until July 1, 2015;
- the transfer from the Solid Waste Management Fund to the General Fund be increased by \$20,586 to reflect the true cost of the administrative support provided to the Fund;
- the transfer from the Water and Sewer Fund to the General Fund be decreased by \$147,411 to reflect the true cost of the administrative support provided to the Fund;
- the budget be increased by \$43,360 in 2015 to provide sufficient funding to increase the Homelessness Coordinator from a half time position to a full time position starting from April 1, 2015 to March 31, 2019;
- the budget be increased by \$13,000 to provide webcasting for Municipal Services Committee Meetings;
- Administration be directed to review Budget Policies within the first quarter of 2015;
- Administration be directed to review the Parks Maintenance budget to determine whether it is cheaper to hire casual staff or to contract out the services within the existing budget;
- the budget be amended by reducing the proposed fee increases in the Solid Waste Management Fund from 5% to 2.5% for 2015;
- the budget be amended by reducing the transfer to Capital from the Solid Waste Fund from \$230,000 to zero in recognition of the cancellation of the Weigh Out Scale Capital Project;
- the budget be amended by reducing the proposed fee increases in the Water and Sewer Fund from 10% to 5% in 2015, thereby reducing revenues by \$318,000 and reducing the transfer to Capital from the Water and Sewer Fund by \$96,000;

- the budget be amended by reducing the transfer from the Capital Fund to the Information Technology Reserve by \$97,000;
- the budget be amended by increasing the transfer from the General Fund to the Downtown Reserve by \$15,000 representing the parking meter and downtown residential parking pass revenue to be collected resulting from the new downtown parking meters;
- the budget be amended by reducing the transfer from the General Fund to the Capital Fund by \$1,028,460 from \$1,642,000 to \$613,540;
- the proposed tax increase of 2.98% be reduced by 2.98% to zero;

Council adopted the 2015 Draft Budget with revenues of \$64,640,000, expenditures of \$80,979,000 (includes capital investment of \$24,015,000), amortization of \$11,389,000 and debt principal repayments of \$1,415,000. Council also adopted the 2016 and 2017 Budget in principle.

