

1. Financial Update for Zero-Emission Bus Program Funding

Mise à jour financière pour le financement du Programme des autobus non polluants

COMMISSION RECOMMENDATIONS

That Council approve:

- 1. Additional budget authority for the Zero-Emission Bus (ZEB) Program in the amount of \$425 million; \$350 million from the Infrastructure Canada (INFC) grant and \$75 million drawdown on the Canada Infrastructure Bank (CIB) credit facility.**
- 2. The budget adjustment of \$55,015,000 transferring funding from the existing 2022 approved Bus Replacement budget to the ZEB Program Budget.**
- 3. That the General Manager, Transit Services, as part of the annual budget process, request the City's share of the ZEB funding requirements and accompanying CIB financing amount for each subsequent tranche of the ZEB purchases required from 2024 to 2025.**
- 4. That the Chief Financial Officer/Treasurer be authorized to establish a ZEB Program Reserve, as described in this report, to facilitate the repayment of the CIB loan and replacement batteries from accrued savings, as required by the CIB loan agreement.**

RECOMMANDATIONS DE LA COMMISSION

Que le Conseil approuve:

- 1. Une autorisation budgétaire supplémentaire de 425 M\$ pour le Programme des autobus non polluants; dont 350 M\$ pour la subvention d'Infrastructure Canada (INFC) et un prélèvement de 75 M\$ à même la marge de crédit de la Banque de l'infrastructure du Canada (BIC).**

2. **Le transfert des fonds de l'autorisation budgétaire supplémentaire de 55 015 000 \$ préalablement approuvé pour le budget de remplacement des autobus de 2022 au Programme des autobus non polluants.**
3. **Que la directrice générale des Services de transport en commun demande, dans le cadre du processus budgétaire annuel, la part des besoins en financement des autobus non polluants de la Ville et le montant de financement connexe de la BIC pour chaque tranche subséquente des achats d'autobus non polluants qui devront être effectués de 2024 à 2025.**
4. **Que le chef des finances/trésorier soit autorisé à créer une réserve pour le Programme des autobus non polluants, comme décrit dans le présent rapport, pour faciliter le remboursement du prêt de la BIC et des batteries de remplacement à partir des économies courues, comme l'exige la convention de prêt conclue avec la BIC.**

Committee Meeting Information

Delegations: The committee heard six delegations on this item.

Debate: The committee spent 2 hours and 40 minutes on this item.

Vote: The committee **carried** the report recommendations as presented, with Councillor Lo dissenting.

Position of Ward Councillor: n/a, City Wide

Position of Advisory Committee: n/a

Renseignements sur la réunion du Comité

Délégations : Le comité reçoit six intervenants sur ce point.

Débat : Le comité consacre 2 heures et 40 minutes à ce point.

Vote : Le Comité **adopte** les recommandations du rapport telles quelles, et avec la dissidence du conseiller Lo.

Position du conseiller du quartier : S/O, À l'échelle de la ville

Position du Comité consultatif : S/O

Documentation/Documentation

1. Financial Update for Zero-Emission Bus Program Funding, Corporate Finance, Finance Services Department, dated January 20, 2023 (ACS2023-FSD-FIN-0001)

Mise à jour financière pour le financement du Programme des autobus non polluants, Finances municipales, Direction générale des services des finances, daté le 20 janvier 2023 (ACS2023-FSD-FIN-0001)

2. Extract of draft Minutes, Transit Commission, 27 January 2023

Extrait de l'ébauche du procès-verbal, Commission du transport en commun, le 27 janvier 2023

**EXTRACT OF DRAFT MINUTES 1
TRANSIT COMMISSION
27 JANUARY, 2023**

**EXTRAIT DE L'ÉBAUCHE DU
PROCÈS-VERBAL 1
COMMISSION DU TRANSPORT EN
COMMUN
LE 27 JANUARY 2023**

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ACS2023-FSD-FIN-0001 - Citywide

Referred from the City Council meeting of January 25, 2023.

Renée Amilcar, General Manager, Transit Services Department, Isabelle Jasmin, Deputy City Treasurer, Corporate Finance, and Richard Holder, Director, Engineering Services, presented an overview of the report recommendations and answered questions from the Commission. A copy of the slide presentation is filed with the Office of the City Clerk.

The following Transit Services Department staff also answered questions: Dan Villeneuve, Program Manager, Capital Projects and Engineering, James Greer, Director, Transit Bus Operations and Maintenance, Paul Treboutat, Chief Safety Officer, Pat Scrimgeour, Director, Transit Customer Systems and Planning.

The following members of the public spoke before the Commission and provided comments on the report recommendations:

- Joey Cycles (Enbridge Gas), slides on file
- John Reddins
- Dr. Kate Riccomini (CNIB Foundation)
- Raymond Leury and Mike Banks (Electric Vehicle Council of Ottawa), slides on file
- Angela Keller-Herzog (Community Associations for Environmental Sustainability)

Following discussions, the Commission considered the report recommendations as presented.

Report Recommendation(s)

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For (7): G. Gower, C. Curry, M. Carr, D. Hill, J. Leiper, S. Menard, and T. Tierney

Against (1): W. Lo

Carried (7 to 1)