



Emergency Preparedness and Protective Services Committee

Minutes

Meeting #: 08
Date: Friday, December 1, 2023
Time: 9:30 am
Location: Champlain Room, 110 Laurier Avenue West, and by electronic participation

Present: Councillor Riley Brockington, Councillor David Hill, Councillor Jessica Bradley, Councillor Laura Dudas, Councillor Sean Devine, Councillor Allan Hubley, Councillor Laine Johnson, Councillor Clarke Kelly, Councillor Matt Luloff, Councillor Stéphanie Plante

Absent: Councillor Steve Desroches (as advised)

1. Notices and meeting information for meeting participants and the public
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Accessible formats and communication supports are available, upon request.
Except where otherwise indicated, reports requiring Council consideration will be presented to Council on December 6, 2023 in Emergency Preparedness and Protective Services Committee Report 8.
The deadline to register by phone to speak, or submit written comments or visual presentations was 4:00 pm on November 30, 2023, and the deadline to register to speak by email was 8:30 am on December 1, 2023.

This draft Minutes document contains a summary of the disposition of items and actions taken at the meeting. This document does not include all of the text that will be included in the final Minutes, such as the record of written and oral submissions. Recorded votes and dissents contained in this draft Minutes document are draft until the Minutes of the meeting are confirmed by the Committee. The final draft Minutes will be published with the agenda for the next regular Committee meeting and, once confirmed, will replace this document.

2. Declarations of Interest

Councillor M. Luloff declared an interest on Item **3. B. i.** of the Committee's Roadmap Motion - *Ottawa Fire Service Operating Resource Requirement - Communications* (page 7 of the Committee's Full Budget Book), as his spouse is employed by a software firm that provides services to Ottawa Fire Services and would receive funding from, or would potentially receive funding from, these budget line items.

3. Confirmation of Minutes

3.1 EPPSC Minutes 7 – Thursday 19 October 2023

Carried

4. Finance and Corporate Services Department

4.1 2024 Draft Operating and Capital Budget – Emergency Preparedness and Protective Services Committee

File No. ACS2023-FCS-FSP-0016 – City-wide

The draft budget was tabled at the Council meeting of November 8, 2023. The Emergency Preparedness and Protective Services Committee report on the draft budget will be considered by Council at its meeting of December 6, 2023.

Councillor M. Luloff declared an interest on this item (3. B. i. of the Committee's Roadmap Motion - Ottawa Fire Service Operating Resource Requirement - Communications - page 7 of the Committee's Full Budget Book), as his spouse is employed by a software firm that provides services to Ottawa Fire Services and would receive funding from, or would

potentially receive funding from, these budget line items. He recused himself and did not participate in the vote on this particular Budget line item during Committee's consideration of the Roadmap Motion.

At the outset, Mr. Kim Ayotte, General Manager, Emergency and Protective Services (EPS) Department, introduced the following, who were present to speak to a detailed slide presentation overview of the Committee's portion of the 2024 City of Ottawa budget (held on file with the Office of the City Clerk), and/or to respond to questions from Committee:

- Mr. Cyril Rogers, A/General Manager, Finance and Corporate Services Department and Chief Financial Officer
- Mr. Roger Chapman, Director, By-Law and Regulatory Services, EPS
- Mr. Ryan Perrault, Manager, Business and Technical Support Services, EPS
- Mr. Paul Hutt, Chief, Ottawa Fire Services, EPS
- Mr. Pierre Poirier, Chief, Ottawa Paramedic Service, EPS;
- Ms Valerie Bietlot, Manager, Public Policy Development, EPS
- Ms Beth Gooding, Director, Public Safety Service, EPS

Vice Chair Hill read out the Committee's 'Roadmap' Motion prior to the receipt of public delegations:

Motion N^o EPPSC 2023-08-01

Moved by Vice-Chair Hill:

That the Emergency Preparedness and Protective Services Committee recommend that Council, sitting as Committee of the Whole, approve the Emergency Preparedness and Protective Services Committee 2024 Draft Operating and Capital Budgets as follows:

- 1. Emergency and Protective Services Department, General Manager's Office and Business Support Services - Operating Resource Requirement (page 2);**
- 2. Public Safety Service, as follows:**
 - A. User Fees (page 5);**

- B. Operating Resource Requirement (page 4);**
- 3. Ottawa Fire Service, as follows:**
 - A. User fees (pages 8-10);**
 - B. Operating Resource Requirement (page 7), as follows:**
 - i. Communications;**
 - ii. Remaining Fire Services Operating Resource Requirement**
- 4. Ottawa Paramedic Service, as follows:**
 - A. User Fees (page 13);**
 - B. Operating Resource Requirement (page 12);**
- 5. By-Law and Regulatory Services, as follows:**
 - A. User fees (pages 17-25);**
 - B. Operating Resource Requirement (page 16).**
- 6. Public Policy Development – Operating Resource Requirement (page 27)**
- 7. Emergency Preparedness and Protective Services Committee Capital Budget (pages 28-29, individual projects listed on pages 48-70).**

Committee then heard from the following public delegations:

- 1. Mr. Dave André, President, Ottawa Professional Fire Fighters' Association, Local 162
- 2. Ms. Anya Fraser
- 3. Ms. Cheryl Parrott+, Hintonburg Community Association

[+ Slide presentations / visuals / videos held on file with the Office of the City Clerk.]

Ms. Vania Karam, Chair, Accessibility Advisory Committee, had earlier registered to speak to Committee, but was unavailable.

Following questions to the delegations and to staff, and with Committee discussions having concluded, the Roadmap Motion was put before Committee and was 'CARRIED', as presented, with Councillor M. Luloff recusing himself from the vote on line item 3. B. i. - Ottawa Fire Service

Operating Resource Requirement - Communications (page 7 of the Committee's Full Budget Book) prior to the vote on that particular line item.

The following Direction to Staff was also given, with staff agreeing to take the Direction:

Direction to staff (Councillor L. Dudas):

That staff return to Committee, by April 2024, with an FTE analysis / update pertaining to staffing resources required to address work pressures related to the Vacant Property By-law, in advance of Committee and Council's consideration of the 2025 Budget.

Carried

5. Office of the City Clerk

5.1 Status Update – Emergency Preparedness and Protective Services Committee Inquiries and Motions for the period ending 22 November 2023

File No. ACS2023-OCC-CCS-0152 - City-wide

Report Recommendation

That the Emergency Preparedness and Protective Services Committee receive this report for information.

Received

6. In Camera Items

There were no In Camera Items.

7. Notices of Motions (For Consideration at Subsequent Meeting)

There were no Notices of Motions.

8. Inquiries

8.1 City of Ottawa Spay/Neuter Clinic

Submitted by Councillor S. Devine (Inquiry EPPSC 2023-06)

The HolliBell Foundation is a registered not-for-profit (in the process of obtaining charitable status) whose mission is to promote animal welfare through funding the spaying and neutering of domestic, feral and stray animals, which helps both the community as a whole and individual residents. Similar to the City's Spay/Neuter Clinic, the objective of sterilizing these animals is to control population growth and reduce the number of unwanted animals in need of shelter and care. The Foundation is currently using the facilities of a spay neuter clinic in Brockville.

As the city of Ottawa's Spay & Neuter Clinic is currently open for surgeries only 4 days per week, the Foundation has expressed interest to the City in accessing its Spay/Neuter Clinic facilities during the days it is not currently operational in order to expand its animal sterilization efforts in the Ottawa area.

Recently, the Hollibell Foundation and other individuals and residents have made inquiries about whether Ottawa's Spay & Neuter Clinic can be made available for the other 2 – 3 days per week when the clinic is not operational, should another licensed veterinarian and/or credible organizations have the capacity to deliver professional services, and assuming the additional costs could be covered by other parties.

Recognizing that there may legislative barriers in this regard and that the current Spay/Neuter Clinic's own veterinarian is operating at capacity, could staff review the feasibility and costs of expanding the current Clinic facilities and operation to other parties in order accommodate additional surgeries at a time when issues of animal control is a growing concern.

9. Other Business

There was no Other Business.

10. Adjournment

Next Meetings:

- 18 January 2024 (if necessary)
- 15 February 2024

The meeting was adjourned at 11:40 am.

Original to be signed by
C. Zwierzchowski, Committee
Coordinator

Original to be signed by Councillor
R. Brockington, Chair