# Report to Rapport au:

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**SUBJECT:** 2022 OPERATING AND CAPITAL BUDGET Q1 – BOARD OF HEALTH FOR THE CITY OF OTTAWA HEALTH UNIT STATUS REPORT

**OBJET:** RAPPORT D'ÉTAPE SUR LE BUDGET DE FONCTIONNEMENT ET D'IMMOBILISATIONS 2022 DU T1 DU CONSEIL DE SANTÉ POUR LA CIRCONSCRIPTION SANITAIRE DE LA VILLE D'OTTAWA

## REPORT RECOMMENDATION

That the Board of Health for the City of Ottawa Health Unit receive the 2022 Q1 operating and capital budget status report for information.

#### RECOMMANDATION DU RAPPORT

Que le Conseil de santé de la circonscription sanitaire de la Ville d'Ottawa prenne connaissance du rapport d'étape du T1 2022 sur le budget de fonctionnement et d'immobilisations.

#### BACKGROUND

The purpose of this report is to present to the Ottawa Board of Health the first quarter operating and capital budget results for Public Health Programs. Ottawa Public Health (OPH) management actively reviews quarterly results to ensure that their respective spending and revenue are not indicative of any underlying issues needing to be highlighted or addressed.

The 2022 operating budget first quarter results present actual year-to-date revenues and expenditures against the amounts budgeted for the corresponding period. The capital report provides a listing of the capital projects, the authorized expenditure budgets, along with the actual expenditures and commitments incurred to date.

### DISCUSSION

Document 1 provides operating budget details on first quarter results for the various Ontario Public Health Standards. Financial information is presented by program.

Document 2 provides compensation information showing the actual salary, benefits and overtime costs incurred by OPH during the corresponding period.

Document 3 provides budget adjustment and transfer information made in the first quarter of 2022 through delegated authority given to the Medical Officer of Health.

Document 4 provides a listing of the capital projects in progress and their status as of March 31, 2022.

## **Q1 Operating Results**

The year-to-date budget figures are prepared on a calendarized basis. Service Areas have allocated their 2022 budgets on a monthly and quarterly basis, established primarily on experience.

Based on the results to March 31, 2022, OPH is projecting an over expenditure for the current fiscal year. The Omicron surge in the first quarter of 2022 required a larger than predicted response effort, leading to higher than anticipated expenditures. This included a significant vaccine campaign for booster doses, which required higher than expected staffing related costs. The number of outbreaks and high-risk contacts that required OPH support were higher than ever at the beginning of 2022.

The extent of the over expenditure and any potential shortfall will be determined by the continued COVID-19 response, provincial announcements regarding vaccine eligibility

and the amount of provincial funding available to offset the extraordinary costs. The Q2 Status Report will provide further updates and a year-end forecast. The Ministry of Health has indicated that Q2 information will be used to adjust budget allocations based on actual spending, following the same processes used in 2020 and 2021. The resources spent on the COVID-19 response have been decreasing from Q1 through Q2. At the time of writing this report, the organization is in the midst of re-setting expected response levels through the end of the year.

Table 1 outlines Q1 2022 expenditures and revenues by program and the year-to-date budget status.

Table 1 - Summary of Q1 2022 Results

	Net Expenditures (\$000)	Revenue (\$000)	YTD Net Surplus / (Deficit) (\$000)
Ministry of Health - Public Health Standards and Programs	39,548	39,548	0
Ministry of Children, Community and Social Services - Healthy Babies Healthy Children	1,339	1,339	0
City and Miscellaneous Programs	1,310	925	(385)
Ottawa Public Health	42,197	41,812	(385)

# **Q1 Compensation Results**

Document 2 shows the operating status for OPH compensation expenditures up to March 31, 2022. The current financial information shows OPH has spent 36% of its compensation budget during the first quarter of 2022 operations and overspent its overtime budget by \$0.2M. The increased compensation costs are directly related to the COVID-19 pandemic response and the need to scale up operations in response to the Omicron surge and on-going vaccination campaigns.

## **Budget Adjustment and Transfers**

A summary of the budget adjustments and transfers made in the first quarter of 2022, through the delegated authority given to the Medical Officer of Health, is provided in

Document 3. The Board of Health's Delegation of Authority By-law requires the reporting of these transactions for information purposes.

# **Q1 Capital Projects**

Document 4 provides a list of provincially funded capital projects. The list identifies the total approved budget authority, expenditures as of March 31, 2022, and contractual obligations as of March 31, 2022. The total capital works in progress is \$2.1 million, all of which is uncommitted to date.

# **Provincial Funding Update**

On May 2, the provincial government confirmed one-time funding of \$22.2M for the ongoing COVID-19 response, including \$13.8M for the vaccine campaign. Although this amount does not offset OPH's projected expenditures to year-end, as noted above, the Ministry provided all health units with an assurance that there will be a process to request additional reimbursement of 2022 COVID-19 Extraordinary Costs.

### **RURAL IMPLICATIONS**

There are no rural implications associated with this report

## **CONSULTATION**

The purpose of this report is administrative in nature and therefore no public consultation is required.

#### **LEGAL IMPLICATIONS**

There are no legal impediments to receiving the information in this report.

## **RISK MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS**

There are no risk management implications associated with this information report.

### FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

As outlined in the report.

## **ACCESSIBILITY IMPACTS**

There are no accessibility implications associated with this report.

## SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION

Document 1: Ottawa Public Health 2022 1st Quarter Operating Status Report

Document 2: Ottawa Public Health 2022 1st Quarter Compensation Status Report

Document 3: Ottawa Public Health 2022 1st Quarter Budget Adjustments & Transfers

Document 4: Ottawa Public Health 2022 1st Quarter Capital Status Report

# **DISPOSITION**

This report is provided for information.