

REPORT

Special Council

Meeting Date: December 12, 2024

FROM: Finance Department

DATE: December 3, 2024

SUBJECT: Public delegations on Mayor's proposed 2025 Budget

LOCATION:

WARD: Town-wide

Page 1

RECOMMENDATION:

That the presentations from delegations regarding the Mayor's 2025 operating and capital budget be received.

KEY FACTS:

The following are key points for consideration with respect to this report:

- Members of the public can register as delegations for this meetings by e-mailing townclerk@oakville.ca.
- A budget specific e-mail address, budget@oakville.ca, has been set up to receive input from the public.

BACKGROUND:

Public consultation is an important part of the annual budget process. The town's Budget Committee engaged in public consultation between June 18 and September 25, prior to the release of the staff-prepared, draft 2025 budget. Additional public consultation was conducted between October 25 and November 25 including public delegation meetings on November 12 and November 14. On November 28, the Budget Committee provided their recommendations to the Mayor for consideration in his 2025 budget, which was provided on December 5 to Council and the public.

COMMENT/OPTIONS:

In order to provide for additional public input into the 2025 operating and capital budgets, this meeting has been scheduled for Council to receive public delegations on the Mayor's proposed 2025 budget.

The public can register to delegate by e-mailing townclerk@oakville.ca. A budget specific town email, budget@oakville.ca, has been set up for the public to email questions or request additional information on the budget.

CONSIDERATIONS:

(A) PUBLIC

All budget meetings are open to the public and will be streamed online.

(B) FINANCIAL

The Budget Committee considered the staff-prepared, draft 2025 budget released on October 22 and made recommendations to the Mayor in advance of the release of his budget. The Mayor provided his draft budget on December 5 for consideration by both Council and the public.

The town's annual budget process is an integral part of the town's operations and governance to ensure that services are provided by the town and that the costs of these services are adequately and appropriately funded.

(C) IMPACT ON OTHER DEPARTMENTS & USERS

All departments have been involved in the budget process.

(D) CORPORATE STRATEGIC GOALS

This report addresses Council's strategic priority: Accountable Government.

(E) CLIMATE CHANGE/ACTION

Climate change/action is a key priority of Council. The proposed budget will incorporate climate change initiatives in alignment with this strategic priority.

Prepared by:

Dalibor Stancovici

Manager of Financial Planning and Policy

Recommended by:

Jonathan van der Heiden

Deputy Treasurer and Director of Finance

Submitted by:

Nancy Sully

Commissioner of Corporate Services and Treasurer