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## The Regional Municipality of Durham

### MINUTES

#### FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE

Tuesday, February 8, 2022

A regular meeting of the Finance & Administration Committee was held on Tuesday, February 8, 2022 in the Council Chambers, Regional Headquarters Building, 605 Rossland Road East, Whitby, Ontario at 9:30 AM. Electronic participation was offered for this meeting.

#### 1. Roll Call

Present: Councillor Foster, Chair  
Councillor Ashe  
Councillor Drew  
Councillor Leahy  
Councillor Mulcahy  
Regional Chair Henry  
**\*all members of Committee participated electronically**

Also

Present: Councillor Anderson, attended for part of the meeting  
Councillor Carter, attended for part of the meeting  
Councillor Chapman  
Councillor Dies  
Councillor Grant  
Councillor Highet  
Councillor Kerr  
Councillor Mitchell  
Councillor John Neal, attended for part of the meeting  
Councillor Smith  
Councillor Wotten

Absent: Councillor Collier, Vice-Chair, was absent on municipal business  
Councillor Nicholson, was absent due to a family health emergency

Staff

Present: E. Baxter-Trahair, Chief Administrative Officer  
D. Beaton, Commissioner of Corporate Services  
N. Taylor, Commissioner of Finance  
G. Anello, Director of Waste Management, Works Department  
J. Austin, Deputy General Manager, Business Services, Durham Region Transit  
S. Austin, Director, Strategic Initiatives, Office of the Chief Administrative Officer

C. Bandel, Deputy Regional Clerk  
B. Bridgeman, Commissioner of Planning and Economic Development  
K. Chakravarthy, Chief Information Officer, Corporate Services - IT  
T. Cheseboro, Chief, RDPS  
S. Danos-Papaconstantinou, Commissioner of Social Services  
J. Demanuele, Director of Business Services, Works Department  
J. Dixon, Director, Business Affairs and Financial Management  
T. Fraser, Committee Clerk, Corporate Services – Legislative Services  
P. Frizado, Director, Planning and Economic Development  
W. Holmes, General Manager, DRT  
L. Huinink, Director, Rapid Transportation & Transit Oriented Development,  
Office of the Chief Administration Officer  
J. Hunt, Regional Solicitor/Director of Legal Services, Corporate Services –  
Legal  
R. Inacio, Systems Support Specialist, Corporate Services – IT  
R. Jagannathan, Director of Transportation and Field Services, Works  
Department  
J. Kilgour, Director, Emergency Management  
R.J. Kyle, Commissioner and Medical Officer of Health  
M. Laschuk, Director, Family Services, Social Services Department  
L. MacDermaid, Director, LTC and Services for Seniors, Social Services  
Department  
L. McIntosh, Director, Children’s Services, Social Services Department  
N. Pincombe, Director, Business Planning & Budgets  
J. Presta, Director, Environmental Services, Works Department  
A. Robins, Director, Housing Services, Social Services Department  
T. Rollauer, Chief, DRPS  
S. Siopis, Commissioner of Works  
R. Walton, Regional Clerk/Director of Legislative Services  
G. Williams, Director, Communications  
L. Fleury, Legislative Officer and Deputy Clerk Pro Tem, Corporate Services  
– Legislative Services

## **2. Declarations of Interest**

Councillor Drew made a declaration of interest under the Municipal Conflict of Interest Act with respect to Item 9.4 B) re: Report #2022-F-4: The 2022 Regional Business Plans and Budgets for Property Tax Purposes, including General Purpose, Solid Waste Management and Durham Region Transit, as it pertains to Regional Operations. She indicated that her son is employed by the Works Department.

Councillor Foster made a declaration of interest under the Municipal Conflict of Interest Act with respect to the following items:

- i) Item 8.2 A) re: Report #2022-F-5: Durham College Community Investment Grant Request – Trades Facility Upgrades; and

- ii) Item 9.4 B) re: Report #2022-F-4: The 2022 Regional Business Plans and Budgets for Property Tax Purposes, including General Purpose, Solid Waste Management and Durham Region Transit, as it pertains to Durham College.

He indicated that his son is an employee of Durham College.

### **3. Adoption of Minutes**

Moved by Councillor Mulcahy, Seconded by Councillor Drew,

- (6) That the minutes of the regular Finance & Administration Committee meeting held on Tuesday, January 18, 2022, be adopted.

CARRIED

Moved by Councillor Mulcahy, Seconded by Regional Chair Henry,

- (7) That Councillor Drew be appointed as the Acting Chair during consideration of Report #2022-F-5, and those sections of Report #2022-F-4, pertaining to Durham College, on which Chair Foster has made a declaration of interest.

CARRIED

Chair Foster provided introductory remarks on the 2022 Regional Business Plans and Budgets for Property Tax purposes to be considered later in the meeting. He noted that many of the new staffing positions received pre-budget approval and outlined major initiatives included in the budget which align with the Region's Strategic Plan.

### **4. Statutory Public Meetings**

There were no statutory public meetings.

### **5. Delegations**

There were no delegations.

### **6. Presentations**

There were no presentations to be heard.

### **7. Administration**

#### **7.1 Correspondence**

#### **7.2 Reports**

There were no Administration reports to consider.

**8. Finance**

8.1 Correspondence

8.2 Reports

Councillor Drew assumed the Chair during consideration of Report 2022-F-5.

A) Durham College Community Investment Grant Request – Trades Facility Upgrades (2022-F-5)

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Report #2022-F-5 from N. Taylor, Commissioner of Finance, was received. D. Lovisa, President, Durham College, thanked the Region for its support.

Moved by Councillor Mulcahy, Seconded by Councillor Ashe,  
(8) That we recommend to Council:

- A) That a Community Investment Grant of \$600,000, representing 7.5 per cent of the \$8.0 million estimated capital cost, be approved to Durham College for upgrades to the Whitby Campus trades facilities, including the construction of a new Trades Innovation Centre, subject to the submission of final capital construction cost estimates and the project receiving sufficient funding to enable project completion;
- B) That, subject to the satisfaction of approval conditions, a funding agreement be established between the Region of Durham and Durham College outlining the following terms and conditions of payment:
- Milestones to be achieved over the term of the agreement
  - Amount and timing of payment after milestone completion
  - Annual project reporting
  - Recognition of funding from the Region of Durham; and
- C) That the Regional Chair and Regional Clerk be authorized to execute the funding agreement.

CARRIED

B) Audit and Accountability Fund, Intake #3 – Approved Projects and Transfer Payment Agreements (2022-F-6)

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Report #2022-F-6 from N. Taylor, Commissioner of Finance, was received.

Moved by Councillor Mulcahy, Seconded by Councillor Ashe,  
(9) That we recommend to Council:

- A) That the Regional Chair and Clerk be authorized to execute the required by-laws for the Audit and Accountability Fund Transfer Payment Agreement's

between the Province of Ontario and the Region of Durham for the three projects approved for funding under the third intake of the Audit and Accountability Fund; and

- B) That the Regional Chair and Clerk be authorized to execute the necessary Transfer Payment Agreements and any other related documents required by the Province.

CARRIED

## 9. Business Plan and Budget Review and Property Tax Study

### 9.1 Presentations

- A) Elaine Baxter-Trahair, Chief Administrative Officer, Nancy Taylor, Commissioner of Finance, Don Beaton, Commissioner of Corporate Services, and Nicole Pincombe, Director, Business Planning and Budgets, re: The 2022 Regional Business Plans and Budgets for Property Tax Purposes, including General Purpose, Solid Waste Management and Durham Region Transit (2022-F-4)

E. Baxter-Trahair, N. Taylor, D. Beaton and N. Pincombe provided a detailed PowerPoint presentation on the 2022 Regional Business Plans and Budgets. A copy of their presentation was distributed electronically to the Committee.

E. Baxter-Trahair provided introductory remarks and thanked those involved in the budget preparation, as well as all staff for their commitment and resiliency during the pandemic. She noted that preparation of the budget involved extensive collaboration across departments, prioritizing and applying strategic thinking.

Highlights from the presentation included:

- Overview
  - 2022 Budget Overview and Priorities
  - Public Engagement
- Budget Overview
  - CAO Office
  - Corporate Services
  - Finance Department
  - 2022 Proposed Gross Budget
  - 2022 Regional Property Tax Impacts
  - 2022 Capital Budget and Nine-Year Forecast
  - Use of Reserves and Reserve Funds
  - 2022 Base Pressures
  - Line-by-line Review
  - COVID-19 Pandemic Impacts
  - 2022 Budget Overview
- Summary
  - Future Budget Pressures

- Risks and Uncertainties
- Conclusion and Questions

Staff responded to questions with respect to the Durham Regional Police Service (DRPS) budget, property assessment revenue, efficiencies found, use of reserve funds to offset tax increases, reserves for community grants, new positions, and forecasted pressures including for paramedic services.

## 9.2 Correspondence

- A) Memorandum from the Transit Executive Committee, re: 2022 Durham Region Transit Business Plans and Budgets (2022-DRT-2)
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Moved by Regional Chair Henry, Seconded by Councillor Leahy,  
(10) That Report #2022-DRT-2 from the General Manager of Durham Region Transit be referred to Report #2022-F-4 of the Commissioner of Finance.  
CARRIED

- B) Memorandum from the Health & Social Services Committee, re: 2022 Health Department Business Plans and Budgets (2022-MOH-1)
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Moved by Regional Chair Henry, Seconded by Councillor Leahy,  
(11) That Report #2022-MOH-2 from the Commissioner & Medical Officer of Health be referred to Report #2022-F-4 of the Commissioner of Finance.  
CARRIED

- C) Memorandum from the Health & Social Services Committee, re: 2022 Social Services Department Business Plans and Budgets (2022-SS-1)
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Moved by Regional Chair Henry, Seconded by Councillor Leahy,  
(12) That Report #2022-SS-1 from the Commissioner of Social Services be referred to Report #2022-F-4 of the Commissioner of Finance.  
CARRIED

- D) Memorandum from the Planning & Economic Development Committee, re: 2022 Planning and Economic Development Department Business Plans and Budgets (2022-P-6)
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Moved by Regional Chair Henry, Seconded by Councillor Leahy,  
(13) That Report #2022-P-6 from the Commissioner of Planning and Economic Development be referred to Report #2022-F-4 of the Commissioner of Finance.  
CARRIED

- E) Memorandum from the Works Committee, re: 2022 Works Department General Tax and Solid Waste Management Business Plans and Budgets (2022-W-13)
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Moved by Regional Chair Henry, Seconded by Councillor Leahy,  
(14) That Report #2022-W-13 from the Commissioner of Works be referred to Report #2022-F-4 of the Commissioner of Finance.

CARRIED

F) Memorandum from the 9-1-1 Management Board, re: 9-1-1 Management Board 2022 Budget

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Moved by Regional Chair Henry, Seconded by Councillor Leahy,  
(15) That the memorandum from the 9-1-1 Management Board regarding the 9-1-1 Management Board 2022 Budget be referred to Report #2022-F-4 of the Commissioner of Finance.

CARRIED

G) Memorandum from the Durham Regional Local Housing Corporation, re: 2022 Durham Regional Local Housing Corporation Business Plan and Budget

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Moved by Regional Chair Henry, Seconded by Councillor Leahy,  
(16) That the memorandum from the Durham Regional Local Housing Corporation regarding the 2022 Durham Regional Local Housing Corporation Business Plan and Budget be referred to Report #2022-F-4 of the Commissioner of Finance.

CARRIED

Moved by Regional Chair Henry, Seconded by Councillor Mulcahy,  
(17) That the Agenda be altered to consider Item 9.3 B), and Item 9.3 H) as it pertains to Emergency 9-1-1 Telephone System, at this time.

CARRIED

9.3 Business Plans and Budgets

B) Durham Regional Police Service 2022 Business Plans and Budgets

The Committee reviewed the Durham Regional Police Service (DRPS) 2022 Business Plans and Budgets. Councillor Drew, Chair, DRPS Board provided highlights of the Durham Regional Police Service Business Plans and Budgets. Councillor Drew and DRPS staff responded to questions with respect to the budget guideline, priorities, and growth in authorized strength.

Councillor Leahy requested information on comparable police services with respect to the number of officers by population.

H) Finance & Administration 2022 Business Plans and Budgets

The Committee reviewed the Finance & Administration 2022 Business Plans and Budgets as it pertains to the Emergency 9-1-1 Telephone System.

A) Conservation Authorities 2022 Business Plans and Budgets

The Committee reviewed the Conservation Authorities 2022 Business Plans and Budgets, including:

- Central Lake Ontario
- Kawartha Region
- Ganaraska Region
- Toronto and Region
- Lake Simcoe Region

B) Durham Regional Police Service 2022 Business Plans and Budgets

This matter was considered earlier in the meeting. See Item 9.3 B) on page 7.

C) Durham Region Transit 2022 Business Plans and Budgets

The Committee reviewed the Durham Region Transit (DRT) 2022 Business Plans and Budgets. Staff responded to questions with respect to effects of the COVID-19 pandemic on transit use, use of DRT vehicles for student transport, and fare collection issues.

D) Health 2022 Business Plans and Budgets

Councillor Chapman, Chair, Health & Social Services Committee, provided highlights of the Health Business Plans and Budgets. The Committee reviewed the Health 2022 Business Plans and Budgets, including:

- Public Health
- Paramedic Services

Staff responded to questions with respect to the Ontario Seniors Dental Program.

E) Social Services 2022 Business Plans and Budgets

Councillor Chapman, Chair, Health & Social Services Committee, provided highlights of the Social Services Business Plans and Budgets. The Committee reviewed the Social Services 2022 Business Plans and Budgets, including:

- Emergency Management and Program Support Services
- Social Assistance
- Children's Services
- Family Services
- Housing Services
- Long Term Care and Services for Seniors



F) Planning & Economic Development 2022 Business Plans and Budgets

The Committee reviewed the Planning & Economic Development 2022 Business Plans and Budgets, including:

- Planning
- Economic Development and Tourism
- Rapid Transit and Transit Oriented Development Office

G) Works 2022 Business Plans and Budgets

The Committee reviewed the Works 2022 Business Plans and Budgets, including:

- Works – General Tax
- Solid Waste Management

H) Finance & Administration 2022 Business Plans and Budgets

The Committee reviewed the Finance & Administration 2022 Business Plans and Budgets, including:

- Regional Council
- Regional Chair's Office
- Chief Administrative Officer
- Corporate Services
- Emergency 9-1-1 Telephone System (This matter was considered earlier in the meeting. See Item 9.3 H) on Page 7)
- Finance
- Corporate Items
- Durham Regional Local Housing Corporation
- Durham OneNet Inc.

9.4 Reports

A) 2022 Strategic Property Tax Study (2022-F-3)

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Report #2022-F-3 from N. Taylor, Commissioner of Finance, was received.

Moved by Councillor Leahy, Seconded by Regional Chair Henry,  
(18) That we recommend to Council:

- A) That for the 2022 property taxation year, the municipal property tax ratios for the following property classes for the Regional Municipality of Durham be set, consistent with the 2021 ratios, as follows, and the requisite by-law be prepared, and approval be granted,

New Multi-Residential

1.1000

Landfill	1.1000
Pipelines	1.2294
Farmland	0.2000
Managed Forests	0.2500

**Commercial Broad Class**

(including Shopping Centres, Office Buildings, Parking Lots and Residual)

Occupied	1.4500
Vacant Land	1.4500
Excess Land	1.4500
On Farm	1.4500

**Industrial Broad Class**

(including Large Industrial and Residual)

Occupied	2.0235
Vacant Land	2.0235
Excess Land	2.0235
On Farm	2.0235

- B) That to achieve greater fairness and equity in the Current Value Assessment (CVA) system and property taxation policy, the Province be requested to:
- update the Provincial statutory rate applicable to nuclear generating facilities;
  - institute an annual mechanism to ensure the rate continues to be updated in the future, and;
  - redirect proxy property tax payments currently paid by the Region's two nuclear generating facilities to the Ontario Electricity Financial Corporation (OEFC) for the Ontario Hydro stranded debt to the host municipalities and the Region following retirement of the stranded debt.

CARRIED

- B) The 2022 Regional Business Plans and Budgets for Property Tax Purposes, including General Purpose, Solid Waste Management and Durham Region Transit (2022-F-4)
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Report #2022-F-4 from N. Taylor, Commissioner of Finance, was received.

Moved by Councillor Mulcahy, Seconded by Councillor Leahy,  
(19) That we recommend to Council:

**2022 General Purpose Property Tax Business Plans and Budgets**

- A) That the 2022 Business Plans and Property Tax Budgets for General Purposes (excluding Durham Region Transit and Solid Waste Management)

be approved, at a total net property tax requirement of \$645,678,000 as detailed within the 2022 Regional Business Plans and Budgets, which are highlighted in Report #2022-F-4 of the Commissioner of Finance and summarized as follows:

	<b>2022 Tax Requirements (\$000s)</b>
<b>Regional Operations</b>	
i) Departmental Operations	346,787
ii) Regional Roads Reserve – Growth	12,549
iii) Regional Roads – Rehabilitation Reserve Fund	26,050
iv) Regional Bridges – Rehabilitation Reserve Fund	5,525
<b>Total Regional Operations</b>	<b>390,911</b>
<b>Police Services:</b>	
v) Police Services (exceeds Regional Guideline)	233,318
<b>Total Police Services</b>	<b>233,318</b>
vi) <b>Conservation Authorities</b>	<b>8,917</b>
<b>Special Contributions:</b>	
vii) Land Conservation and Protection Reserve Fund	393
viii) Durham Region Community Investment Grant:	
- Durham College – Whitby Campus	667
- Durham College – Skills Trade Centre (reserve funded)	-
- Durham Region Community Investment Grant (including hospital top up)	5,553
<b>Total Special Contributions</b>	<b>6,613</b>
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>639,759</b>
ix) Deferral for Seaton Assessment Growth	5,527
x) Adjustment to Assessment Base (re: Assessment under appeal)	392
<b>TOTAL GENERAL PROPERTY TAX PURPOSES</b>	<b>645,678</b>

- B) That the 2022 Capital Program for General Property Tax Purposes (excluding Solid Waste, Durham Region Transit and Conservation Authorities' requirements), as outlined in Attachment 4 to Report #2022-F-4 and as further detailed within the 2022 Regional Business Plans and Budgets, in the amount of \$232,060,000 be approved, and the 2023 to 2031 Capital Forecast in the amount of \$2,023,654,000 be received for information purposes only and subject to future approvals;
- C) That financing for the 2022 Capital Program for General Property Tax Purposes as outlined in Attachment 4 to Report #2022-F-4 in the amount of \$232,060,000 be approved;

**Contributions for Regional Roads and Bridges**

- D) That a 2022 contribution of \$12,549,000 to the Regional Roads Reserve – Growth be authorized to allow for financing of Road Capital Construction Projects;
- E) That a 2022 contribution of \$26,050,000 to the Regional Roads Rehabilitation Reserve Fund be authorized to assist with roads rehabilitation requirements;
- F) That a 2022 contribution of \$5,525,000 to the Regional Bridges Rehabilitation Reserve Fund be authorized to assist with bridge rehabilitation requirements;

**Durham Regional Local Housing Corporation**

- G) That the 2022 Budget for the Durham Regional Local Housing Corporation be approved at a total net property tax requirement of \$14,019,000;

**Conservation Authorities**

- H) That funding totalling \$6,445,367 for 2022 operations be approved for the Region's five Conservation Authorities as summarized below:

Central Lake Ontario Conservation Authority	\$4,274,135
Kawartha Region Conservation Authority	681,946
Ganaraska Region Conservation Authority	543,905
Toronto and Region Conservation Authority	689,300
Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority	256,081
<b>Total Conservation Authority Operations Funding</b>	<b>\$6,445,367</b>

- I) That funding totalling \$1,730,374 for 2022 special projects be approved for the Region's Conservation Authorities as summarized below:

Kawartha Region Conservation Authority	\$142,000
Ganaraska Region Conservation Authority	242,237
Toronto and Region Conservation Authority	862,371
Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority	483,766
<b>Total Conservation Authority Special Projects Funding</b>	<b>\$1,730,374</b>

- J) That funding totalling \$200,000 for 2022 land management expenditures be approved for properties within Durham Region as outlined below:

Central Lake Ontario Conservation Authority	\$85,000
Kawartha Region Conservation Authority	15,000
Ganaraska Region Conservation Authority	37,000
Toronto and Region Conservation Authority	41,000
Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority	22,000
<b>Total Conservation Authority Land Management Funding</b>	<b>\$200,000</b>

- K) That the Oak Ridges Moraine Groundwater Program (ORMGP) Initiatives be continued in 2022 at a funding level of \$175,000 for ongoing groundwater protection initiatives jointly funded with the City of Toronto, Region of York and Region of Peel;
- L) That the special funding requests as outlined below be approved subject to the accountability of project costs incurred and project completion:
- a) Central Lake Ontario Conservation Authority for phase four of five of the Restoration Program in the amount of \$150,000;
  - b) Central Lake Ontario Conservation Authority for Lynde Shores Conservation Area Halls Entrance \$60,000;
  - c) Central Lake Ontario Conservation Authority Main Office HVAC (phase two of three) \$40,000;
  - d) Kawartha Conservation Authority for a final phase of the Watershed Planning project in the amount of \$28,600;
  - e) Kawartha Conservation Authority for website design and implementation in the amount of \$7,174;
  - f) Kawartha Conservation Authority for phase three of five for the digitization of corporate records in the amount of \$5,380;
- M) That the special funding request as outlined below be approved subject to securing the remainder of the project funding from the Nature Smart Climate Solutions Fund grant program, the Town of Ajax and project completion and accountability of project costs incurred:
- a) Toronto and Region Conservation Authority for the invasive species management component of the implementation of the Carruthers Creek Watershed Plan project in the amount of \$75,000;
- N) That a contribution of \$392,846 to the Land Conservation and Protection Reserve Fund be authorized to assist in financing requests for funding received from the five Conservation Authorities to acquire environmentally sensitive lands within the Region, based on eligibility criteria per the approved Regional Land Acquisition Reserve Fund Policy;

**Special Contributions**

- O) That the third of three annual funding contributions to Durham College – Whitby Campus be approved, up to a maximum amount of \$666,667 for 2022 with the required financing provided from the Durham Region Community Investment Grant envelope; and further that funds be released at the discretion of the Commissioner of Finance in accordance with the executed funding agreement and the accountability of capital costs;
- P) That the request from Durham College – Whitby Campus through the Region's Community Investment Grant program for the Trades Facility Upgrades be funded from the Durham Region Healthcare Institution Reserve Fund for \$600,000 subject to approval of Report #2022-F-5 of the Commissioner of Finance;
- Q) That, in addition to the 0.25% dedicated levy included in the 2022 budget to support the prior approval of the Lakeridge Health- Bowmanville site redevelopment, Region staff continue to work towards developing a long-term sustainable funding strategy in support of Lakeridge Health's ten-year master plan which includes the contribution towards a new Greenfield Hospital and the redevelopment of the Ajax/Pickering Hospital as well as the redevelopment of the Oak Valley Health - Uxbridge site and Ontario Shores Centre for Mental Health Sciences - Whitby redevelopment for Council's consideration as part of the 2023 Business Plan and Budget as further information develops;

**Solid Waste Management 2022 Business Plan and Budget**

- R) That the 2022 Business Plan and Budget for Solid Waste Management at a net property tax requirement of \$46,426,000 be approved as detailed in the 2022 Solid Waste Management Business Plan and Budget;
- S) That the 2022 Capital Program for Solid Waste Management and financing, as outlined in Attachment 4 to Report #2022-F-4 and as further detailed within the 2022 Regional Business Plan and Budget for Solid Waste Management, in the amount of \$242,824,000 be approved, with the exception of the Mixed Waste Pre-sort and Anaerobic Digestion Facility project and associated financing at \$242,000,000 which is subject to further reporting and approval by Regional Council;
- T) That the 2023 to 2031 Capital Forecast in the amount of \$53,937,000 be received for information purposes only and subject to future approvals;

**Durham Region Transit 2022 Business Plan and Budget**

- U) That the 2022 Business Plan and Budget for Durham Region Transit be approved at a total net property tax requirement of \$68,089,000, as detailed in the 2022 Durham Region Transit Business Plan and Budget;
- V) That the 2022 Capital Program for Durham Region Transit, as outlined in Attachment 4 to Report #2022-F-4 and as further detailed within the 2022 Regional Business Plans and Budget, in the gross amount of \$16,100,000 be approved, and the Capital Forecast for the period 2023 to 2031, totalling \$390,650,000 be received for information purposes only and subject to future approvals;
- W) That financing for the 2022 Capital Program for Durham Region Transit, as outlined in Attachment 4 to Report #2022-F-4, in the gross amount of \$16,100,000 be approved;

**Financial Management and Accountability**

- X) That the Listing of 2022 Regional Fees and Charges, as set forth in the 2022 Regional Business Plans and Budgets be approved and made available to the public and all applicable By-laws be amended accordingly;
- Y) That the Regional Chief Administrative Officer and the Commissioner of Finance continue to meet with the DRPS Chief and DRPS Chief Administrative Officer to understand the scope of services currently shared by DRPS and the Region and explore further efficiencies between the two organizations;
- Z) That based upon the 2022 Regional Business Plans and Budgets as recommended herein, the Commissioner of Finance be authorized to set 2022 Regional Property Tax Rates for General Purposes, Solid Waste Management and Durham Region Transit and approval be granted for the requisite By-laws;
- AA) That for any Regional program change or capital expenditure included within the 2022 Regional Business Plans and Budgets which is proposed to be financed in whole, or in part, from Provincial/Federal subsidies, grants or related revenues, neither staffing, capital nor other related Regional expenditures can be committed until such time as adequate confirmation, to the satisfaction of the Commissioner of Finance/Treasurer is received from the respective provincial/federal ministry to commit to the subsidy, grant or related revenues in accordance with the Regional Budget Management Policy;
- BB) That funding totalling up to \$65,980 be approved for the Pickering Auxiliary

Rescue Association with the funding to be provided from within the Finance Department's 2022 Business Plan and Budget to be administered by the Finance Department in consultation with the Durham Regional Police Service based upon services rendered;

- CC) That funding totalling up to \$47,245 be approved for COMRA with the funding to be provided from within the Finance Department's 2022 Business Plan and Budget to be administered by the Finance Department in consultation with the Durham Regional Police Service based upon services rendered;
- DD) That in the event that the Restricted Acts after Nomination Day (as defined in the *Municipal Act, 2021*) should apply to the Region for the 2022 Municipal Election, Regional Council delegates authority to the Chief Administrative Officer and Treasurer, in consultation with the applicable Department Head to take action to make any expenditures or incur any liability that is deemed necessary but not included in the Region's 2022 Budget, and provided expenditures or liabilities are required to fulfil the obligations of maintaining and ensuring the appropriate continuity of the Regional operations, including Durham Region Transit and the Durham Regional Local Housing Corporation, and that such actions taken shall subsequently be reported upon to Regional Council;

That such delegation shall be in addition and notwithstanding the provisions of the Region's Purchasing By-law (By-law No. 16-2020, as amended) and the Region's Budget Management Policy. In addition, the provision of Sections 19.1 to 19.6 of the Budget Management Policy (Delegation of Authority during Recess of Regional Council) shall be extended to apply in the event that the provisions of the *Municipal Act, 2021* with respect to Restricted Acts after Nomination Day apply to the Region in the 2022 Municipal Election as if such period were a recess of Regional Council; and

- EE) That the reporting of the Impact of Excluded Expenses for tangible capital asset amortization, post-employment benefits and solid waste landfill closure/post-closure expenses be adopted, per requirements under the Ontario Regulation 284/09 of the *Municipal Act, 2001* and the Public Sector Accounting Board (PSAB)



<b>ESTIMATED IMPACT OF EXCLUDED EXPENSES ON ACCUMULATED SURPLUS FOR THE 2022 BUSINESS PLANS AND BUDGETS (000'S)</b>					
	<u>2021</u>		<u>2022</u>		<u>Total</u>
	<u>Total</u>	<u>Property Tax</u>	<u>Water</u>	<u>Sewer</u>	
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
<b>PSAS Additions to Budget</b>					
Tangible Capital Asset Amortization	151,686	97,676	27,651	36,694	162,021
Post-Employment Benefit Expense	13,967	14,485	410	459	15,354
Landfill Closure Costs - Increase/(Decrease) in Liability	(5,214)	(38)	-	-	(38)
Transfers from Reserves and Reserve Funds	109,138	127,840	10,451	18,204	156,495
Proceeds of Debt issued for Regional Purposes	-	134,300	-	-	134,300
Total PSAB Additions	269,577	374,263	38,512	55,357	468,132
<b>PSAS Reductions to Budget</b>					
Gross Tangible Capital Assets Acquisitions	(415,685)	(492,961)	(125,117)	(145,365)	(763,443)
Less: Tangible Capital Asset Recoveries	15,673	-	-	63,388	63,388
Net Tangible Capital Asset Acquisitions	(400,012)	(492,961)	(125,117)	(81,977)	(700,055)
Debt Principal Payments	(12,789)	(11,696)	-	(716)	(12,412)
Transfers to Reserves and Reserve Funds	(136,169)	(110,678)	(9,143)	(23,996)	(143,817)
Contributed Tangible Capital Assets	(16,982)	(426)	(9,575)	(11,196)	(21,197)
Total PSAB Reductions	(565,952)	(615,761)	(143,835)	(117,885)	(877,481)
<b>Net Impact - (Increase) to Accumulated Surplus</b>	(296,375)	(241,498)	(105,323)	(62,528)	(409,349)

CARRIED

Moved by Regional Chair Henry, Seconded by Councillor Mulcahy,  
(20) That the main motion (19) of Councillors Mulcahy and Leahy be divided in order to allow voting on Part A) i) Departmental Operations, Part A) viii) Durham Region Community Investment Grant, Part O) Special Contributions and Part P) Special Contributions separately from the remainder.

CARRIED

Part A) viii) was then put to a vote and CARRIED ON THE FOLLOWING RECORDED VOTE. Chair Foster declared a conflict of interest on this item earlier in the meeting and did not vote on this item:

<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>
Councillor Ashe	None
Councillor Drew	
Regional Chair Henry	
Councillor Leahy	
Councillor Mulcahy	

Members Absent: Councillor Collier  
Councillor Nicholson

Declarations of Interest: Chair Foster

Part A i) was then put to a vote and CARRIED ON THE FOLLOWING RECORDED VOTE. Councillor Drew declared a conflict of interest on this item earlier in the meeting and did not vote on this item:

<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>
Councillor Ashe	None
Regional Chair Henry	
Councillor Leahy	
Councillor Mulcahy	
Chair Foster	

Members Absent: Councillor Collier  
Councillor Nicholson

Declarations of Interest: Councillor Drew

Parts O) and P) were then put to a vote and CARRIED ON THE FOLLOWING RECORDED VOTE. Chair Foster declared a conflict of interest on these items earlier in the meeting and did not vote on these items:

<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>
Councillor Ashe	None
Councillor Drew	
Regional Chair Henry	
Councillor Leahy	
Councillor Mulcahy	

Members Absent: Councillor Collier  
Councillor Nicholson

Declarations of Interest: Chair Foster

The main motion (19) of Councillors Mulcahy and Leahy [with the exception of Parts A) i), A) viii), O) and P)] was then put to a vote and CARRIED.

Chair Foster and Regional Chair Henry thanked staff for all of their hard work on the budget. The Clerk was requested to ask members of Council to submit any budget related questions for the February 23, 2022 Regional Council meeting in writing, prior to the meeting, so that staff may provide more effective responses.

**10. Advisory Committee Resolutions**

There were no advisory committee resolutions to be considered.

**11. Confidential Matters**

There were no confidential matters to be considered.

**12. Other Business**

There was no other business to be considered.

**13. Date of Next Meeting**

The next regularly scheduled Finance & Administration Committee meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 8, 2022 at 9:30 AM in Council Chambers, Regional Headquarters Building, 605 Rossland Road East, Whitby.

**14. Adjournment**

Moved by Regional Chair Henry, Seconded by Councillor Leahy,  
(21) That the meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 11:25 AM

Respectfully submitted,

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A. Foster, Chair

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L. Fleury, Legislative Officer