



**THE COUNCIL OF
THE REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF PEEL
December 19, 2019**

Regional Chair Iannicca called the Regional Council Budget meeting to order at 9:30 a.m. in the Council Chamber, Regional Administrative Headquarters, 10 Peel Centre Drive, Suite A, Brampton.

1. ROLL CALL

Members Present:

P. Brown	M. Mahoney
B. Crombie	M. Medeiros
D. Damerla*	M. Palleschi
S. Dasko	K. Ras
J. Downey	R. Santos
C. Fonseca	I. Sinclair
P. Fortini	H. Singh★
A. Groves	R. Starr
N. Iannicca	A. Thompson
J. Innis	P. Vicente
J. Kovac	

Members Absent:

G. Carlson	Due to illness
G.S. Dhillon (H. Singh★)	Due to personal matters
S. McFadden	Due to personal matters
C. Parrish	Due to other municipal business
P. Saito	Due to other municipal business

Also Present: N. Polsinelli, Interim Chief Administrative Officer; K. Lockyer, Acting Commissioner of Corporate Services; S. VanOfwegen, Commissioner of Finance and Chief Financial Officer; S. Baird, Commissioner of Digital and Information Services; P. O'Connor, Regional Solicitor; A. Smith, Acting Chief Planner; A. Farr, Acting Commissioner of Public Works; J. Sheehy, Commissioner of Human Services; C. Granger, Acting Commissioner of Health Services; Dr. J. Hopkins, Medical Officer of Health; A. Macintyre, Deputy Regional Clerk and Manager of Legislative Services; H. West, Legislative Specialist; S. Valleau, Legislative Technical Coordinator; S. MacGregor, Legislative Assistant

2. DECLARATIONS OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST - Nil

* See text for arrivals

◆ See text for departures

★ Denotes alternate member

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

3.1. December 12, 2019 Regional Council Budget meeting

Moved by Councillor Medeiros,
Seconded by Councillor Mahoney;

That the minutes of the December 12, 2019 Regional Council Budget meeting be approved.

Carried RCB-2019-65

Councillor Damerla arrived at 9:31 a.m.

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved by Councillor Kovac,
Seconded by Councillor Innis;

That the agenda for the December 19, 2019 Regional Council Budget meeting be approved.

Received RCB-2019-66

Nancy Polsinelli, Chief Administrative Officer, announced that Kathryn Lockyer has accepted the role as Acting Commissioner of Corporate Services and that Ava Macintyre, Deputy Regional Clerk, will fill the role as Regional Clerk.

5. DELEGATIONS - Nil

6. REPORTS

6.1. 2020 Budget Update

Presentation by Stephen VanOfwegen, Commissioner of Finance and Chief Financial Officer

Received RCB-2019-67

Stephen VanOfwegen, Commissioner of Finance and Chief Financial Officer, summarized the budget options, as presented at the December 12, 2019 Regional Council Budget meeting, that achieves Council's request for a 1.5% property tax increase.

6.2. Update on the Affordable Transit Program

Moved by Councillor Downey,
Seconded by Councillor Groves;

That a proposed budget increase of \$600,000 to the Affordable Transit Program, as outlined in the report of the Commissioner of Human Services, titled "Update on Affordable Transit Program", be considered for the 2020 Budget for a total of \$1,600,000;

And further, that Human Services staff report back to Council with an update on participation levels and resource implications in Spring 2020.

In Favour	P. Brown; B. Crombie; S. Dasko; J. Downey; C. Fonseca; P. Fortini; A. Groves; J. Innis; J. Kovac; M. Mahoney; M. Medeiros; M. Palleschi; K. Ras; R. Santos; I. Sinclair; H. Singh★; R. Starr; A. Thompson; P. Vicente	Total 19
Opposed		
Abstain <i>(counted as a no vote)</i>		
Absent <i>(from meeting and/or vote)</i>	G. Carlson; D. Damerla; S. McFadden; C. Parrish; P. Saito	5

Carried RCB-2019-68

Commissioner Sheehy received confirmation from Regional Council that participation levels in this program will not be capped in 2020.

6.3. **2020 Operating and Capital Budget**

Technical Adjustment

Moved by Councillor Ras,
Seconded by Councillor Palleschi;

That the 2020 Operating Budget be adjusted to include a technical adjustment of \$800,000.

In Favour	P. Brown; B. Crombie; D. Damerla; S. Dasko; J. Downey; C. Fonseca; P. Fortini; A. Groves; J. Innis; J. Kovac; M. Mahoney; M. Medeiros; M. Palleschi; K. Ras; R. Santos; I. Sinclair; H. Singh★; R. Starr; A. Thompson; P. Vicente	Total 20
Opposed		
Abstain <i>(counted as a no vote)</i>		
Absent <i>(from meeting and/or vote)</i>	G. Carlson; S. McFadden; C. Parrish; P. Saito	4

Carried RCB-2019-69

Subsidy for Water and Wastewater

Moved by Councillor Damerla,
Seconded by Councillor Groves;

That a transfer in the amount of \$2,400,000 from the tax operating budget to the water and wastewater operating budgets be approved as a result of ending the tax subsidy for the utility rate programs.

In Favour	P. Brown; B. Crombie; D. Damerla; S. Dasko; J. Downey; C. Fonseca; P. Fortini; A. Groves; J. Innis; J. Kovac; M. Mahoney; M. Medeiros; M. Palleschi; K. Ras; R. Santos; I. Sinclair; H. Singh★; R. Starr; A. Thompson; P. Vicente	Total 20
Opposed		
Abstain <i>(counted as a no vote)</i>		
Absent <i>(from meeting and/or vote)</i>	G. Carlson; S. McFadden; C. Parrish; P. Saito	4

Carried RCB-2019-70

Regional Chair's Newsletter

Moved by Councillor Kovac,
Seconded by Councillor Fortini;

That the proposed expenditure reduction in the amount of \$100,000 related to Regional Chair's budget for newsletters be approved.

In Favour	P. Brown; B. Crombie; D. Damerla; S. Dasko; J. Downey; C. Fonseca; P. Fortini; A. Groves; J. Innis; J. Kovac; M. Mahoney; M. Medeiros; M. Palleschi; K. Ras; R. Santos; I. Sinclair; H. Singh★; R. Starr; A. Thompson; P. Vicente	Total 20
Opposed		
Abstain <i>(counted as a no vote)</i>		
Absent <i>(from meeting and/or vote)</i>	G. Carlson; S. McFadden; C. Parrish; P. Saito	4

Carried RCB-2019-71

Extension in Financing for Community Hubs

Moved by Councillor Crombie,
Seconded by Councillor Damerla;

That an extension of the financing for the community hubs to a 6 year period resulting in a \$1,000,000 reduction in the operating budget be approved.

In Favour	P. Brown; B. Crombie; D. Damerla; S. Dasko; J. Downey; C. Fonseca; P. Fortini; A. Groves; J. Innis; J. Kovac; M. Mahoney; M. Medeiros; M. Palleschi; K. Ras; R. Santos; I. Sinclair; H. Singh★; R. Starr; A. Thompson; P. Vicente	Total 20
Opposed		
Abstain <i>(counted as a no vote)</i>		
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Carried RCB-2019-72

Child Care Contribution

Moved by Councillor Mahoney,
Seconded by Councillor Thompson;

That a reduction of \$2,600,000 to the proposed discretionary contribution for the Child Care budget be approved.

In Favour	P. Brown; B. Crombie; D. Damerla; S. Dasko; J. Downey; C. Fonseca; P. Fortini; A. Groves; J. Innis; J. Kovac; M. Mahoney; M. Medeiros; M. Palleschi; K. Ras; R. Santos; I. Sinclair; H. Singh★; R. Starr; A. Thompson; P. Vicente	Total 20
Opposed		
Abstain <i>(counted as a no vote)</i>		
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Carried RCB-2019-73

OPP Budget

Moved by Councillor Thompson,
Seconded by Councillor Innis;

That the reduction of expenditures in the amount of \$62,785 to the proposed Ontario Provincial Police budget be approved.

In Favour	P. Brown; B. Crombie; D. Damerla; S. Dasko; J. Downey; C. Fonseca; P. Fortini; A. Groves; J. Innis; J. Kovac; M. Mahoney; M. Medeiros; M. Palleschi; K. Ras; R. Santos; I. Sinclair; H. Singh★; R. Starr; A. Thompson; P. Vicente	Total 20
Opposed		
Abstain <i>(counted as a no vote)</i>		
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Carried RCB-2019-74

Credit Valley Conservation Budget

Moved by Councillor Ras,
Seconded by Councillor Palleschi;

That the reduction of expenditures in the amount of \$77,804 to the proposed Credit Valley Conservation budget be approved.

In Favour	P. Brown; B. Crombie; D. Damerla; S. Dasko; J. Downey; C. Fonseca; P. Fortini; A. Groves; J. Innis; J. Kovac; M. Mahoney; M. Medeiros; M. Palleschi; K. Ras; R. Santos; I. Sinclair; H. Singh★; R. Starr; A. Thompson; P. Vicente	Total 20
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Abstain <i>(counted as a no vote)</i>		
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Carried RCB-2019-75

Toronto Region Conservation Authority Budget

Moved by Councillor Innis,
Seconded by Councillor Damerla;

That the reduction of expenditures in the amount of \$59,645 to the proposed Toronto and Region Conservation Authority budget be approved.

In Favour	P. Brown; B. Crombie; D. Damerla; S. Dasko; J. Downey; C. Fonseca; P. Fortini; A. Groves; J. Innis; J. Kovac; M. Mahoney; M. Medeiros; M. Palleschi; K. Ras; R. Santos; I. Sinclair; H. Singh★; R. Starr; A. Thompson; P. Vicente	Total 20
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Abstain <i>(counted as a no vote)</i>		
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Carried RCB-2019-76

2020 Operating and Capital Budget

Moved by Councillor Thompson,
Seconded by Councillor Fortini;

That the 2020 Operating Budget at a total value of \$2,566,195,492 as set out in Summary I of the 2020 Consolidated Operating and Capital Budget (attached as Appendix II) to the report of the Commissioner of Finance and Chief Financial Officer, titled "2020 Operating and Capital Budget", be approved;

And further, that the appropriate by-law to apportion the \$1,134,291,821 net levy funding required, be presented for enactment;

And further, that the 2020 Capital Budget for Property Tax and Utility Rate Supported Programs totaling \$1,058,495,000 as set out in Summary VI(a) of the 2020 Consolidated Operating and Capital Budget (attached as Appendix II), be approved;

And further, that the Consolidated 10 Year Capital Plan totaling \$9,413,137,000 as summarized in Summary VII of the 2020 Consolidated Operating and Capital Budget (attached as Appendix II) be approved, in principle, for planning purposes;

And further, that the changes to the user fees and charges proposed in Summary VIII of the 2020 Consolidated Operating and Capital Budget (attached as Appendix II), be approved to take effect in accordance with the associated By-law;

And further, that Schedule A to the Water and Wastewater By-laws be amended to reflect the increase in the Utility Rate budget in the amount of \$2,400,000;

And further, that the Water, Wastewater and Waste Management System fees and charges as outlined in Summary IX of the 2020 Consolidated Operating and Capital Budget (attached as Appendix II), be approved to take effect in accordance with the associated By-laws;

And further, that the salary portion of the 2020 Regional Budget which includes a 1.75 per cent non-union salary band adjustment be approved;

And further, that the Commissioner of Finance and Chief Financial Officer be authorized to carry out any necessary technical adjustments and present the necessary levy By-law for enactment;

And further, that the necessary User Fee By-laws be presented for enactment.

In Favour	P. Brown; B. Crombie; D. Damerla; S. Dasko; J. Downey; C. Fonseca; P. Fortini; A. Groves; J. Innis; J. Kovac; M. Mahoney; M. Medeiros; M. Palleschi; K. Ras; R. Santos; I. Sinclair; H. Singh★; R. Starr; A. Thompson; P. Vicente	Total 20
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Carried RCB-2019-77

Councillor Crombie requested that Region of Peel staff start the budget process earlier in the year so that the local municipalities can finalize its budget following approval of the Region’s budget. Stephen VanOfwegen undertook to start the 2021 budget process earlier in the upcoming year.

In response to comments raised by Members of Council for setting Regional budget figures, Stephen VanOfwegen stated that staff will report to Regional Council on budget impacts once the provincial budget and municipal funding commitments have been confirmed.

In response to comments raised by Members of Council regarding the 2020 provincial funding cuts to the Region of Peel, Stephen VanOfwegen undertook to provide the total dollar amount to Members of council for their communication to the public.

Members of Council thanked Regional staff for their efforts in providing options to reduce the budget increase.

7. COMMUNICATIONS

- 7.1 **Alan K. Boughton, Chair of Finance, Audit & Risk Committee, Peel Police Services Board**, Letter dated December 17, 2019 Providing a Response to Peel Regional Council’s Resolution RBC 2019-68, Requesting a Review for a Reduction in the Peel Regional Police Budget

Carried RCB-2019-78

8. OTHER BUSINESS - Nil

9. NOTICES OF MOTION - Nil

10. BY-LAWS

By-law 67-2019: A by-law to amend By-law 43-2002 titled the “Fees By-law” and to repeal By-law 18-2019.

By-law 68-2019: A by-law to amend By-law 16-2007 titled the “Sewer Surcharge Rate and Sewer Waste Disposal Charge By-law” and to repeal By-law 13-2019.

By-law 69-2019: A by-law to amend By-law 17-2007 titled the “Waste Management System Fees and Charges By-law” and to repeal By-law 14-2019.

By-law 70-2019: A by-law to amend By-law 15-2007 titled the “Wastewater System Fees and Charges (Sewer Charge Rates) By-law” and to repeal By-law 12-2019.

By-law 71-2019: A by-law to amend By-law 14-2007 titled the “Water Consumption Fees and Charges By-law” and to repeal By-law 11-2019.

Moved by Councillor Palleschi,
Seconded by Councillor Mahoney;

That the by-laws listed on the December 19, 2019 Regional Council Budget agenda, being By-laws 67-2019 to 69-2019 inclusive, be given the required number of readings, taken as read, signed by the Regional Chair and the Regional Clerk, and the Corporate Seal be affixed thereto.

Carried RCB-2019-79

Moved by Councillor Palleschi,
Seconded by Councillor Mahoney;

That the by-laws listed on the December 19, 2019 Regional Council Budget agenda, being By-laws 70-2019 and 71-2019, as amended, be given the required number of readings, taken as read, signed by the Regional Chair and the Regional Clerk, and the Corporate Seal be affixed thereto.

Carried RCB-2019-80

11. IN CAMERA MATTERS - Nil

12. BY-LAW TO CONFIRM THE PROCEEDINGS OF COUNCIL

Moved by Councillor Ras,
Seconded by Councillor Palleschi;

That By-law 76-2019 to confirm the proceedings of Regional Council at its Budget meeting held on December 19, 2019, to deliberate the 2020 Budget and to authorize the execution of documents in accordance with the Region of Peel by-laws relating thereto, be given the required number of readings, taken as read, signed by the Regional Chair and the Regional Clerk, and the corporate seal be affixed thereto.

Carried RCB-2019-81

13. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 10:17 a.m.

Regional Clerk

Regional Chair