

## **STAFF REPORT**

Meeting Date: October 15, 2024

**Title: Budget Policy** 

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**Department:** Finance

**Report Number: Finance-2024-032** 

#### **Recommendation:**

### That Council approve the proposed Budget Policy.

#### **Background:**

The City is committed to fiscal sustainability by employing prudent practices in governance, management, budget administration and financial reporting.

The Purpose of this policy is to:

- Ensure sound financial planning and budgeting practices.
- Detail the roles and responsibilities of Council, the Chief Administrative Officer, Senior Management, Department Managers, and the Treasurer.
- Outline the principles which the City will follow in preparing each annual budget.
- Outline the process in developing the operating and capital budget.
- Identify how the budget will be monitored and reported on.
- Outline how unavoidable and unforeseen expenditures will be managed.

#### **Discussion:**

Drafts of the budget policy have been reviewed and discussed at the Finance Committee level, with the final version presented this evening being approved by the Finance Committee.

# Attachments (Reference Material):

• Budget Policy - FI-BU-01