Chief Financial Officer's Report to The Regular Meeting of Council 2015 September 28

ITEMS REFERRED TO THE 2016 RESILIENCE BUDGET

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report presents information on items that have been previously brought forward to Committee and/or Council and were referred to the annual Adjustments process for consideration. The 2016 Resilience Budget (C2015-0696) is being brought forward in place of the regular annual adjustments process and will be considered in a separate, but related report in the 2015 September 28 Council agenda.

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ADMINISTRATION RECOMMENDATION(S)

That Council receive for information and consider if any items should be reflected in the 2016 Resilience Budget (C2015-0696).

PREVIOUS COUNCIL DIRECTION / POLICY

On 2015 July 27, Council directed Administration to bring a 2016 Resilience Budget (C2015-0696) to the 2015 September 28 Regular Meeting of Council. Items referred by Committee/Council to the annual Adjustments process throughout 2015 are presented for information before the 2016 Resilience Budget Report (C2015-0696).

BACKGROUND

Throughout 2015, Council or its Committees have, on a number of occasions, referred matters for consideration to the 2016 Business Plan and Budget Adjustment deliberations.

INVESTIGATION: ALTERNATIVES AND ANALYSIS

Four items have been referred to the 2016 Resilience Budget for Council information. Detailed information on each item and the associated referred reports is provided in Attachment 1.

These unfunded projects total one-time funding of \$2.4 million for 2016, and are currently not included in Administration's proposed 2016 Resilience Budget (C2015-0696):

ATTACHMENT	TITLE	RESOURCE REQUIREMENTS
Attachment 1A	Consolidated Parking Policy Work Plan (TT2014-0935) will be brought forward at the mid-cycle adjustment period.	NA
Attachment 1B	City Auditor's Office (AC2015-0525)	\$350 thousand one-time.
Attachment 1C	Advisory Committee on Accessibility Goals (CPS2015-0420)	\$350 thousand one-time.
Attachment 1D	Dandelion Control on City Property (NM2015-12; CPS2015-0738)	\$1.7 million one-time.

Should Council approve one-time funding for these items, they can be accommodated temporarily through the Fiscal Stability Reserve, with no impact to the proposed tax rate

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increase of 3.5% in the 2016 Resilience Budget (C2015-0696). Approval of base funding, however, for these or any other initiatives, would affect the tax rate unless some other source of offsetting base revenues were identified.

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Stakeholder Engagement, Research and Communication

This report consists of items that have been referred by Committee and/or Council. Stakeholder engagement, if any, is specific to the needs of each project.

Strategic Alignment

The items referred to the 2016 Resilience Budget maintain the direction and priorities established in the approved *Action* Plan 2015-2018 (C2014-0863).

Social, Environmental, Economic (External)

The items referred to the 2016 Resilience Budget represent the continued achievement of social, environmental and economic goals (i.e. in line with The Triple Bottom Line Policy) as outlined in *Action* Plan.

Financial Capacity

Current and Future Operating Budget:

This report is for information only. There will be no budget impacts unless Council chooses to fund any of the items in Attachment 1. In that case, an amendment to the recommendation in the 2016 Resilience Budget report would be required (C2015-0696).

Current and Future Capital Budget:

This report is for information only. There are no capital budget impacts as a result of this report.

Risk Assessment

The items referred to the 2016 Resilience Budget are currently unfunded and are brought forward for information in response to Council direction. If Council decides not to fund these items, it will not be possible to achieve the outcomes related to each item. If Council decides to fund these items using base funding, the tax rate increase for 2016 will be affected unless some other source of offsetting base revenues is identified.

REASON(S) FOR RECOMMENDATION(S):

Administration is bringing forward these referred items for Council information as per Council direction.

ATTACHMENT(S)

1. Items Referred to the 2016 Resilience Budget.