

**CITY OF VAUGHAN**  
**REPORT NO. 63 OF THE**  
**SPECIAL COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**

*For consideration by the Council  
of the City of Vaughan  
on December 15, 2020*

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The Special Committee of the Whole met at 7:02 p.m., on December 8, 2020.

Council Member	In-Person	Electronic Participation
Regional Councillor Linda Jackson, Chair	X	
Mayor Maurizio Bevilacqua		X
Regional Councillor Mario Ferri		X
Regional Councillor Gino Rosati		X
Councillor Marilyn Iafrate	X	
Councillor Tony Carella		X
Councillor Rosanna DeFrancesca		X
Councillor Sandra Yeung Racco		X
Councillor Alan Shefman		X

The following items were dealt with:

**1. DRAFT 2021 BUDGET AND 2022 FINANCIAL PLAN (REFERRED)**

**The Special Committee of the Whole (Budget) recommends:**

- 1) That the report of the Deputy City Manager, Corporate Services and Chief Financial Officer dated December 8, 2020 be referred to the December 15, 2020 Special Council (Budget) meeting at 7:00 p.m. to continue deliberations;**
- 2) That the following be approved in accordance with Communication C1, memorandum from the Senior Art Curator and Planner and the Acting Director, Economic and Cultural Development, dated December 8, 2020, and be referred to the December 15, 2020 Special Council (Budget) meeting to continue deliberations:**

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1. That staff be authorized to investigate the acquisition of an individual collection of original works of art:
  - a. currently available in the marketplace (and not already accessible to the public through a recognized public sector gallery);
  - b. that depicts subjects illustrating the natural and built environments within the Township of Vaughan and the Village of Woodbridge, the Town of Vaughan and the City of Vaughan;
  - c. that exhibits artistic value and holds curatorial merit subject to the evaluation of the Senior Art Curator and Planner; and
2. That staff return to a future Committee of the Whole to report on the results of the investigation that inform a recommendation and receive approval to acquire identified works;
3. That staff bring forward an Art and Artist Stewardship Policy Framework in 2021 to guide the Corporation in employing best practice to manage and advance collection asset management, art acquisition and integration, exhibition development and artist remuneration;
- 3) That the presentations by staff and presentation material entitled “2021 Budget and 2022 Financial Plan” be received; and
- 4) That the comments from the following speakers be received:
  1. Mr. Kevin Hanit, Queensbridge Drive, Concord;
  2. Mr. Jean-François Obregon, Laurel Valley Court, Concord; and
  3. Mr. Richard Lorello, Treelawn Boulevard, Kleinburg.

**Recommendations**

The Special Committee of the Whole (Budget), at its meeting of December 2, 2020 recommended the following (Item 1, Report No. 60):

Recommendation of the Special Committee of the Whole (Budget) meeting of December 2, 2020:

1. That the report of the Deputy City Manager, Corporate Services and Chief Financial Officer dated December 2, 2020 be referred to the December 8, 2020 Special Committee of the Whole (Budget) meeting at 7:00 p.m. to continue deliberations;

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2. That the presentation by the Deputy City Manager, Corporate Services and Chief Financial Officer, and C1, presentation material titled "Proposed 2021 Budget and 2022 Financial Plan", be received;
3. That appropriate staff be directed to bring forward within the present budgetary cycle a report on how the City might acquire original works of art:
  - i. currently available for purchase in the art marketplace (i.e., not already within the public domain, as in the McMichael Canadian Collection); and
  - ii. the subjects of which are the natural and built environments within the Township of Vaughan and the Village of Woodbridge, the Town of Vaughan and the City of Vaughan; and such report to include:
    1. How many items meeting the above criteria exhibit genuine artistic value;
    2. What the individual and collective purchase price might be; and
    3. Where the said artwork might best be exhibited;
- 4) That staff investigate ways and means of funding the repair/replacement of the skating rink at the Sports Village in order to include such repair/replacement in the 2022 Budget, and that a report come back in Q1 of 2021; and
5. That comments from the following speakers be received:
  1. Mr. Kevin Hanit, Queensbridge Drive, Concord;
  2. Mr. Richard Lorello, Treelawn Boulevard, Kleinburg; and
  3. Mr. Hiten Patel, Thornhill Woods Drive, Thornhill.

Recommendations and Report of the Deputy City Manager, Corporate Services and Chief Financial Officer, dated December 2, 2020:

1. That the consolidated City of Vaughan's proposed 2021 Budget and 2022 Financial Plan as attached in volumes 1, 2 and 3 be received and approved, including:
  - a. Tax supported 2021 operating budget with gross expenditures of \$317.9 million;
  - b. Rate-supported water, wastewater and stormwater 2021 operating budget of \$170.9 million;
  - c. 2021 capital budget, including 396 projects of \$290.8 million;
2. That the fee schedules as outlined in volume 3 be approved and be effective as of January 1, 2021;

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3. That the 2021 water and wastewater rates come into effect from April 1, 2021;
  4. That all necessary by-laws be enacted; and
  5. That the Chief Financial Officer and City Treasurer be authorized to make any necessary in-year adjustments within the total approved 2021 operating and capital budgets, with no tax-levy impacts, to reflect organizational changes, reallocation of costs and capital project adjustments.
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The meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Regional Councillor Linda Jackson, Chair