### MEETING OF THE FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE OF THE CITY OF GREATER SUDBURY

#### **Council Chamber** Tuesday, June 19, 2012 **Tom Davies Square** Commencement: 6:00 p.m. Chair **COUNCILLOR TERRY KETT, IN THE CHAIR** Councillors Cimino; Barbeau; Berthiaume; Dutrisac; Dupuis; Present Rivest; Kilgour, Belli; Craig; Caldarelli; Landry-Altmann; Mayor Matichuk Doug Nadorozny, Chief Administrative Officer; Greg Clausen, City Officials General Manager of Infrastructure Services; Ron Henderson, Acting General Manager of Community Development; Bill Lautenbach, General Manager of Growth & Development; Tim Beadman, Chief of Emergency Services; Lorella Hayes, Chief Financial Officer/Treasurer; Ian Wood, Director of Economic Development; Eliza Bennett, Manager of Communications & French Language Services; Barbara Dubois, Senior Budget Analyst; Brent Fleury, Senior Budget Analyst; Brigitte Sobush, Deputy City Solicitor; Franca Bortolussi, Committee Secretary Declarations of None declared. Pecuniary Interest Welcome and Opening The Chair welcomed those in attendance and advised that the Remarks purpose of the session was to receive input from the public regarding the 2013 budget. Additional Submissions package was distributed to Committee Members at the meeting. **PUBLIC INPUT** A speakers' list was available and submissions were heard in the order that they appeared. Sudbury Indoor Tennis Janice Worms and Cliff Richardson, Sudbury Indoor Tennis Centre, made an electronic presentation outlining the services the Centre Sudbury Indoor Tennis Centre and their proposed new facility. They requested funding for site preparation, fence removal and grass maintenance for the new structure.

Rainbow District Animal Richard L. Paquette's speaking notes were distributed to Committee Members at the meeting. Control Shelter Services Richard L. Paquette, Rainbow District Animal Control Shelter Services, made an electronic presentation regarding spay/neuter clinics. He requested the continuation of the current spay/neuter voucher program and a municipally funded spay/neuter clinic. Cambrian College Sylvia Barnard, President, Cambrian College, stated that, when the student residence building are transferred to a third party, those building will no longer be exempt from property taxes as per MPAC's regulations. She requested a grant in the amount of the property tax assessed once the ownership to the buildings has been transferred. Good Food Box Colleen Fraser, Good Food Box, stated that the Sudbury Good Food Box Program provides fresh, affordable and healthy fruit and vegetables for everyone and requested funding in the amount of \$26,700 annually for their operating costs. SportLink Greater Michael Ladouceur, Executive Director, SportLink Greater Sudbury Sport Council, and Randy Pascal, President, SportLink Sudbury Sport Council Greater Sudbury Sport Council. Randy Pascal stated that sports tourism is a big business and requested funding for the Sports Tourism Strategy. St. Joseph's Health Jo-Ann Palkovits, Chief Executive Officer, St. Joseph's Health Centre (Villa St. Gabriel Centre, requested a property tax rebate in the amount 15% of the Villa) property taxes being the amount not reimbursed by the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care. Transit Service to Villa Gloria Richer and Diane Proulx, concerned resident of Villa St. St. Gabriel Villa Gabriel Villa, made an electronic presentation regarding transit service to the Villa. They stated that the current options do not meet the needs of the residents, staff, volunteers and visitors and explained the problems. They requested regular Transit Service at Villa St. Gabriel Villa. Sustainable Mobility Samantha Baulch and Carole Craig, Sustainable Mobility Advisory Advisory Panel Panel, made an electronic presentation regarding the Sustainable Mobility Advisory Panel. They requested commitment to long term plans for sustainable mobility networks and continued funding for sustainable mobility components of infrastructure projects.

Downtown Village Development <u>Corporation</u>	Susan Thompson, Managing Director, Downtown Village Development Corporation, made an electronic presentation regarding the Downtown Master Plan Year One Priorities. She requested funding to assist with the completion of the Innovation Technology Park, Elgin Greenway and residential incentives.
Downtown Sudbury	Jeff MacIntyre, Chair, Downtown Sudbury, requested seed money for various projects in the downtown area.
Greater Sudbury <u>Taxpayers Association</u>	Dan Melanson, President, Greater Sudbury Taxpayers Association, stated that spending needs to be controlled, all programs should be reviewed and justified, all employee positions should be reviewed and justified and efficient and cost effective ways to provide services should be found. He requested that Councillor wages be frozen.
Greater Sudbury Taxpayers Association	Paul Demers, Vice-President, Greater Sudbury Taxpayers Association, stated the City should concentrate on core services. He also stated the City has four websites and asked for justification as to why there is not only one. He suggested things that are questionable should be divested, i.e. trailer parks.
Greater Sudbury Taxpayers Association	Brent Edwards, Greater Sudbury Taxpayers Association, commented on the Auditor General's successes and stated the Auditor General should have a higher degree of independence and his contract should be renewed. He requested a review of department spending and a review of the use of HCI funds.
Sudbury Minor Baseball <u>Association</u>	Bryan Keith, President, Sudbury Minor Baseball Association, recommended a partnership between the City and the Association. He requested funding for the installation of lights on the fourth field at the Terry Fox sports Complex which will increase the use resulting in increased user fees.
Sudbury Cyclists Union	Rachelle Niemela and Kim Roy, Sudbury Cyclists Union, made an electronic presentation regarding the Sudbury Cyclists Union. They requested funding for the position of a City Active Transportation Coordinator, development of a wayfinding map and user friendly transportation web page and promotion of cycling.
Ramsey Lake <u>Stewardship Committee</u>	Elaine Porter, Ramsey Lake Stewardship Committee, requested a watershed study of Ramsey Lake at a cost of approximately \$100,000 or, at least, a phosphorus study of Ramsey Lake at a cost of approximately \$53,800.

Friends of Sudbury <u>Transit</u>	Glen Murray, Friends of Sudbury Transit, stated that ridership is predicted by the Canadian Urban Transit Association to increase from 75 to 100% by 2040. He requested funding for map frames, infoposts, shelters and bike racks.
Veterans in Greater <u>Sudbury</u>	Ron Robitaille, Irish Regiment (Sudbury) Association & Royal Canadian Legion Branch 76, on behalf of Veterans in Greater Sudbury, requested that veterans be permitted 4 hours of free parking in the City with a valid 'poppy' vehicle plate.
Pet Save	Jill Pessot, Pet Save, requested that the existing spay/neuter contract budget be used for a privately run spay/neuter client in a municipally purchased building. She provided a Business Plan for Committee Members.
Coalition for a Liveable <u>Sudbury et al</u>	Naomi Grant, on behalf of Coalition for a Liveable Sudbury, Connect the Creek Partnership, Eat Local Sudbury, The Foodshed Project, Friends of the Roxborough Greenbelt, Friends of Sudbury Transit, Greater Sudbury Watershed Alliance, GreenSudbury, Junction Creek Stewardship Committee, Ramsey Lake Stewardship Committee, reThink Green, Sudbury Cyclists Union, and Vermillion River Stewardship, made an electronic presentation. She requested funding to meet the objectives of the Sustainable Mobility Plan and the Bicycle Technical Master Plan, for watershed and phosphorus studies for Ramsey Lake, for acquiring green space as outlined in the Green Space Advisory Panel Final Report, for completion of the Junction Creek Waterway Park and for local food events.
Minnow Lake Community Action Network and Friendly to <u>Seniors</u>	John Lindsay, Minnow Lake Community Action Network and Friendly to Seniors, made an electronic presentation with budget suggestions. His suggestions were performance improvement savings, focusing on needed road development and image improvement/citizen communication includ8ing changes to the Leisure Guide.
Sudbury Rainbow Crime <u>Stoppers</u>	Mark Bidal, Sudbury Rainbow Crime Stoppers, provided a background and statistics of 25 years in the Community. He requested funding of \$50,000 annually for ongoing operating costs due to decreased funding from other sources.
Laurentian University Graduate Students' <u>Association</u>	Nirosha Murugan, Laurentian University Graduate Students' Association, requested the U-Pass for bus service for Master and PHD students as is currently available to graduate and undergraduate students.

Safeguarding Animals	Marianne Stonehouse suggested packaging current registration fee costs with retail discounts at participating local merchants (PetSmart, Pet Valu, etc.). She also requested support for the spay/neuter clinic.
Road Priority Projects	Richard L. Paquette suggested the list of roads priority projects be reviewed, i.e. MR 35 between Azilda and Chelmsford and the Lasalle Boulevard/Notre Dame Avenue intersection.
Closing Remarks	The Chair thanked those in attendance and advised that written submissions will be accepted until June 25, 2012.
<u>Adjournment</u>	Cimino/Rivest: THAT this meeting does now adjourn. Time: 8:25 p.m.

Councillor Terry Kett, Chair

Brigitte Sobush, Deputy City Clerk