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LONG RANGE FINANCIAL PLAN V – WATER,
WASTEWATER AND STORMWATER SUPPORTED PROGRAMS

ACS2017-CSD-FIN-0023

CITY WIDE

REPORT RECOMMENDATION:

That the Environment and Climate Protection Committee recommend Council receive and adopt the strategy described in this report.

Please note: This item was considered in conjunction with ECPC Council Report 15, Item No. 2, Comprehensive Asset Management Program Update – Water and Sewer Rate Supported Programs (ACS2017-PIE-IS-0010).

At the outset, Mr. Alain Gonthier, Director, Infrastructure Services, Planning, Infrastructure and Economic Development Department (PIEDD), introduced Mr. Kelly Martin, Manager, Asset Management, PIEDD, Ms. Shelley McDonald, Manager, Asset Management, PIEDD and Ms. Isabelle Jasmin, Deputy City Treasurer, Corporate Finance, Corporate Services Department.

Ms. McDonald spoke to a detailed PowerPoint slide presentation which served to provide an overview of the Comprehensive Asset Management Program Update – Water and Sewer Rate Supported Programs report (ACS2017-PIE-IS-0010). Ms. Jasmin spoke to a detailed PowerPoint slide presentation overview of the Long Range Financial Plan V – Water, Wastewater and Stormwater Supported Programs report (ACS2017-CSD-FIN-0023). A copy of both presentations is held on file with the City Clerk).

Staff had earlier noted errors contained within Tables 11 and 13 of the report, and requested that they be corrected. Councillor Chiarelli moved the following:

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MOTION N^o ECPC 16/01

Moved by Councillor R. Chiarelli:

WHEREAS Report ACS2017-CSD-FIN-0023 includes numerous tables to highlight financial information, and;

WHEREAS errors have been discovered in Table 11 (Wastewater), on page 18 of the report, and;

WHEREAS errors have been discovered in Table 13 (Total Rate Supported), on page 18 of the report;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT, to correct the errors noted above, the Environment and Climate Protection Committee approve the substitution of the original Table 11 and Table 13 of the report with the following revised tables:

REVISED TABLE 11 - WASTEWATER

2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027
5%	5%	5%	4%	4%	3%	3%	3%	3%	3%
139.1	145.9	153.1	159.1	165.4	170.3	175.4	180.6	185.9	191.5

REVISED TABLE 13 – TOTAL RATE SUPPORTED

2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027
5.6%	5.5%	5.0%	4.8%	4.9%	4.2%	4.3%	4.4%	4.2%	4.2%
363.1	383.1	402.4	421.6	442.0	460.5	480.4	501.8	522.6	544.8

CARRIED

Members raised a number of concerns and requests for information with regard to the Long Range Financial Plan V - Water, Wastewater and Stormwater

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Supported Programs report, touching upon the issuance of debentures; requests for greater clarity regarding actual dollar figure amounts represented by the percentages referenced within report tables; and budgeting methodology, along with concerns raised by Councillor Moffatt with respect to the stormwater rate. A Direction to Staff was also provided, as noted further below.

Councillor Chiarelli indicated that he was moving referral of the matter to Council so that these issues could be addressed. As this report was considered in conjunction with the Comprehensive Asset Management Program Update – Water and Sewer Rate Supported Programs report, that report would also be deferred to the Council meeting of 27 September 2017.

MOTION N^o ECPC 16/02

Moved by Councillor R. Chiarelli:

That the Environment and Climate Protection Committee refer Items 2 (Long Range Financial Plan V - Water, Wastewater and Stormwater Supported Programs) as amended, and 3 (Comprehensive Asset Management Program Update – Water and Sewer Rate Supported Programs) to City Council.

CARRIED

DIRECTION TO STAFF:

That staff make available the Motion or wording that was provided in reference to Committee discussions during its consideration of the Recommended Water, Wastewater, and Stormwater Rate Structure (ECPC meeting of 18 October 2016, ACS2017-CSD-FIN-0008) that spoke to the need for public engagement with regard to any proposed increases in rates.

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From the ECPC meeting of 18 October 2016:

*Recommended Water, Wastewater, and Stormwater Rate Structure
(ACS2016-CSD-FIN-0008), ECPC Agenda 11, Item 3*

DIRECTION TO STAFF:

Staff has indicated that they will undertake a regular review of the rate structure as part of future long-range financial plans. Given the importance of public participation in this review, that staff take as direction, and commit to undertaking a similar public engagement process if they are going to recommend any future, non-administrative changes to the rate structure.