

# **Minutes**

# Toronto Transit Commission Budget Committee

Meeting No.: 7

Meeting Date: Wednesday, September 21, 2016

A meeting of the TTC Budget Committee was held in the 7<sup>th</sup> Floor Executive Boardroom at 1900 Yonge Street, Toronto, Ontario, on Wednesday, September 21, 2016 commencing at 9:10 a.m.

## **Committee Members**

### Present

Josh Colle (Chair), Rick Byers, John Campbell, Shelley Carroll and Joe Mihevc (Commissioners).

## TTC Staff

A. Byford (Chief Executive Officer), V. Rodo (Chief Financial & Administration Officer), J. Taylor (Chief of Staff), S. Reed Tanaka (Chief Capital Officer), R. Leary (Chief Service Officer), C. Upfold (Deputy CEO & Chief Customer Officer), M. Palmer (Acting - Chief Operating Officer), B. Ross (Executive Director – Corporate Communications), M. Roche (Head – Finance & Treasurer), P. Buttigieg (Director – Budgets, Costing & Financial Reporting), K. Lee (Head – Commission Services), D. McDonald (Co-ordinator – Secretariat Services) were present.

J. Colle was in the Chair.

## **Declaration of Interest - Municipal Conflict of Interest Act**

Nil

### Minutes of the Previous Meeting

Commissioner Byers moved that the Committee approve the minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday, September 6, 2016.

The motion by Commissioner Byers carried.

#### **Business Arising Out of the Minutes**

Nil

### **Public Presentations**

1. Preliminary 2017 TTC and Wheel-Trans Operating Budgets

- Jessica Bell TTCriders
- Alan Yule
- Mazin Aribi Chair, Advisory Committee on Accessible Transit

The Committee received the deputations for information (See Item No. 1 for minute)

#### **Presentations/Reports/Other Business**

1. Preliminary 2017 TTC and Wheel-Trans Operating Budgets

A. Byford, Chief Executive Officer delivered a PowerPoint presentation on this item.

The Committee received the presentation for information and approved the recommendations in the staff report, as follows:

"It is recommended that the Budget Committee:

- 1) Endorse the initiatives proposed in this report to achieve the -2.6% budget reduction target set by City Council, amounting to \$15.8 million; and
- 2) Direct staff to develop a list of options to address the remaining year-over-year budget pressures identified in this report to be included with the 2017 budgets when they are submitted to the TTC Board for approval later this fall".

Chair Colle moved the following ancillary motion:

i) That staff report back when the 2017 budgets are presented to the TTC Board on the status of the major transformational projects currently underway and the work ongoing to modernize public transit in Toronto. Staff should include in that report the anticipated cost savings that will be realized as a result of these initiatives on the TTC operating budget over the next 3-5 years.

The motion by Chair Colle carried.

Commissioner Campbell moved the following ancillary motions:

- ii) To report back to the Board on the financial impact of providing no charge TTC service to Wheel Trans riders for a period of one year for the purpose of encouraging and enabling transition to the regular TTC service for those who are able.
- iii) To report back to the Board on the effect on the inspection rate and incremental revenue from adding an additional 20 fare inspectors to the current staff compliment of 80.

The motions by Commissioner Campbell carried.

Commissioner Mihevc moved the following ancillary motion:

iv) Request the Province to return to support the TTC's operating budget by covering the historic 50% of the operating deficit.

The motion by Commissioner Mihevc carried.

The meeting adjourned at 11:22 a.m.