

# THIRD MEETING OF THE 2015 BUDGET COMMITTEE CANADA ROOM, MARKHAM CIVIC CENTRE February 9, 2015

#### **MINUTES**

#### Attendance:

Members Present:	Staff Present:
Mayor Frank Scarpitti (ex-officio)	Andy Taylor, Chief Administrative Officer
Deputy Mayor Heath (ex-officio)	Jim Baird, Commissioner of Development Services
Councillor Logan Kanapathi, Chair	Trinela Cane, Commissioner of Corporate Services
Councillor Amanda Collucci, Vice-Chair	Brenda Librecz, Commissioner of Community & Fire
Regional Councillor Nirmala Armstrong	Services
Councillor Alex Chiu	Joel Lustig, Treasurer
Councillor Don Hamilton	Catherine Biss, Chief Executive Officer, Markham
Councillor Alan Ho	Public Libraries
Councillor Karen Rea	Mary Creighton, Director of Recreation
	Phoebe Fu, Director of Asset Management
Guests:	Moe Hosseini-Ara, Director of Culture
Regional Councillor Jim Jones	Peter Loukes, Director of Environmental Services
Councillor Valerie Burke	Bob Nicholson, Director of Operations
	Andrea Tang, Manager of Financial Planning
	Laura Gold, Council/Committee Coordinator

The Budget Committee convened at 9:06 am with Councillor Kanapathi presiding as Chair.

#### 1. CONTINUATION OF THE REVIEW OF THE CAPITAL BUDGET

## **Finance**

Item No.	Description	Discussion
15104	Internal Project	Staff explained that this project relates to staff recovery of the
	Management -	portion of work that is growth related. This project is funded from
	\$899,000	Development Charges.

Moved by Councillor Hamilton Seconded by Collucci That the Budget Committee approve the Finance Capital Budget Item No. 15104.

**CARRIED** 

## **Corporate Communications**

Item No.	Description	Discussion
15108	Replacement of	
	Backlift Frames for	
	Advertising in	
	Facilities - \$69,600	

Moved by Councillor Hamilton Seconded by Councillor Chiu

That the Budget Committee approve the Corporate Communications Capital Budget item No. 15104.

**CARRIED** 

#### **Culture**

Item No.	Description	Discussion
15109	Corporate	A Member asked about the grant that was obtained for the
	Volunteer	project. Staff advised that it is a provincial grant of \$50k over 2
	Management	years, and it requires matching funds from the City.
	Program -\$31,000	
15112	Culture Public Art -	A brief overview of the role of the Public Art Coordinator was
	\$249,200	provided.

Moved by Councillor Alan Ho Seconded by Councillor Amanda Collucci

That the Culture Capital Budget Item Nos. 15109 and 15112 be approved as presented.

**CARRIED** 

#### Museum

Item No.	Description	Discussion
15113	Museum Annual	A Member asked if the buildings requiring replacement were at

	Building Maintenance Program - \$179,000	the end of their lifecycle. Staff advised that these buildings were scheduled for rehabilitation under the lifecycle reserve. All the work as outlined on the request form were based on the outcome of the inspection done in 2013.  The Committee asked why there were so many museum buildings requiring rehabilitation. Staff advised that some of the work to museum buildings had been postponed pending on the outcome of the inpsection, which created a backlog.  It was clarified that none of the requests are for the museum collections building, and over \$500k relate to site improvements
		such as improving the water removal system and the roadway around the site.  A Member suggested that the City should only accept donations of artefacts that it is feasible to maintain overtime.
15114	Museum Artefact Restoration - \$30,000	
15115	Museum Exhibitions - \$15,000	
15116	Museum Facility Improvements - \$306,800	
15117	Museum HVAC – Transportation Building -\$44,300	
15118	Museum Kinnee Barn Repairs - \$187,700	A Member asked what type of repairs will be done to the barn. Staff advised that the barn is being fixed up so that it can be used for programs and to generate revenue, as it is currently not safe to use.
15119	Museum Painting - \$63,000	
15120	Museum Site Improvements - \$507,500	
15121	Museum Strategic Plan - \$30,000	A Member asked if it would be possible to have a park on the museum property. Staff advised that this could be considered as part of the Museum's strategic planning process if Council provided this direction. Staff did not recommend this option for security reasons.
15122	Museum Strickler Barn Design -	

\$26,900	

Moved by Councillor Armstrong Seconded by Deputy Mayor Heath

That the Budget Committee approve the Museum Capital Budget Item Nos. 15113, 15114, 15115, 15116, 15117, 15118, 15119, 15120, 15121, and 15122.

**CARRIED** 

#### **Theatre**

Item No.	Description	
15123	Theatre Cabinets	
	and Riser	
	Replacements -	
	\$22,600	
15124	Theatre Facility	
	Lighting - \$25,800	
15125	Theatre Lighting,	A Member asked if the Theatre's sound system had been recently
	Audio, AV & Stage	replaced. Staff advised that this project is specifically for lighting
	Equipment -	and equipment replacement. Previous year's request was for
	\$150,300	seating replacement.
15126	Theatre Lobby &	
	Backstage Painting	
	-\$50,300	
15127	Theatre Rehearsal	A Member asked which theatres the City is competing with. Staff
	Hall Improvements	advised that the Richmond Hill Theatre is Markham's biggest
	-\$24,600	competitor. The improvements are being undertaken to ensure
		the theatre remains an enjoyable destination for residents.
15128	Theatre Roofing	
	Fall Arrest System -	
	\$17,900	

Moved by Councillor Chiu Seconded by Councillor Ho

The Budget Committee approved the Theatre Capital Budget Item Nos. 15123, 15124, 15125, 15126, 15127, and 15128.

**CARRIED** 

#### **Art Centres**

Item No.	Description	Discussion
15129	Gallery Common	
	Area Works -	
	\$58,200	
15130	Gallery Courtyard	
	Design - \$20,400	
15132	Gallery Floor	
	Painting/Sealant -	
	\$14,400	
15133	Gallery McKay	
	Exterior Painting -	
	\$30,500	

Moved by Councillor Collucci Seconded by Councillor Ho

That the Budget Committee Approve the Arts Centre Capital Budget Item Nos. 15129, 15130, 15132, and 15133.

**CARRIED** 

# **Commissioner's Office-Community & Fire**

Item No.	Description	Discussion
15135	2015-Business	A Member asked if the City is required to have a Business
	Continuity Plan –	Continuity Plan and if it has had one in the past. Staff advised that
	Phase 2 of 2 -	the project is to update and improve the City's existing Business
	\$50,900	Continuity Plan. The plan will be reviewed annually once
		completed.
15137	Municipal	
	Designation	
	Program – Pan Am	
	Components -	
	\$100,000	

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## Moved by Councillor Rea Seconded by Councillor Chiu

That the Budget Committee approved the Commission Office & Community Fire Capital Budget Item Nos. 15135 and 15137.

**CARRIED** 

## **Fire & Emergency Services**

Item No.	Description	Discussion
15138	Bunker Gear Life Cycle Replacement -\$151,500	
15139	Fire Station 99 – Requirements for 2 <sup>nd</sup> Crew Fire Station Signs - 18,300	A Member asked why the fire station was undergoing changes to its design when it is a relatively new fire station. Staff advised that the fire station was originally designed to accommodate one fire crew and that the changes are required to accommodate a second fire crew.
15140	Fire Station Signs - \$40,700	There were discussions on the fire stations electronic signs. The signs will be able to be updated from a central location. The signs will continue to work in a power outage, as the fire stations all have back-up generators. Light pollution will be considered when purchasing the electric signs. The signs are part of a greater communication strategy to reach out to residents, especially in emergency situations.  A Member requested that staff provide a memorandum on how the signs will work. It was also suggested that the project be rolled out in 2016 rather than in 4 phases. Staff will consider this request as part of the 2016 budget review.  A Member requested a status of the electronic signs policy and report back to the Committee.
15142	Firefighting Tools & Equipment for 2 <sup>nd</sup> Crew - \$101,000	
15143	Hazardous Materials Equipment and Thermal Cameras - \$26,700	
15144	Replacement of Equipment due to	

	Staff Retirement – \$95,000	
15145	Special Rescue – Rope - \$25,400	
	Rope - \$25,400	
15146	Station 95 East	
	Apparatus Apron -	
	\$15,300	

## Moved by Councillor Chiu Seconded by Councillor Rea

That the Budget Committee approve the Fire & Emergency Services Capital Budget Item Nos. 15138, 15139, 15140, 15142, 15143, 15144, 15145, and 15146.

**CARRIED** 

## **Recreations Services**

Item No.	Description	Discussion
15147	Angus Glen Counter Top Replacement \$22,400	A Member questioned why this item was not included under the Life Cycle Reserve Fund. Staff advised that due to being a reconfiguration of the desk rather than a lifecycle replacement it is not included under the reserve fund. Life Cycle replacement is for like-with-like asset replacement.
15148	Angus Glen Pool Security Reconfiguration - \$76,300	A Member suggested that residents may raise concerns that they can no longer enter the building from the pool/gymnasium doorway. Staff advised that residents received a lot of notification on this change.
15149	Angus Glen Rink Board Replacement - \$22,000	
15150	Armadale C.C. Blind Replacement - \$9,700	
15151	Armadale C.C. Lobby Replacement Renovation - \$35,600	
15152	Buttonville Institute Replacement of	The Committee questioned where this property is located and what it is being used for. Staff advised that the property is located on Woodbine Avenue just north of Beaver Creek and that it is

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	concrete Stairs - \$15,100	currently be used part time by a nursery school. Staff will be reviewing if it is within the community's interest to keep the property.
		Councillor Alan Ho and Deputy Mayor Heath were interested in having a tour of the property.
15153	Centennial C.C. Pool Change Room Doors -\$17,900	
15154	Clatworthy Arena Boiler Replacement - \$6,600	
15155	Clatworthy Arena Door Replacement - \$28,500	
15157	Crosby Arena Exterior Wall Installation - \$68,300	A Member suggested using spray foam for the insulation.
15158	Crosby Arena South Board Room Cabinets -\$8,200	
15159	Markham Village First Floor Washroom Replacement - \$66,400	
15160	Milliken Mills C.C - Library Carpet - \$88,400	
15161	Milliken Mills C.C - Administrative Work Stations - \$28,100	
15162	Milliken Mills C.C – Flooring Multi Purpose Room C - \$11,200	
15163	Milliken Mills C.C – HVAC Replacement - \$62,200	
15164	Milliken Mills C.C – tables and pool viewing furniture - \$24,400	

15165	Milliken Mills C.C –	
13103	Soccer Dome	
	Emergency Exit	
	Door Replacement	
	- \$9,200	
15166	Milliken Mills C.C –	
	Soccer Dome	
	Fence/Gates -	
	\$10,200	
15167	Milliken Mills C.C –	
	Soccer Dome	
	Washroom	
	Renovations -	
	\$10,200	
15168	Morgon Pool Sand	Staff advised that City is developing a revitalization plan for
	Filter Replacement	Morgan Park and that only necessary work will be undertaken at
	- \$6,600	the park at this time.
15169	Mount Joy Boiler	
	Replacement -	
	\$22,400	
15171	Recreation – Older	The Committee requested that Senior's Advisory Committee be
	Adult Plan -	consulted when developing the Recreation Older Adult Plan. Staff
	\$76,300	advised that the Committee would be a key stakeholder in the
		development of the plan.
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		A Member asked why a consultant is required to develop the plan.
		Staff advised that City does not have the staff resources to develop
		the plan internally at this time. The City has applied for a grant, and if successful, will be used to fund the project.
15172	Recreation AED	and it successful, will be used to fund the project.
13172	Program - \$8,200	
15173	Recreation Aquatic	
13173	Equipment-	
	\$56,400	
15174	Recreation Fitness	A Member asked if it was necessary for the fitness equipment to
	Equipment -	be replaced and what is done with the old equipment once
	\$128,700	replaced. Staff advised that it is necessary to replace the
		equipment to be in line with industry standards and to continue to
		attract new members. Depending on the condition of the
		equipment, the supplier will take the older equipment and provide
		a discount against the new equipment purchased. Some
		equipment is also used for employee fitness rooms.
15176	Recreation	
	Program	
	Equipment -	

	\$65,000	
15177	Recreation Table &	
	Chairs	
	Replacement -	
	\$48,100	
15178	Rouge River C.C.	
	Bathroom	
	Renovation -	
	\$45,500	
15179	Rouge River C.C.	
	Kitchen Equipment	
	- \$7,600	
15180	Rouge River C.C.	
	Lighting - \$10,200	
15181	Rouge River/	
	Markham Green	
	Golf Course	
	Irrigation - \$6,600	
15183	Thornhill C.C. –	
	Arena Bleacher	
	Replacement -	
45404	\$22,400	
15184	Thornhill C.C. –	
	Flooring	
	Replacement - \$29,500	
15185	Thornhill C.C. –	
13103	Library Lighting	
	Upgrades -	
	\$101,800	
15186	Thornhill C.C. –	
13100	Scaffold	
	Replacement -	
	\$7,600	
15187	Thornhill C.C. –	
	Washroom	
	Partitions - \$15,300	
15188	Thornhill C.C. –	The Committee discussed the need to modernize the Fire Side
	Halls Wall Covering	Lounge at the Thornhill Community Centre. Staff advised that they
	Replacement -	are looking at re-painting the lounge.
	\$18,300	
15189	Thornhill C.C. –	A Member asked if the two signs being replaced at the Thornhill
	Marque	Community Centre was part of the City's electronic sign strategy.
	Replacement -	Staff confirmed that the electronic signs will be used as part of the
	\$40,900	City's strategy to communicate with residents.

15190	Thornlea Pool	
	Ceramic Tile	
	Replacement -	
	\$37,800	
15191	Thornlea Pool	
	Fisher Valve	
	Replacement -	
	\$10,200	
15192	Unionville Train	A Member asked if the interior or the exterior of the Community
	Station Painting -	Centre was being painted. Staff advised that some of the interior
	\$25,500	and exterior of the Community Centre will be painted.
15193	Water St Seniors	
	Centre Millwork	
	Replacement -	
	\$66,500	

#### Moved by Councillor Hamilton Seconded by Mayor Scarpitti

That the Budget Committee approve the Recreation Capital Budget Item Nos. 15147, 15148, 15149, 15150, 15151, 15152, 15153, 15154, 15155, 15157, 15158, 15159, 15160, 15161, 15162, 15163, 15164, 15165, 15166, 15167, 15168, 15169, 15171, 15172, 15173, 15174, 15176, 15177, 15178, 15179, 15180, 15181, 15183, 15184, 15185, 15186, 15187, 15188, 15189, 15190, 15191, 15192, and 15193 as presented.

**CARRIED** 

## **Markham Public Library**

Item No.	Description	Discussion
15011 Library Collection - \$1,825,100		A Member asked if the cost of the program was annual cost. Staff advised that the program is an annual program to purchase new materials for the libraries.
		There was a discussion on how a reduction to the library collection budget would impact the library and the Life Cycle Reserve. Staff advised that cutting the budget would deplete the library collection overtime. A one-time budget cut was not recommended, as it is not a sustainable solution to reducing the budget.

15194	Library Electronic Resources Upgrade - \$60,000	
15195	Replace Library Furniture & Equipment - \$65,700	
15196	Replace Library Shelving - \$65,500	

Moved by Deputy Mayor Heath Seconded by Councillor Amanda Collucci

That the Budget Committee approve the Markham Public Library Capital Budget Item Nos. 15011, 15194, 15195, and 15196.

CARRIED

# **Operations - Roads**

Item No.	Description	Discussion
15199	City Owned Fence Replacement Program - \$117,300	There were discussions on replacing fences on City roads that back on to private property. The City will only replace fences on public property that are under its jurisdiction. The City is not responsible for any fence repairs on private properties.  Staff were requested to look to see if the fences on 16 <sup>th</sup> Avenue near Markham Road and the fences on Highway 7 near Montgomery Court were on public or private land. It was noted that both of these are Regional Roads.  Councillor Burke requested a meeting with staff on this matter.  A Member questioned why the guard rails on John Street near Henderson Ave were being replaced. Staff advised that they were being replaced to comply with new provincial legislation.
15200	Don Mills Storm Channel - \$18,700	
15202	Guiderail- Install/Repair/Upgrade - \$114,000	
15207	Retaining Walls	

	Program – \$81,400	
15209	Storm Sewer	
	Inspection – 104,300	
15210	Storm Water	
	Retention Pond	
	Maintenance Program	
	- \$26,100	

Moved by Councillor Ho Seconded by Mayor Scarpitti

That the Budget Committee approve the Operations Road Capital Budget Item Nos. 15199, 15200, 15202, 15207, 15209, and 15210.

**CARRIED** 

# **Operations - Parks**

Description	Discussion
Adopt a Park & Colour Your Corner - \$6,000	The Committee requested that residents that adopt a park be recognized, similarly to the recognition which was provided in the past. Staff advised they could re-instate a volunteer recognition program.  It was also questioned what is being done to grow the program and to encourage residents to adopt a park. There are currently 75 parks in Markham that have been adopted. The program is currently running at capacity with respect to the internal management of the program.
Bleachers (Metal) Replacement - \$85,700	
City Park Furniture/Amenities – \$136,400	A Member suggested having concrete chairs and tables at parks to extend their lifecycle. Staff advised that the material of the amenities selected for park furniture and amenities is based on the demographic of the residents using the equipment. The lifecycle of the park furniture and amenities could also be considered when purchasing these items.  A Member questioned if the Big Belly waste receptacles
	Adopt a Park & Colour Your Corner - \$6,000  Bleachers (Metal) Replacement - \$85,700  City Park Furniture/Amenities —

		were working as intended, and if they are generating the savings they were supposed to provide. Staff advised that the program is under review and that a report will be brought forward to the General Committee on the status of the program and on how it is compares to the traditional waste management strategies.
15215	Court Resurfacing/Reconstruction - \$445,900	
15217	Electrical & Cabling - \$35,500	
15218	Fence (Backstop and Outfield) Replacement - \$182,800	
15219	Fence (Tennis Courts) - \$33,900	
15220	Floodlights, Poles & Cross Arms Replacement - \$513,700	
15221	Gazebo Replacement - \$107,400	
15222	Goal Post Improvements - \$22,400	
15223	Goal Post Replacements - \$20,700	
15224	Markham Trees for Tomorrow - \$120,000	There were discussions on the historyand fundingfor the Trees for Tomorrow program. The Committee hoped that the program would attract corporate donations.
15225	Parks Backflow Prevention Program – Year 1 of 2 - \$150,000	A Member questioned why this infrastructure is required. Staff explained that the infrastructure is required to protect the municipal water system from contamination.
15226	Parks Name & By-Law Signage – Phase 1 of 3 - \$66,000	A Member questioned if the City was initiating the installation of signs prohibiting smoking in play areas of parks. Staff advised that the signs are being installed due to new provincial legislation that prohibits smoking in play areas of parks. The City's By-Law & Enforcement Department has been working with York Region Public Health on the enforcement of the new law.
15227	Paving Pathways/Facilities & Stairway Repairs - \$203,000	Staff advised that the program is to repair existing pathways.  It was suggested that the pathway in Main Street Unionville may qualify for repair under the program. Staff

		advised that a condition assessment of the pathway in Main Street Unionville is scheduled to occur in 2015.  A Member suggested that more permeable materials should be used to pave pathways whenever possible. Staff advised that permeable materials are used on pathways where appropriate.
15228	Play Structure & Rubberized Safety Surface Replacement - \$877,900	
15229	Public Realm-Markham's Shared Places Our Spaces - \$150,000	
15230	Replacement/New Boulevard/Park Trees - \$95,500	
15232	TRCA 50/50 Community Projects - \$20,000	
15233	Volunteer Ice Rink Program - \$15,300	

### Moved by Regional Councillor Armstrong Seconded by Councillor Hamilton

That the Budget Committee approve the Roads-Parks Capital Budget Item Nos. 15212, 15213, 15214, 15217, 15218, 15219, 15220, 15221, 15222, 15223, 15224, 15225, 15226, 15227, 15228, 15229, 15230, 15232, and 15233.

**CARRIED** 

# **Operations- Traffic**

Item No.	Description	Discussion
15234	Pedestrain	
	Accessibility	
	Improvements – PH	
	5 of 6 (Design, CA) -	
	\$121,000	
15235	Power Supply	
	Relocation - Traffic	
	Signals - \$74,500	
15236	Traffic Assets (Life	
	Cycle) Replacement	

	- \$253,400	
15237	Traffic Control	
	Signal Design &	
	Construction -	
	\$382,500	
15238	Traffic Operational	
	Improvements -	
	\$30,500	

Moved by Councillor Ho Seconded by Councillor Collucci

That the Budget Committee approve the Operations – Traffic Capital Budget Item Nos. 15234 -15238.

**CARRIED** 

# **Operations - Fleet**

Item No.	Description	Discussion
15240	Corporate Fleet Replacement – Fire - \$777,400	
15241	Corporate Fleet Replacement – Non-Fire - \$1,649,300	A Member questioned why a vehicle from 2010 is being replaced. Staff confirmed that it was an error, and it should read 2005 instead of 2010.
15243	New Fleet – Parks - \$145,200	
15244	New Fleet – Roads - \$62,800	
15245	New Fleet – Waterworks - \$28,200	
15246	Waterworks Fleet Replacement - \$103,800	
15247	Winter Maintenance Vehicles - \$250,000	

Moved by Councillor Ho Seconded by Councillor Collucci That the Budget Committee approve the Operations – Fleet Capital Budget Item Nos. 15240, 15241, 15243, 15244, 15245, 15246, and 15247.

**CARRIED** 

## **Asset Management - Facility Assets**

Item No.	Description	Discussion
15248	8100 Warden	
	Facility	
	Improvements -	
	\$85,100	
15249	Accessibility	
	Retrofit Program -	
	\$152,300	
15250	Bird Safe Film -	
	\$50,800	
15251	<b>Building Condition</b>	
	Audits – FTE -	
	\$133,600	
15252	Civic Centre	
	Improvements -	
	\$264,300	
15253	Civic Centre Site	A Member asked if staff would be relocating the accessible parking
	Safety and	spots at Civic Centre. Staff advised that the accessible parking
	Accessibility	spots will remain where they are currently, as based on the
	Improvements -	Building Code there is not enough space to move the parking spots
	\$965,200	to the other side of the roadway. The accessibility improvements
		will reduce conflict between cars and pedestrians. The plan also
		includes traffic calming measures, which may include traffic
		blockages and re-directing traffic at certain times of the day.
		The Committee requested a report to the General Committee
		outlining the accessibility improvements being made to civic
		centre.
15254	Corporate	
	Accommodations -	
	\$315,000	
15255	Corporate Security	
	Operations &	
	System Upgrades -	
	\$315,300	
15256	Facility Project	
	engineer –	
	engineer –	

	Contract (Year 3 of	
	3) - \$133,600	
15257	Fire Facility	
	Improvements -	
	\$128,800	
15259	Library Facility	
	Improvements -	
	\$143,300	
15260	Municipal Building	A Member questioned why this item was included under the
	Backflow	Capital rather than Operating Budget. Staff advised that The
	Prevention Testing	backflow devices are included in the Life Cycle Reserve Study and
	- \$20,300	the testing is funded from the Life Cycle Replacement and Capital
		Reserve Fund.
15261	Operations	
	Facilities - Fuel	
	Facilities	
	Improvements -	
	\$1,611,900	
15262	Operations	
	Facilities	
	Improvements -	
	\$418,900	
15263	Other Facility	
	Improvements -	
	\$20,700	
15264	Recycling Depot	
	Improvements -	
	\$26,800	
15265	Roofing	
	Maintenance &	
	Repair - \$50,800	
15267	Satellite	A Member suggested that some of the Satellite Community
	Community Centre	Centres may need more work than being undertaken. Staff
	maintenance &	advised that work being done at the Satellite Community centres
	Repairs - \$50,200	is prioritized based on need.
15269	Tennis Clubhouse	
	Improvements -	
	\$27,900	

Moved by Councillor Collucci Seconded by Deputy Mayor Heath That the Budget Committee approve Capital Budget Item Nos. 15248, 15249, 15250, 15251, 15252, 15253, 15254, 15255, 15256, 15257, 15259, 15260, 15261, 15262, 15263, 15264, 15265, 15267, and 15269.

**CARRIED** 

## **Asset Management - Environmental Assets**

Item No.	Description	Discussion
15271	Storm Sewer Pipe Rehabilitation - \$625,900	
15272	Storm water management pond cleaning - \$1,043,200	Members questioned: (1)how much it costs to clean one storm water management pond; (2) how to determine which storm water ponds require cleaning;(3)how wildlife is protected during the cleaning of the pond; and (4) if the ponds are included in the lifecycle.
		Staff advised that the City has 72 storm water ponds and that condition assessments are done every 5 years to identify and prioritize the ponds that require cleaning. It costs approximately \$0.5M to clean one pond. The City is required to get a permit from TRCA to clean the pond, which requires the City to work with the TRCA to protect the wildlife. All storm water ponds that require cleaning within the next 25 years are included in the Life Cycle Reserve Study.

Moved by Councillor Collucci Seconded by Regional Councillor Armstrong

That the Budget Committee approve the Asset Management – Environment Capital Budget Item Nos. 15271 and 15272.

**CARRIED** 

# **Asset Management - Right-of-way-Assets**

Item No.	Description	Discussion
15275	ROW Assets –	

	Structures Program FTE - \$131,600	
15277	Streetlighting – Miscellaneous Requests - \$101,800	
15278	Streetlights – Pole Replacement Program - \$198,100	A Member questioned where the poles are being replaced. Staff advised that a condition assessment is conducted to determine which poles need to be replaced. The poles being replaced are spread out around the City.
15279	Streetlights – Underground Cable Replacement/Repair - \$2,503,700	A Member questioned if all of Markham's underground cables were being replaced. Staff advised that the City conducts a condition assessment every 5 years on its underground cables to determine which cables need to be replaced. The program helps prevent cable failures. The lifecycle of a underground cable is approximately 40 years.
15280	Structures Rehabilitation (4S Structures) - \$320,400	There was a discussion on where the bridge should be located to maximize its benefit for both people using the trail system and the golf course.
15281	Survey Monument Replacement - \$27,700	

Moved by Councillor Rea Seconded by Regional Councillor Armstrong

That the Budget Committee approve Asset Management – Right-of-Way Management Capital Budget Item Nos. 15275, 15277, 15278, 15279, 15280, and 15281.

**CARRIED** 

## **Waste & Environmental Management**

Item	Description	Discussion
15282	Replenishing the	
	MESF Reserve -	
	\$15,400	
15283	Speciality Recycling	
	Containers	
	Program - \$33,100	

Moved by Councillor Karen Rea Seconded by Regional Councillor Armstrong

That the Budget Committee approve the Waste and Environmental Management Capital Budget Item Nos. 15282, and 15283.

**CARRIED** 

## Waterworks

Item	Description	Discussion
15284	12 Month	
	Wastewater Flow	
	Monitoring – Phase	
	3 of 8 - \$152,600	
15285	Annual leak	
	detection program	
	– Phase 3 of 5 -	
	\$179,100	
15286	Bulk Water Sales	A Member questioned how the bulk water sales station would
	Station - \$101,800	work. A portable station will be put at the side of the road where
		water trucks can refill. The payment for the water will be made
		through a City card that can be topped-up.
15288	Cathodic	
	Protection of Iron	
	Watermains	
	Program -	
	\$555,500	
15289	Equipment	
	Upgrades at Calvert	
	Rd Pumping Station	
45200	- \$111,900	
15290	Manhole Sealing –	
	Phase 1 of 3 -	
15291	\$100,700	
15291	Sanitary Lateral	
	Inspection - \$419,100	
15292		
13232	Sanitary Sewer Design - \$78,400	
15202		
15293	Sanitary Sewer System -	
	Upgrade/Rehab	
	Opgrade/Renab	

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	Program -	
45204	\$1,087,200	
15294	Sanitary System	
	Downspout	
	Disconnection	
	Program –Ph 3 of 5	
	- \$361,700	
15295	Sanitary Trunk	
	Sewer and	
	Manhole	
	Inspection -	
	\$106,300	
15296	Transient Analysis	
	& Flow Test -	
	\$139,900	
15297	Water Fountain	A Member asked if a water fountain was being installed at
	Installation in	Simonston Park. Staff confirmed that a water fountain is being
	SImonston Park -	installed at the park, as part of a pilot project. The fountain will
	\$167,300	be only for filling water bottles.
		A Member suggested consulting park users on the type of water
		fountain they would like at the park.
15299	Water System	
	Physical Condition	
	Assessment -	
	\$223,900	
15300	Water System	
	Upgrade Program -	
	\$299,500	
15301	Watermain	
	Construction and	
	Replacement	
	Program -	
	\$4,925,700	
15302	Watermain	
	Construction and	
	Design - \$139,600	
15303	WW,Environmental	
	Services Overall	
	Data Strategy – Ph	
	2/2 - \$305,300	

Moved by Mayor Frank Scarpitti

**Seconded by Councillor Amanda Collucci** 

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That the Budget Committee approve the Waterwork Capital Budget Item Nos. 15284, 15285, 15286, 15288, 15289, 15290, 15291, 15292, 15293, 15294, 15295, 15296, 15297, 15299, 15300, 15301, 15302, and 15303.

**CARRIED** 

#### 2. NEXT STEPS

Joel Lustig advised that the 2015 Councillor requests will be reviewed at the next meeting.

#### 3. ADJOURNMENT

The Budget Committee adjourned at 12:12 p.m.