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REQUEST FOR A DECISION

Council in Committee – Budget September 26, 2022

| То: | Councillor Mallet, Budget Chair, and Members of Council |
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| From: | Alicia Keating, Assistant Director – Corporate Services/City Treasurer |
| Date: | September 21, 2022 |
| Title: | Administrative Report – 2023 Budget Kick-Off |
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ISSUE:

Staff are seeking direction to officially kick-off the 2023 Budget Process though resolutions

RECOMMENDATION(S):

A. Recommendation:

It is recommended that the following resolution be forwarded to City Council for consideration:BE IT RESOLVED THAT: 1) the 2023 Budget Meeting Schedule is approved as presented; 2) NON-PERSONNEL expenditures be adjusted as a result of inflationary increases to certain budget line items at the discretion of the CAO; 3) PERSONNEL budgets remain at existing FTE complement unless otherwise determined necessary by the CAO and contract increases be budgeted for in line with the adopted HR Tactical Plan; 4) the 2023 capital budget remain in accordance with Council Policy SUS-POL-060 Capital Prioritization and Investment; 5) the 2023 debt servicing budget follow Council Policy COR-POL-061 Debt Affordability and Management; 6) General Fund Revenue be developed for the 'regular' 2023 Budget based on no tax rate increase or decrease; and revenue changes related to LGR be brought through the budget process; and 7) any SERVICE or SERVICE LEVEL CHANGES are presented during the 2023 budget process.

B. **Other options:** (If applicable, only complete if there are multiple options) Committee can provide other direction to staff.

SITUATION, BACKGROUND & DISCUSSION:

SITUATION: Every year budget is prepared based on direction provided by Council

BACKGROUND & DISCUSSION. Please see attached PowerPoint Presentation for details

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/Attachments : 2023 Budget Kick-Off PowerPoint Presentation