

**SPECIAL COUNCIL #2-1996
CURRENT BUDGET**

PRESENT:

A special meeting of Council was held this evening with the following members present: Mayor Ron Martelle , Alderman Brian Sylvester , Alderman Chuck Charlebois , Alderman Brian Lynch , Alderman Chris Savard, Alderman Dick Aubry , Alderman Naresh Bhargava ,

ABSENT: Alderman Denis Carr, Alderman Susan Carter , Alderman Claude Poirier and Alderman Dean Hollingsworth .

NOTE: Alderman Dean Hollingsworth arrived at 5:15 p.m.

IN ATTENDANCE:

Mr. Richard Allaire, Chief Administrator/ Clerk, Mr. Fern Hamelin, Assistant Chief Administrator, Mrs. Denise Labelle-Gélinas, Deputy City Clerk/Recording Secretary, Mr. Frank McDonald, Manager of Finance and all departments were represented by their respective managers.

DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST

1. **WATERWORKS**

No action voted on

Alderman Dean Hollingsworth arrived at this time 5:15 p.m.

2. **BUDGET PLAN** - for additional 1.5 million cutback

Moved by Alderman Dick Aubry and Alderman Brian Lynch , that Council accept and adopt the Chief Administrator's recommendations:

• Tax increase of 2%	\$500,000.00
• Police Budget Cutback	\$250,000.00
• Operations Budget Cutback	\$500,000.00
• Payroll reduction	<u>\$250,000.00</u>
TOTAL	\$1,500,000.00

and in addition, that Council honour the Social Contract Agreement signed with Management/Non-Union and that this motion be subject to subsequent motions of members of Council this evening in an attempt to reduce a tax increase.

A recorded vote resulted as follows:

FOR THE MOTION

Alderman Dick Aubry
Alderman Brian Lynch

AGAINST THE MOTION

Mayor Ron Martelle
Alderman Brian Sylvester
Alderman Chris Savard
Alderman Chuck Charlebois
Alderman Dean Hollingsworth
Alderman Naresh Bhargava

Motion Defeated (6/2)

It was then moved by Alderman Chris Savard and Alderman Chuck Charlebois :

THAT Council direct the CAO to meet with all city employees - Management, Non-Union, CUPE 234, CUPE 3251, ATU, CUPE 1792, ONA and Fire, to discuss the following proposal.

- Salary reduction - potential of between \$680,000 - \$960,000
- Capital project - further reduction of \$200,000
- Operations reduction -\$340,000 - \$520,000

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the amounts stated above can be modified if employees suggest other feasible alternatives to reach this goal.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the CAO make it clear that Council is taking this action so as to avoid tax increases. Council will respect collective agreements where possible and is simply requesting assistance and input from our employees. Council and employees should also be aware that further reductions due to provincial cuts may occur during 1996-97.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the CAO forward this proposal to the Chairman of the Police Services Board, Cornwall Electric Board and Library Board for their input.

Information is to be reported back to Council at its next budget meeting.

A recorded vote resulted as follows:

AGAINST THE MOTION

Alderman Dick Aubry
Alderman Brian Lynch

FOR THE MOTION

Alderman Dean Hollingsworth
Alderman Chuck Charlebois
Alderman Chris Savard
Alderman Naresh Bhargava
Alderman Brian Sylvester
Mayor Ron Martelle

Motion Carried (6/2)

ADJOURNED: 6:15 p.m.


Richard Allaire
Chief Administrator/City Clerk


Ron Martelle
Mayor

Denise Labelle Gélinas
Deputy Clerk/Recording Secretary