

## Committee of the Whole to be held on November 15, 2023 at 1 p.m. 977 South Maquinna Drive in Council Chambers and by electronic means

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**Call to Order** 

**Land** Mayor Davis will acknowledge and respect that we are meeting upon

**Acknowledgement** Mowachaht/Muchalaht territory.

Introduction of

Late Items None.

Approval of the

**Agenda** 

New Business M 1 2024-2028 Financial Plan/ Budget Meeting #1

Adjournment



## **Budget Presentation #1**

2024 Operations Budget Plan Village of Tahsis

November 9, 2023

#### Overview of Funds

- General Fund Operations
  - Administration, Fire Department, Public Works (Roads, Parks, Solid Waste), Recreation
- Water Utility Operations
- Sewer Utility Operations
- Capital Fund (General, Water and Sewer)

### Topics covered today

- Wages and Benefits Corporately
- Water Utility Fund Operations
- Sewer Utility Fund Operations

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#### Council Policies and other

(implications on budget)

- ▶ 2024 Strategic Priorities
  - Session Scheduled for November 27, 2023
  - Finance is in the process of developing a Long Term Financial Plan. Recommendations stemming from this plan will support increased transfers to reserves, aiming for the Village to progress towards a long term sustainable model of capital funding.

#### **Budget Considerations and Assumptions**

- Ensure adequate funding for existing services and infrastructure level of service delivery
- While this budget is considered a status quo budget from an operations perspective, it's worth noting that a substantial number of capital projects are presently in progress.
- Finance foresees potential budgetary challenges due inflation, including rising benefit costs, COLA wage increases, and elevated expenditures on fuel and hydro.
- No decision has been made regarding wage rate changes for 2024, although certain wage adjustments were implemented in 2023. This budget incorporates provisions for COLA increases in the salaries of employees with contractual agreements.
- Utility rates for 2024 will likely remain unchanged.

## Salaries and Wages - Corporate M

FTE = Full Time Equivalent (base hrs of 2,080.)

Budgeted FTE Count		2024	2023	2022
Admin		4.4	4.3	4.4
Engineer /Approval		0.3	0.3	0.3
Fire		0.6	0.6	0.5
PW		5.3	5.9	6.1
Rec		2.0	2.5	2.6
Daycare		1.1	0.8	0.8
2-Info Centre Workers (July 1-Aug 30)		0.4	0.4	0.4
Projects		0.5	-	-
Total		14.7	14.8	15.1

## Budgeted Wages by Department vs 2023

Department	2024	Total Wages 2023	\$ Difference	% Change
Administration*	391,687	368,011	23,676	6%
Engineering / Projects	57,408	57,408	0	0%
Council	35,099	35,098	1	0%
Fire Department	72,970	63,346	9,624	15%
Public Works	293,105	297,648	-4,543	-2%
Recreation*	91,685	87,443	4,242	5%
Daycare**	58,651	33,157	25,494	77%
Info Centre (1/3 grant funded)	13,480	13,480	0	0%
Total Wages after Increase	\$ 1,014,086	\$ 955,591	\$ 58,494	6%

- \*Some Admin staff had their rates adjusted part way through the year
- \*\* \$10/day wage grid outlines minimum hourly wages and Daycare Admin & Finance staff time is fully recoverable.

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# Budgeted Benefits by Department vs 2023

Department	2024	2023	\$ Difference	% Change
Administration	98,577	83,942	14,635	17%
Engineering / Projects	8,800	9,462	-662	-7%
Council	18,540	18,849	-309	-2%
Fire Department	12,103	7,868	4,235	54%
Public Works	90,994	93,290	-2,295	-2%
Recreation	17,454	24,182	-6,728	-28%
Daycare	13,565	8,841	4,724	53%
Info Centre	1,965	1,941	24	1%
Employer Health Tax	15,011	13,326	1,685	13%
Total Benefits	277,011	261,702		

#### **Water Utility Operations**

		2024	202	23
			Actual (10	
		Budget	months)	Budget
Revenue				
	Water User Fees	209,000	207,682	209,000
	Other	1,000	19,521	1,000
Total Rev	enue	210,000	227,203	210,000
Expenditu	ires			
	Admin Support	31,350	31,350	31,350
	Asset Replacement	35,000	32,000	32,000
	Vehicle Costs	2,000	2,000	2,000
	Salaries	45,600	38,064	47,425
	Payroll Benefits	14,850	7,048	14,763
	Insurance	14,500	5,921	13,500
	Dues & Permits	1,500	1,566	1,500
	Courses & Seminars	1,500	109	1,500
	Travel	500	271	500
	Supplies & Freight	1,500	643	3,500
	Contract Services	15,000	13,983	8,000
	Utilities	25,000	20,557	26,000
	Alarm Monitoring	1,200	839	1,200
	Chlorine	8,500	6,474	8,500
	Supplies - Other	2,000	1,556	2,000
	Repair & Maintenance	10,000	17,731	10,000
Total Exp	enditures	210,000	180,111	203,738
Operating	Surplus / (Deficit)	0	47,092	6,262
# of users	residnetial customers	363		
Current User Fee 2023		\$400		
Previous r	ate	\$375		

#### **Sewer Utility Operations**

Sewer Utility Operating Budg	et 2024		
	2024	2023	
	Budget	Actual (10 months)	Budget
Revenue	9	,	U
Sewer User Fees	197,000	196,946	197,000
Total Revenue	197,000	196,946	197,000
Expenditures			
Admin Support	35,000	35,000	35,000
Asset Replacement	40,000	36,000	36,000
Vehicle Costs	1,000	1,000	1,000
Salaries	21,900	14,227	20,491
Payroll Benefits	7,110	4,707	6,466
Insurance	21,000	8,678	19,500
Dues & Permits	1,000	1,048	1,000
Freight	500	379	500
Contract Services	10,000	9,412	7,500
Utilities	42,990	37,439	40,000
Alarm Monitoring	2,000	1,414	2,500
WW Treatment	4,000	3,259	4,000
Supplies - Other	500	31	500
Repair & Maintenance	10,000	97	10,000
Total Expenditures	197,000	152,689	184,457
Operating Surplus / (Deficit)	0	44,257	10,939
# of users	490		
Current User Fee	\$392		
Current User rate sufficient			

## Questions?