



**CITY OF
Welland**

NOTICE

THE MAYOR HAS CALLED

A SPECIAL MEETING OF COUNCIL

AT 5:00 P.M.


Monday, November 27, 2023

TO CONSIDER TWO STAFF REPORTS FOR INFORMATION AND CONSIDER COUNCILLOR AMENDMENTS TO THE MAYOR'S PROPOSED 2024 BUDGETS.

(Any Additional submitted Councillor Amendments will be considered at the December 5, 2023 Special Council Meeting, followed by Final Approval of conditionally approved amendments to the Mayor's Proposed 2024 Budgets).

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**Tara Stephens,
City Clerk**



SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA

Monday, November 27, 2023

5:00 P.M.

COUNCIL CHAMBERS – CIVIC SQUARE

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Pages

1. OPEN SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING -(5:00 P.M.)
 - 1.1 ADDITIONS/DELETIONS TO AGENDA
 - 1.2 DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST
 - 1.3 COUNCILLORS TO DETERMINE AGENDA ITEMS AND BY-LAWS TO BE REMOVED FROM THE BLOCK FOR DISCUSSION IN COMMITTEE-OF-THE-WHOLE (OPEN)
2. ORAL REPORTS AND DELEGATIONS - NIL
3. COMMITTEE-OF-THE-WHOLE (OPEN)/AGENDA BLOCK
 - 3.1 COMM-2023-01 - 2024 Budget Communications. Ref. No. 23-4 3 - 10
 - 3.2 FIN-2023-32 2024 - BUDGET AMENDMENT RESOLUTION FORM PROCESS. Ref. No. 23-4 11 - 21
4. TO CONSIDER PREVIOUSLY SUBMITTED AMENDMENTS TO THE MAYORS' 2024 PROPOSED BUDGETS

Following the discussion and vote on the above report, council amendments previously submitted to the Mayor's proposed budgets as outlined in Report FIN-2023-32, as appendix I, appendix II and appendix III, will be considered individually.

The member of council who submitted the item, will read the amendment, confirm they want to move the item, the Mayor will identify a seconder and then discussion will proceed. All motions considered this evening will be "conditionally" approved, with final approval being considered at the December 5th Special Council Meeting.

Note to Public: All conditionally approved amendments to the Mayor's proposed 2024 budgets will be considered for Final Approval on December 5, 2023, Special Council Meeting, which is being held at 5:00 p.m.

 - 4.1 Appendix I – 2024 Tax Supported Operating and Capital Budget Amendments (Pages 15 - 17).
 - 4.2 Appendix II – 2024 Rate Supported (Water/Wastewater) Operating and Capital Budget Amendments (Pages 18 - 19).

4.3 Appendix III - 2024 Tax Supported/Water & Wastewater Rate Supported
Operating & Capital Budget Amendments (Non-Quantifiable) (Pages 20 - 21).

5. CONFIRMATORY BY-LAW

5.1 A By-law to adopt, ratify and confirm proceedings of the Council of the
Corporation of the City of Welland at its meeting held on the 27th day of
November, 2023. Ref. No. 23-1

6. ADJOURNMENT

COUNCIL/SPECIAL
Communications Division

REPORT COMM 2023-01
November 27, 2023

SUBJECT: 2024 Budget Communications

AUTHOR: Marc MacDonald, Corporate Communications Manager

APPROVING: Rob Axiak, Chief Administrative Officer

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND receives for information the report COMM 2023-01 as a summary of the communications tactics for the 2024 budget.

RELATIONSHIP TO STRATEGIC PLAN –

This recommendation is aligned to Council's strategic priority of ensuring "**Economic Growth**" for creating a diverse economy through partnerships and emerging markets to ensure sustainable growth and quality employment.

BACKGROUND:

This report is prepared to provide a background of the communications activities that have taken place to inform and engage with the general public for the 2024 budget and some of the overall sentiment received from the public. The tactics follow many of the same that have been used in previous years to inform and engage with the budget process, but with the addition of Strong Mayor Powers and the accompanying legislation that outlines the Mayor now bring the budget forward, there have been several additions to address the nuances of this process.

DISCUSSION:

On September 11, 2023, details of the 2024 budget were uploaded to Engage Welland. This update included important information about budgets, explained the different budgetary frameworks used by the City, and provided a general overview of the budget calculation process. Engage Welland encourages resident engagement through features such as comment sections and idea-sharing forums. It also offers a news and updates section to inform residents about the updates and changes to dates and discussions. For further information about the page's activities, please refer to Appendix A of this report.

The Engage Welland page has attracted more than 300 visitors since November 20. Additionally, the platform has received six unique ideas from the community. On November 16, a newsletter update was sent to the site's 1,601 subscribers, achieving an open rate of 51.6 per cent.

Overall, ideas to date include those regarding:

- Bike lanes and sidewalks
- Arts and Culture
- Climate change

The public was invited to speak to the budget on November 15, and the City has used various channels to spread information about the budget process in conjunction with the Engage Welland initiative. The City's website features a dedicated static budget page and a real-time news ticker, and social media platforms were used to engage with the public. The media release mailing list was also used to ensure critical stakeholders received relevant updates.

The outreach effort includes a special budget podcast episode scheduled for release on November 23.

FINANCIAL:

There are no financial impacts to the communications efforts for the 2024 budget.

CONCLUSION:

This report has been prepared to outline the communications efforts for the 2024 budget. At the conclusion of this year's budget process, tactics will be reviewed for the 2025 budget and how the City can increase engagement into the budget in years ahead.

ATTACHMENT:

Appendix A – Engage Welland: Your 2024 Budget Talks

Project Report

26 April 2018 - 19 November 2023

Engage Welland Your 2024 Budget Talks



Visitors Summary

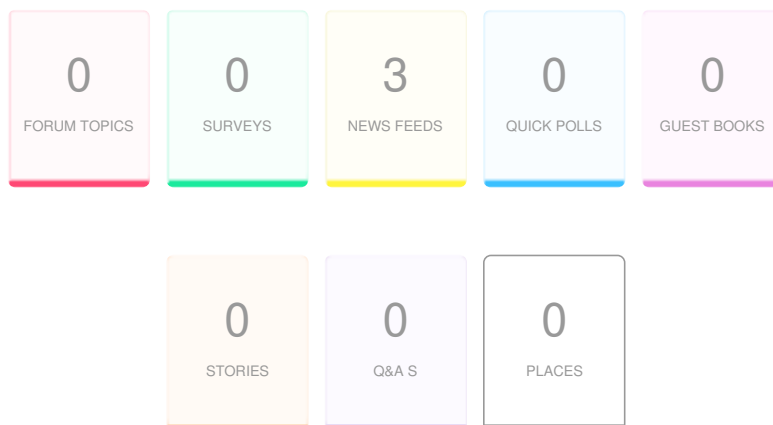


Highlights

TOTAL VISITS	MAX VISITORS PER DAY	
306	43	
NEW REGISTRATIONS		
0		
ENGAGED VISITORS	INFORMED VISITORS	AWARE VISITORS
13	98	205

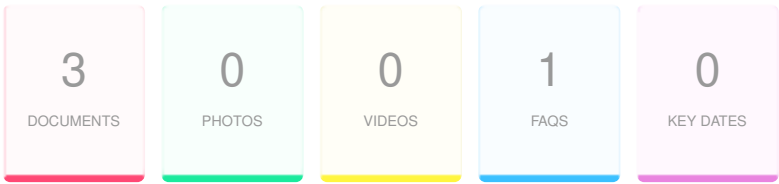
Aware Participants	205	Engaged Participants	13		
Aware Actions Performed	Participants	Engaged Actions Performed	Registered	Unverified	Anonymous
Visited a Project or Tool Page	205				
Informed Participants	98	Contributed on Forums	0	0	0
Informed Actions Performed	Participants	Participated in Surveys	0	0	0
		Contributed to Newsfeeds	1	0	0
Viewed a video	0	Participated in Quick Polls	0	0	0
Viewed a photo	0	Posted on Guestbooks	0	0	0
Downloaded a document	19	Contributed to Stories	0	0	0
Visited the Key Dates page	12	Asked Questions	0	0	0
Visited an FAQ list Page	11	Placed Pins on Places	0	0	0
Visited Instagram Page	0	Contributed to Ideas	7	3	2
Visited Multiple Project Pages	77				
Contributed to a tool (engaged)	13				

ENGAGEMENT TOOLS SUMMARY



Tool Type	Engagement Tool Name	Tool Status	Visitors	Contributors		
				Registered	Unverified	Anonymous
Newsfeed	New budget timelines	Published	1	1	0	0
Newsfeed	Watch now!	Published	3	0	0	0
Newsfeed	Register as a Delegation	Published	2	0	0	0
Ideas	Have an idea? Let's hear it, Welland.	Published	64	5	3	2

INFORMATION WIDGET SUMMARY



Widget Type	Engagement Tool Name	Visitors	Views/Downloads
Document	Tax Supported Operating Budget.pdf	16	26
Document	Rate Supported Operating Capital and Solution Based Options.pdf	10	11
Document	Tax Supportd Capital Budget and 9 Year Forecast.pdf	8	10
Key Dates	deleted key_dates from	12	14
Faqs	faqs	11	11

NEWSFEED

New budget timelines

Visitors 1			Contributors 1			CONTRIBUTIONS 1		
16 November 23			Have gone thru budget and do not see any allocation to North End Trails nor staffing to support the ongoing maintenance, garbage pick up, landscape etc Where are those hundreds of thousand \$\$					
Doug								
AGREES	DISAGREES	REPLIES						
0	0	0						

IDEAS

Have an idea? Let's hear it, Welland.

Visitors 64		Contributors 10	CONTRIBUTIONS 12
08 November 23	JamesTakeo	VOTES 0	Arts and Culture 1. A specified amount budgeted for maintenance of public art on municipal property or in municipal possession 2. Separate permissive grants for Public Arts projects submissions 3. A specified percentage or amount dedicated to arts and culture in the budget.
09 November 23	WellandRez	VOTES 2	Build a bike lane/sidewalk along Forks road from elm street to the new bridge that is going in. There are always bike races and events near the canal and people use the canal path for exercise but there is nowhere to bike or walk with cars driving by on the road. Now that the bridge is going in traffic will pick up and bikers/pedestrians (especially kids) will be walking inches from a high traffic zone (and high speed zone since the speed limit is ignored by everyone). With the deep swales on the sides of the road there is very little space to walk and cars speed like crazy along that stretch. It is just a matter of time before someone gets injured. I have seen cars drive right off the road in that zone.
16 November 23	concerned citizens	VOTES 2	cut taxes instead of raising every year we need relief
16 November 23	Brucetimms	VOTES 1	budget for Climate change resilience for bigger rain storms, adjust the 100 year storm standard for bigger rain and higher winds
16 November 23	Briiis	VOTES 0	Sidewalk on Camrose Ave Build a sidewalk on camrose Ave along the field / other side of the fence of Princess Elizabeth school. This has access to their kids' ride if parents are parked on Camrose Ave it can be dangerous

IDEAS

Have an idea? Let's hear it, Welland.

17 November 23	VOTES 0	Just wanted to voice my concern and dissatisfaction over the Strong Mayor powers being used to veto the votes of our elected city council.
commander71		

SPECIAL COUNCIL
FINANCE DIVISION

REPORT FIN-2023-32
November 27, 2023

**SUBJECT: FIN-2023-32 2024 BUDGET AMENDMENT RESOLUTION
FORM PROCESS**

**AUTHOR: ELIZABETH PANKOFF, MBA, CPA, CGA
INTERIM DIRECTOR OF FINANCE, CFO, TREASURER
TARA STEPHENS, CITY CLERK**

APPROVING: ROB AXIAK, CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WELLAND receives for information report FIN-2023-32: 2024 Budget Amendment Resolution Form Process.

RELATIONSHIP TO STRATEGIC PLAN

This recommendation is aligned to Council's strategic priority of ensuring "**Economic Growth**" for creating a diverse economy through partnerships and emerging markets to ensure sustainable growth and quality employment.

This recommendation is aligned to Council's strategic priority of ensuring "**Health and Wellbeing**" to promote personal health and well-being by offering an abundance of activities that meet the diverse needs and interests all while, advocating for improved health care throughout the city, and supporting the need for safety and security.

This recommendation is aligned to Council's strategic priority of ensuring "**Environmental Stewardship**" to protect the ecosystems through a responsible approach to minimize the impact on the environment through supportive decision-making, professional processes, incentives, policies, and operational practices.

This recommendation is aligned to Council's strategic priority of ensuring "**Liveability**" by creating a sense of belonging while enhancing mobility by improving access to recreation and community events, ensuring adequate housing options, encouraging job growth, and improving ways to efficiently move people throughout the city.

BACKGROUND:

As a result of the newly legislated Strong Mayor Powers, Section 284.16 of the *Municipal Act, 2001*, outlines a statutory process for the approval of municipal budgets beginning with the presentation of the Mayor's proposed budgets, amendment(s) of the proposed budgets by City Council, veto of amendments by the Mayor, and override of vetoes by City Council.

DISCUSSION:

After receiving the Mayor's proposed budgets (November 6th) Council can amend the proposed budgets by meeting and passing budget amendments within 30-days (Nov 6 – Dec 5) by a majority vote.

Budget amendment resolution forms received by November 23, 2023 at noon will be considered at the November 27th Special Council Meeting. Any budget amendments received after the November 23, 2023 noon cutoff to November 30, 2023 at noon will be considered at the December 5th Special Council meeting. Each amendment must be directly related to the Mayor's proposed 2024 budgets with a quantifiable financial figure. Any budget amendments submitted that are non-quantifiable can be found in Appendix III of this report for Council information.

The budget amendment resolution forms have been listed in the order in which they have been received. Council members will have an opportunity to present their budget amendment(s) to Council for consideration. All tax supported operating and capital amendments will be considered first (Appendix I) followed by the rate (water/wastewater) operating and capital budget (Appendix II). Staff will provide Council with the estimated tax/rate impact of their amendment which will help Council consider whether the amendment should move forward to the two-step approval process.

Two-Step Approval Process for Amendments.

Members of Council have two (2) scheduled Special Council Meetings to consider submitted amendments to the Mayor's proposed 2024 budgets. Any approved amendments will have a financial impact on the final tax and water rates for 2024.

In previous years, the Budget Review Committee (BRC) would recommend approved amendments to Council for consideration. Council would then have a final opportunity to make further amendments, such as adding additional items or removing previously supported items from the BRC.

In order to allow council an opportunity to review all approved amendments and consider the final tax and water rates, a two-step process will be followed for considering amendments to the Mayor's proposed 2024 Budgets.

First Step

Any amendments approved will be as “Strictly Conditional”. The condition being that final approval will be required at the December 5th Special Council Meeting, following consideration of additional submitted amendments to the Mayor’s proposed 2024 budgets.

The amendments being approved strictly on condition will allow for Council to establish conditional tax and water/wastewater rates before considering for final approval at the December 5th Special Council Meeting. Council will be provided the final rates prior to approving the final amendments. This is outlined in the second step below.

Second Step

Following the conclusion of considering all amendments submitted for the Mayor’s proposed 2024 Budgets, Council will consider the “strictly conditional” approved amendments for final decision. The City Clerk will read the approved conditional amendments individually for Council to vote on the item for final approval. If the conditional amendment is not supported by majority vote, the item is then removed from the final rates.

If Council approves the motion on the final amendments, the Mayor will have an opportunity following the meeting to veto any budget amendments.

If Council does not support the final amendments, the budget is approved without any amendments from Council.

STEP ONE

Amendments considered as strictly conditional.

STEP TWO

All amendments considered as one (1) final amendment. Amendments can be made to this motion to remove items.

APPROVED

Mayor can veto amendments.

NOT APPROVED

Budget is approved without amendments.

UPDATE – Mayor’s Proposed 2024 Rate Supported Operating (Water/Wastewater) Budget:

On July 27, the Region’s BRC released their 2024 Budget Planning document, which contained a combined increase to the Water/Wastewater Budget of 9.8%. This 9.8% was used in preparing the 2024 Mayor’s Proposed Rate Supported Operating (Water/Wastewater) Budget.

On November 16, 2023, the Niagara Region Budget Review Committee approved the 2024 Niagara Region Water/Wastewater Budget. They recommended an overall combined increase of 7.95%. The Water By-Law and Wastewater By-Law will be considered by Regional Council on December 14.

As a result, the Mayor's Proposed 2024 Water/Wastewater Budget has been updated to reflect the new costs (Appendix II).

FINANCIAL:

The impact on the Mayor's 2024 budgets will be finalized at the December 5, 2023 Special Council meeting.

CONCLUSION:

That the City of Welland Council receives for information report FIN-2023-32 which outlines the 2024 budget amendment resolution process.

ATTACHMENTS:

Appendix I - 2024 – Tax Supported Operating and Capital Budget Amendments
Appendix II - 2024 – Rate Supported (Water/Wastewater) Operating and Capital Budget Amendments
Appendix III - 2024 – Tax Supported/ Water and Wastewater Rate Supported Operating and Capital Budget Amendments (Non-Quantifiable)

2024 Tax Supported Operating & Capital Budget Amendments								
			Mayor's proposed Tax Levy (after forecasted assessment growth 3.08%) as of November 8, 2023			\$1,245,285		2.69%
Item #	Councillor	Date Received	Amendments	Submitted (\$)	Council - " Strictly Conditional"	Council - Final Decision	Impact (Rounded to 3 decimal places) (%)	Municipal Tax Levy Impact (%)
1	McLeod	11/07/2023	Move to amend- That a Tax Supported decision unit be proposed for \$500,000 incremental capital backlog spending.	\$500,000.00			1.078%	3.76%
2	Richard	11/14/2023	Costing Center 20-139 Grants 530590. Resolution - To Amend and increase the allocated Rose Festival Legacy Grant in the amount of Fifty Thousand as requested in their detailed presentation. This Committee has endured undue hardship, as outlined in their presentation. - they have made every effort to fundraise during difficult post pandemic times-they have cut back on historic events much to the dismay of residents-they have had to close an uptown office and physically move all records and office equipment twice.-they have had to revamp due to the loss of long term Volunteers that have resigned, due in part, to the extra burden placed upon them and financial restrictions.- they have experienced the doubling of costs of quality entertainment and supplies. With all the above amazing efforts, they remain in a position of financial need. This requested increase is an honest accounting of how much they require to be placed in a positive position to move forward. I am requesting full consideration and support for Our City of Welland's Rose Festival of 63 years.	\$50,000.00			0.108%	3.87%
3	Setaram	11/15/2023	For the 2024 budget to include the Supervisor of Traffic, Parking, and Bylaw Enforcement in the 2024 budget for a total of \$28,348.	\$28,348.00			0.061%	3.93%
4	Setaram	11/15/2023	To add upwards of \$2,000.00 to increase the wattage of the existing outdoor facility lighting of the Museum (city-owned building) in order to improve community / pedestrian safety in front of the building.	\$2,000.00			0.004%	3.94%
5	Fokkens	11/19/2023	That the Council of the City of Welland approves A Tree Give Away Project for Spring 2024 in conjunction with the Green Advisory Committee and the Parks Division, for planting on private property. To promote residential awareness to improve air quality, fight climate change and increase property values. Estimated cost (per D Steven) \$4,000. To be funded through the Operating Reserve Fund.	\$4,000.00			0.000%	3.94%
6	Fokkens	11/19/2023	That the Council of the City of Welland, approves to reduce Capital Budget Project Submission 10-430-24451 by 30K - Pg 103 Graffiti & Vandalism repairs are include in Parks (410) and By-Laws (525) exp 520690 of 30K.Savings 30K from Operating	-\$30,000.00			-0.065%	3.87%

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7	Fokkens	11/19/2023	That the Council of the City of Welland, approves to REMOVE FROM THE CAPITAL BUDGET PROJECT SUBMISSION. 10-438-24463 - ROSIE SMITH POOL HEATER a decrease in the Transfer from Capital of \$225,000. Reasoning: NO INCREASE IN REVENUE FOR PROGRAMS DEPT 405 - no budgeting to expand programs or increase in revenue in 2024. Memorial Park has a heated pool, and Maple park will have one based on the 2024 budget funded through the Reserve Fund - Sports & Culture. That will provide a heated pool on both the E and W side of the canal. REFER TO THE PARKS AND RECREATION & CULTURE MASTER PLAN. #26. Engage the YMCA of Niagara to discuss ways to collaboratively address the broad range of aquatic programming needs and address aquatics staffing challenges common to itself and the City of Welland.	-\$225,000.00			-0.485%	3.39%
8	Fokkens	11/19/2023	That the Council of the City of Welland, approves to remove from Capital Budget Project Submission . 10-430-24452 Not an immediate required expenditure. This is for Public Works and there are no new hires for this department. Savings 75K from Operating	-\$75,000.00			-0.162%	3.23%
9	Fokkens	11/19/2023	That the Council of the City of Welland, approves to reduce the Capital Budget Project Submission 10-410-24423 - Dog Park Improvements - Pg 160 to remove increasing the size of the park. This amendment aligns with our Parks and Recreational Master Plan #23 - OFF LEASH AREAS RECOMMENDATIONS: Investigate potential sites for a second off-leash area in the northern half of Welland while integrating selected amenities at the Welland Off-Leash Dog Park, at a minimum which should include closed-lid waste containers and a provision of shade (through plantings or a shade sail/structure). Reduction in Transfer from Operating TBD - refer to amendment to Capital Budget Project Submission 10-410-24402 Pg 147.	-\$50,000.00			-0.108%	3.12%
10	Fokkens	11/19/2023	That the Council of the City of Welland, approves to amend from Capital Budget Project Submission 10-432-24477 - FUTURE ARENA NEEDS & FEASIBILITY STUDY pg. 114 That the full amount of \$150,000 is funded through Development charges: Savings \$112,000 from operating.	-\$112,000.00			0.000%	3.12%
11	Fokkens	11/19/2023	That the Council of the City of Welland, approves to amend from Capital Budget Project Submission 10-323-24300 – FLEET. PAGE 134 - 2 WAKELESS VESSLS @ 36,659 EACH TO - 36,659 - to purchase 1 boat, or repair 2. Reduction of debenture funding of \$36,659.	-\$4,768.68			-0.010%	3.11%
12	Speck	11/21/2023	Trail Strat, pg. 147 10-40-24408 , Remove this item from budget	-\$300,000.00			0.000%	3.11%
13	Speck	11/21/2023	Civic Square Plaza Revitalization 10-439-24460 to remove this from the budget	-\$150,000.00			-0.323%	2.78%

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14	Moote	11/23/2023	Amend the budget to include: 1a- Supervisor of Plans Examination/Deputy Chief Building Official	\$164,213.00			0.000%	2.78%
15	Moote	11/23/2023	Amend the budget to include: 1b - Senior Building Inspector	\$140,393.00			0.000%	2.78%
16	Moote	11/23/2023	Amend the budget to include: 1c -Senior Plans Examiner	\$130,393.00			0.000%	2.78%
17	McLeod	11/23/2023	Move to amend - Probationary Firefighters (7)	\$670,005.00			1.445%	4.23%
18	McLeod	11/23/2023	Move to amend - Safety Equipment for (7) Probationary Firefighters (Funded by Capital Surplus)	\$76,000.00			0.000%	4.23%

2024 RATE SUPPORTED (WATER/WASTEWATER) OPERATING AND CAPITAL BUDGET AMENDMENTS

	<u>RATE TYPE</u>	<u>PROPOSED</u>	<u>2023 RATE</u>	<u>DIFFERENCE</u>
Mayor's Proposed 2024 Rate/Operating Budget	water fixed	\$ 187.33	\$ 186.27	\$ 1.06
	water variable per m ³	\$ 2.0852	2.1646	\$ (0.0794)
	wastewater fixed	\$ 277.76	\$ 252.80	\$ 24.96
	wastewater variable per m ³	\$ 3.1449	2.9867	\$ 0.1581
amendment impact on the different customer classes change fixed costs from 31% to 33% updated to reflect adjusted Region Water/Wastewater budget * the Low-Income Senior Water/Wastewater rebate program will be increased by the same amount as the annual increase for the Low Residential customers	low residential - 100 m3/yr	\$ 988.10	954.20	\$ 33.90
	average residential - 180m3/yr	\$ 1,406.50	1,366.31	\$ 40.20
	multi-residential (4 units)	\$ 7,226.91	7,052.46	\$ 174.45
	multi-residential (4 units)	\$ 88,939.49	86,257.10	\$ 2,682.39
	commercial	\$ 138,427.44	135,943.18	\$ 2,484.27
	industrial	\$ 122,610.87	119,248.78	\$ 3,362.09

<u>ITEM #</u>	<u>COUNCILLOR</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>AMENDMENT</u>		<u>RATE TYPE</u>	<u>SUBMITTED</u>	<u>2023 RATE</u>	<u>DIFFERENCE</u>	<u>COUNCIL STRICTLY CONDITIONAL</u>	<u>COUNCIL FINAL DECISION</u>
1	MCLEOD	07-Nov-23	Move to Amend - W/WW budget to move to a 41% fixed cost portion, which is the provincial average.		water fixed	\$ 232.74	\$ 186.27	\$ 46.47		
					water variable per m ³	\$ 1.8362	2.1646	\$ (0.3283)		
					wastewater fixed	\$ 345.09	\$ 252.80	\$ 92.29		
					wastewater variable per m ³	\$ 2.7694	2.9867	\$ (0.2174)		
			amendment impact on the different customer classes change fixed costs to 41%		low residential - 100 m3/yr	\$ 1,038.39	954.20	\$ 84.19		
					average residential - 180m3/yr	\$ 1,406.84	1,366.31	\$ 40.54		
					multi-residential (4 units)	\$ 6,944.56	7,052.46	\$ (107.90)		
					multi-residential (4 units)	\$ 90,204.63	86,257.10	\$ 3,947.53		
					commercial	\$ 125,432.67	135,943.18	\$ (10,510.50)		
					industrial	\$ 121,382.69	119,248.78	\$ 2,133.91		
2	MCLEOD	07-Nov-23	Move to amend (to be presented IF 41% amendment fails) - W/WW budget to include 35% fixed cost portion (Provincial average= 41%)		water fixed	\$ 198.68	\$ 186.27	\$ 12.41		
					water variable per m ³	\$ 2.0230	2.1646	\$ (0.1416)		
					wastewater fixed	\$ 294.59	\$ 252.80	\$ 41.79		
					wastewater variable per m ³	\$ 3.0510	2.9867	\$ 0.0643		
			amendment impact on the different customer classes change fixed costs to 35%		low residential - 100 m3/yr	\$ 1,000.67	954.20	\$ 46.47		
					average residential - 180m3/yr	\$ 1,406.59	1,366.31	\$ 40.28		
					multi-residential (4 units)	\$ 7,156.32	7,052.46	\$ 103.86		
					multi-residential (4 units)	\$ 89,255.77	86,257.10	\$ 2,998.67		
					commercial	\$ 135,178.75	135,943.18	\$ (764.43)		
					industrial	\$ 122,303.82	119,248.78	\$ 3,055.04		
3	MCLEOD	07-Nov-23	Move to amend -That a W/WW decision unit be proposed for \$250,000 incremental increase in capital w/ww backlog funding.		water fixed	\$ 188.93	\$ 186.27	\$ 2.6556		
					water variable per m ³	\$ 2.1030	2.1646	\$ (0.0616)		
					wastewater fixed	\$ 279.38	\$ 252.80	\$ 26.58		
					wastewater variable per m ³	\$ 3.1632	2.9867	\$ 0.1765		
			amendment impact on the different customer classes: fixed costs at 33% add \$125,000 to the water budget add \$125,000 to the wastewater budget		low residential - 100 m3/yr	\$ 994.93	954.20	\$ 40.73		
					average residential - 180m3/yr	\$ 1,416.23	1,366.31	\$ 49.92		
					multi-residential (4 units)	\$ 7,276.87	7,052.46	\$ 224.40		
					multi-residential (4 units)	\$ 89,554.45	86,257.10	\$ 3,297.35		
					commercial	\$ 139,384.13	135,943.18	\$ 3,440.95		
					industrial	\$ 123,458.56	119,248.78	\$ 4,209.78		

2024 RATE SUPPORTED (WATER/WASTEWATER) OPERATING AND CAPITAL BUDGET AMENDMENTS

				<u>RATE TYPE</u>	<u>SUBMITTED</u>	<u>2023 RATE</u>	<u>DIFFERENCE</u>		
4	GRIMALDI	15-Nov-23	Capital Budget Waterworks pg 223. Amend: Increase capital contribution from operating Budget from \$200,000 to \$400,000 The same as in the 2023 Budget for Water Meter Replacement.	water fixed	\$ 189.89	\$ 186.27	\$ 3.62		
				water variable per m³	\$ 2.1137	2.1646	\$ (0.0509)		
				wastewater fixed	\$ 277.76	\$ 252.80	\$ 24.96		
				wastewater variable per m³	\$ 3.1449	2.9867	\$ 0.1581		
				low residential - 100 m3/yr	\$ 993.50	954.20	\$ 39.30		
				average residential - 180m3/yr	\$ 1,414.19	1,366.31	\$ 47.88		
				amendment impact on the different customer classes:	\$ 7,266.36	7,052.46	\$ 213.90		
				fixed costs at 33%	\$ 89,425.71	86,257.10	\$ 3,168.61		
				add \$200,000 to the water budget	\$ 139,181.91	135,943.18	\$ 3,238.73		
				commercial	\$ 123,280.71	119,248.78	\$ 4,031.93		
				industrial					
				<u>RATE TYPE</u>	<u>SUBMITTED</u>	<u>2023 RATE</u>	<u>DIFFERENCE</u>		
5	GRIMALDI	15-Nov-23	Appendix VII pg 253 Water Budget. Amend: to increase the City's rate supported self-imposed debt limit from 11% to 12% commencing in budget year 2025 Capital Project for cast iron water main replacement and not for water meter replacement.	water fixed	\$ 187.33	\$ 186.27	\$ 1.06		
				water variable per m³	\$ 2.0852	2.1646	\$ (0.0794)		
				wastewater fixed	\$ 277.76	\$ 252.80	\$ 24.96		
				wastewater variable per m³	\$ 3.1449	2.9867	\$ 0.1581		
				low residential - 100 m3/yr	\$ 988.10	954.20	\$ 33.90		
				average residential - 180m3/yr	\$ 1,406.50	1,366.31	\$ 40.20		
				amendment impact on the different customer classes:	\$ 7,226.91	7,052.46	\$ 174.45		
				no impact to the Mayor's presented budget	\$ 88,939.49	86,257.10	\$ 2,682.39		
				fixed costs at 33%	\$ 138,427.44	135,943.18	\$ 2,484.27		
				commercial	\$ 122,610.87	119,248.78	\$ 3,362.09		
				industrial					
				<u>RATE TYPE</u>	<u>SUBMITTED</u>	<u>2023 RATE</u>	<u>DIFFERENCE</u>		
6	SPECK	21-Nov-23	Fin-2023-28 Water Budget. NOT to pre-approve option 2 (increasing debt limit and 34%) and/or option 3 (increasing debt and 35%)	water fixed	\$ 187.33	\$ 186.27	\$ 1.06		
				water variable per m³	\$ 2.0852	2.1646	\$ (0.0794)		
				wastewater fixed	\$ 277.76	\$ 252.80	\$ 24.96		
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1	McLeod	11/07/2023	Move to Amend- Tax Supported budget provides a decision unit which frontloads priority infrastructure capital improvements to a maximum of 30% of the 10 yr. plan, for inclusion in the 2024 Tax Supported Capital budget. Priority is defined as aligning addressing the most fruitful water loss and water infiltration remedies, facilities in poor or very poor condition and roadways in the greatest need. Furthermore the proposal must include at a minimum two different funding options from the Tax Supported Budget.	\$0.00
2	McLeod	11/07/2023	Move to amend - That the tax supported budget use interdepartmental transfers at 2024 rate methodology in relation to W/WW budget. This would replace the current flatlined 2020 interdepartmental chargebacks which the 2024 W/WW budget currently proposes.	\$0.00
3	McLeod	11/07/2023	Move to amend That the tax supported budget include decision units providing alternative accelerated processes that address known capital investment backlogs and annual reinvestment requirements. Furthermore, innovative funding options must be included as part of the proposal.	\$0.00
4	McLeod	11/07/2023	Move to Amend- W/WW budget provides a decision unit which frontloads priority infrastructure capital improvements to a maximum of 30% of the 10 yr. plan, for inclusion in the 2024 W/WW budget. Priority is defined as addressing the most fruitful water loss and water infiltration remedies. Furthermore the proposal must include at a minimum two different funding options from the Water/Waste Water Budget exclusively	\$0.00
5	McLeod	11/07/2023	Move to amend That the W/WW budget include decision units providing alternative accelerated processes that address known capital investment backlogs and annual reinvestment requirements. Furthermore, innovative funding options must be included as part of the proposal.	\$0.00
6	Setaram	11/13/2023	Direct staff to work with the City of Welland Arts and Cultural Advisory committee to create a Cultural Investment Program designed to support the creative sector and strengthen the overall cultural ecosystem in the City of Welland. The purpose of the program is to invest in arts and cultural activities to enhance livability in the community. And further that funding for the Cultural Investment Program is incorporated into the base budget in 2025.	\$0.00
7	Setaram	11/13/2023	That Hampton Court be included in the 2024 capital budget for road re-surfacing / asphalt rehabilitation (patching). Page 20 of 21	\$0.00

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8	Fokkens	11/19/2023	That the Council of the City of Welland, approves to amend from Capital Budget Project Submission 10-323-24300 – FLEET and those actual quotes and prices be included for the following and the budget be amended accordingly. PAGE 131 - Kubota Turn Mower PAGE 132 - John Deere Gator PAGE 134 - 2 -Wakeless vessels with Motors (why 20 hp - only 10 is allowed) PAGE 135 - Walk behind vacuum (Canadian Purchase). Reduction of debenture funding TBD	\$0.00
9	Fokkens	11/19/2023	That the Council of the City of Welland approves to amend Capital Budget Project Submission 10-410-24403 - pag 147 to include an additional Dog Park in the Vista Park concept plan This amendment aligns with our Parks and Recreational Master Plan #23 - OFF LEASH AREAS RECOMMENDATIONS Investigate potential sites for a second off-leash area in the northern half of Welland while integrating selected amenities at the Welland Off-Leash Dog Park, at a minimum which should include closed-lid waste container and a provision of shade (through plantings or a shade sail/structure) No change in funding	\$0.00