

# Finance and Risk Committee Meeting

## **Minutes**

## Agenda Item # 2.1

Wednesday May 14, 2025, 5:30 pm – 7:00 pm. TEAMS Meeting

Members: Tandra Acharjee (Chair), Arun Navaratnasingam, Keith Ward, Lawrence D'Souza, Lori

Ker, Sandy Kang-Gill

Staff: Thomas DiCarlo, Echo Huang

**Guests:** 

Regrets: Tandra Acharjee

#### 1.0 OPENING ITEMS

## 1.1 Call to Order and Welcoming Remarks:

• The meeting was called to order at 5:31 p.m. Thomas DiCarlo was Recording Secretary. Keith assumed the Chair in Tandra's absence.

#### 1.2 Disclosure of Conflict of Interest

No disclosure of conflict of interest

## 1.3 Land Acknowledgements

Land acknowledgement was narrated by Keith

## 1.4 Action Log:

Bashir to present at next meeting

## 1.5 Approval of Agenda

· No changes were made to the agenda

MOTION: Lori moved to approve the agenda as well as the Minutes from March 5, 2025 listed under 2.0 the consent agenda. Seconded by Lawrence. CARRIED

#### 2.0 CONSENT AGENDA,

The consent agenda covered the following documents:

Minutes from the March 5, 2025 meeting

## 3.0 BUSINESS OF THE MEETING

## 3.1 Q4 Finance Report

The Q4 financial results were presented

- Overall surplus for year end was \$1,232,800 down from \$1,557,000 at end of Q3.
- This is at 1.89% within the 2% surplus target
- The biggest surplus was in UA due to start up
- CHO also had a significant surplus due to year end one time funding and an approval not received to reallocate funding from MOH
- There was a deficit in Edith Mac Program due to a lack of donations
- The SHIP owned properties were significantly higher than budget due to the property tax reassessment settlement.
- Keith asked that management follow up with the City on tax rebates to determine if they would net amount against amount due back to the Region
- Lori requested that follow up on Oliver House concerns with CHO program be looked at

MOTION: Arun moved to approve the Q4 financial report and forward to the Board of Directors. Seconded by Lawrence. CARRIED

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## 3.2 2025/26 Risk Registry Action Plan

The action plan for the risk that the Finance and Risk Committee are responsible for on the risk registry were reviewed

- There are 3 risk covered by the committee including funding gap, artificial intelligence and cybersecurity
- One risk covered by the committee was moved to the governance committee in the current year around capital asset management.
- The action plans and measures were presented for all 3 risks.
- The next steps are for the committee to receive regular updates on the progress of mitigating the risks and achieving the action items.
- Changes requested to the register include data governance in artificial intelligence to be added as an item. Training on cybersecurity should be annual for all staff

**Action Item:** Revenue generation report on what services and boundaries on who and what we are providing services to be presented to finance committee at a future date

MOTION: Arun moved that the Finance and Risk Committee approve the mitigation strategies and action items for the risk overseen by the Finance and Risk Committee identified in the 2025/26 risk registry as amended. Seconded by Sandy. Carried

## 3.3 Semi Annual Investment Report

The report outlined the performance of the investments, investable fund, required use of funds and asset mix for investment:

- Overall performance of investment portfolio was 5.45%.
- Earned \$477,296 which is 2.1% on full investable balance. Lower return due to investment in 273 Main and 236 First Street
- Balance of investable funds was \$21,563,510
- The expected uses of funds include approximately \$600,000 for capital renovations from the capital reserve and SHIP would like to acquire a property in Waterloo Region to build out housing in that community.
- Proposed asset mixes were provided for all of the investable funds
- The investment policy was also reviewed with no proposed changes
- Recommended that the asset mix be approved as presented, that \$500,000 be transferred to the
  investment account, that \$1.3 million be set aside for the purchase of a property in Waterloo
  Region and that the investment policy be approved
- Money market fund while waiting for
- Provincial savings account for funds
- It was discussed to highlight growth strategy in the report for board

MOTION: Arun moved that the finance and Risk Committee recommend that the Board of Directors approve the asset mix as presented, approve \$500,000 in funds contributed to the investment account with funds invested in sustainable funds and GICS, the remaining \$1.3 million of the property tax returns will be held to purchase an investment property in Waterloo Region and the investment policy is approved. Seconded by Lawrence: CARRIED

## 3.4 Signing Authority Approval Discussion

- Currently a gap in signing authority between \$100,000 and \$250,000. Only Thomas can sign at this level so board approval is required for signing
- Committee said to bring forward to the board a change in signing authority to allow the Director of Housing and Service Innovation to sign up to \$250,000.

## 3.5 Community Bond Update

In final stages of structuring the bond campaign

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- Expected launch is May 28<sup>th</sup>, two weeks from today
- We are doing media training tomorrow and a third party firm will be helping to promote the bonds
- All documents in final review with Tapestry

## 3.5 273 Main Street Update

- Work moving forward with VanMar on pre-development with submission of development permit system application later this month.
- Meeting with Region of Peel for funding negotiations on Tuesday

#### **4.0 OTHER BUSINESS**

None

## **5.0 INFORMATION ITEMS**

## 5.1 Next Meeting

• June 11, 2025

## **6.0 ADJOURNMENT**

• The meeting was adjourned at 6:34 pm

MOTION: Lori moved to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Arun: CARRIED

## 7.0 MEETING WITH CEO

## **8.0 MEETING WITHOUT MANAGEMENT**

8.1 What worked well/What can be improved.

and / or

Lori Ker Board Chair Thomas DiCarlo Acting CEO

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