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Accounting and Financial Policies

Policy Name	Description	Notes	Dates		
Category – Corporate Policy					
Charitable Donations	Describes circumstances under which the City will receive donations and outlines compliance requirements with CRA	Formal policy exists	Presented to Audit Committee Feb, 2017		
Debt	Describes limits and uses of debt as a financing tool	Formal policy exists – limits also regulated by province	Presented to Audit Committee May, 2017		
Deferred revenue – Obligatory Reserve Funds	Describes recording of developer charges and subdivider contributions	Governed by by-laws. Policies exist on uses of developer contributions	Presented to Audit Committee May, 2017		
Investment of City funds	Describes and notes limits on City's ability to invest	Formal policy exists also regulated by the province	Presented to Audit Committee Sept, 2016		
Payment Card Policy	Outlines terms and conditions for use of City's payment card	Formal policy exists	Presented to Audit Committee Nov, 2017		
Procurement	Sets out policy on procurement of goods and services including conditions for formal procurement process	Formal policy exists – supported by by-law	Presented to Audit Committee Feb, 2017		
Signing Authority	Outlines various levels of signing authority for City disbursements and signing of contracts	Formal policy exists	Presented to Audit Committee Nov, 2017		
Stabilization Reserve Fund Policy	Sets types and levels of stabilization reserve funds	Formal policy exists	Presented to Audit Committee Sept, 2017		
Tax Revenue	Recording of tax receipts	Governed by by-law and Council approval of the operating budget Policy on tax billing and collection exists	Presented to Audit Committee Nov, 2017		

Category – Organizational Policy					
Cash and temporary	Describes policy on cash	Recently updated	To be presented		
investments	handling		timeline TBD		
Credit/ Debit Card	Outlines acceptance of	Recently updated	To be presented		
	credit/ debit cards		timeline TBD		
Employee Computer	Outlines eligibility criteria	Formal policy exists	Presented to Audit		
Purchase Plan	to participate in the		Committee Feb,		
	program		2017		
Grants and Infrastructure	Describes responsibilities	New policy developed in	Presented to Audit		
Programs	for Finance and other	2016	Committee Dec ,		
	staff		2016		
Travel Expenses	Sets out terms and	Formal policy exists	Presented to Audit		
	conditions for		Committee Nov		
	reimbursement of travel		2017		
	expenses				
Unclaimed Deposits	Describes process for	New policy developed in	Presented to Audit		
	dealing with writing off	2016 – originally	Committee Dec,		
	unclaimed deposits	presented as stale dated	2016		
		credits but name			
		changed to more			
		accurately reflect subject			
		matter			

Category-Accounting Policy					
Accrual Accounting	Outlines method of accounting that the City uses	Only denoted in the notes to the Financial Statements – more formal policy developed Sept 30, 2015	Presented to Audit Committee Feb, 2016		
Employee Future Benefits	Records the present value of the cost of providing employees with future benefits	Actuarially determined and governed by Public Sector Accounting Board Standards Policy with regards to accounting treatment developed Nov 27, 2015	Presented to Audit Committee Feb, 2016		
Government Transfers	Describes how government transfers are recorded	Only denoted in the notes to the Financial Statements – more formal policy under development	Presented to Audit Committee Sept, 2017		
Non-financial assets	Policy outlining City's recording of tangible capital assets, capitalization levels and methods of depreciation	Formal policy exists	Presented to Audit Committee July, 2016		
Use of Estimates	Describes those reported amounts that are estimates by management	Only denoted in the notes to the Financial Statements – more formal policy under development	Presented to Audit Committee Feb, 2016		