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Here are the highlights from the South Dundas Council meeting held April 9, 2025.

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Development Charges Background Study- Draft Findings

The Council of South Dundas were presented with draft findings for moving forward with implementing its first-ever development charges following a comprehensive background study conducted by Watson & Associates Economists Ltd. The proposed charges would help fund essential infrastructure to support community growth. The study projects population growth of 4% (506 residents) and employment growth of 8% (204 jobs) over the next decade, necessitating approximately \$6.2 million in capital investments.

“We appreciate getting the information... we will have more discussions about it for sure. I think we have opportunities to look ahead,” said Mayor Broad.

Tenders

Fire Chief SUV

Council approved the purchase of an Enforcer SSV SUV – Dodge Durango, in the amount of \$56,325.00 plus HST from Capital Dodge Ottawa. The Fire Chief vehicle is utilized for response and carries resources such as AED, trauma kit, O2, SCBA, and fire extinguishers that need to be protected from freezing temperatures as well as extreme heat. 6. The procurement of the SUV SSV of \$56,325 + HST plus upfitting estimated at \$15,000 + HST is under the budget estimate.

Public Works Single Axle Truck

Council has approved the purchase of a Single Axle Truck to be used as a plow truck to replace Unit #76 or Unit #79. Unit #84, being a 2014 single axle plow truck with 62,293kms, was removed from service in the fall of 2024 due to engine issues. Pre-budget approval of this purchase allows for the new truck to be on the road by March 2026.

Iroquois Beach Cube Replacement

Tender PRF25-01 has been awarded to 1000 Island Docks Ltd., for supply of replacement beach cubes in the amount of \$62,762.60 + HST. Tender PRF25-01 was published on March 3rd, 2025, and closed on March 21, 2025. \$60,000.00 was allocated in the 2025 Budget for the



cube replacement and the deficit to the 2025 Budget on the project would fall to the bottom line.

Justice Building Washroom

Tender PRF25-03 has been awarded to Armoclan Engineering Ltd., for the Justice Building Washroom Renovation in the amount of \$112,790.00 + HST. Tender PRF25-03 was published on February 28th, 2025, and closed on April 1st, 2025. This project was included in the 2025 Budget.

Tractor Replacement Cub Cadet Unit 43

Council has approved the purchase of a replacement utility tractor, loader, and mower, in the amount of \$56,312.97, from Topline Trailer and Equipment. There was \$55,000 allocated in the 2025 Budget for this purchase. It is funded by the Fleet Reserve Fund, and the deficit of \$1,312.97 will be funded by the Fleet Reserve.

Justice Building Lease Extension

The Municipality of South Dundas has entered into a Lease Extension and Amending Agreement with His Majesty the King in Right of Ontario as represented by the Minister of Government and Infrastructure Ontario, for the usage of the Justice Building located at 6 Fifth Street West. The OPP have been a tenant of the Municipality within the Justice Building since 2000. The lease is for a 5-year term and a fixed rate of \$16.50/sqft.

Automatic Aid Agreement – Township of North Dundas

The Municipality of South Dundas has entered into a new Automatic Aid Agreement with the Township of North Dundas. The newly renegotiated agreement provides a more balanced fees structure, provides language for receiving notification and simultaneous dispatch, and ensures transparency and information sharing between the two departments. The implementation of the new agreement is expected to result in annual savings from reduced standby costs, previously approximately \$9,500.00 per year.

Proposed Changes to Animal Control By-law Update

Chief Building Official Turner, and Clerk Lebrun provided Council with an overview of proposed changes to South Dundas' animal control by-law. Key differences between the existing By-law and the proposed By-law include:

- References additional provisions of the Municipal Act, 2001 Updated Definitions
- Allows for multiple forms of valid identification, including microchipping, whereas the old by-law focused exclusively on physical tags
- Expanded Tethering Regulations



- Leash-Free Dog Park Regulations
- Provides a more structured approach to dangerous dogs
- Introduces specific quarantine provisions for dogs that have bitten a person
- Enhanced kennel regulations
- Updated impounding provisions
- Detailed enforcement mechanisms

The official by-law will be brought back to Council for adoption.

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Upcoming Meetings

April 23, 2025 – 6:00 pm

May 7, 2025 – 6:00 pm

May 21, 2025 – 6:00 pm