



REPORT TO COUNCIL

DATE: February 19, 2019

REPORT NO.: 19-026

SUBMITTED BY: Flavia Rossi Donovan
Chief Financial Officer

FILE NO.: 3-1-0

SUBJECT: New Policy - Investment

PURPOSE

To provide Council with an Investment Policy for consideration.

ANTICIPATED OUTCOMES

The new investment policy will strengthen the controls and investment returns over invested City's funds.

SUMMARY/BACKGROUND

As part of the 2019-2023 Financial Plan process, the CFO stated in the Budget Assumption Report that a suggested new Investment Policy will be provided to the Council for consideration.

The attached policy contains suggestions about investment reports and controls. Historically, the majority of investment funds of the City have been invested in short term savings with only one bank (TD Trust). This policy will set parameters for increasing the investment portfolio and strategies that are in line with *Community Charter* Section 183 and improve the rate on overall return on investment.

ALTERNATIVES

Council may decide not to accept the creation of this new policy.

IMPLICATIONS

(1) Social N/A

(2) Environmental N/A

(3) Personnel N/A

(4) Financial All available funds will be invested based on cash demands for

operational and capital activities. Cash flow controls and projections based on approved five years budget will be the basis for the investments.

(5) Risk Assessment

Compliance: Community Charter, MFA Act, Policy

Risk: Low. Since money will be invested in line with investment of low risk; there is a risk market and economic’ volatility.

Internal Control Process: The Policy Manual will be updated according to the Administration checklist.

GUIDING PRINCIPLES

Trust and Integrity – We will have a reputation for acting with integrity and will earn the trust of our stakeholders by pledging to align our actions with guiding principles that support our vision and modeling competence and anchoring behaviour on enduring values.

STRATEGIC PRIORITIES N/A

IMPLEMENTATION/COMMUNICATION

Upon Council approval, the Policy will be included on the City’s website for a 30 day review. If no comments are received during the review period, Administration staff will update the policy manual accordingly.

RECOMMENDATION

That Report No. 19-026 from the Chief Financial Officer re: New Investment Policy be received; further; that the policy attached to this report be approved pending the required 30 day review.

Respectfully submitted,

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Attachment:
Investment Policy

APPROVED FOR AGENDA BY CAO