CITY OF CHARLOTTETOWN
SPECIAL MEETING OF COUNCIL
COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL, 199 QUEEN STREET
TUESDAY, MARCH 31, 2026 AT 12 NOON

Mayor Philip Brown presiding

Present:	**Deputy Mayor Alanna Jankov**	**Councillor Terry Bernard**
	Councillor Kevin Ramsay	**Councillor Bob Doiron (T/C)**
	Councillor Julie McCabe	**Councillor Norman Beck**
	Councillor Trevor MacKinnon	**Councillor John McAleer**
	Councillor Justin Muttart	
Also:	**Brad MacConnell, CAO**	**Richard MacEwen, DCS**
	Tim Mamye, FC	**Frank Quinn, PRM**
	Jessika Corkum-Gorrill, ESM	**Sean Coombs, APC**
	Ylber Gashi, PWM	**Emilee MacLeod, HRM**
	Shane Jones, BIM	**Amy McQuillan, FM**
	Christopher Drummond, PRAM	**Isaac Ewuah, FAM**
	Melanie Bailey, SIO	**Charlotte Nicholson, TO**
	Stephanie Mitchell, CO	**Doug Dumais, CEC**
	Rory Chaisson, SITO	**Tracey McLean, PRC**
Regrets:	**Councillor Mitchell Tweel**	**Michael Ruus, DIG**

T/C indicates attended via teleconference.

- The Mayor acknowledged that the land on which we gather is the traditional unceded territory of the Mi'kmaq First Nation.

1. Call to Order
Mayor Brown called the meeting to order.

2. Declarations of Conflict of Interest
No conflicts were declared.

3. Approval of Agenda
Moved by Councillor Ramsay and seconded by Councillor MacKinnon that the agenda be approved as presented. Carried.

4. Discussion Item:

a) Presentation of the City of Charlottetown and Water & Sewer Corporation 2026-2027 Operational Budgets and Associated Resolutions.
The Mayor asked Councillor McAleer, Chair of Finance, Audit, Tendering & Administration, to address and present the 2026-2027 budget for the City of Charlottetown.

Councillor McAleer acknowledged Mayor, Council, staff and public attendees. He began by noting this year's budget is a responsible financial plan focused on maintaining services and supporting growth. The balanced

.../2

budget has no change to property tax rate and focuses on protecting core services, strategic investments and financial responsibility amid economic uncertainty.

Financial overview - Capital Budget: $97.3 million (including $32.8 million in partner funding) and Operating Budget: $118.3 million. Major projects and investments includes $6M allocated for a new fire station (Ph. 1), $25M for street rehabilitation/upgrades, continued water and sewer infrastructure improvements, $1.1M for multi-sport outdoor facility, $3.3M for Simmons artificial turf field, expansion of public transit services and development of a new City website.

In closing, Councillor McAleer recognized and thanked CAO, Senior Leadership, Finance Team and staff in contributing to the success of the budget process.

Moved by Councillor John McAleer
Seconded by Councillor Terry Bernard

RESOLVED:

That the 2026-2027 City of Charlottetown Operational Budget and the 2026-27 Charlottetown Water & Sewer Corporation Operational Budget as presented by Councillor John McAleer, Chair of Finance, Audit, Tendering & Administration Committee, be approved.

Councillor McCabe, Chair of Protective & Emergency Services Committee, expressed concern regarding the exclusion of the Fire Services new initiative for six (6) full-time career firefighters. She noted that this initiative is an important priority for the City as it plans for continued growth while maintaining sustainable development and strong financial stability. She indicated that the matter would remain part of ongoing discussions and, in her role as Chair, she will continue to advocate for this priority.

CARRIED 9-0

Moved by Councillor John McAleer
Seconded by Councillor Terry Bernard

RESOLVED:

That the Charlottetown Water and Sewer Corporation water, sewer and combined water and sewer rates and fees effective April 1, 2026, as detailed on the attached rate schedule, be approved, and

That the City of Charlottetown Parks & Recreation rates and fees effective April 1, 2026, as detailed on the attached rate schedule, be approved,

And Further that Schedules 'C' and 'E' as part of the City of Charlottetown Fees Bylaw be updated to reflect these changes.

CARRIED 9-0

Moved by Councillor John McAleer
Seconded by Councillor Terry Bernard

RESOLVED:

That a Municipal Tax Rate of $0.67 per $100 of assessment be levied against all non-commercial property in the City of Charlottetown for the period of January 01, 2026 to December 31, 2026 as per the provisions of the Real Property Tax Act, save and except:

(1)The non-commercial component of property which is owned by a non-resident person or non-resident corporation where the Municipal Tax Rate shall be $1.33 per $100 of assessment;

(2)The non-commercial component of hotels and motels where the Municipal Tax Rate shall be:

a. $0.91 per $100 of assessment where the owner is a resident person or a resident corporation; or

b. $1.57 per $100 of assessment where the owner is a non-resident person or a non-resident corporation;

(3)The non-commercial component of apartment buildings containing four or more units where the Municipal Tax Rate shall be:

a. $0.91 per $100 of assessment where the owner is a resident person or a resident corporation; or

b. $1.57 per $100 of assessment where the owner is a non-resident person or a non-resident corporation; and

(4)The non-commercial component of properties located in the Parkwood Estates and the Riverview Estates Mobile Home Parks where the Municipal Tax Rate shall be:

a. $0.42 per $100 of assessment where the owner is a resident person or a resident corporation; or

b. $1.08 per $100 of assessment where the owner is a non-resident person or a non-resident corporation;

For the purposes of this resolution, "non-resident person" and "non-resident corporation" applies to property owners as described in Section 24 of the Real Property Tax Act Regulation

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that a Municipal Tax Rate of $2.36 per $100 of assessment be levied against all commercial property located in the City of Charlottetown for the period of January 01, 2026 to December 31, 2026 as per the provisions of the Real Property Tax Act.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City of Charlottetown request the Province of PEI to collect an additional $0.18 per $100 of assessment on all commercial properties within the Business Improvement Area (BIA), as per the attached map, for the period of January 01, 2026 to December 31, 2026. The monies collected from this shall be transferred to Downtown Charlottetown Inc. for the purpose of marketing and enhancing the downtown core of the City of Charlottetown.

CARRIED 9-0

5. Adjournment

Moved by Deputy Mayor Jankov and seconded by Councillor Ramsay that the meeting be adjourned. Carried. The meeting concluded at 12:22 PM.