

**The Regional Municipality of Waterloo
Strategic Planning and Budget Committee
Summary of Recommendations to Council**

That the following recommendation from the Strategic Planning and Budget Committee be approved:

1. WHEREAS accessibility, collegiality and respect are priorities shared by all of Council; and
WHEREAS Council values the expert advice and analysis from Regional staff, particularly on technical or financial matters; and
WHEREAS Council should have adequate time to deliberate and consider changes to policy and budgeting; and
WHEREAS residents and media deserve adequate time for input, consideration and transparency;
THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:
 - A motion to amend the final budget will be subject to notice and must be submitted in writing to the Clerk no later than Wednesday, November 29, 2023;
 - All motions to amend the final budget that are received by the Clerk by the deadline will be published in the agenda;
 - A motion to amend the final budget can be further amended during the final budget meeting without requiring notice, provided that any amendments are relevant and continue to relate to the same issue which was the subject matter of the original motion to amend the final budget; and
 - Any motion to amend the final budget that is not received by the Clerk by the deadline may be introduced at the meeting on December 13, 2023 provided that:
 - it is submitted to the clerk in writing; and
 - the Strategic Plan and Budget Committee, without debate, dispenses with notice on the affirmative vote of at least two-thirds of the members present and voting.

October 18, 2023