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COMMUNITY CHARTER

[SBC 2003] CHAPTER 26

Part 6 — Financial Management

Division 1 — Financial Planning and Accountability

Financial plan

165 (1)A municipality must have a financial plan that is adopted annually, by bylaw, before the annual property tax bylaw is adopted.

(2)For certainty, the financial plan may be amended by bylaw at any time.

(3)The planning period for a financial plan is 5 years, that period being the year in which the plan is specified to come into force and the following 4 years.

(3.1)The financial plan must set out the objectives and policies of the municipality for the planning period in relation to the following:

- (a)for each of the funding sources described in subsection (7), the proportion of total revenue that is proposed to come from that funding source;
- (b)the distribution of property value taxes among the property classes that may be subject to the taxes;
- (c)the use of permissive tax exemptions.

(4)The financial plan must set out the following for each year of the planning period:

- (a)the proposed expenditures by the municipality;
- (b)the proposed funding sources;
- (c)the proposed transfers to or between funds.

(5)The total of the proposed expenditures and transfers to other funds for a year must not exceed the total of the proposed funding sources and transfers from other funds for the year.

(6)The proposed expenditures must set out separate amounts for each of the following as applicable:

- (a)the amount required to pay interest and principal on municipal debt;
- (b)the amount required for capital purposes;
- (c)the amount required for a deficiency referred to in subsection (9);
- (d)the amount required for other municipal purposes.

(7)The proposed funding sources must set out separate amounts for each of the following as applicable:

- (a)revenue from property value taxes;
- (b)revenue from parcel taxes;
- (c)revenue from fees;
- (d)revenue from other sources;

(e)proceeds from borrowing, other than borrowing under section 177 [*revenue anticipation borrowing*].

(8)The proposed transfers to or between funds must set out separate amounts for

(a)each reserve fund under Division 4 of this Part, and

(b)accumulated surplus.

(9)If actual expenditures and transfers to other funds for a year exceed actual revenues and transfers from other funds for the year, the resulting deficiency must be included in the next year's financial plan as an expenditure in that year.