

## **BUDGET REDUCTION TARGETS**

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**WHEREAS** the community is facing extreme economic anxiety due to nonpayment of taxes by the City's largest employer; and

**WHEREAS** the community has recently learned that continued non-payment of taxes by our largest employer could result in either a dramatic increase in taxes or significant layoffs; and

**WHEREAS** Council will need to avoid measures that would exacerbate the pain the community is already feeling; and

**WHEREAS** it is prudent to mitigate some of those measures to the greatest extent possible;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the five City departments, being: Public Works and Engineering, Emergency Services, Legal, Corporate Services and Community Development and Enterprise Services be directed to present to City Council 2018 preliminary budgets with a 0% increase over their 2017 approved budgets, including a list of cost saving options for Council to consider in achieving that 0% budget change; and

**FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT** each City department provide a further list of cost saving options for Council's consideration to achieve a 1% overall reduction from their respective 2017 approved budgets.