

**Resolution to Request the Finance Committee Develop  
an Evaluation Grid for Items Referred to Budget**

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**WHEREAS** each year City Council must review a list of supplementary expenditures as part of its annual budget deliberations and;

**WHEREAS** the cost to implement these items, if approved, is added to the year's levy and;

**WHEREAS** Sault Ste. Marie taxpayers expect an increased level of transparency and accountability with all Council decisions and;

**WHEREAS** currently there is no system in place which Council uses to assign priorities to supplementary spending items and;

**WHEREAS** systems that are designed to prioritize competing organizational projects and expenditures are commonly used in a wide variety of organizational settings and;

**WHEREAS** the City's Finance Committee recognizes the need to prioritize supplementary spending items;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that Council request the Finance Committee to work with senior staff to develop a criteria-based priority system to assist Council in its supplementary spending deliberations.