Appendix 1 – Niagara Region Departments Base Budget

Object of Expenditure	2020 Budget*	2021 Budget~	\$ Variance	% Variance	Note
Labour Related Costs	243,755,649	244,759,016	1,003,367	0.4%	(1)
Administrative	22,872,047	24,185,907	1,313,860	5.7%	(2)
Operational & Supply	43,641,010	43,557,765	(83,245)	-0.2%	
Occupancy & Infrastructure	13,609,740	14,097,690	487,950	3.6%	(3)
Equipment, Vehicles, Technology	8,931,603	9,088,046	156,443	1.8%	
Community Assistance	165,157,825	166,985,460	1,827,63 4	1.1%	
		168,014,932	2,857,106	1.7%	
Partnership, Rebate, Exemption	13,906,580	14,125,290	218,710	1.6%	
Financial Expenditures	67,246,569	70,747,176	3,500,608	5.2%	(4)
Transfers to Funds	23,674,558	26,312,204	2,637,646	11.1%	(5)
Expense Allocations to Capital	(140,000)	(140,000)	0	0.0%	
Allocations Between Departments	(604,565)	(613,982)	(9,417)	1.6%	
Total Expenditure before Indirect Allocations	602,051,017	613,104,573	11,053,556	1.8%	
		614,134,045	12,083,028	2.0%	
Indirect Allocations to Rate and Courts	(6,916,323)	(7,019,909)	(103,585)	-1.5%	
Capital Financing Allocation to Rate and Courts	(12,420,277)	(15,722,089)	(3,301,812)	-26.6%	(6)
Total Expenditure	582,714,417	590,362,576	7,648,159	1.3%	
		591,392,048	8,677,631	1.5%	
Taxation	(17,063,974)	(17,078,253)	(14,279)	-0.1%	
Federal & Provincial Grants	(296,237,294)	(298,750,331)	(2,513,037)	-0.8%	
By-Law Charges & Sales	(15,359,242)	(15,676,410)	(317,168)	-2.1%	
Other Revenue	(45,389,738)	(45,331,186)	58,552	0.1%	
Transfers from Funds	(3,972,411)	(4,748,956)	(776,544)	-19.5%	(7)
		(5,778,428)	(1,806,016)	-45.5%	

Object of Expenditure	2020 Budget*	2021 Budget~	\$ Variance	% Variance	Note
Total Revenue	(378,022,659)	(381,585,136)	(3,562,476)	-0.9%	
		(382,614,608)	(4,591,948)	-1.2%	
Net Departmental Levy Budget	204,691,758	208,777,440	4,085,683	2.0%	

*includes in-year adjustments and excludes 2020 one-time programs ~excludes 2021 program changes for COVID-19 and Growth Costs

Notes:

- 1. Labour related costs includes contract and WSIB increases, salary gapping, and base FTE reductions, which were separated in the analysis section of the report.
- 2. Administrative cost increases includes \$0.8 million to facilitate Human Resource Systems (HRIS) transition if required, offset by increased transfers from reserves in note 6, and \$0.7 million due to insurance premium increases on policy renewal.
- 3. Occupancy and Infrastructure includes \$0.5 million in roof patching, one-time building security costs, and long-term care minor capital funded through increases in transfers from reserve and provincial grants.
- 4. Financial Expenditures includes an increase of \$4.3 million related to the debt financing of the SNF wastewater treatment plant offset by retiring debt in Waste Management of \$0.8 million. These costs are recovered though Capital Financing Allocations to wastewater operations as per note 6.
- 5. Transfers to Reserves increase includes the \$2.0 million or 1.0% levy increase to support capital investment.
- Capital Financing Allocation includes increased debt charges allocated to the Rate program, approved at BRCOTW November 26th.
- 7. Transfers from reserves increase includes \$0.8 million for HRIS transition included in note 2 above. *Includes transfer from reserve to support annual operating costs for the Homelessness capital project as moved in BRCOTW 1-2021 minute item 6.4 BRC-C 3-2021.*