

## City of Cold Lake

#### STAFF REPORT

Title: City Financial Reports - October 2024

Meeting Date: November 26, 2024

### **Executive Summary:**

Administration presents monthly financial information to Council which includes a bank reconciliation and a variance report. The variance report includes actual School Board and Lakeland Lodge requisitions that have been billed to the City.

### Background:

As of October 31, 2024, the bank had a balance of \$4,609,261. The Investment portfolio had a book value of \$74,164,677 inclusive of accrued interest, and a market value of \$70,023,941. The difference in book value compared to market value is in relation to the bonds held by the City. Price changes on bonds fluctuate with prevailing market conditions and while the recent returns are shown as negative, these are temporary fluctuations that do not impact the principal guarantee on each bond at maturity nor the minimum interest rates or annual investment revenues that were locked-in at the time of purchase. As all investments held have a principal guarantee, the volatility is known to be temporary. However, this volatility also provides a positive impact to the portfolio as our expected rate of return for the portfolio going forward has materially increased. The bond ladder that we have set up is beneficial for these type of market conditions. As maturities come due and interest is paid, all reinvestments will now be at rates well above the minimum rates of return that we have locked in on the existing portfolio.

On December 12, 2023, Council passed an operating budget totaling \$58,011,249. School Board and other requisitions totaling \$6,809,362 have also been added to the budget for a total of \$64,820,611. The following figures for the October 2024 variance report reflect the budget passed and are inclusive of approximately 7.5% due to the ongoing PILT litigation which includes budgeted amounts for tax penalties and an offsetting allowance.

	YTD	Budget	%
Revenue	\$ 52,820,595	\$ 64,820,611	81.49
Expenses	\$ 47,691,514	\$ 64,820,611	73.57

Accounts payable cheques issued in October 2024 include 161165 -161526.



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### **Alternatives:**

### **Recommended Action:**

That Council accept the financial reports for the period ending October 31, 2024.

## **Budget Implications (Yes or No):**

No

### Submitted by:

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