



Town of Whitby Policy

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Policy Statement

This is a policy governing the use and administration of the discretionary Town Property Reserve Fund.

Purpose

The purpose of the reserve fund is to hold land sale proceeds and provide a funding source for the costs associated with the acquisition and disposition of land purchases / sales.

Scope

This policy applies to the revenue and/or costs associated with the sale or purchase of land by the Town of Whitby.

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1 Definitions

- 1.1 Capital Budget Monitoring Policy** is a Council approved policy that stipulates the authorization levels for any in-year capital budget changes.

- 1.2 Discretionary Reserve Funds** are monies set aside by Council for a specific purpose and their funding sources and use is determined solely by Council.
- 1.3 Land Sale Proceeds** are the monies the Town receives from the sale of land.
- 1.4 Land Sale / Purchase Costs** includes costs associated with investigating potential lands for sale or purchase (such as but not limited to: land testing, appraisals, surveys, etc.,) and sale or purchase transaction related costs (such as but not limited to: legal fees, advertising, real estate fees and other transaction related disbursements, e.g. land transfer tax etc.).

2 Responsibilities

- 2.1** The Commissioner of Financial Services / Treasurer or delegate has the authority to utilize the reserve fund as approved under section 3.2 of this policy.

3 Utilization of Funds

- 3.1** The reserve fund can be used for the costs associated the sale or purchase of land by the Town of Whitby as specified in the purpose of this policy.
- 3.2** Usage of the reserve fund must be identified in the Council approved annual budget or approved via the Capital Budget Monitoring Policy.

4 Funding Sources

- 4.1** The land sale proceeds from the sale of Town owned land.
- 4.2** Other contributions as approved by Council.
- 4.3** Interest earned on the reserve fund.

5 Reserve Fund Target Level

- 5.1** At minimum, the reserve fund target level cannot go below \$0.00.
- 5.2** A maximum, the reserve fund target level has not been established.

This Policy is hereby approved by Council Resolution #302-18 on this 17th day of September, 2018.