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### STANDING COMMITTEE ON CROWN AND CENTRAL AGENCIES May 15, 2023

[The committee met at 08:33.]

The Chair: — Well good morning, everybody, and welcome to the Standing Committee on Crown and Central Agencies. I'm Fred Bradshaw, Chair of the committee. With us we have Mr. Steven Bonk, Mr. Ken Cheveldayoff, Mr. Greg Lawrence, and substituting for Tim McLeod, we have Warren Kaeding. We have Mr. Doug Steele, and substituting for Mr. Doyle Vermette, who is a Deputy Chair, we have Carla Beck.

Today the committee will consider the committee resolutions for the 2023-24 estimates and the 2022-23 supplementary estimates no. 2. Are there any questions? Ms. Beck.

Ms. Beck: — I am prepared to . . .

The Chair: — Continue on?

**Ms. Beck**: — Vote. Just be here for the votes. Thank you.

The Chair: — Okay. Well thank you.

#### General Revenue Fund Finance Vote 18

**The Chair**: — We have vote 18, central management and services, subvote (FI01) in the amount of \$8,697,000. Is that agreed?

Some Hon. Members: — Agreed.

**The Chair**: — Carried. We have Provincial Comptroller, subvote (FI03) in the amount of 10,324,000. Is that agreed?

Some Hon. Members: — Agreed.

**The Chair**: — Carried. We have treasury management, subvote (FI04) in the amount of 2,332,000. Is that agreed?

Some Hon. Members: — Agreed.

**The Chair:** — Carried. We have revenue, subvote (FI05) in the amount of 35,414,000. Is that agreed?

Some Hon. Members: — Agreed.

**The Chair:** — Carried. We have budget analysis, subvote (FI06) in the amount of 7,270,000. Is that agreed?

Some Hon. Members: — Agreed.

**The Chair**: — Carried. We have miscellaneous payments, subvote (FI08) in the amount of 22,000. Is that agreed?

Some Hon. Members: — Agreed.

**The Chair:** — Carried. We have pension and benefits, subvote (FI09) in the amount of 205,519,000. Is that agreed?

**Some Hon. Members**: — Agreed.

**The Chair**: — Carried. We have personal policy secretariat, subvote (FI10) in the amount of 532,000. Is that agreed?

Some Hon. Members: — Agreed.

**The Chair:** — Carried. We have research and development tax credit, subvote (FI12) in the amount of \$5,000,000. Is that agreed?

Some Hon. Members: — Agreed.

**The Chair**: — Carried. We have non-appropriated expense adjustment to the amount of 2,626,000. Non-appropriated expense adjustments are non-cash adjustments presented for informational purposes only. No amount is to be voted.

Okay, we have Finance, vote 18 — \$275,110,000. I will now ask a member to move the following resolution:

Resolved that there be granted to His Majesty for the 12 months ending March 31st, 2024, the following sums for Finance in the amount of \$275,110,000.

Mr. Steele has so moved. Is that agreed?

Some Hon. Members: — Agreed.

The Chair: — Carried.

#### General Revenue Fund Finance — Debt Servicing Vote 12

**The Chair**: — We have vote 12, Finance, debt servicing. Debt servicing, subvote (FD01) in the amount of \$579,400,000. There is no vote as this is statutory.

We have Crown corporation debt servicing, subvote (FD02) in the amount of 30,600,000. There is no vote as this is statutory.

We have Finance, debt servicing, vote 12 — \$610,000,000. There is no vote as this is statutory.

#### General Revenue Fund Public Service Commission Vote 33

**The Chair:** — We have vote 33, Public Service Commission. Central management and services, subvote (PS01) in the amount of 5,201,000. Is that agreed?

Some Hon. Members: — Agreed.

**The Chair**: — Carried. We have human resource consulting services, subvote (PS03) in the amount of 9,128,000. Is that agreed?

Some Hon. Members: — Agreed.

**The Chair**: — Carried. We have employee relations and strategic human resource services, subvote (PS04) in the amount of \$8,004,000. Is that agreed?

Some Hon. Members: — Agreed.

**The Chair:** — Carried. We have human resource service centre, subvote (PS06) in the amount of 11,691,000. Is that agreed?

**Some Hon. Members**: — Agreed.

**The Chair**: — Carried. We have non-appropriated expense adjustment in the amount of 305,000. Non-appropriated expense adjustments are non-cash adjustments presented for informational purposes only. No amount is to be voted.

Public Service Commission, vote 33 is \$34,024,000. I'll now ask a member to move the following resolution:

Resolved that there be granted to His Majesty for the 12 months ending March 31st, 2024, the following sums for Public Service Commission in the amount of \$34,024,000.

Mr. Lawrence has moved. Is that agreed?

**Some Hon. Members**: — Agreed.

The Chair: — Carried.

#### General Revenue Fund SaskBuilds and Procurement Vote 13

**The Chair**: — Vote 13, SaskBuilds and Procurement. Central management and services, subvote (SP01) in the amount of \$56,000. There is no vote as this is statutory.

We have property management, subvote (SP02) in the amount of 11,311,000. Is that agreed?

Some Hon. Members: — Agreed.

**The Chair:** — Carried. We have project management, subvote (SP03) in the amount of zero dollars. Is that agreed?

Some Hon. Members: — Agreed.

**The Chair**: — Carried. We have transportation and other services, subvote (SP05) in the amount of \$551,000. Is that agreed?

**Some Hon. Members**: — Agreed.

**The Chair:** — Carried. Major capital asset acquisitions, subvote (SP07) in the amount of \$60,865,000, is that agreed?

Some Hon. Members: — Agreed.

**The Chair**: — Carried. We have information technology, subvote (SP11) in the amount of \$32,170,000. Is that agreed?

Some Hon. Members: — Agreed.

**The Chair**: — Carried. We have Provincial Archives of Saskatchewan, subvote (SP13) in the amount of \$4,330,000. Is that agreed?

Some Hon. Members: — Agreed.

**The Chair:** — Carried. We have infrastructure and procurement, subvote (SP14) in the amount of \$25,878,000. Is that agreed?

Some Hon. Members: — Agreed.

**The Chair**: — Carried. We have non-appropriated expense adjustments in the amount of \$1,309,000. Non-appropriated expense adjustments are non-cash adjustments presented for informational purposes only. No amount is to be voted.

SaskBuilds and Procurement, vote 13 — \$135,105,000. I will now ask a member to move the following resolution:

Resolved that there be granted to His Majesty for the 12 months ending March 31st, 2024, the following sums for SaskBuilds and Procurement in the amount of \$135,105,000.

Mr. Cheveldayoff has moved. Is that agreed?

Some Hon. Members: — Agreed.

The Chair: — Carried.

#### General Revenue Fund SaskBuilds Corporation Vote 86

**The Chair**: — Okay. Vote 86, SaskBuilds Corporation. SaskBuilds Corporation, subvote (SB01) in the amount of \$26,350,000, is that agreed?

Some Hon. Members: — Agreed.

[08:45]

**The Chair**: — Carried. I will now ask a member to move the following resolution:

Resolved that there be granted to His Majesty for the 12 months ending March 31st, 2024, the following sums for SaskBuilds Corporation in the amount of \$26,350,000.

Mr. Bonk has moved. Is that agreed?

Some Hon. Members: — Agreed.

The Chair: — Carried.

#### General Revenue Fund Lending and Investing Activities Lotteries and Gaming Saskatchewan Corporation Vote 155

**The Chair:** — Vote 155, Lotteries and Gaming Saskatchewan Corporation, loans subvote (LO01) in the amount of \$79,000,000. There is no vote as this is statutory.

### General Revenue Fund Lending and Investing Activities Municipal Financing Corporation of Saskatchewan Vote 151

**The Chair**: — We have vote 151, Municipal Financing Corporation of Saskatchewan, loans subvote (MF01) in the amount of \$38,000,000. There is no vote as this is statutory.

#### General Revenue Fund Lending and Investing Activities Saskatchewan Power Corporation Vote 152

**The Chair**: — We have vote 152, Saskatchewan Power Corporation, loans subvote (PW01) in the amount of \$566,800,000. There is no vote as this is statutory.

## General Revenue Fund Lending and Investing Activities Saskatchewan Telecommunications Holding Corporation Vote 153

**The Chair:** — We have vote no. 153, Saskatchewan Telecommunications Holding Corporation, loans subvote (ST01) in the amount of \$200,000,000. There is no vote as this is statutory.

#### General Revenue Fund Lending and Investing Activities Saskatchewan Water Corporation Vote 140

**The Chair**: — We have vote 140, Saskatchewan Water Corporation, loans subvote (SW01) in the amount of \$11,400,000. There is no vote as this is statutory.

#### General Revenue Fund Lending and Investing Activities SaskEnergy Incorporated Vote 150

**The Chair**: — We have vote 150, SaskEnergy Incorporated, loans subvote (SE01) in the amount of \$180,400,000. There is no vote as this is statutory.

## General Revenue Fund Debt Redemption, Sinking Fund and Interest Payments Debt Redemption Vote 175

**The Chair:** — Vote no. 175, debt redemption. Oh, sorry. Hang on for two seconds. We have vote 175, debt redemption. Vote 175 in the amount of . . . Oh boy . . . \$1,019,921,000. There is no vote as this is statutory.

## General Revenue Fund Debt Redemption, Sinking Fund and Interest Payments Sinking Fund Payments — Government Share Vote 176

**The Chair:** — Vote 176, sinking funds payment, government share. Sinking fund payments, government share, vote 176 is in

the amount of 232,983,000. There is no vote as this is statutory.

## General Revenue Fund Debt Redemption, Sinking Fund and Interest Payments Interest on Gross Debt — Crown Enterprise Share Vote 177

**The Chair:** — Vote 177, interest of gross debt, Crown enterprise share. Interest of gross debt, Crown enterprise share, vote 177 in the amount of zero dollars. There is no vote as this is statutory.

#### General Revenue Fund Supplementary Estimates — No. 2 Finance — Pensions and Benefits Vote 18

**The Chair**: — Vote 18, Finance, pensions and benefits, subvote (FI09) in the amount of \$3,524,000. There is no vote as this is statutory.

#### General Revenue Fund Supplementary Estimates — No. 2 Finance — Debt Servicing Vote 12

**The Chair:** — Vote 12, Finance, debt servicing. Debt servicing, subvote (FD01) in the amount of 16,700,000. There is no vote as this is statutory.

Crown corporation debt servicing, subvote (FD02) in the amount of \$6,100,000. There is no vote as this is statutory.

Finance, debt servicing, vote 12 — \$22,800,000.

# General Revenue Fund Supplementary Estimates — No. 2 Lending and Investing Activities Saskatchewan Power Corporation Vote 152

**The Chair**: — Vote 152, Saskatchewan Power Corporation, loans, subvote (PW01) in the amount of \$80,000,000. There is no vote as this is statutory.

# General Revenue Fund Supplementary Estimates — No. 2 Lending and Investing Activities Saskatchewan Telecommunications Holding Corporation Vote 153

**The Chair**: — Vote 153, Saskatchewan Telecommunications Holding Corporations, loans, subvote (ST01) in the amount of \$5,400,000. There is no vote as this is statutory.

Committee members, you have before you a draft of the seventh report of the Standing Committee on Crown and Central Agencies. We require a member to move the following motion:

That the seventh report of the Standing Committee on Crown and Central Agencies be adopted and presented to the Assembly.

Mr. Kaeding.

**Mr. Kaeding**: — I move the following motion:

That the seventh report of the Standing Committee on Crown and Central Agencies be adopted and presented to the Assembly.

**The Chair**: — Mr. Kaeding has moved the report. Is that agreed?

**Some Hon. Members**: — Agreed.

**The Chair:** — Carried. That concludes our business for today. I would ask a member to move a motion of adjournment. Mr. Steele has moved. Is that agreed?

Some Hon. Members: — Agreed.

**The Chair:** — Carried. This committee stands adjourned to the call of the Chair.

[The committee adjourned at 08:53.]