BOARD OF HEALTH
REPORT 17-009

1:30 p.m.
Monday, October 16, 2017
Council Chambers
Hamilton City Hall

Present: Mayor F. Eisenberger
Councillors A. Johnson, J. Farr, M. Green, S. Merulla, C. Collins, T. Jackson, D. Skelly, D. Conley, M. Pearson, B. Johnson, L. Ferguson, A. VanderBeek

Absent with regrets: Councillor T. Whitehead – Personal; Councillors J. Partridge and R. Pasuta – City Business

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THE BOARD OF HEALTH PRESENTS REPORT 17-009 AND RESPECTFULLY RECOMMENDS:

1. Public Health Services' Breastfeeding Services Update (BOH17040) (City Wide) (Item 5.1)

That Report BOH17040, respecting Breastfeeding Support Services Update, be received.

2. Trends and Response to Rats in Hamilton (BOH15020(a)) (City Wide) (Item 5.2)

That Report BOH15020(a), respecting Trends and Response to Rats in Hamilton, be received.

3. Ministry of the Environment and Climate Change (MOECC) Air Quality Monitoring and Enforcement in Hamilton 2015-2016 (BOH17025(a)) (City Wide) (Item 5.3)

(a) That BOH17025(a) respecting Ministry of the Environment and Climate Change (MOECC) Air Quality Monitoring and Enforcement in Hamilton 2015-2016, be received; and

(b) That a copy of Report BOH17025(a) respecting the Ministry of the Environment and Climate Change (MOECC) Air Quality Monitoring and Enforcement in Hamilton 2015-2016, be sent to local Members of Parliament, Members of Provincial Parliament, as well as the Leaders of the three parties in Ontario.

4. The Right to a Healthy Environment (Blue Dot) (BOH17038) (City Wide) (Item 5.4)

That Report BOH17038, respecting The Right to a Healthy Environment (Blue Dot), be received.

5. Public Health Services Risk Management Framework (BOH17039) (City Wide) (Item 7.1)

That Report BOH17039, respecting an Public Health Services Risk Management Framework, be received.

6. Hamilton Climate Change Actions 2017 (BOH17037) (City Wide) (Item 7.2)

That Report BOH17037, respecting Hamilton Climate Change Actions 2017, be received.

7. Potential Local Public Health Restructuring (BOH17034(b)) (City Wide) (Added Item 8.1)

(a) That the Board of Health endorse the Position Statement prepared by Public Health Services Staff and attached as Appendix "A" to Report BOH17034(b);

(b) That the position statement, attached as Appendix "A" to Report BOH17034(b), be submitted to the Minister of Health and Long-Term Care to provide feedback on Public Health within an Integrated Health System Report of the Minister's Expert Panel on Public Health; and

(c) That the Board of Health endorses the position statements put forward by the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, attached as Appendix "B" to Report BOH17034(b), and the Council of Ontario Medical Officers of Health, attached as Appendix "C" to Report BOH17034(b).

8. Cootes to Escarpment EcoPark System as a model for the first Urban Biosphere EcoPark in Canada (Item 9.1)

WHEREAS the Cootes to Escarpment EcoPark System is a key environmental initiative, relevant to biodiversity protection, climate change readiness, green space conservation, water protection, and overall human health,

WHEREAS the Cootes to Escarpment EcoPark System is of significant value from the perspective of economic growth and industry, as an opportunity for sustainable eco-tourism,

WHEREAS the environmental good of the Cootes to Escarpment EcoPark System is entwined with EcoPark's economic value, given that authentic and desirable economic development is necessarily and specifically sustainable economic development, and

WHEREAS the accompanying briefing note entitled, "The Cootes to Escarpment EcoPark System as a model for the first Urban Biosphere EcoPark in Canada", maps a promising vision both for EcoPark and for other, legally similar eco-systems in Canada,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

That a letter be sent to the federal and the provincial Ministers of Environment and Climate Change, that includes the following:

(a) Council's support for the document entitled "Briefing Note: The Cootes to Escarpment EcoPark System as a model for the first Urban Biosphere EcoPark in Canada", attached hereto as Appendix A; and

(b) A request for feedback and advice from the Ministers regarding next steps toward achieving the vision of the Cootes to Escarpment EcoPark System as a model for the first Urban Biosphere EcoPark in Canada.

FOR INFORMATION:

(a) CHANGES TO THE AGENDA (Item 1)

The Clerk advised the Board of the following changes:

1. ADDED DELEGATION REQUEST (Item 4)

4.3 Delegation request from Dr. Sally Palmer, Social Action Committee, respecting the Nutritious Food Basket Report, from the viewpoint of people receiving social assistance (for a future meeting).

4.4 Delegation request from Susan J. Creer, respecting Secondhand cigarette smoke in CityHousing Hamilton buildings (for a future meeting).

4.5 Delegation request from Marc Dzisiak, respecting the Nutritious Food Basket Report, from the viewpoint of an Ontario Works recipient (for a future meeting).

4.6 Delegation request from Myrtle Greve, Canadian Federation of University Women, respecting the Nutritious Food Basket report (for a future meeting).

2. AMENDMENT TO THE CONTENT OF A REPORT (Item 7)

7.2 Hamilton Climate Change Actions 2017(BOH17037) (City Wide)

Staff have revised the paragraph on page 4 of the Report, to reflect information in the Table 1.0: 2012-2015 GHG Reductions for each Sector Compared to 2006 Levels.

3. ADDED DISCUSSION ITEM (Item 8)

8.1 Potential Local Public Health Restructuring (BOH17034(b)) (City Wide)

Distributed electronically on Friday, October 13, 2017.

The agenda for the October 16, 2017 Board of Health was approved, as amended.

(b) DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (Item 2)

None.

(c) APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING (Item 3)

(i) September 18, 2017 (Item 3.1)

That the Minutes of the September 18, 2017 meeting of the Board of Health be received, as presented.

(d) DELEGATION REQUEST (Item 4)

(i) Delegation request from Elizabeth McGuire, Campaign for Adequate Welfare and Disability Benefits, respecting the Nutritious Food Basket Report (for a future meeting) (Item 4.1)

The delegation request from Elizabeth McGuire, Campaign for Adequate Welfare and Disability Benefits, respecting the Nutritious Food Basket, was approved for a future meeting.

(ii) Delegation request from Laura Cattari, Hamilton Roundtable for Poverty Reduction, respecting the Nutritious Food Basket Report 2017, particularly social assistance rates and the "Income Security: Roadmap for Change" report released by Ministry of Community and Social Services (for a future meeting) (Item 4.2)

The delegation request from Laura Cattari, Hamilton Roundtable for Poverty Reduction, respecting the Nutritious Food Basket Report 2017, particularly social assistance rates and the "Income Security: Roadmap for Change"

report released by Ministry of Community and Social Services, was approved for a future meeting.

(iii) Delegation request from Dr. Sally Palmer, Social Action Committee, respecting the Nutritious Food Basket Report, from the viewpoint of people receiving social assistance (Added Item 4.3)

The delegation request from Dr. Sally Palmer, Social Action Committee, respecting the Nutritious Food Basket Report, from the viewpoint of people receiving social assistance, was approved for a future meeting.

(iv) Delegation request from Susan J. Creer, respecting Secondhand cigarette smoke in CityHousing Hamilton buildings (Added Item 4.4)

The delegation request from Susan J. Creer, respecting Secondhand cigarette smoke in CityHousing Hamilton buildings, was approved for a future meeting.

(v) Delegation request from Marc Dzisiak, respecting the Nutritious Food Basket Report, from the viewpoint of an Ontario Works recipient (Added Item 4.5)

The delegation request from Marc Dzisiak, respecting the Nutritious Food Basket Report, from the viewpoint of an Ontario Works recipient, was approved for a future meeting.

(vi) Delegation request from Myrtle Greve, Canadian Federation of University Women, respecting the Nutritious Food Basket report (Added Item 4.6)

The delegation request from Myrtle Greve, Canadian Federation of University Women, respecting the Nutritious Food Basket report, was approved for a future meeting.

(e) CONSENT ITEMS (Item 5)

(i) Ministry of the Environment and Climate Change (MOECC) Air Quality Monitoring and Enforcement in Hamilton 2015-2016 (BOH17025(a)) (City Wide) (Item 5.3)

The following was added as sub-section (b) to the recommendation in Report BOH17025(a), respecting the Ministry of the Environment and Climate Change (MOECC) Air Quality Monitoring and Enforcement in Hamilton 2015-2016:

(b) That a copy of Report BOH17025(a) respecting the Ministry of the Environment and Climate Change (MOECC) Air Quality Monitoring and Enforcement in Hamilton 2015-2016, be sent to local Members of Parliament, and Members of Provincial Parliament, as well as the Leaders of the three parties in Ontario.

For disposition of this matter, refer to Item 3.

(f) DELEGATIONS (Item 6)

(i) Mark Runicman, David Galbraith and Peter Kelly, Royal Botanical Gardens, respecting the Cootes to Escarpment EcoPark System as a model for the first Urban Biosphere EcoPark in Canada (approved at the September 18, 2017 Board of Health meeting)

Mark Runcian, Royal Botanical Gardens, addressed the Board with an overview of the Briefing Note respecting the Cootes to Escarpment EcoPark System as a model for the first Urban Biosphere EcoPark in Canada, with the aid of a PowerPoint presentation. A copy of the presentation has been included in the public record.

The delegation from Mark Runicman, Royal Botanical Gardens, respecting the Cootes to Escarpment EcoPark System as a model for the first Urban Biosphere EcoPark in Canada, was received.

For disposition of this matter, refer to Item 8.

A copy of the presentation is available at www.hamilton.ca

(g) PRESENTATIONS (Item 7)

(i) Public Health Services Risk Management Framework (BOH17039) (City Wide) (Item 7.1)

Corinne Berinstein, Ontario Internal Audit Division, Treasury Board Secretariat, addressed the Board with a overview of Report BOH17039 respecting Public Health Services Risk Management Framework, with the aid of a PowerPoint presentation. A copy of the presentation has been included in the public record.

The presentation from Corinne Berinstein, Ontario Internal Audit Division, Treasury Board Secretariat, on Report BOH17039 respecting Public Health Services Risk Management Framework, was received.

For disposition on the matter, refer to Item 5.

A copy of the presentation is available at www.hamilton.ca

(ii) Hamilton Climate Change Actions 2017 (BOH17037) (City Wide) (Item 7.2)

Trevor Imhoff, Air Quality and Climate Change Coordinator, addressed the Board with a overview of Report BOH17037 respecting Hamilton Climate Change Actions 2017 with the aid of a PowerPoint presentation. A copy of the presentation has been included in the public record.

The presentation on Report BOH17037 respecting Hamilton Climate Change Actions 2017, was received.

For disposition on the matter, refer to Item 6.

A copy of the presentation is available at www.hamilton.ca

(h) DISCUSSION ITEM (Item 8)

(i) Potential Local Public Health Restructuring (BOH17034(b)) (City Wide) (Added Item 8.1)

The recommendations in Report BOH17034(b), respecting Potential Local Public Health Restructuring, were deleted in their entirety and replaced with the following:

~~(a) That the Board of Health endorse Appendix A to be submitted to the Minister of Health and Long-Term Care providing feedback on the Public Health within an Integrated Health System Report of the Minister's Expert Panel on Public Health.~~

~~(b) That the Board of Health endorses the positions statements put forward by the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (Appendix B) and the Council of Ontario Medical Officers of Health (Appendix C).~~

(a) That the Board of Health endorse the Position Statement prepared by Public Health Services Staff and attached as Appendix "A" to Report BOH17034(b);

(b) That the position statement, attached as Appendix "A" to Report BOH17034(b), be submitted to the Minister of Health and Long-Term Care to provide feedback on Public Health within an Integrated Health System Report of the Minister's Expert Panel on Public Health; and

(c) That the Board of Health endorses the position statements put forward by the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, attached as Appendix "B" to Report BOH17034(b), and the Council of Ontario Medical Officers of Health, attached as Appendix "C" to Report BOH17034(b).

(i) GENERAL INFORMATION / OTHER BUSINESS (Item 11)

(i) Amendments to the Outstanding Business List (Item 11.1)

The following amendments to the Outstanding Business List were approved:

Revised Due Dates:

Item Q - Implications of Banning the Sale of Bottled Water at Municipal Locations, (GIC 16-December 7, 2016, Item 9.2)
Due Date: October 16, 2017
Revised Due Date: May 14, 2018

Item S - Review of the City of Hamilton Public Health Services School Program (January 16, 2017, BOH 17-001, Item 9.1)
Due Date: October 16, 2017
Revised Due Date: November 13, 2017

Items to be Removed:

Item E - Trends and Response to Rats in Hamilton (BOH 15-006, June 15, 2015, Item 8.2)
(Addressed as Item 5.2 on this agenda)

Item G - Review of the City of Hamilton's Pest Control By-law (BOH 15-011, November 16, 2015, Item 9.1)
(Addressed as Item 5.2 on this agenda)

Item Z - Ontario Public Health Standards Modernization – Board of Health Response (BOH17010(a)) (City Wide) (BOH 17-003, April 20, 2017, Item 8.1)
(Addressed as Item 8.1 on this agenda)

(j) ADJOURNMENT (Item 13)

There being no further business, the Board of Health adjourned at 2:58 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mayor F. Eisenberger
Chair, Board of Health

Loren Kolar
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Office of the City Clerk