

EMERGENCY & COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE MINUTES 16-009

1:30 pm
Monday, September 26, 2016
Council Chambers
Hamilton City Hall
71 Main Street West, Hamilton

Present: Councillors M. Green (Chair), A. Johnson (Vice Chair), J. Farr,

S. Merulla, T. Jackson, D. Skelly, T. Whitehead,

Absent with Regrets: Councillor J. Partridge – City Business

THE FOLLOWING ITEMS WERE REPORTED TO COUNCIL FOR CONSIDERATION:

1. Appointment of Administrator of Ontario Works (CES16049) (City Wide) (Item 5.1)

(Farr/A. Johnson)

- (a) That the appointment of Steve Jacques as the Administrator of Ontario Works be approved; and,
- (b) That the appointment of Steve Jacques as the Administrator of Ontario Works be submitted to the Ministry of Community and Social Services for approval.

CARRIED

2. Child Care System Special Needs Resourcing (CES16034(a)) (City Wide) (Item 8.1)

(Whitehead/Jackson)

That Report CES16034(a)) respecting Child Care System Special Needs Resourcing, be received.

CARRIED

FOR THE INFORMATION OF COMMITTEE:

(a) CHANGES TO THE AGENDA (Item 1)

The Committee Clerk advised of the following changes to the Agenda:

9.1 Revised Motion respecting Gateway Arena Purchase

(A. Johnson/Jackson)

That the Agenda for the September 26, 2016 meeting of the Emergency & Community Services Committee be approved, as amended.

CARRIED

(b) DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (Item 2)

Councillor Green declared an interest with Item 8.1 and 11.1, respecting Child Care System Special Needs Resourcing (CES16034(a)), as his spouse is an IBI and ABA Behavioural Therapist.

(c) APPROVAL OF MINUTES (Item 3)

September 12, 2016 (Item 3.1)

Councillor Jackson noted that the date in Item (f)(ii) should be changed from "September 24, 2016" to read "September 26, 2016".

(Farr/Whitehead)

That the Minutes of the September 12, 2016 Emergency & Community Services Committee meeting be approved, as amended.

CARRIED

Councillor Green relinquished the Chair to Councillor A. Johnson.

(d) DISCUSSION ITEMS (Item 8)

Child Care System Special Needs Resourcing (CES16034(a)) (City Wide) (Item 8.1)

For disposition of this matter, please refer to Item 2.

Councillor Green assumed the Chair.

(e) Gateway Arena Purchase (Item 9.1) (Revised)

(Jackson/Merulla)

WHEREAS, Saltfleet Arena and Stoney Creek Arena are two of the oldest arenas in the City of Hamilton;

WHEREAS, both of these arenas are significantly beyond their useful life;

WHEREAS, significant cost would be required to bring them up to current standards:

WHEREAS, single pad arenas are not cost effective;

WHEREAS, the Indoor Recreation Facility Review Report directs staff to investigate current private arenas to explore any opportunities to replace current aging infrastructure;

WHEREAS, the Owner of the Stoney Creek Gateway Arena has expressed interest in selling the current 3 pad arena (to be expanded to 4 pads at the current owners cost) to the City;

WHEREAS, the current Private/Public Partnership with Nustadia Recreation Inc. in the operation of the Mohawk 4 Ice Arena Facility, has been very successful over the past 13 years;

WHEREAS, the area Councillors are supportive of this recommendation and both the Stoney Creek Girls Hockey and the Stoney Creek Minor Hockey Associations are supportive of a new Quad pad arena in Stoney Creek to replace the two aging single pads; and,

WHEREAS, in keeping with the Mohawk 4 Ice model, the financing and operation of the new quad pad arena will not have any negative effect on the Operating or Capital Budgets of the City;

THERFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

That the City Manager be directed to explore the feasibility of the purchase of the Gateway arena (with the addition of the 4th Pad) using the same model as the Mohawk 4 Ice Arena, and/or an in-house model or hybrid, and report back to Emergency & Community Services Committee prior to the end of January 2017.

CARRIED

Councillor Green relinquished the Chair to Councillor A. Johnson.

(f) GENERAL INFORMATION AND OTHER BUSINESS (Item 11)

(i) Outstanding Business List Amendments (Item 11.1)

(Farr/Whitehead)

That the following items be considered complete and removed from the Outstanding Business List:

Item DD: Concerns with the Child Care System Special Needs Resourcing Report (addressed as Item 8.1)

CARRIED

Councillor Green assumed the Chair.

(g) ADJOURNMENT (Item 13)

(Skelly/Jackson)

That, there being no further business, the Emergency & Community Services Committee be adjourned at 2:20 p.m.

CARRIED

Respectfully submitted,

Councillor M. Green Chair, Emergency & Community Services Committee

Lisa Chamberlain Legislative Coordinator Office of the City Clerk