



GENERAL ISSUES COMMITTEE MINUTES 16-029

9:30 a.m.

Wednesday, November 16, 2016

Council Chambers

Hamilton City Hall

71 Main Street West

Present: Mayor F. Eisenberger, Deputy Mayor D. Skelly (Chair)
Councillors T. Whitehead, T. Jackson, C. Collins, S. Merulla, M. Green, J. Farr, D. Conley, M. Pearson, B. Johnson, L. Ferguson, A. VanderBeek, R. Pasuta, J. Partridge

Absent

with Regrets: Councillor A. Johnson – Personal

THE FOLLOWING ITEMS WERE REFERRED TO COUNCIL FOR CONSIDERATION:

- 1. Court Security and Prisoner Transportation Agreement for 2017 and 2018 (FCS16088) (City Wide) (Item 5.1)**

(Whitehead/Ferguson)

That the Mayor and the City Clerk be authorized and directed to execute an agreement between the City of Hamilton and the Province of Ontario, attached as Appendix "A" to Report FCS16088, and all necessary associated documents, to provide the City its approved funding allocation under the Court Security and Prisoner Transportation Program administered by the Ministry of Community Safety and Correctional Services.

CARRIED

- 2. International Village Business Improvement Area (BIA) Revised Board of Management (PED16011(a)) (Wards 2 and 3) (Item 5.2)**

(Whitehead/Ferguson)

That the following individual be appointed to the International Village Business Improvement Area (BIA) Board of Management:

- (i) Kristi Grove-Cino

CARRIED

3. Hamilton Police Services Board Monthly Report (PSB 16-114), October 20, 2016 (Item 5.3)

(Whitehead/Ferguson)

That the Hamilton Police Services Board Monthly Report (PSB 16-114), October 20, 2016, be received.

CARRIED

4. Airport Sub-Committee – Clerk’s Report, November 3, 2016 (Item 5.5)

(Whitehead/Ferguson)

That the Airport Sub-Committee – Clerk’s Report, dated November 3, 2016, be received.

CARRIED

5. Neighbourhood Action Strategy Annual Update 2016 (CES15052(a)) (City Wide) (Item 7.1)

(Whitehead/Farr)

(a) That the Neighbourhood Action Strategy Annual Update 2016 be received; and,

(b) That the Neighbourhood Action Strategy Review for 2016/2017 at an upset limit of \$30,000 be approved from the Neighbourhood Action Strategy Capital fund (20551255204).

CARRIED

6. CityLAB Hamilton Feasibility Study Review (CM16016) (City Wide) (Item 7.2)

(Green/Eisenberger)

(a) That the City Manager or his designate be authorized to negotiate terms and conditions with McMaster University, Mohawk College and Redeemer University College, for the creation and implementation of CityLAB Hamilton, a three year pilot program (January 2017 to December 2019) to be located at the Canadian Football Hall of Fame; including an occupancy agreement, financial commitments, operation of the program, student code of conduct, and liability and intellectual property matters;

(b) That the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized and directed to execute an agreement and all ancillary documents to implement the three year pilot program for CityLAB Hamilton, with content acceptable to the City Manager, and in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor;

(c) That staff be directed to provide an annual update to the General Issues Committee respecting the success of CityLAB Hamilton for the duration of the pilot;

- (d) *That the City of Hamilton's contribution of \$288,000 of in-kind services for the Hamilton CityLAB occupancy lease for a three year period (January 2017 to December 2019), be approved; and,*
- (e) *That the City of Hamilton's cash contribution to the Hamilton CityLAB 3-year pilot program (January 2017 to December 2019) for a total amount of \$101,000 to be provided over a three year period, to be funded through revenues generated by the Strategic Partnerships & Revenue Generation Division, resulting in net levy of \$0, be approved.*

MOTION, AS AMENDED, CARRIED

7. Hamilton Workforce Commuting Patterns and Destinations (PED16241/PW16105) (City Wide) (Item 8.1)

(Pearson/Skelly)

That Report PED16241/PW16105, respecting the Hamilton Workforce Commuting Patterns and Destinations, be received.

CARRIED

8. 2017 Budget Submission – Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities (FCS16093) (City Wide) (Item 8.2)

(Merulla/Whitehead)

That the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities (ACPD) 2017 base budget submission in the amount of \$1,500 be approved and referred to the 2017 budget process (General Issues Committee).

CARRIED

9. Cleanliness and Security in the Downtown Core Task Force Report 16-004, September 12, 2016 (Item 8.3)

(Pearson/Whitehead)

(a) Review of Items noted at the July 11, 2016 meeting (Walking Tour of the Downtown Core) and Follow-up as required (Item 8.1)

- (i) That staff be directed to investigate the issue of the illegal dumping of residential garbage on King Street (in the Downtown Core) and report back to the Task Force on how to address this matter;
- (ii) That the investigation include an examination of the best practices used by other cities to deal with the illegal dumping of residential garbage including the possibility of sending letters to residential tenants telling them to not put garbage out on the street; and,
- (iii) That staff identify an area where potential locked-up garbage bins can be located as part of the Cleanliness Program Improvements.

(b) Street Furniture for the Gore Park Promenade (Added Item 11.1)

That staff be directed to investigate the feasibility of ensuring that the table and chairs used by the Downtown BIA for the Gore Park Promenade are safely secured and/or checked to ensure secure storage each evening.

(c) Garbage Receptacle at MacNab and Duke Streets (Added Item 11.3)

That staff be directed to investigate the garbage receptacle at MacNab and Duke Streets; and if there are any issues found with it, that staff looks at the feasibility of removing the receptacle.

CARRIED

10. Conducting Municipal Elections with a Deficient Voters List (Item 8.4)

(Eisenberger/Green)

The Mayor correspond with the Honourable Kathleen Wynne, Premier of Ontario and the Honourable Bill Mauro, Minister of Municipal Affairs expressing concern with municipalities having to conduct Municipal Elections with a consistently deficient voters list, with copies to be forwarded to area municipalities, AMO and MPAC.

CARRIED

11. 2017 Tax Supported User Fees (FCS16085) (City Wide) (Item 8.5)

(Pearson/Conley)

- (a) That the 2017 User Fees contained in Appendix "A" to Report FCS16085 "2017 Tax Supported User Fees" be approved and implemented; and,
- (b) That the City Solicitor & Corporate Counsel be authorized and directed to prepare all necessary by-laws, for Council approval, for the purposes of establishing the user fees contained within this report.

CARRIED

12. Battlefield Interpretive Centre (PED16220) (Ward 9) (Item 8.6)

(Conley/Pearson)

- (a) That the lands municipally known as 2874, 2880, 2900 King Street East, and 6 Centennial Parkway South, forming all of PIN Nos. 17098-003(LT), 17098-002(LT), 17098-001(LT) and 17098-025(LT), in the City of Hamilton, more fully shown and described in Appendix 'A', attached to Report PED16220, be declared surplus to the requirements of the City of Hamilton in accordance with the "Procedural By-law for the Sale of Land", being By-law No. 14-204;
- (b) That the Real Estate Section of the Economic Development Division of the Planning and Economic Development Department be authorized and

directed to sell the subject lands in accordance with the City's real estate policies and procedures, on terms and conditions satisfactory to the General Manager of Planning and Economic Development, and in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor;

- (c) That the net proceeds, minus associated costs including legal, appraisal, real estate and all other costs related to this real estate transaction, be returned 50% to the royalties reserve and 50% to the Stoney Creek Urban Design Capital Projects fund (Account No. 8201350350) for the restoration, preservation and interpretive development at Battlefield House Museum and Park National Historic Site;
- (d) That any applicable HST be collected by the City and credited to Account No. 22828-00900 (HST Payable);
- (e) That the required deposit cheque being 10% of the purchase price be held by the General Manager of Finance and Corporate Services pending acceptance of this transaction;
- (f) That staff be directed to suspend planning and development work for an interpretive centre outside of Battlefield Park;
- (g) That staff proceed with planning for the restoration, preservation and interpretive development of existing facilities and landscape within the grounds of the Battlefield House Museum and Park National Historic Site.

CARRIED

13. Public Art Master Plan Review and Update (PED16221) (City Wide) (Item 8.7)

(VanderBeek/Pearson)

- (a) That the City of Hamilton Public Art Master Plan 2016 attached as Appendix 'A' to Report PED16221 be received;
- (b) That staff be directed to implement the priority public art projects identified in City of Hamilton Public Art Master Plan 2016 attached as Appendix 'A' to Report PED16221 pending budgetary approval;
- (c) That staff be directed to use the criteria outlined in The Priority Project Scoring Matrix, attached as Appendix 'D' to Report PED16221, to determine the implementation priority of future public art project proposals;
- (d) That a Public Art Maintenance Reserve be established;
- (e) That up to 10% of the fabrication cost and artist's fees for each public art project be transferred to the Public Art Maintenance Reserve when the project is completed to fund the ongoing maintenance of public art;

- (f) That Tourism and Culture staff be directed to develop an Art in Public Places Policy to guide and encourage citizens, businesses and stakeholder groups to create high quality types of art in public places not addressed in the Public Art Master Plan 2016 such as; community art, temporary art, art on publicly accessible private property, donated art, art integrated into city buildings and infrastructure, and art memorializing a specific individual, event or cultural group and report back to the General Issues Committee in 2018;
- (g) That Tourism and Culture staff be directed to provide an annual update on implementation of the Public Art Master Plan 2016 to the General Issues Committee.

CARRIED

14. Greater Bay Area Sub-Committee Report 16-003, October 26, 2013 (Item 8.8)

(Ferguson/Skelly)

An Action for both City Managers to have created a list of priorities for future discussion with Members of Parliament – Beach Canal Lighthouse, Lift Bridge and Federal Pier Platforms (Item 8.1)

That Mayors Eisenberger and Goldring meet with Federal and Provincial Government Officials to discuss possible financial opportunities and report back to the Committee.

CARRIED

15. Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities Report 16-006, June 14, 2016 (Item 8.9)

(Skelly/Merulla)

(a) Transportation Working Group Meeting Notes – April 16, 2016 (Item 5.1)

- (i) Consultation with the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities on the Staff Report respecting a 3-year pilot program for a 100% “On Demand” Accessible Transportation System operated by the Taxi Industry**

WHEREAS City Council has accepted the recommendation of Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities to investigate the feasibility of a 100% on-demand accessible transportation pilot project with a report back to the Accessible Transit Services Review Sub-Committee; and,

WHEREAS it is critical that any pilot project be properly designed with full input of Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities, and other persons with disabilities;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities be included in the consultation on the staff report respecting the feasibility of moving to a 100% "On Demand" Accessible Transportation System; and that the consultations include the design, implementation and evaluation of the pilot project.

(ii) Consultation by the Hamilton Street Railway staff with the ACPD

WHEREAS Hamilton Street Railway (HSR) bus driver behaviour as experienced by persons with disabilities demonstrates a lack of knowledge and understanding of HSR and *Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act* (AODA) passenger policies; and,

WHEREAS this misunderstanding of HSR and AODA policies results in drivers devising their own version of policies; and,

WHEREAS driver behaviour inhibits passenger access boarding and deboarding buses; and,

WHEREAS driver behaviour compromises reasonable passenger safety;

WHEREAS collectively, driver behaviour is grossly disrespectful to passengers with disabilities; and

WHEREAS there is an absence of consultation with the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities (ACPD) regarding accessible bus design configuration by the Hamilton Street Railway; and,

WHEREAS the practice of the HSR has been exclusionary with respect to consultation with the ACPD on matters of accessible transportation; and

WHEREAS this lack of consultation can serve only to be more costly to the City; and,

WHEREAS These issues combined can only compel passengers with disabilities to seek other access for their transportation needs through Disabled & Aged Regional Transportation System further increasing overall transportation costs to the City;

Therefore be it resolved that:

The HSR consult with the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities on all matters related to accessible transportation, including but not limited to: service delivery; policy development and implementation; revision of the complaints process and proposed new vehicle design.

(b) Update of the 2006 Barrier Free Design Guidelines (Item 8.2)

That financial and administrative resources be put forward by Public Works, in consultation with CityHousing Hamilton, to update the 2006 Barrier Free Design Guidelines and that those guidelines include updated requirements for accessible housing within City owned and operated housing facilities.

(c) Resignation from the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities (Added Item 8.5)

That the Resignation of Jeff Gilbreath from the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities, be received and referred to the Selection Committee.

CARRIED

16. Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities Report 16-007, July 12, 2016 (Item 8.10)

(Whitehead/Merulla)

Built Environment Working Group Meeting Notes – May 3, 2016 (Item 5.2)

(i) Letter to Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing

That a letter be sent to the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing, Ontario Building Code section advising that a 45° angled forward facing diagonal grab bar be added to the design of all accessible washrooms, because it is vital to the safety and independence of those individuals requiring them.

(ii) Rumble Strips Installation at City Hall

That for health and safety purposes, the City Hall floating staircase leading from the second floor to the first floor have warning strips installed at the top of the stairs on the second floor to let people know they are approaching the stairs and that the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities be consulted during the installation process.

CARRIED

17. Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities Report 16-009, September 13, 2016 (Item 8.11)

(Merulla/Collins)

(a) Formation of a Working Group respecting Wheelchair and Scooter Breakdowns (Item 5.1)

- (i) That a Working Group be formed from members of the ACPD and staff from the Access & Equity Office to garner greater stakeholder responses to the Wheelchair and Scooter Breakdown Survey;
- (ii) That the members of the Working Group work with staff from the Access & Equity Office to create solutions to the issue of wheelchair and scooter breakdowns;
- (iii) That members of the Working Group work with staff from the Access & Equity Office on their proposal for a service to assist with Wheelchair and Scooter Breakdowns within the City of Hamilton; and,
- (iv) That J. Cardno, A. Mallet, T. Manzuk, M. Sinclair and T. Wallis be appointed to the Working Group on Wheelchair and Scooter Breakdowns.

(b) Information Report respecting Wheelchair and Scooter Breakdown Survey, Corporate Services, Access & Equity Office (Item 5.1)

That the Information Report respecting Wheelchair and Scooter Breakdown Survey, be received.

(c) Transportation Working Group Meeting Notes – June 28, 2016 (Item 5.2)

That the Transportation Working Group Meeting Notes of June 28, 2016, be received.

(d) Built Environment Working Group Meeting Notes - July 5, 2016 (Item 5.3)

(i) Housing Services and City of Hamilton's Barrier Free Design Guidelines

That Housing Services staff be directed to adhere to the City of Hamilton's Barrier Free Design Guidelines and consult with the

Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities for any future housing renovations and new construction projects.

(ii) Request for an Accessibility Audit Update from Housing Services

That staff be directed to prepare an update to the Advisory Committee on Persons with Disabilities, on all accessibility audits completed to date by ACPD, including City Hall, MacNab Street Terminal, Stoney Creek Recreation Centre, Battlefield House and Park, Westmount Recreation Centre, Waterdown Civic Centre, 690 Stone Church Road West and Tim Horton's Field, with dates, outcomes and outstanding items found in each audit.

(e) Built Environment Working Group Meeting Notes – August 2, 2016 (Item 5.4)

That the Built Environment Working Group Meeting Notes – August 2, 2016, be received.

(f) Terms of Reference Working Group – Final version of Terms of Reference for Approval (Item 5.5)

That the revised Terms of Reference for the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities, attached hereto as Appendix "A", be approved

(g) HSR Fares for Post-Secondary Students with Disabilities (Item 9.1)

WHEREAS post-secondary students pay a one-time fee to their post-secondary institution and receive a bus pass allowing them to travel on the HSR from September to August each year; and

WHEREAS any post-secondary student with a disability who might otherwise ride the HSR for free due to the nature of their disability, must pay an annual fee to their post-secondary school to receive an annual HSR bus pass;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

- (i) That HSR staff be directed to work with the post-secondary institutions in Hamilton and members of the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities to establish a process to either waive or reimburse fees for the annual HSR bus passes for post-secondary students with disabilities; and

- (ii) That a report be brought back to the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities respecting the process to either waive or reimburse fees for the annual HSR bus passes for post-secondary students with disabilities.

(h) Housing Issues Working Group (Item 11.2)

- (i) That staff be directed to work with members of the ACPD to create a Working Group respecting Housing Issues and Persons for Persons with Disabilities;
- (ii) That the Housing Issues Working Group focus on housing issues include persons with disabilities; and persons living on social assistance to create an inventory of Housing; and
- (iii) That M. Sinclair and J. Cardno from the ACPD be approved to lead the Housing Issues Working Group.

(i) DARTS Liaison (Item 11.3)

- (i) That P. Kilburn be approved as DARTS Liaison for the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities; and,
- (ii) That the DARTS Liaison for the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities continue to work with the Executive Director of DARTS to inform the ACPD of DARTS activities.

CARRIED

18. Sale of 500 Beach Boulevard, Hamilton (PED16224) (Ward 5) (Item 8.12)

(Collins/Jackson)

- (a) That an Offer to Purchase (for the sale of City Owned property), executed on October 06, 2016, and scheduled to close on or before May 31, 2017, to purchase the land described as Part of Burlington Beach, West Side of Beach Boulevard (Unregistered), designated as Part 3 on Plan 62R-19751, more fully shown and described in Appendices "A" to "C" attached to Report PED16224, be approved and completed substantially based on terms and conditions outlined in Appendix "D" attached to Report PED16224, and any such other terms deemed appropriate by the General Manager of Planning and Economic Development and the net proceeds be credited to Account No. 47702-3561250201 (Beach Property Sales and Maintenance);
- (b) That the City Solicitor be authorized and directed to complete the transaction on behalf of the City, including paying any necessary expenses, amending the closing, due diligence and other dates, and

amending and waiving terms and conditions on such terms as she considers reasonable;

- (c) That the sum of \$10,400 from the proceeds of the sale be credited to Account No. 45408-3560150200 (Property Sales and Purchases) for recovery of expenses including Real Estate and Legal administration fees;
- (d) That Appendix "D" attached to Report PED16224 remains confidential and not be released as a public document until final completion of the real estate transaction; and,
- (e) That the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to execute any necessary documents in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor.

CARRIED

FOR THE INFORMATION OF COMMITTEE:

(a) CHANGES TO THE AGENDA (Item 1)

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

1. DELEGATION REQUESTS

- 4.2 Viv Saunders respecting Rural Tax Levies (For November 16, 2016)
- 4.3 Karl Andrus, Stinson Community Association, respecting the Neighbourhood Action Strategy
- 4.4 Brenda Duke, Beautiful Alleys, respecting the Neighbourhood Action Strategy
- 4.5 Scott Stowe, on behalf of the McQuesten Community Planning Team and the McQuesten Urban Farm in Support of the Neighbourhood Action Strategy Annual Report (For November 16, 2016)
- 4.6 Anna Roberts respecting City-Wide Fire Levies (For December 7, 2016)
- 4.7 Barbara Teichman, Keith Neighbourhood Hub, respecting the Neighbourhood Action Strategy Annual Report (For November 16, 2016)
- 4.8 Alain Bureau, Sherman Hub, respecting the Neighbourhood Action Strategy Annual Report (For November 16, 2016)

- 4.9 Sean Hurley, Crown Point Planning Team, respecting the Neighbourhood Action Strategy Annual Report (For November 16, 2016)
- 4.10 David Deslandes, Davis Creek Planning Team, respecting the Neighbourhood Action Strategy Annual Report (For November 16, 2016)

(Whitehead/Pearson)

That the agenda for the November 16, 2016 General Issues Committee meeting be approved, as amended.

CARRIED

(b) DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (Item 2)

Councillor L. Ferguson declared in Interest to Item 8.5, respecting Report FCS16085, 2017 Tax Supported User Fees, as his family has an interest in the Taxi industry.

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

(i) October 25, 2016 – Special (LRT) (Item 3.1)

(Ferguson/Green)

That the Minutes of the October 12, 2016 Special General Issues Committee, be approved, as presented.

CARRIED

(ii) October 27, 2016 – Special (Ward Boundary Review) (Item 3.2)

(Farr/Jackson)

That the Minutes of the October 27, 2016 Special General Issues Committee, be approved, as presented.

CARRIED

(iii) November 2, 2016 (Item 3.3)

(Skelly/Whitehead)

That the Minutes of the November 2, 2016 General Issues Committee, be approved, as presented.

CARRIED

(d) DELEGATION REQUESTS (Item 4)

- (i) Pauline Kajiura, Inform Hamilton, respecting Core Funding for Information Hamilton (For a future GIC) (Item 4.1)**

(Pearson/Whitehead)

That the delegation request, submitted by Pauline Kajiura, Inform Hamilton, respecting Core Funding for Information Hamilton, be approved to appear at a future General Issues Committee meeting.

CARRIED

- (ii) Viv Saunders respecting Rural Tax Levies (For November 16, 2016) (Item 4.2)**

(Pearson/Whitehead)

That the delegation request submitted by Viv Saunders, respecting Rural Tax Levies, be approved to appear before the General Issues Committee on November 16, 2016.

CARRIED

- (iii) Karl Andrus, Stinson Community Association, respecting the Neighbourhood Action Strategy (Item 4.3)**

(Pearson/Whitehead)

That the delegation request submitted by Karl Andrus, Stinson Community Association, respecting the Neighbourhood Action Strategy, be approved to appear before the General Issues Committee on November 16, 2016.

CARRIED

- (iv) Brenda Duke, Beautiful Alleys, respecting the Neighbourhood Action Strategy (Item 4.4)**

(Pearson/Whitehead)

That the delegation request submitted by Brenda Duke, Beautiful Alleys, respecting the Neighbourhood Action Strategy, be approved to appear before the General Issues Committee on November 16, 2016.

CARRIED

- (v) Scott Stowe, on behalf of the McQuesten Community Planning Team and the McQuesten Urban Farm in Support of the Neighbourhood Action Strategy Annual Report (For November 16, 2016) (Item 4.5)**

(Pearson/Whitehead)

That the delegation request, submitted by Scott Stowe, on behalf of the McQuesten Community Planning Team and the McQuesten Urban Farm in Support of the Neighbourhood Action Strategy Annual Report, be approved to appear before the General Issues Committee on November 16, 2016.

CARRIED

- (vi) Anna Roberts respecting City-Wide Fire Levies (For December 7, 2016) (Item 4.6)**

(Pearson/Whitehead)

That the delegation request, submitted by Anna Roberts respecting City-Wide Fire Levies, be approved to appear before the General Issues Committee on December 7, 2016.

CARRIED

- (vii) Barbara Teichman, Keith Neighbourhood Hub, respecting the Neighbourhood Action Strategy Annual Report (For November 16, 2016) (Item 4.7)**

(Pearson/Whitehead)

That the delegation request, submitted by Barbara Teichman, Keith Neighbourhood Hub, respecting the Neighbourhood Action Strategy Annual Report, be approved to appear before the General Issues Committee on November 16, 2016.

CARRIED

- (viii) Alain Bureau, Sherman Hub, respecting the Neighbourhood Action Strategy Annual Report (For November 16, 2016) (Item 4.8)**

(Pearson/Whitehead)

That the delegation request, submitted by Alain Bureau, Sherman Hub, respecting the Neighbourhood Action Strategy Annual Report, be approved to appear before the General Issues Committee on November 16, 2016.

CARRIED

- (ix) Sean Hurley, Crown Point Planning Team, respecting the Neighbourhood Action Strategy Annual Report (For November 16, 2016) (Item 4.9)**

(Pearson/Whitehead)

That the delegation request, submitted by Sean Hurley, Crown Point Planning Team, respecting the Neighbourhood Action Strategy Annual Report, be approved to appear before the General Issues Committee on November 16, 2016.

CARRIED

- (x) **David Deslandes, Davis Creek Planning Team, respecting the Neighbourhood Action Strategy Annual Report (For November 16, 2016) (Item 4.10)**

(Pearson/Whitehead)

That the delegation request, submitted by David Deslandes, Davis Creek Planning Team, respecting the Neighbourhood Action Strategy Annual Report, be approved to appear before the General Issues Committee on November 16, 2016.

CARRIED

(e) CONSENT ITEMS (Item 5)

- (i) **Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities Meeting Minutes, August 9, 2016 (Item 5.4)**

(Whitehead/Ferguson)

That the August 9, 2016 meeting Minutes of the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities, be received.

CARRIED

(f) PUBLIC HEARINGS / DELEGATIONS (ITEM 6)

- (i) **John Hall, Coordinator, Hamilton Harbour Remedial Action Plan, Bay Area Team to Present a Report and Recommendations from the Hamilton Harbour Remedial Action Plan, Urban Runoff Task Group – Hamilton (Item 6.1)**

John Hall addressed Committee, on behalf of the Hamilton Harbour Remedial Action Plan, Bay Area Team respecting the Report and Recommendations from the Hamilton Harbour Remedial Action Plan, Urban Runoff Task Group – Hamilton. Mr. Hall's presentation included, but was not limited to, the following:

- o Stormwater Runoff: Impacting Hamilton Harbour
- o Flow Ratio to the Harbour
- o Wastewater Treatment Plants = 50%
- o Watersheds = 50%
- o Total Phosphorus
- o Three Wastewater Treatment Plants
- o Watershed Challenges:

- Climate Change
- Phosphorus Pulses from Storms
- o What a Storm Looks Like
- o Phosphorus from Creeks
- o Urban Runoff Task Groups: Federal, Provincial, Municipal and Conservation Authorities
- o Urban Runoff Task Group's Recommendations:
 - Guidelines and Manuals
 - Programs
 - Training
 - Resourcing Stormwater Infrastructure
 - That the City of Hamilton direct its staff to review the recommendations contained in the Hamilton Harbour Remedial Action Plan, Urban Runoff, Hamilton Report and Recommendations for Nutrient and Sediment Management, dated October 20, 2016.

(Conley/Partridge)

That the presentation, respecting the Hamilton Harbour Remedial Action Plan, Bay Area Team's Report and Recommendations from the Hamilton Harbour Remedial Action Plan, Urban Runoff Task Group – Hamilton, be received.

CARRIED

The presentation is available on the City's website at www.hamilton.ca or through the Office of the City Clerk.

(Eisenberger/Collins)

That staff be directed to review the feasibility of implementing the Hamilton Harbour Remedial Action Plan, Urban Runoff Hamilton Report and Recommendations for Nutrient and Sediment Management, dated October 20, 2016 and report back to General Issues Committee.

CARRIED

(ii) John Schuurman and Albert Karsten, Rolston Neighbourhood Planning Team, respecting the Neighbourhood Action Strategy Annual Report (Item 6.2)

John Schuurman and Albert Karsten, Rolston Neighbourhood Planning Team, addressed Committee respecting the Neighbourhood Action Strategy Annual Report. The presentation included, but was not limited to, the following:

- o Community Food Centre
- o Neighbourhood Newsletter
- o Movie Night
- o Little Libraries
- o Building Moment
- o Banners

(Whitehead/Collins)

That the presentation provided by John Schuurman and Albert Karsten, Rolston Neighbourhood Planning Team, respecting the Neighbourhood Action Strategy Annual Report, be received.

CARRIED

The presentation is available on the City's website at www.hamilton.ca or through the Office of the City Clerk.

For disposition of this matter, please refer to Item 5.

(iii) Viv Saunders respecting Rural Tax Levies (For November 16, 2016) (Item 6.3)

Viv Saunders addressed Committee respecting rural tax levies. Ms. Saunders presentation included, but was not limited to, the following:

- o Here today to ask for one, uniform rural tax table for Wards 1 through 15.
- o Tax Differential on a \$350,000 Residents (City portion only; excludes education)
- o Dundas Historical Parkland Levy

- o Is it parkland, a culture centre, a community centre or outdoor recreation?
- o Stoney Creek (Wards 9, 10 and Lower 11) Parkland Levy

(VanderBeek/Partridge)

That the presentation provided by Viv Saunders, respecting Rural Tax Levies, be received.

CARRIED

(iv) Karl Andrus, Stinson Community Association, respecting the Neighbourhood Action Strategy (Item 6.4)

Karl Andrus, Stinson Community Association, addressed Committee respecting the Neighbourhood Action Strategy. Mr. Andrus' presentation included, but was not limited to, the following:

- o Co Chair of Stinson Community Council
- o Benefits that the Neighbourhood Action Strategy has on the Stinson neighbourhood has been very positive.
- o Ice rinks in the winter, songs in the park, etc.

(Farr/Green)

That the presentation provided by Karl Andrus, Stinson Community Association, respecting the Neighbourhood Action Strategy, be received.

CARRIED

For disposition of this matter, please refer to Item 5.

(v) Brenda Duke, Beautiful Alleys, respecting the Neighbourhood Action Strategy (Item 6.5)

Brenda Duke, Beautiful Alleys, addressed Committee respecting the Neighbourhood Action Strategy. Ms. Duke's comments included, but were not limited to, the following:

- o Neglected spaces become usable and safe pathways for children, cyclists, residents, seniors, residents, and visitors. A community impact.
- o New friendships, pride in community, a real sense of working together toward shared goals. A social impact.

- o Thousands of bags of trash removed from public spaces, thousands more bags of recycling diverted from landfill, and thousands more bags of yard waste converted to compost. An environmental impact.
- o Nine new art installations on fences and buildings. A visual impact.
- o Only two years old, as an organized project in multiple neighbourhoods, Beautiful Alleys has received a 2016 Hamilton Environmentalists of the Year Award of Merit and a Community Builder Award.

(Green/Partridge)

That the presentation provided by Brenda Duke, Beautiful Alleys, respecting the Neighbourhood Action Strategy, be received.

CARRIED

A copy of the presentation is available on the City's website at www.hamilton.ca or through the Office of the City Clerk.

For disposition of this matter, please refer to Item 5.

(vi) Scott Stowe, on behalf of the McQuesten Community Planning Team and the McQuesten Urban Farm in Support of the Neighbourhood Action Strategy Annual Report (Item 6.6)

Scott Stowe addressed Committee on behalf of the McQuesten Community Planning Team and the McQuesten Urban Farm in Support of the Neighbourhood Action Strategy Annual Report. Mr. Stowe's presentation included, but was not limited to, the following:

- o Mr. Stowe spoke of his inspiring story upon moving into the McQuesten neighbourhood, the caring assistance of those from the St. Helen's Community Hub and of the Urban Farm.
- o The Urban Farm is the social glue of our community.
- o Hopefully, McQuesten Urban Farms offers a footprint for other communities – job creation, food security and awareness.

(Merulla/Collins)

That the presentation provided by Scott Stowe, on behalf of the McQuesten Community Planning Team and the McQuesten Urban Farm in Support of the Neighbourhood Action Strategy Annual Report, be received.

CARRIED

For disposition of the matter above, please refer to Item 5.

(vii) Barbara Teichman, Keith Neighbourhood Hub, respecting the Neighbourhood Action Strategy Annual Report (Item 6.7)

Barbara Teichman, Keith Neighbourhood Hub, addressed Committee respecting the Neighbourhood Action Strategy Annual Report. Ms. Teichman's presentation included, but was not limited to, the following:

- o Ms. Teichman explained the positive impacts that the Neighbourhood Action Strategy has had in the Keith Neighbourhood Hub.
- o Eva Rothwell Resource Centre at Robert Land Breakfast, Learning Programs and Inner City Outreach
- o Pathways
- o Mohawk College
- o Program for Young Mothers
- o A Community Hub Resource Centre

(Conley/VanderBeek)

That the presentation provided by Barbara Teichman, Keith Neighbourhood Hub, respecting the Neighbourhood Action Strategy Annual Report, be received.

CARRIED

For disposition of this matter, please refer to Item 5.

(viii) Alain Bureau, Sherman Hub, respecting the Neighbourhood Action Strategy Annual Report (Item 6.8)

Alain Bureau, of the Sherman Hub, addressed Committee respecting the Neighbourhood Action Strategy Annual Report. Mr. Bureau's presentation included, but was not limited to, the following:

- o The Sherman Hub Planning Team are striving to make our neighbourhood a great place to live, work and raise a family.
- o Through the great support of the Neighbourhood Action Strategy, we in the community can engage, build relationships with residents, businesses, stakeholders, places of worship and other hubs.

- o We have achieved: Street by Street Engagement, Annual Yard Sale, BBQs, Movie Nights and monthly meetings.

(Green/Pearson)

That the presentation provided by Alain Bureau, of the Sherman Hub, respecting the Neighbourhood Action Strategy Annual Report, be received.

CARRIED

For disposition of this matter, please refer to Item 5.

(ix) Sean Hurley, Crown Point Planning Team, respecting the Neighbourhood Action Strategy Annual Report (For November 16, 2016) (Item 6.9)

Sean Hurley, Crown Point Planning Team, addressed Committee respecting the Neighbourhood Action Strategy Annual Report. Mr. Hurley's presentation included, but was not limited to, the following:

- o My Free Hamilton.ca which offers information on free medical services to the community.
- o Pipeline Trail – now have official plan for the trail, residents have take ownership of it and it is now quite busy – a completely new park for our neighbourhood.
- o Gardening Club – started 2 years ago with volunteers from the community.
- o Public Gardens have been planted and a pollinator garden has also been planted.
- o Delight Festival – Art Installation along the Pipeline Trail. More than 75 volunteers have pitched in to hang hundreds of Chinese lanterns on the Pipeline Trail between Province and Graham streets.
- o Any of these things could have happened on their own with the residents taking leadership, however, the chance they would have happened without the Neighbourhood Action Strategy would have been small.
- o Neighbourhood Action Strategy is a huge success.

(Merulla/Green)

That the presentation provide by Sean Hurley, Crown Point Planning Team, respecting the Neighbourhood Action Strategy Annual Report, be received.

CARRIED

The presentation is available on the City's website at www.hamilton.ca or through the Office of the City Clerk.

For disposition of the matter above, please refer to Item 5.

(x) David Deslandes, Davis Creek Planning Team, respecting the Neighbourhood Action Strategy Annual Report (Item 6.10)

David Deslandes, Davis Creek Planning Team, addressed Committee respecting the Neighbourhood Action Strategy Annual Report. Mr. Deslandes' presentation included, but was not limited to, the following:

- o LGBTQ Youth Dance
- o Signs were put up to Highlight and Welcome People to the Neighbourhood
- o Community Drop Boxes
- o Winterfest Event
- o Easter Egg Hunt
- o Medicine Walk
- o Neighbourhood Clean-up
- o Children's Soccer Program
- o Movie Nights in the Park
- o Davis Creek Community Cook Book
- o Mission Statement: to Create a Welcome and Safe Community

(Collins/Pasuta)

That the presentation provide by David Deslandes, Davis Creek Planning Team, respecting the Neighbourhood Action Strategy Annual Report, be received.

CARRIED

For disposition of the matter above, please refer to Item 5.

(g) PRESENTATIONS (Item 7)

**(i) Neighbourhood Action Strategy Annual Update 2016 (CES15052(a))
(City Wide) (Item 7.1)**

Al Fletcher, Manager, Neighbourhood Action Strategy, addressed Committee respecting the Neighbourhood Action Annual Update. The presentation included, but was not limited to, the following:

- o Neighbourhood Action Strategy Actions
- o Celebrating Successes
 - 11 Neighbourhoods Create Action Plans
 - Area of Focus – Youth Education / Employment
 - Xperience Annex Created – Funded by Local Poverty Reduction Fund
 - Prince of Wales Charities – Get Into Program
 - Employer-lead Youth Employment Program
 - Mohawk City School – Program Provider
 - Employer Commits to Hiring 14 to 30 Youth

(Conley/Farr)

That the presentation, respecting the Neighbourhood Action Strategy Annual Update, be received.

CARRIED

The presentation is available on the City's website at www.hamilton.ca or through the Office of the City Clerk.

As well, the Neighbourhood Farm video is available on the City's youtube channel at: https://youtu.be/WUOv3EG_dhc.

For disposition of this matter, please refer to Item 5.

**(ii) CityLAB Hamilton Feasibility Study Review (CM16016) (City Wide)
(Item 7.2)**

Ali Sabourin, Strategic and Business Planning Coordinator, addressed Committee respecting the CityLAB Hamilton Feasibility Study Review. The presentation included, but was not limited to, the following:

- o Concept of CityLAB Hamilton
- o Social Innovation Lab: Growing Trend
- o Hamilton Feasibility Review
- o Pilot
- o Benefits
- o Feasibility Result
- o Primed for Success
- o CityLAB Hamilton is a unique opportunity to bring together the brightest talent in the city with the goal of improving the community for everyone.

(Eisenberger/Partridge)

That the presentation, respecting Report CM16016 - CityLAB Hamilton Feasibility Study Review, be received.

CARRIED

The presentation is available on the City's website at www.hamilton.ca or through the Office of the City Clerk.

(Collins/Eisenberger)

That Report CM16016, respecting a CityLAB Hamilton Feasibility Review, be amended by adding new sub-sections (d) and (e), which read as follows:

- (d) *That the City of Hamilton's contribution of \$288,000 of in-kind services for the Hamilton CityLAB occupancy lease for a three year period (January 2017 to December 2019), be approved; and,***
- (e) *That the City of Hamilton's cash contribution to the Hamilton CityLAB 3-year pilot program (January 2017 to December 2019) for a total amount of \$101,000 to be provided over a three year period and to be funded through revenues generated by the***

***Strategic Partnerships & Revenue Generation Division,
resulting in net levy of \$0, be approved.***

AMENDMENT CARRIED

Councillor L. Ferguson wished to be recorded as OPPOSED to the Amending Motion above.

The Main Motion, *as amended*, CARRIED on the following Standing Recorded Vote:

Yeas: Eisenberger, Whitehead, Skelly, Collins, Merulla, Green, Farr,
Conley, Pearson, B. Johnson, VanderBeek, Pasuta, Partridge
Total: 13
Nays: Ferguson
Total: 1
Absent: Jackson, A. Johnson
Total: 2

For disposition of this matter, please refer to Item 6.

(h) DISCUSSION ITEMS (Item 8)

(i) Ranked Ballot Elections (CL16013) (City Wide) (Item 8.4)

(Green/Merulla)

- (a) That staff be directed to report back to the General Issues Committee, prior to the end of 2016, respecting the costs associated with the implementation of ranked ballots for the 2018 municipal elections; and,
- (b) That staff be directed to report to the General Issues Committee respecting the concerns with the current municipal election process and recommendations as to how to resolve those issues;

Sub-section (a) above was DEFEATED on the following Standing Recorded Vote:

Yeas: Farr, Green, Merulla, Eisenberger, Skelly
Total: 5
Nays: B. Johnson, Conley, Pearson, Ferguson, VanderBeek,
Partridge, Collins, Jackson, Whitehead
Total: 9
Absent: A. Johnson, Pasuta
Total: 2

Sub-section (b) above CARRIED on the following Vote:

Yeas: Farr, Green, Merulla, Eisenberger, Skelly, B. Johnson, Conley,
Pearson, Ferguson, VanderBeek, Partridge, Collins, Jackson,
Whitehead
Total: 14
Absent: A. Johnson, Pasuta
Total: 2

(Farr/Green)

- (d) That staff be directed to report to the General Issues Committee on any possible City of Hamilton public meetings related to a ranked ballot municipal election.

Sub-section (d) above was DEFEATED on the following Standing Recorded Vote:

Yeas: Farr, Green, Merulla, Eisenberger
Total: 4
Nays: Conley, Pearson, Ferguson, VanderBeek, Partridge,
Collins, Jackson, Skelly, Whitehead, B. Johnson
Total: 10
Absent: A. Johnson, Pasuta
Total: 2

(i) PRIVATE & CONFIDENTIAL (Item 12)

(Green/Pearson)

That Committee move into Closed Session respecting Item 12.1 – Report LS15018(a) respecting the City of Hamilton versus Canada Post Litigation, pursuant to Section 8.1, Sub-sections (e) and (f) of the City's Procedural By-law 14-300, and Section 239(2), Sub-sections (e) and (f) of the *Ontario Municipal Act*, 2001, as amended, as the subject matter pertains to litigation or potential litigation, including matters before Administrative Tribunals, affecting the City; and, the receiving of advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose.

CARRIED

**(i) City of Hamilton v Canada Post Litigation (LS15018(a)) (City Wide)
(Item 12.1)**

(Farr/Whitehead)

That Report LS15018(a), respecting the City of Hamilton v Canada Post Litigation, be TABLED to the December 7, 2016 General Issues Committee.

CARRIED

(j) ADJOURNMENT (Item 13)

(Pearson/Merulla)

That, there being no further business, the Special General Issues Committee, be adjourned at 4:27 p.m.

CARRIED

Respectfully submitted,

B. Johnson, Deputy Mayor
Chair, General Issues Committee

Stephanie Paparella
Legislative Coordinator
Office of the City Clerk