BOARD OF HEALTH

REPORT 13-009

AS AMENDED BY COUNCIL ON OCTOBER 23, 2013

1:30 p.m.
Monday, October 21, 2013
Council Chambers
Hamilton City Hall

Present:	Mayor. R. Bratina, Councillors C. Collins, S. Duvall, J. Farr, L. Ferguson, B. McHattie S. Merulla, J. Partridge, R. Pasuta, M. Pearson, R. Powers, T. Whitehead
Absent with regrets:	B. Clark – City Business T. Jackson – City Business B. Johnson – City Business B. Morelli – Illness

THE BOARD OF HEALTH PRESENTS REPORT 13-009 AND RESPECTFULLY RECOMMENDS:

1. Infectious Disease and Health Hazard Semi-Annual Report – Q1 and Q2 (January 1, 2013 to June 30, 2013) (BOH13038) (City Wide) (Item 5.2)

That Report BOH13038 respecting Infectious Disease and Health Hazard Semi-Annual Report – Q1 and Q2, be received.

2. Climate Change Actions 2012 (BOH13024) (City Wide) (Item 7.1)

(a) That the City increase Hamilton's greenhouse gas emissions targets to 80% by 2050;

(b) That the Public Works Department with support from the City Manager's Office, enhance the Corporate Climate Change Action Plan (PED06336(a)) to set new targets and report to the Board of Health respecting the progress;

(c) That Public Health Services, in partnership with community groups be

directed, pending identification of a funding source, to lead the development of a Community Climate Change Action Plan to set new targets and report to the Board of Health respecting the progress;

(d) That the City Manager's Office, with support from the Public Works, Emergency and Community Services, Public Health Services, Planning and Economic Development Departments, form a working group to undertake a climate change vulnerability study and risk assessment of services and operations impacted by extreme weather events (e.g. flooding, increased temperatures, increased storms) and report back to the Board of Health on the assessment, and actions to reduce these risks.

3. *Clean Air Hamilton* 2012 Progress Report (BOH13023) (City Wide) (Item 7.2)

(a) That Appendix A "*Clean Air Hamilton* Air Quality Progress Report 2012" attached to Report BOH13023 respecting air quality in Hamilton be received;

(b) That staff from Public Health Services be directed to work with staff from the Planning and Economic Development Department to review planning process options for the adoption of the D-Series Guidelines from the Ontario Ministry of Environment to address land use planning;

(c) That staff from Public Health Services, Planning and Economic Development, and Public Works Departments be directed to review options that can be taken at a municipal level to control and reduce air particulates;

(d) That City staff from Public Works Department continue to support the implementation of low-emission transportation alternatives and identify opportunities for increasing the use of green corridors for active transportation.

4. Anaphylaxis (BOH13040) (City Wide) (Item 7.3)

That Report BOH13040 respecting Anaphylaxis, be received.

5. Nutritious Food Basket (BOH13030) (City Wide) (Item 8.1)

(a) That correspondence be sent to the Premier of Ontario, and the Minister of Community and Social Services, requesting an increase in social assistance rates to a level that reflects the true costs of nutritious food and housing, considering the annual results of the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care's Nutritious Food Basket survey, and the Canada Mortgage

and Housing Corporation Rental Income (Ontario) reports.

(b) That in the interim, the Board of Health requests an immediate increase of $100 per month, for every adult in receipt of social assistance;

(c) That the Board of Health requests the Ontario government sign a bilateral housing agreement with the Federal government that will commit funds for cost-sharing the five year extension of the federal Investment in Affordable Housing Program.

6. Update to Supporting Neighbourhoods in Managing Community Consequences of Addictions (BOH12008(a)) (City Wide) (Item 8.2)

That Report BOH12008(a) respecting an Update to Supporting Neighbourhoods in Managing Community Consequences of Addictions, be received.

7. 2014 – 2017 Community Accountability Planning Submission to the Hamilton Niagara Haldimand Brant Local Health Integration Network (BOH13043) (City Wide) (Item 8.3)

(a) That the 2014-2017 Community Accountability Planning Submission required by the Hamilton Niagara Haldimand Brant Local Health Integration Network to negotiate the new Multi-sector Service Accountability Agreement for Public Health Services, Community Mental Health Promotion Program of the Mental Health and Street Outreach Services, and Alcohol, Drug & Gambling Services programs, be approved;

(b) That the Medical Officer of Health be authorized and directed to negotiate, in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor, the 2014-2017 Multi-sector Service Accountability Agreement between the City and the Hamilton, Niagara, Haldimand, Brant Local Health Integration Network, and to execute the Agreement;

(c) That the Medical Officer of Health be authorized and directed to negotiate, in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor, any required amending, ancillary or related agreements, including funding agreements, during the term of the 2014-2017 Multi-service Sector Accountability Agreement;

(d) That the Medical Officer of Health be authorized to execute any amending, ancillary or related agreements, including any related documents and reports required to give effect thereto or required by the Agreement.

8. Progress Update on Good 2 Go Food Box Pilot Project (BOH13039) (City Wide) (Item 8.4)

That Report BOH13039 respecting an Progress Update on Good 2 Go Food Box

Pilot Project, be received.

9. Invitation for the Ministry of the Environment to attend a meeting of the Board of Health (Item 9.1)

(a) That the Ministry of the Environment be invited to a meeting of the Board of Health to discuss the findings of Report BOH13023, respecting *Clean Air Hamilton* 2012 Progress Report;

(b) That a Copy of Report BOH13023, respecting Clean Air Hamilton 2012 Progress Report, be sent to the Ministry of the Environment for their information prior to appearing at a Board of Health meeting.

10. Epinephrine Auto-Injectors Pilot Program in City of Hamilton Food Outlets (Item 9.2)

(a) That Public Health Services be directed to work with Dr. Wasserman at McMaster University, and Anaphylaxis Canada to develop an epinephrine auto-injectors in food outlets pilot program by March 31, 2014 at either a Hamilton mall, or nationally recognized food outlet chain;

(b) That Public Health Services report back in twelve months with the results of the pilot project with considerations to put epinephrine auto-injectors in every food outlet in the City of Hamilton and include all municipal buildings;

(c) That the City Solicitor be directed to report back to the Board of Health on the *Good Samaritan Act* and other legislation as it relates to liability of parties involved in such a pilot project;

(d) That the Epinephrine Auto-Injectors Pilot Program in City of Hamilton Food Outlets be funded from the Tax Stabilization Reserve number 11046, and that staff report back through the annual Reserve Report as to the funding commitment

FOR THE INFORMATION OF COUNCIL:

(a) CHANGES TO THE AGENDA (Item 1)

ADDED DELEGATION REQUESTS

(i) Sally Palmer representing the Nutritious Food Plan Committee wanting to speak to the Progress Update on Good 2 Go Food Box Pilot Project (Item 4.1)

(ii) Jim McLean representing the Campaign for Adequate Welfare & Disability Benefits wanting to speak to the Progress Update on Good 2 Go Food Box Pilot Project (Item 4.2)

(iii) Karen Burson representing Environment Hamilton wanting to speak to the Progress Update on Good 2 Go Food Box Pilot Project (Item 4.3)

The agenda was approved, as amended.

(b) DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (Item 2)

None

(c) MINUTES (Item 3)

(i) September 16, 2013 (Item 3.1)

The minutes from the September 16, 2013 Board of Health meeting, were approved, as presented.

(d) DELEGATION REQUESTS (Item 4)

(i) Sally Palmer representing the Nutritious Food Plan Committee respecting the Progress Update on Good 2 Go Food Box Pilot Project (Item 4.1)

The delegation by Sally Palmer representing the Nutritious Food Plan Committee respecting the Progress Update on Good 2 Go Food Box Pilot Project, was approved to be heard in conjunction with discussion on the report.

(ii) Jim McLean representing the Campaign for Adequate Welfare & Disability Benefits respecting the Progress Update on Good 2 Go Food Box Pilot Project (Item 4.2)

The delegation by Jim McLean representing the Campaign for Adequate Welfare & Disability Benefits respecting the Progress Update on Good 2 Go Food Box Pilot Project, was approved to be heard in conjunction with discussion on the report.

(iii) Karen Burson representing Environment Hamilton respecting the Progress Update on Good 2 Go Food Box Pilot Project (Item 4.3)

The delegation by Karen Burson representing Environment Hamilton respecting the Progress Update on Good 2 Go Food Box Pilot Project, was approved to be heard in conjunction with discussion on the report.

(e) CONSENT ITEMS (Item 5)

(i) Progress Update on Good 2 Go Food Box Pilot Project (BOH13039) (City Wide) (Item 5.1)

Consent Item 5.1 respecting Progress Update on Good 2 Go Food Box Pilot Project, was moved to Discussion Item 8.4 on the agenda, as there were interested parties in attendance that wished to speak to the item.

(ii) Community Food Security Stakeholder Advisory Sub-Committee Minutes – September 4, 2013 (Item 5.3)

Tthe Community Food Security Stakeholder Advisory Sub-Committee Minutes of September 4, 2013, were received.

(f) PUBLIC HEARINGS/DELEGATIONS (Item 6)

(i) Randy Kay representing the Ontario Public Interest Research Group respecting findings from the street tree project and requesting that follow up air quality studies be taken to monitor changes after adding street trees to a target neighborhood (Item 6.1)

Randy Kay spoke to the Board with respect to the Street Tree Project and the changes that the project has made in targeted neighbourhoods within the City.

The delegation by Randy Kay, representing the Ontario Public Interest Research Group respecting findings from the Street Tree Project and requesting that follow up air quality studies be taken to monitor changes after adding street trees to a target neighbourhood, was received.

(g) PRESENTATIONS (Item 7)

(i) Climate Change Actions 2012 (BOH13024) (City Wide) (Item 7.1)

Brian Montgomery spoke to the Board with respect to the work being done by the City to mitigate green house gas emissions, and outlined the reduction achievements that the City has accomplished. Mr. Montgomery

outlined recommendations for further action towards lowering green house gas emissions within the City.

That the presentation respecting Climate Change Actions 2012, was received.

Please refer to Item 2 for disposition.

(ii) *Clean Air Hamilton* 2012 Progress Report (BOH13023) (City Wide) (Item 7.2)

Dr. Denis Corr spoke to the Board with respect to the work and services provided by Clean Air Hamilton. Dr. Corr spoke to the data that has been collected respecting air quality trends, mobile air monitoring and the SENES report. Dr. Corr proceeded to give an overview of the recommendations outlined in the report.

The presentation respecting *Clean Air Hamilton* 2012 Progress Report, was received.

Please refer to item 3 for disposition.

(iii) Anaphylaxis (BOH13040) (City Wide) (Item 7.3)

Ernie Avilla spoke to the Board with respect to anaphylaxis and food allergies. Mr. Avilla spoke to the data on food allergies within Canada, and spoke to the possibility of developing a pilot program for epinephrine auto-injectors.

The presentation respecting Anaphylaxis, was received.

Please refer to item 4 for disposition.

Epinephrine Auto-Injectors Pilot Program in City of Hamilton Food Outlets

(a) That Appendix A "*Clean Air Hamilton* Air Quality Progress Report 2012" attached to Report BOH13023 respecting air quality in Hamilton be received;

(b) That staff from Public Health Services be directed to work with staff from the Planning and Economic Development Department to review planning process options for the adoption of the D-Series Guidelines from the Ontario Ministry of Environment to address land use planning;

(c) That staff from Public Health Services, Planning and Economic

Development, and Public Works Departments be directed to review options that can be taken at a municipal level to control and reduce air particulates;

The motion was amended by adding the following as sub-section (d) which reads as follows:

That all City of Hamilton municipal buildings be included in the pilot project conducted by Dr. Wasserman, and Anaphylaxis Canada to determine the capacity to place epinephrine auto-injectors in those locations.

The Motion as Amended CARRIED on the following Standing Recorded Vote:

Yeas:	L. Ferguson, R. Pasuta, J. Partridge, R. Powers, S. Duvall, T. Whitehead, C. Collins, S. Merulla, J. Farr, B. McHattie
Total:	10
Nays:	None
Total:	0
Absent:	B. Morelli, T. Jackson, R. Bratina B. Johnson, M. Pearson, B. Clark
Total:	6

The Medical Officer of Health was requested to determine a funding source for the Epinephrine Auto-Injectors Pilot Program in City of Hamilton Food Outlets pilot project for Council's consideration at Council.

(h) DISCUSSION ITEMS (Item 8)

(i) Progress Update on Good 2 Go Food Box Pilot Project (BOH13039) (City Wide) (Item 8.4)

Staff gave a brief overview of the Good 2 Go Food Box Pilot Project, and a brief evaluation of the work done up until this point. The Board discussed the current statistics and ways in which the program could be strengthened.

Please refer to item 8 for disposition.

Staff were directed to engage in dialogue with the Hamilton Food Share in conjunction with Environment Hamilton and other stakeholders to improve the distribution of the Good 2 Go Food Box pilot project and bridge any gaps that exist.

(1) Sally Palmer representing the Nutritious Food Plan Committee respecting the Progress Update on Good 2 Go Food Box Pilot Project (Item 6.1)

Sally Palmer gave a presentation respecting the Good 2 Go Food Box Pilot Project, and discussed the needed to altering the Program to an "onus on client model" to achieve different results.

The delegation by Sally Palmer representing the Nutritious Food Plan Committee respecting the Progress Update on Good 2 Go Food Box Pilot Project, was received.

(2) Jim McLean representing the Campaign for Adequate Welfare & Disability Benefits respecting the Progress Update on Good 2 Go Food Box Pilot Project (Item 6.2)

Jim McLean spoke to his experience with the Good 2 Go Food Box Pilot Project.

The delegation by Jim McLean representing the Campaign for Adequate Welfare & Disability Benefits respecting the Progress Update on Good 2 Go Food Box Pilot Project, was received.

(3) Karen Burson representing Environment Hamilton respecting the Progress Update on Good 2 Go Food Box Pilot Project (Item 6.3)

Karen Burson provided a presentation respecting the Good 2 Go Food Box Pilot Project, in support of the continuation of the pilot project.

The delegation by Karen Burson representing Environment Hamilton respecting the Progress Update on Good 2 Go Food Box Pilot Project, was received.

The Board of Health adjourned prior to dealing with the following items. These items will appear on the Board of Health's next meeting agenda on November 18, 2013:

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

11.1 Correspondence

(a) North Bay Parry Sound District Health Unit respecting OSNPPH

Call to Action: Creating a Health Workplace Nutrition Environment

Recommendation: Be endorsed

(b) Simcoe Muskoka District Health Unit respecting Regulatory Modernization in Ontario's Beverage Alcohol Industry

Recommendation: Be endorsed

11.2 Outstanding Business List

(a) That the due dates and name changes on the following items on the Outstanding be revised accordingly:

Item "A" - Review of the City of Hamilton Streets By-law
Due Date: November 18, 2013
Revised Due Date: December 2, 2013

Item "F" - Accreditation Moving Forward
Due Date: November 18, 2013
Revised Due Date: January 2014

(j) ADJOURNMENT (Item 13)

The Board of Health was adjourned at 5:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mayor R. Bratina
Chair, Board of Health

Christopher Newman
Legislative Coordinator
Office of the City Clerk