EMERGENCY & COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE
MINUTES 14-005

1:30 p.m.
Monday, September 8, 2014
Council Chambers
Hamilton City Hall
71 Main Street West

Present:	Councillor J. Farr, Chair Councillor S. Merulla, Vice-Chair Councillors S. Duvall, T. Jackson, R. Morrow, J. Partridge and T. Whitehead
Absent with Regrets:	Councillor B. McHattie, personal
Also Present:	Councillor C. Collins

THE FOLLOWING ITEMS WERE PRESENTED FOR THE CONSIDERATION OF COUNCIL:

1. Capital Projects' Status Report as of June 30, 2014 (CES14038) (City Wide) (Item 5.2)

(Partridge/Merulla)
That Report CES14038 respecting Capital Projects' Status Report as of June 30, 2014, be received.

CARRIED

2. Honorary Chair of the Hamilton Veteran's Committee Report (HVC14-004) (City Wide) (Item 8.1)

(Partridge/Morrow)
That William M. McCulloch be named Honorary Chair of the Hamilton Veterans Committee in recognition of his role in establishing the Hamilton Veterans Committee.

CARRIED

3. Recreation Concessions at City Operated Facilities (CES14014(a)) (City Wide) (Outstanding Business List Item) (Item 8.2)

(Partridge/Duvall)
That Report CES14014(a) respecting Recreation Concessions at City Operated Facilities, be received.

CARRIED

4. Social Housing Reserve Fund Studies (CES14020) (City Wide) (Item 8.3)

(Duvall/Jackson)
That Report CES14020 respecting Social Housing Reserve Fund Studies, be received.

CARRIED

5. Additional Community Homelessness Prevention Initiative Funding (CES14051) (City Wide) (Item 8.4)

(Duvall/Partridge)
That Report CES14051 respecting Additional Community Homelessness Prevention Initiative Funding, be received.

CARRIED

6. Pilot Project to Increase Access to Recreation Opportunities for Domiciliary Hostel Residents (CES14048) (City Wide) (Item 8.5)

(Merulla/Jackson)
That the General Manager of the Community and Emergency Services Department or her designate, be authorized and directed to enter into a funding agreement for a pilot project, in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor, with Wesley Urban Ministries for a total of $80,000 to provide recreation opportunities for Domiciliary Hostel residents to be funded from Community Homelessness Prevention Initiative (CHPI) funding.

CARRIED

7. Additional Contract Analyst Position to Housing Services Division Budgeted Complement (CES14047) (City Wide) (Item 8.6)

(Partridge/Duvall)
That the General Manager of the Community and Emergency Services Department or her designate be authorized to delete a Case Aide position (Job Code 1435) from the Housing Services Division's budgeted complement and replace the position with a Contract Analyst (Job Code 2860) at an annual cost

of $92,824, representing an increase of $18,220 to be funded entirely from the 100% provincial Community Homelessness Prevention Initiative (CHPI) funding.

CARRIED

8. Wesley Community Homes Incorporated (CES14046) (Ward 2) (Item 8.7)

(Merulla/Jackson)
That Report CES14046 respecting Wesley Community Homes Incorporated, be received.

CARRIED

9. Quality Index for Rental Units (Item 9.1)

(Partridge/Jackson)
That the following motion be referred to the General Manager of Planning and Economic Development and the appropriate Community Services staff for a report to the Planning Committee:

That staff be directed to report on the feasibility of conducting a quality index for rental units in the City of Hamilton.

CARRIED

FOR INFORMATION:

(a) CEREMONIAL ACTIVITY (Item A)

Recognition of Rosedale Pool Lifeguard

Chair Farr and Ward Councillor Chad Collins presented a certificate of recognition to Tiffany Gallant, a Lifeguard at Rosedale Pool whose professional steadfast actions ensured that a patron of Rosedale Pool received the necessary medical attention following a bee sting.

(b) CHANGES TO THE AGENDA (Item 1)

The Committee Clerk advised that the reports attached to Items 8.4 and 8.6 on the agenda needed to be reversed. The Councillor's copies have been corrected and the uploaded electronic copies are correct.

(Partridge/Duvall)
That the agenda be approved as amended.

CARRIED

(c) DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (Item 2)

There were none declared.

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

(i) June 9, 2014

(Morrow/Merulla)
That the Minutes of the June 9, 2014 meeting be approved as presented.

CARRIED

(e) DELEGATION REQUESTS

(Duvall/Morrow)
That the following delegation request be approved for a future meeting:

(i) Tom Cooper, on behalf of the Hamilton Roundtable for Poverty Reduction, to provide an update on the Work of the Roundtable and Information in Changes to the Roundtable's Sponsor Organization. (Item 4.1)

CARRIED

(f) CONSENT ITEMS (Item 5.1)

(i) Various Advisory Committee Minutes for Information

(Partridge/Merulla)
That the following Advisory Committee Minutes/Meeting Notes be received:

(a) Hamilton Veterans Committee Minutes of May 13, 2014

(b) Hamilton Veterans Committee Minutes of June 17, 2014

(c) Hamilton Veterans Committee Minutes of July 8, 2014

(d) Food & Shelter Advisory Committee Meeting Notes of March 27, 2014

(e) Food & Shelter Advisory Committee Minutes of April 23, 2014

(f) Food & Shelter Advisory Committee Meeting Notes of May 23, 2014

(g) Food & Shelter Advisory Committee Meeting Notes of June 26, 2014

(h) Seniors Advisory Committee Minutes of May 2, 2014

CARRIED

(g) PRESENTATIONS (Item 7)

(i) Hamilton Veterans Committee Presentation of their Accomplishments To-date (Item 7.1)

Robert Fyfe, Chair of the Hamilton Veterans Committee was not in attendance. Committee agreed that the presentation be deferred to the next meeting.

(ii) Food and Shelter Advisory Committee presentation of their accomplishments to date (Item 7.2)

Medora Uppal, Chair of the Food and Shelter Advisory Committee made a PowerPoint presentation providing an overview of the Committee`s 2014 Milestones and copies of the hand-out were distributed and a copy has been uploaded onto the City's website.

The topics covered by Medora Uppal included the following:

- Overview;
- Why does the Food and Shelter Advisory Committee exist?
- Mandate;
- Interests for 2014;
- 2014 Activities;
- 2014 Acknowledgments;
- Future Considerations.

Chair Uppal responded to questions from Committee.

Committee thanked the advisory committee members and the support staff for their work over this past term.

(Morrow/Duvall)
That the presentation by Medora Uppal, Chair of the Food and Shelter Advisory Committee, be received.

CARRIED

(iii) Hamilton Youth Advisory Committee presentation of their accomplishments to date (Item 7.3)

Akiva Jackson Virgin-Holland, who is a member of the Hamilton Youth Advisory Committee, made a PowerPoint presentation respecting the achievements of the Committee over the past term of Council and copies of the hand-out were distributed and a copy has been uploaded onto the City's website.

He spoke to the following topics:

- What is HYAC?
- Young people should have a voice and be involved in their community;
- The membership includes youth representatives from all over Hamilton;
- The focus of HYAC;
- Snow Angels Program - HYAC suggested ways to make the program more youth friendly;
- HYAC has suggested how to better engage youth in volunteerism;
- Youth Week Hamilton 2014;
- HYAC has put forth suggestions on how to improve their Advisory Committee structure to better engage the young members.

Akiva Jackson Virgin-Holland responded to questions from Committee.

(Duvall/Partridge)
That the presentation by Akiva Jackson Virgin-Holland, member of the Hamilton Youth Advisory Committee, be received.

CARRIED

(iv) Tenant Advisory Committee presentation of their accomplishments to date (Item 7.4)

Connie Bellamy, Chair of the Tenant Advisory Committee made a PowerPoint presentation and copies of the hand-out were distributed and a copy has been uploaded onto the City's website.

The following are the topics covered in the presentation:

- Mandate;
- Objectives;
- Membership;
- 2014 Focus Areas;

- Tenant Voter Turnout;
- Tenant access to City Hall;
- Proactive Enforcement/Rental Housing Licensing;
- Tenant Education and Rights;
- Condo Conversions;
- 2014 Other Activities.

Chair Bellamy responded to questions from Committee.

(Merulla/Morrow)
That the presentation by Connie Bellamy, Chair of the Tenant Advisory Committee be received.

CARRIED

(h) MOTION (Item 9)

Councillor Whitehead's motion respecting Quality Index for Rental Units was referred to the General Manager of Planning and Economic Development and the appropriate Community Services staff for a report to the Planning Committee.

For disposition of this matter, refer to Item 9.

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

(i) Outstanding Business List (Item 11.1)

Committee approved the following changes to the Outstanding Business List, as amended:

(Jackson/Partridge)
(a) That the following completed items be removed:

(i) Item "A" - Recreation Centre in Winona (Report approved by GIC and Council August 15, 2014.)

(ii) Item "L" - Petition re: Prince Philip School Site on Rifle Range Road referred to staff to assess the area's recreation needs and report back. (Report approved by GIC and Council August 15, 2014.)

CARRIED

(Partridge/Duvall)
(b) That the following item not be removed but be assigned a new due date:

(ii) Item "H" - That staff report back upon completion of the pilot project of volunteer groups operating City operated arena

concessions with an evaluation of the pilot and recommendation(s) for future management and operations of City-operated arena concessions (Item 8.2)
Due Date: September, 2015

CARRIED

(Jackson/Partridge)

(c) That the New Due Dates of the following items be approved:

(i) Item "B" - Report back annually re: CPR training for members of the community and the frequency of CPR performance.
Due Date: September 8, 2014
Proposed New Due Date: September 22, 2014

(ii) Item "D (a)" - Staff to report on the wage status of part-time staff in comparison to the Hamilton Living Wage.

Item "D (b)" - Staff to report with Corporate Services re: how to use purchasing policy to promote community social and economic well being including how to encourage local businesses to pay a living wage.
Due Date: September 8, 2014
Proposed New Due Date: March, 2015

(iii) Item "E" - That staff report back with an update and recommendation(s) for the Affordable Transit Program.
Due Date: September 8, 2014
Proposed New Due Date: September 22, 2014

(iv) Item "G" - Fire Chief to report re: letters regarding transportation of Hazardous materials by Rail through Dundas, Ontario and the City's resolution regarding railway safety.
Due Date: September 8, 2014
Proposed New Due Date: Q2 - 2015

(v) Item "I" - That Legal staff, the Director of Audit Services and the Administrator for Homes for the Aged be directed to devise a policy respecting Powers of Attorney for residents of City of Hamilton homes for the aged and report back to the Emergency & Community Services Committee.
Due Date: September 8, 2014
Proposed New Due Date: September 22, 2014

(vi) Item "J" - Cardiac Safe City / Staff to report back on Heart and Stroke Foundation recommendations

Due Date: September 8, 2014
Proposed New Due Date: September 22, 2014

(vii) Item "K" - Hamilton Environmental Summit 2014 – staff to consult with community stakeholders to develop terms of reference for an Environmental Roundtable.
Due Date: September 8, 2014
Proposed New Due Date: September 22, 2014

(viii) Item "M" - Staff to investigate feasibility of Urban Fitness Trail in McQueston Neighbourhood to connect to existing trail system and report back.
Due Date: September 8, 2014
Proposed New Due Date: February 2015

CARRIED

(j) ADJOURNMENT (Item 13)

(Duvall/Jackson)
There being no further business, that the Emergency & Community Services Committee meeting be adjourned at 2:45 p.m.

CARRIED

Respectfully submitted,

Councillor J. Farr, Chair
Emergency & Community Services Committee

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