



City of Hamilton

EMERGENCY & COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE ADDENDUM

Meeting #: 19-003
Date: April 4, 2019
Time: 1:30 p.m.
Location: Council Chambers, Hamilton City Hall
71 Main Street West

Alicia Davenport, Legislative Coordinator (905) 546-2424 ext. 2729

6. DELEGATION REQUESTS

- *6.3 Nancy Silva-khan, respecting a Request that the City of Hamilton Appeal to the Provincial Government to Pause the Plan to Change the Ontario Autism Program to Allow for Further Consultation (for a future meeting)
- *6.4 Cameron Kroetsch, respecting Item 10.2 - Renewal of Beasley Community Centre Operating Agreement (CS13018(c)) (for today's meeting)
 - *6.4.a Added Presentation

Added Item 6.3

Form: Request to Speak to Committee of Council

Submitted on Thursday, March 28, 2019 - 1:24 am

==Committee Requested==

Committee: Emergency and Community Services Committee
(Previously Healthy & Safe Communities)

==Requestor Information==

Name of Individual: Nancy Silva-khan

Name of Organization:

Contact Number: [REDACTED]

Email Address: [REDACTED]

Mailing Address: [REDACTED]

Reason(s) for delegation request: Request for a motion to be passed calling upon provincial government to pause the plan to change the Ontario autism program and instead consult with parents, trained and experienced professionals, as well as stakeholders; to implement a clinical, scientific evidence based, ethicam needs based program that funds individual care regardless of age for children living with autism. I also hope that our city community, embraces our children and families by recognizing we are in a state of crisis.

Will you be requesting funds from the City? Yes

Will you be submitting a formal presentation? Yes

Form: Request to Speak to Committee of Council

Submitted on Wednesday, April 3, 2019 - 11:48 am

==Committee Requested==

Committee: Emergency and Community Services Committee
(Previously Healthy & Safe Communities)

==Requestor Information==

Name of Individual: Cameron Kroetsch

Name of Organization:

Contact Number: [REDACTED]

Email Address: [REDACTED]

Mailing Address: [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

Reason(s) for delegation request: To speak to item 10.2 on the April 4, 2019 agenda: "Renewal of Beasley Community Centre Operating Agreement"

Will you be requesting funds from the City? No

Will you be submitting a formal presentation? Yes

Renewal Contract for Beasley CC

Emergency & Community Services Committee

April 4, 2019

Cameron Kroetsch

What brings me here today

- I recently learned that the renewal of the contract between the City of Hamilton and Wesley Urban Ministries had been postponed (due to the municipal election) - September 30, 2018
- I also recently learned that it was subject to renewal today at this committee - April 4, 2019

What brings me here today

- I'm concerned about the continuing risks to the City of Hamilton, and the community, under the terms of the current arrangement
- I'm not here to discuss any feedback or concerns about Wesley Urban Ministries or about the specific programs they deliver; my comments are about the City of Hamilton and its obligations and are my own

Timeline of Events

- November 2010 - BCC opens
- September 2013 - Contract given to WUM (first one?)
- September 2015 - Contract given to WUM
- September 2018 - Contract expires
- April 2019 - Renewal proposed to ECS

What I've Done So Far

- Spoken to staff at the City
- Spoken to WUM
- Reviewed past City reports
- Reviewed past community feedback
- Reviewed WUM public documents

Current Risks to the City

- **Funding**

Owned by WUM, not by the City: any cessation of WUM's operations would leave both the City and the community without programming (City ~\$44,000)

*The reasons for this are that the City cannot access the same charitable funding streams that can be accessed by WUM

Current Risks to the City

- **Contingency Plan**

There is not currently a contingency plan in place to identify or mitigate the risks to the City or the community should there be any cessation of services by WUM (for any reason)

Current Risks to the City

- **Creation of a “monopoly”**

This situation has, essentially, meant that WUM is the perpetual contract holder; if the City, for any reason, wished to end their contract with WUM they would not be able to do so without consequently ending / impacting programming

Current Risks to the City

- **Community feedback**

There has not been a mechanism from the City (to collect feedback about programming and service delivery before the renewal of the contract; there has also not been notice to the public of the renewal of the contract for these community services)

Current Risks to the City

- **Detailed reporting**

The current staff report does not address these issues in detail, nor does it outline the funding for the basis of the “Pros and Cons” in order for this committee to make a decision today; a more detailed staff report, including past and current operating agreements and detailed numbers from WUM specific to BCC’s programming

What I'm Asking For

- That the contract not be renewed today
- That staff reports back with a risk and contingency plan, detailed information including specific program funding and the operating agreement, and a City-side (not WUM) plan for gathering community feedback