Hamilton

Cleanliness and Security in the Downtown Core Task Force
Minutes 18-004

1:00 p.m.
Thursday, September 13, 2018

Present:	Councillor J. Farr (Chair) S. Braithwaite (Vice Chair), K. Jarvi, J. Maurice, S. Sutherland, C. Topp
Absent with Regrets:	Councillor C. Collins – City Business S. Mirza – Parental Leave T. Potocic - Personal

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FOR THE INFORMATION OF THE TASK FORCE:

(a) CHANGES TO THE AGENDA (Item 1)

The Committee Clerk advised that there were no changes to the agenda.

(Braithwaite/Jarvi)
That the agenda for the September 13, 2018 meeting of the Cleanliness and Security in the Downtown Task Force be approved, as presented.

CARRIED

(b) DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (Item 2)

There were no declarations of interest.

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

(i) May 10, 2018 (Item 3.1)

(Topp/Jarvi)
That the Cleanliness and Security in the Downtown Core Task Force Minutes dated May 10, 2018 be approved, as presented.

CARRIED

(d) DISCUSSION ITEMS (Item 8)

(i) Cigarette Butt Litter Prevention Program (Item 8.1)

Peter Wobschall, Senior Project Manager, addressed the Committee respecting the Cigarette Butt Litter Prevention Program.

(Topp/Maurice)
That the verbal update respecting the Cigarette Butt Litter Prevention Program, be received.

CARRIED

(ii) Cigarette Butt Enforcement Report (Item 8.2)

Kelly Barnett, Manager Service Delivery, addressed the Committee respecting the Cigarette Butt Litter Enforcement Report PED18154(a) which will be presented to the Planning Committee on September 18, 2018.

Councillor Farr asked for the Committee's input in drafting a Motion to be brought forward at the Planning Committee meeting in conjunction with the staff Report.

(Topp/Braithwaite)
That the following Motion be brought forward to the September 18, 2018 meeting of the Planning Committee:

WHEREAS, throughout the past term of Council, the Cleanliness and Security in the Downtown Core Task Force has actively engaged on the issue of cigarette butt litter respecting awareness and enforcement;

WHEREAS, the Keep Hamilton Clean and Green Committee is beginning an awareness campaign on the issue of cigarette butt litter to be funded $10k from the Hamilton Water and $65k from the Main Street Revitalization Initiative;

WHEREAS, the messaging of the education campaign may include warnings of pending enforcement; and,

WHEREAS, the cost of exclusive enforcement of cigarette butt litter on a part time basis for the period for one year would be approximately $45k;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

(a) That Report PED18154(a) respecting Cigarette Butt Litter Enforcement, be received;

(b) That the request from the Cleanliness and Security in the Downtown Core Task Force for a one-year pilot program, to immediately follow the nine-month awareness campaign, that offers a part time Municipal Law Enforcement Officer dedicated solely to enforcing cigarette butt litter be referred to the 2019 Budget process; and,

(c) That in the event Council approves this pilot, the awareness campaign include warnings of pending enforcement of cigarette butt littering.

CARRIED

(Braithwaite/Sutherland)
That the verbal update respecting the Cigarette Butt Enforcement Report, be received.

CARRIED

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

(i) Police Attendance at Meetings (Added Item 11.1)

Susie Braithwaite expressed concerns with the lack of Police presence at the Cleanliness and Security in the Downtown Core Task Force and requested that the Committee Clerk ensure there are Police Officers in attendance for the next term.

(ii) Graffiti Update (Added Item 11.2)

Cameron Topp requested an update on graffiti management. Peter Wobschall, Senior Project Manager, provided an update to the Committee including:

- A staff report on graffiti will be on the September 17, 2018 Public Works Committee agenda, with costs for Council to consider for implementation in the spring

- New anti-graffiti graphic wraps for traffic boxes, without any blank spaces, are in development

(iii) Living Rough Update (Added Item 11.3)

Councillor Farr advised that homeless numbers have decreased, and a task force is being created to respond to complaints about the homeless occupying public spaces and to find housing for them.

(f) ADJOURNMENT (Item 12)

(Sutherland/Braithwaite)
That there being no further business, the Cleanliness and Security in the Downtown Core Task Force be adjourned at 2:23 p.m.

CARRIED

Respectfully submitted,

Councillor J. Farr, Chair
Cleanliness and Security in the Downtown Core Task Force

Lisa Chamberlain
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Office of the City Clerk