



## **EMERGENCY & COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE REPORT 19-004**

1:30 p.m.  
Thursday, May 2, 2019  
Council Chambers  
Hamilton City Hall  
71 Main Street West

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**Present:** Councillors S. Merulla (Chair), E. Pauls (Vice-Chair), B. Clark, T. Jackson, N. Nann, and T. Whitehead

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### **THE EMERGENCY & COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE PRESENTS REPORT 19-004 AND RESPECTFULLY RECOMMENDS:**

#### **1. Interview Sub-Committee to the Emergency and Community Services Committee (Item 7.1)**

##### **(a) Appointment of Chair and Vice Chair**

- (i) Councillor Esther Pauls was appointed as Chair of the Interview Sub-Committee to the Emergency and Community Services Committee for the 2018-2022 term; and,
- (ii) Councillor Nrinder Nann was appointed as Vice-Chair of the Interview Sub-Committee to the Emergency and Community Services Committee for the 2018-2022 term.

##### **(b) Minutes of the March 28, 2019 meeting**

- (i) The Minutes of the March 28, 2019 meeting of the Interview Sub-Committee to the Emergency and Community Services Committee, were received.

#### **1. Gage Hancharek - Peace, Love, Unity, Respect, Dignity (PLURD) Update (HSC19022) (City Wide) (Outstanding Business List Item) (Item 7.2)**

Report HSC 19022, respecting Gage Hancharek – Peace, Love, Unity, Respect, Dignity (PLURD), was received.

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**2. Information on the Installation of Hearing Loops in Public Facilities (HUR17023(a)) (City Wide) (Outstanding Business List Item) (Item 7.3)**

Report HUR17023(a), respecting Information on the Installation of Hearing Loops in Public Facilities, was received.

**3. 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 (Item 8.3)**

That the Mayor, on behalf of City Council, submit a request to the Minister of Children and Youth Services, seeking that:

- (a) To maintain the Autism funding at its current levels and models;
- (b) To pause any changes to the Ontario Autism Program, pending further consultation with families and stakeholders; and,
- (c) That funding be tied to a needs-based model for clinically prescribed therapies.

**4. Reaching Home: Canada's Homelessness Strategy (HSC19008(a)) (City Wide) (Item 10.1)**

- (a) The General Manager of Healthy and Safe Communities, or his designate, was authorized and directed to enter into and execute an Agreement with Employment and Social Development Canada to administer the Reaching Home Program as of April 1, 2019 and any ancillary agreements required to give effect thereto in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor;
- (b) The current temporary Social Policy Analyst position (1 FTE) be converted to a permanent position, to meet the additional Federal obligations, in the amount of \$97,178 funded through the Reaching Home administrative funding allocation, with no net levy impact, was approved; and,
- (c) That the current temporary Senior Project Manager position (1 FTE) be converted to a permanent position, to meet the additional Federal obligations, in the amount of \$115,180 funded through the Reaching Home administrative funding allocation, with no net levy impact, was approved.

**5. St. Matthew's House – Request for Service Manager Consent to Sell Units (HSC19015) (Ward 3) (Item 10.2)**

- (a) That Council, in its capacity as Service Manager under the *Housing Services Act, 2011*, approve the request of St. Matthew's House to sell two properties comprised of nine housing units at 247 East Avenue North (five

units) and 44 St. Matthew's Avenue (four units) subject to the following condition:

- (i) that the sale proceeds be reinvested into St. Matthew's House Senior Support Program in partnership with both private and social housing landlords to maintain homelessness prevention for the aging population; and,
- (b) That the General Manager of Healthy and Safe Communities Department or his designate was authorized and directed to reallocate the net existing operating budget for St. Matthew's House of \$111,700 from Dept ID 625084 to increase the Hamilton Housing Allowance Program operating budget to \$1.146M (Dept ID 626029) to offer additional housing allowances to approximately 30 households from the centralized wait list.

**6. 2019 Provincial Funding Update (HSC19023) (City Wide) (Item 10.3)**

Report, HSC19023, respecting 2019 Provincial Funding Update, was received.

**7. Recreation and Social Infrastructure at 430 Cumberland Ave. (Ward 3) (Item 11.1)**

WHEREAS, CityHousing Hamilton located at 430 Cumberland Avenue aims to improve the quality of life of residents, specifically young families and youth with outdoor recreational, community garden and safety enhancements on site;

WHEREAS, this social infrastructure project requires further investment in order to be completed; and,

WHEREAS, funding will enable increased recreation, health and social benefits to the residents of 430 Cumberland Avenue;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

That a total of \$65,000 be invested in 430 Cumberland Avenue for playground equipment and a half basketball court be funded from the Ward 3 Discretionary Funds in the following way:

- (a) \$20,000 from the 2017 Ward 3 Discretionary Funds No. 3301709300;
- (b) \$45,000 from the 2018 Ward 3 Discretionary Funds No. 3301809300; and,
- (c) That the Mayor and City Clerks be authorized and directed to execute any required agreement(s) and ancillary documents, with such terms and conditions in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor.

**FOR INFORMATION:**

**(a) CHANGES TO THE AGENDA (Item 2)**

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

**1. COMMUNICATIONS (Item 5)**

- 5.2 Correspondence from the Early Years and Child Care Division of the Ministry of Education respecting 2019 Child Care and Early Years Allocations

Recommendation: be received.

- 5.3 Correspondence from the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing respecting Hamilton 2019-2020 Allocation

Recommendation: be received.

**2. DELEGATION REQUESTS (Item 6)**

- 6.1 Dianne McIntyre and Laura Delsey, respecting a Request that the City of Hamilton Appeal to the Provincial Government to Pause the Plan to Change the Ontario Autism Program, withdrew their delegation request.

**3. PUBLIC HEARINGS/DELEGATIONS (Item 8)**

- 8.1 Ruth Greenspan, John Howard Society of Hamilton, Burlington and Area, respecting the Hamilton Restorative Justice Initiative, requested that her delegation be rescheduled for a future meeting.

**4. DISCUSSION ITEMS (Item 10)**

- 10.3 2019 Provincial Funding Update (HSC19023) (City Wide)

The agenda for the May 2, 2019 Emergency and Community Services Committee meeting was approved, as amended.

**(b) DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (Item 3)**

There were no declarations of interest.

**(c) APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING (Item 4)**

**(i) April 4, 2019 (Item 4.1)**

The Minutes of the April 4, 2019 meeting of the Emergency and Community Services Committee were approved, as presented.

**(d) COMMUNICATIONS (Item 5)**

The following Communications were received, as follows:

- (i) Correspondence from the Ministry of Children, Community and Social Services, respecting Addiction Services Initiative Wind-Down (Item 5.1)
- (ii) Correspondence from the Early Years and Child Care Division of the Ministry of Education, respecting 2019 Child Care and Early Years Allocations (Added Item 5.2)
- (iii) Correspondence from the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing, respecting Hamilton 2019-2010 Allocation (Added Item 5.3)

**(e) CONSENT ITEMS (Item 7)**

**a. Minutes of the Interview Sub-Committee to the Emergency and Community Services Committee for April 16, 2019 (Item 7.1)**

The April 16, 2019 Minutes of the Interview Sub-Committee to the Emergency and Community Services Committee, were received.

**(f) PUBLIC HEARINGS/DELEGATIONS (Item 8)**

**(i) Paul Empringham, Ancaster Minor Hockey, respecting the Protection of Interests and Availability of Ice for the Ancaster Minor Hockey League (Item 8.2)**

Paul Empringham addressed the Committee respecting the Protection of Interests and Availability of Ice for the Ancaster Minor Hockey League, with the aid of a presentation.

A copy of the presentation is available on the City's website at [www.hamilton.ca](http://www.hamilton.ca) or through the Office of the City Clerk.

The presentation from Paul Empringham respecting the Protection of Interests and Availability of Ice for the Ancaster Minor Hockey League, was received.

- (ii) **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 (Item 8.3)**

Nancy Silva-khan was permitted to address the Committee for an additional 10 minutes in order to complete her presentation.

Nancy Silva-khan addressed the Committee 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.

The presentation from 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, was received.

For further disposition of this matter, refer to Item 4.

**(g) GENERAL INFORMATION / OTHER BUSINESS (Item 13)**

**(i) Amendments to the Outstanding Business List (Item 13.1)**

The following amendments to the Emergency and Community Services Committee's Outstanding Business List, were approved:

- (a) Items considered complete and needing to be removed:
- (i) Gage Hancharek respecting PLURD (Peace, Love, Unity, Respect, Dignity)  
Addressed as Item 7.2 on today's agenda – Report HSC19022  
Item on OBL: EEE
  - (ii) Requiring the City of Hamilton to be More Accessible to the Hearing Impaired  
Addressed as Item 7.3 on today's agenda - -Report HUR17023(a)  
Item on OBL: WW

**(h) ADJOURNMENT (Item 15)**

There being no further business, the Emergency and Community Services Committee was adjourned at 3:18 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Councillor S. Merulla  
Chair, Emergency and Community Services  
Committee

Tamara Bates  
Legislative Coordinator  
Office of the City Clerk