EMERGENCY & COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE
MINUTES 19-008
1:30 p.m.
Thursday, July 11, 2019
Council Chambers
Hamilton City Hall
71 Main Street West

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

Absent with Regrets: Councillors S. Merulla and T. Whitehead (Personal)

Also Present: Councillor J. Farr

THE FOLLOWING ITEMS WERE REFERRED TO COUNCIL FOR CONSIDERATION:

1. Co-ordinated Access System for Social Housing (CES14052(e)) (City Wide) (Item 7.2)

(Jackson/Nann)
(a) That the Capital Project ID 6731841101 (Co-ordinated Access System) budget be increased by $370 K from $1.1 M to $1.47 M through the following funding streams;

i) That $199 K be funded using the residual balance in Reserve #112248, Social Housing Capital Reserve Fund plus any applicable interest;

ii) That $171 K be funded through administration dollars from provincial and federal government programs; and,

(b) That Reserve #112248 be closed once the residual balance remaining is moved to Capital Project ID 6731841101 (Co-ordinated Access System).

Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 4 to 0, as follows:

YES - Councillor Ninder Nann
YES - Councillor Tom Jackson
2. Hamilton Paramedic Service 2018 Annual Report (HSC19035) (City Wide) (Item 9.1)

(Jackson/Nann)
That Report HSC19035, respecting the Hamilton Paramedic Service 2018 Annual Report, be received.

CARRIED

3. Establishing a Gender and Equity Lens (HSC19029) (City Wide) (Item 10.1)

(Clark/Jackson)
That Report HSC19029, respecting Establishing a Gender and Equity Lens, be received.

CARRIED

4. Addiction Services Initiative (HSC19027(a)) (City Wide) (Item 10.2)

(Jackson/Nann)
That Report HSC19027(a), respecting an Addiction Services Initiative, be received.

CARRIED

5. Child Care Fee Subsidy Wait List (HSC19039) (City Wide) (Item 10.3)

(Jackson/Nann)
That Report HSC19039, respecting a Child Care Fee Subsidy Wait List, be received.

CARRIED

6. Wesley Day Centre (HSC19040) (Ward 2) (Item 10.4)

(Jackson/Nann)
That Report HSC19040, respecting the Wesley Day Centre, be received.

CARRIED

(Jackson/Nann)
(a) That staff meet with Wesley Urban Ministries to develop a cost-sharing agreement to fund the Wesley Day Centre to continue service at 195 Ferguson Ave. N. up to March 31, 2020;

(b) That the agreement be structured such that Wesley Urban Ministries and the City report back to the Emergency and Community Services Committee in November 2019 with a status update on the progress toward a permanent location and funding requirements post March 31, 2019;
(c) To explore any additional potential funding partnerships in the community, and;

(d) That the funding source is to be determined by Council.

Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 4 to 0, as follows:

YES - Councillor Nrinder Nann
YES - Councillor Tom Jackson
YES - Councillor Esther Pauls
NOT PRESENT - Chair Sam Merulla
NOT PRESENT - Councillor Terry Whitehead
YES - Councillor Brad Clark

7. Request for Qualifications for Service System Managers – Employment Services Transformation (HSC19041) (City Wide) (Added Item 10.5)

(Jackson/Clark)
(a) That the City of Hamilton respond to the Government of Ontario’s Request for Qualification for Service System Managers Employment Services Transformation; and,

(b) That the General Manager, Healthy and Safe Communities Department, be delegated authority to sign-off on the City of Hamilton's application to the Request for Qualification for Service System Managers Employment Services Transformation.

Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 4 to 0, as follows:

YES - Councillor Nrinder Nann
YES - Councillor Tom Jackson
YES - Councillor Esther Pauls
NOT PRESENT - Chair Sam Merulla
NOT PRESENT - Councillor Terry Whitehead
YES - Councillor Brad Clark

8. CityHousing Hamilton’s Third Annual Community Health Fair (Item 11.1)

(Jackson/Nann)
WHEREAS, CityHousing Hamilton’s 3rd Annual Community Health Fair is scheduled on Thursday, August 15, 2019; and,

WHEREAS, this free event will host over 20 health care professionals, organizations, and vendors with the goal of familiarizing the community with the services available to them;
THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

(a) That $1,500 from the Ward 2 Cell Tower Fund, project number 3301609602, be used to fund CityHousing Hamilton’s 3rd Annual Community Health Fair; and,

(b) That the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized and directed to execute any required agreement(s) and ancillary documents in relation to funding CityHousing Hamilton’s 3rd Annual Community Health Fair, with such terms and conditions in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor.

Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 4 to 0, as follows:

YES - Councillor Nrinder Nann
YES - Councillor Tom Jackson
YES - Councillor Esther Pauls
NOT PRESENT - Chair Sam Merulla
NOT PRESENT - Councillor Terry Whitehead
YES - Councillor Brad Clark

9. Summer Programming for Ward 3 Kids (Item 11.2)

(Nann/Jackson)

WHEREAS, the Average family income in Ward 3’s North End is $25K and it is difficult to cover basic necessary life costs, as well as camp and social programs for children;

WHEREAS, the Eva Rothwell Centre summer camp provides the opportunity for Ward 3 children between the ages of 5-12 years to engage in a safe, educational, active, healthy and nutritional camp program;

WHEREAS, Kiwanis East Hamilton will offer a Play day for children and their families, allowing children to build physical, social and cognitive skills;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED

That through the Ward 3 Cell tower account (3301609603):

(a) That $1,500 be awarded to the Eva Rothwell Centre to subsidize the cost for 23 children to attend camp, fostering their curiosity and learning; and,

(b) That $1,500 be awarded to Kiwanis East Hamilton for their summer Play Day at Woodlands Park to support volunteers, cover equipment rentals and supplies.

Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 4 to 0, as follows:

YES - Councillor Nrinder Nann
YES - Councillor Tom Jackson
YES - Councillor Esther Pauls
NOT PRESENT - Chair Sam Merulla
NOT PRESENT - Councillor Terry Whitehead
YES - Councillor Brad Clark

FOR INFORMATION:

(a) CEREMONIAL ACTIVITIES (Item 1)

The Chair congratulated Gord Mooney, Paramedic Social Navigator, on being recognized by the Paramedic Chiefs of Canada at their national conference in Charlottetown for his work as part of the integrated Social Navigator team, and presented him with a certificate of recognition from the Mayor.

(b) APPROVAL OF AGENDA (Item 2)

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

1. COMMUNICATIONS (Item 5)
   5.5 Correspondence from Sheri Selway, respecting Wesley Day Centre
   Recommendation: Be received.

2. DELEGATION REQUESTS (Item 6)
   6.2 Joe Speagle, Keeping Six, respecting the need for continuation of services such as those provided by the Wesley Day Centre (for today's meeting)
   6.3 Robert Pental, Shelter Health Network, respecting the closing of the Wesley Day Centre (for today's meeting)
   6.4 Chris Labenski, respecting keeping the Wesley Day Centre right where it is (for today's meeting)
   6.5 Michelle Hruschka, respecting not saving the Wesley Day Centre and thoughts on a better way forward to build a better structure to help those who are the most vulnerable in our city. (for today's meeting)

3. PUBLIC HEARINGS/DELEGATIONS (Item 8)
   8.3 Tim O'Shea and Jill Wiwcharuk, Shelter Health Network, respecting the closure of the Wesley Day Centre (deferred from the June 20, 2019 meeting due to loss of quorum)
8.4 Joanne Santucci, Hamilton Food Share, respecting the closure of the Wesley Day Centre (deferred from the June 20, 2019 meeting due to loss of quorum)

4. DISCUSSION ITEMS (Item 10)

10.5 Request for Qualifications for Service System Managers - Employment Services Transformation (HSC19041)

(Nann/Clark)
That the agenda for the July 11, 2019 Emergency and Community Services Committee meeting be approved, as amended.

Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 4 to 0, as follows:

YES - Councillor Nrinder Nann
YES - Councillor Tom Jackson
YES - Councillor Esther Pauls
NOT PRESENT - Chair Sam Merulla
NOT PRESENT - Councillor Terry Whitehead
YES - Councillor Brad Clark

(Jackson/Clark)
That the Committee suspend the rules and change the order of agenda to consider Items 5.2, 5.3, 5.5, 6.1-6.5, 8.2-8.4, and 10.4, immediately following Item 3.

Result: Motion CARRIED by a 2/3 majority vote of 4 to 0, as follows:

YES - Councillor Nrinder Nann
YES - Councillor Tom Jackson
YES - Councillor Esther Pauls
NOT PRESENT - Chair Sam Merulla
NOT PRESENT - Councillor Terry Whitehead
YES - Councillor Brad Clark

(c) DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (Item 3)

There were no declarations of interest.

(d) COMMUNICATIONS (Item 5)

(Clark/Jackson)
That the following communications, be received and referred to the consideration of Item 10.4:

(i) Correspondence from Glenn Fletcher, respecting Wesley Community Homes and Wesley Day Centre (deferred from June 20, 2019 meeting, due to loss of quorum) (Item 5.2)
(ii) Correspondence from Emilie Lammers, St. Joseph's Hamilton Healthcare, respecting Support of Wesley Day Centre (Item 5.3)

(iii) Correspondence from Sheri Selway, respecting Wesley Day Centre (Added Item 5.5)

CARRIED

(e) DELEGATION REQUESTS (Item 6)

(Jackson/Clark)
That the following Delegation requests, be approved for today's meeting.

(i) Dean Waterfield, Wesley, respecting the announced closure of the Wesley Day Centre at 195 Ferguson Ave. N. (Item 6.1)

(ii) Joe Speagle, Keeping Six, respecting the need for continuation of services such as those provided by the Wesley Day Centre (Added Item 6.2)

(iii) Robert Pental, Shelter Health Network, respecting the closing of the Wesley Day Centre (Added Item 6.3)

(iv) Chris Labenski, respecting keeping the Wesley Day Centre right where it is (Added Item 6.4)

(v) Michelle Hruschka, respecting not saving the Wesley Day Centre and thoughts on a better way forward to build a better structure to help those who are the most vulnerable in our city (Added Item 6.5)

Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 4 to 0, as follows:

YES - Councillor Nninder Nann
YES - Councillor Tom Jackson
YES - Councillor Esther Pauls
NOT PRESENT - Chair Sam Merulla
NOT PRESENT - Councillor Terry Whitehead
YES - Councillor Brad Clark

(f) PUBLIC HEARINGS/DELEGATIONS (Item 8)

(i) Roger Deschamps, respecting the proposed closure of the Wesley Day Centre (Item 8.2)

Mr. Deschamps was not present when called upon.

(ii) Delegations heard at the June 20, 2019 meeting (Added Items 8.3 and 8.4)
(Clark/Jackson)
That the following Delegations, heard at the June 20, 2019 meeting, be received:

(a) Tim O'Shea and Jill Wiwcharuk, Shelter Health Network, respecting the closure of the Wesley Day Centre (Added Item 8.3); and,

(b) Joanne Santucci, Hamilton Food Share, respecting the closure of the Wesley Day Centre (Added Item 8.4).

CARRIED

(iii) Delegations (Added Items 8.5 to 8.9)

(Clark/Jackson)
That the following Delegations, be received:

(a) Dean Waterfield, Wesley, respecting the announced closure of the Wesley Day Centre at 195 Ferguson Ave. N. (Added Item 8.5);

(b) Joe Speagle, Keeping Six, respecting the need for continuation of services such as those provided by the Wesley Day Centre (Added Item 8.6);

(c) Robert Pental, Shelter Health Network, respecting the closing of the Wesley Day Centre (Added Item 8.7);

(d) Chris Labenski, respecting keeping the Wesley Day Centre right where it is (Added Item 8.8)

(e) Michelle Hruschka, respecting not saving the Wesley Day Centre and thoughts on a better way forward to build a better structure to help those who are the most vulnerable in our city (Added Item 8.9)

CARRIED

(g) APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING (Item 4)

(i) June 20, 2019 (Item 4.1)

(Nann/Clark)
That the Minutes of the June 20, 2019 meeting of the Emergency and Community Services Committee be approved, as presented.

Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 4 to 0, as follows:

YES - Councillor Nrinder Nann
YES - Councillor Tom Jackson
YES - Councillor Esther Pauls
NOT PRESENT - Chair Sam Merulla
NOT PRESENT - Councillor Terry Whitehead
YES - Councillor Brad Clark

(h) COMMUNICATIONS (Item 5)

(Clark/Jackson)
That the following communications, be received:

(i) Correspondence from Jill Dubrick and Becky Doyle, Early Years Child Care Division, Ministry of Education respecting 2019 Child Care Allocations (revised), Child Care Transfer Payment Agreement Amendments and Updated Funding Guidelines to Child Care and EarlyON Child and Family Centre Programs (deferred from June 20, 2019 meeting, due to loss of quorum) (Item 5.1)

(ii) Correspondence from Jon Pegg, Chief of Emergency Management, Office of the Fire Marshal and Emergency Management, Ministry of the Solicitor General, respecting EMCPA Compliance 2018 (Item 5.4)

CARRIED

(i) CONSENT ITEMS (Item 7)

(i) Seniors Advisory Committee Minutes – April 5, 2019 (Item 7.1)

(Clark/Jackson)
That the Minutes of the April 5, 2019 meeting of the Seniors Advisory Committee, be received.

CARRIED

(j) PUBLIC HEARINGS/DELEGATIONS (Item 8)

(i) Sheryl Green, Hamilton Regional Indian Centre, respecting the Housing First for Youth Project at the Hamilton Regional Indian Centre (Item 8.1)

Sheryl Green, of the Hamilton Regional Indian Centre, addressed the Committee respecting the Housing First for Youth Project at the Hamilton Regional Indian Centre.

(Jackson/Nann)
That Sheryl Green be permitted to address the Committee for an additional five minutes in order to complete her presentation.

Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 4 to 0, as follows:

YES - Councillor Nrinder Nann
YES - Councillor Tom Jackson
YES - Councillor Esther Pauls
NOT PRESENT - Chair Sam Merulla
NOT PRESENT - Councillor Terry Whitehead
That the Delegation from Sheryl Green, of the Hamilton Regional Indian Centre, respecting the Housing First for Youth Project at the Hamilton Regional Indian Centre, be received.  

CARRIED

That the Emergency and Community Services Committee refer the Housing First for Youth Project at the Hamilton Regional Indian Centre to Healthy and Safe Communities staff for follow up.

Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 4 to 0, as follows:

- YES - Councillor Nrinder Nann
- YES - Councillor Tom Jackson
- YES - Councillor Esther Pauls
- NOT PRESENT - Chair Sam Merulla
- NOT PRESENT - Councillor Terry Whitehead
- YES - Councillor Brad Clark

(k) STAFF PRESENTATIONS (Item 9)

(i) Hamilton Paramedic Service 2018 Annual Report (HSC19035) (City Wide) (Item 9.1)

Michael Sanderson, Chief, Paramedic Service Hamilton, addressed the Committee respecting Report HSC19035, the Hamilton Paramedic Service 2018 Annual Report, with the aid of a presentation.

(Jackson/Nann)
That the presentation, respecting the Hamilton Paramedic Service 2018 Annual Report, be received.

CARRIED

For further disposition of this matter, refer to Item 2.

The presentation is available at www.hamilton.ca and through the Office of the City Clerk.

(l) GENERAL INFORMATION/OTHER BUSINESS (Item 13)

(i) Changes to the Outstanding Business List (Item 13.1)

(Jackson/Nann)
That the following amendments to the Emergency and Community Services Committee’s Outstanding Business List, be approved:
a) Items Requiring a New Due Date:

(i) Poverty Reduction Investment Plan (CES16043(a))
   Item on OBL: E
   Current Due Date: June 6, 2019
   Proposed New Due Date: June 2020

(ii) Home for Good (CES17042(a))
    Item on OBL: G
    Current Due Date: June 20, 2019
    Proposed New Due Date: August 15, 2019

(iii) Funding Requests from Agencies
     Item on OBL: H
     Current Due Date: September 5, 2019
     Proposed New Due Date: TBD

(iv) Establishing a Gender and Equity Lens on Housing Services
     Item on OBL: M
     Current Due Date: June 20, 2019
     Proposed New Due Date: July 11, 2019

(v) Curling Facilities
    Item on OBL: Q
    Current Due Date: none
    Proposed New Due Date: December 5, 2019

(vi) Ministry's continued support for critical housing investments and leveraging federal funding under the National Housing Strategy through new provincial investments and outlining the City of Hamilton's funding for housing and homelessness programs as confirmed through the 2019 Ontario Budget
     Item on OBL: R
     Current Due Date: none
     Proposed New Due Date: August 15, 2019

(b) Items to be Removed from the Outstanding Business List

(i) Establishing a Gender and Equity Lens on Housing Services
   Addressed as Item 10.1 on today's agenda - Report HSC19036
   Item on OBL: M

Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 4 to 0, as follows:

YES - Councillor Ninder Nann
YES - Councillor Tom Jackson
YES - Councillor Esther Pauls
NOT PRESENT - Chair Sam Merulla
NOT PRESENT - Councillor Terry Whitehead
YES - Councillor Brad Clark

(m) ADJOURNMENT (Item 15)

(Jackson/Clark)
That there being no further business, the Emergency and Community Services Committee be adjourned at 4:29 p.m.
CARRIED

Respectfully submitted,

Councillor E. Pauls
Vice-Chair, Emergency and Community Services Committee

Tamara Bates
Legislative Coordinator
Office of the City Clerk