



## **EMERGENCY & COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE MINUTES 19-011**

1:30 p.m.

Thursday, September 19, 2019

Council Chambers

Hamilton City Hall

71 Main Street West

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

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### **THE FOLLOWING ITEMS WERE REFERRED TO COUNCIL FOR CONSIDERATION:**

**1. Renewal of the Advertising Rights for J.L. Grightmire Arena with Duck Sports (on Behalf of the Dundas Real McCoys Senior Hockey Club) (HSC19055) (Ward 13) (Item 7.2)**

**(Jackson/Whitehead)**

- (a) That the City of Hamilton enter into a five-year Licence Agreement with Duck Sports Inc. (on behalf of the Dundas Real McCoys Senior Hockey Club) effective November 1, 2019, with an annual payment of \$3,901 plus HST to be increased 2% per year;
- (b) That the Licence Agreement include a clause permitting up to two extensions, each up to five additional years at the discretion of the General Manager of Healthy and Safe Communities Department; and,
- (c) That the General Manager of Healthy and Safe Communities Department be authorized to execute, on behalf of the City of Hamilton, this Licence Agreement, as well as any ancillary and extension agreements, in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor.

**Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 6 to 0, as follows:**

YES - Councillor Ninder Nann  
YES - Councillor Tom Jackson  
YES - Councillor Esther Pauls  
YES - Chair Sam Merulla  
YES - Councillor Terry Whitehead  
YES - Councillor Brad Clark

**2. Call for Proposal for Service System Managers Employment Services Transformation (HSC19041(a)) (City Wide) (Item 10.1)**

**(Jackson/Nann)**

- (a) That the City of Hamilton respond to the Government of Ontario's Call for Proposal for Service System Managers Employment Services Transformation;
- (b) That, if necessary, up to \$40,000 be used to support the completion of the Call for Proposal from the Children's Services and Neighbourhood Development Operating Budget; and,
- (c) That the General Manager, Healthy and Safe Communities Department, be delegated authority to sign-off on the City of Hamilton's application to the Call for Proposal for Service System Managers Employment Services Transformation.

**Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 6 to 0, as follows:**

YES - Councillor Ninder Nann  
YES - Councillor Tom Jackson  
YES - Councillor Esther Pauls  
YES - Chair Sam Merulla  
YES - Councillor Terry Whitehead  
YES - Councillor Brad Clark

**3. Elimination of the Transition Child Benefit (HSC19050) (City Wide) (Item 10.2)**

**(Nann/Merulla)**

- (a) That staff be directed to bring forward recommendations to the next Emergency and Community Services Committee meeting outlining the costs and administrative elements required to implement a temporary housing allowance program beginning November 1, 2019, assisting families previously eligible for the Transition Child Benefit and would seek to help such families avoid having to use resources designated to purchase food, clothing and other basic needs to pay for their housing costs;
- (b) That a letter from the Mayor of Hamilton be sent to Todd Smith, Minister of Children, Community and Social Services, calling for the reversal of the elimination of the Transition Child Benefit, including an articulation of the impact on children and families in Hamilton, informed by the recommendation report set out in Sub-Section (a) above; and,
- (c) That staff reach out to the Hamilton Chamber of Commerce, Ontario Chamber of Commerce, and the Association of Municipalities Ontario to articulate the economic development impact of these cuts.

**Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 6 to 0, as follows:**

YES - Councillor Nrinder Nann  
YES - Councillor Tom Jackson  
YES - Councillor Esther Pauls  
YES - Chair Sam Merulla  
YES - Councillor Terry Whitehead  
YES - Councillor Brad Clark

**(Whitehead/Jackson)**

That Report HSC19050, respecting the Elimination of the Transition Child Benefit, be received.

**CARRIED**

**4. Ministry Inspection Report - Macassa and Wentworth Lodges (HSC19051) (Wards 7 and 13) (Item 10.3)**

**(Whitehead/Pauls)**

That Report HSC19051 (Wards 7 and 13), respecting the Ministry Inspection Report - Macassa and Wentworth Lodges, be received.

**CARRIED**

**FOR INFORMATION:**

**(a) APPROVAL OF AGENDA (Item 2)**

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

**1. COMMUNICATIONS (Item 5)**

- 5.2 Correspondence from Patti Redmond, Director, Social Assistance Service Delivery Branch, Ministry of Children, Community and Social Services, respecting 2020 Ontario Works Program Delivery Funding Allocation

Recommendation: Be received.

- 5.3 Correspondence from Kevin Gonci, Chairman, Hamilton Collaborative Partnership Group, respecting Request Approval for Joint Funding Application

Recommendation: Be endorsed and referred back to Recreation staff with a report back to the Emergency and Community Services Committee in October 2019.

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

- 6.1 Tom Cooper and Sulema James, Hamilton Roundtable for Poverty Reduction, respecting Item 10.2 on Sept 19. Transition Child Benefit, with new information on the Provincial Program, for today's meeting
- 6.2 Jackie Caldwell, Hamilton Roundtable for Poverty Reduction, respecting Transition Child Benefit, for today's meeting
- 6.3 Judith Bishop, Child Advocacy Group, respecting concern over the elimination of the Transition Child Benefit, for today's meeting

**3. NOTICES OF MOTION (Item 12)**

- 12.1 Ward 3 Social Infrastructure

**(Clark/Nann)**

That the agenda for the September 19, 2019 Emergency and Community Services Committee meeting be approved, as amended.

**Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 5 to 0, as follows:**

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

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

There were no declarations of interest.

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

**(i) September 5, 2019 (Item 4.1)**

**(Pauls/Jackson)**

That the Minutes of the September 5, 2019 meeting of the Emergency and Community Services Committee be approved, as presented.

**Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 5 to 0, as follows:**

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

YES - Councillor Brad Clark

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

**(i) Correspondence Respecting 2019 Land Ambulance Services Grant Revised Funding (Item 5.1)**

**(Jackson/Pauls)**

That the following Correspondence, respecting 2019 Land Ambulance Services Grant Revised Funding, be received:

1. Christine Elliott, Deputy Premier and Minister of Health (Item 5.1(a))
2. Alison Blair, Executive Director, Emergency Health Services Office (Item 5.1(b))

**CARRIED**

**(ii) Correspondence from Patti Redmond, Director, Social Assistance Service Delivery Branch, Ministry of Children, Community and Social Services, respecting 2020 Ontario Works Program Delivery Funding Allocation (Added Item 5.2)**

**(Pauls/Nann)**

That the correspondence from Patti Redmond, Director, Social Assistance Service Delivery Branch, Ministry of Children, Community and Social Services, respecting 2020 Ontario Works Program Delivery Funding Allocation, be received.

**CARRIED**

**(iii) Correspondence from Kevin Gonci, Chairman, Hamilton Collaborative Partnership Group, respecting Request Approval for Joint Funding Application (Added Item 5.3)**

**(Clark/Jackson)**

That the correspondence from Kevin Gonci, Chairman, Hamilton Collaborative Partnership Group, respecting Request Approval for Joint Funding Application, be ~~endorsed and~~ referred back to Recreation staff with a report back to the Emergency and Community Services Committee in October 2019.

**Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 6 to 0, as follows:**

YES - Councillor Nrinder Nann  
YES - Councillor Tom Jackson  
YES - Councillor Esther Pauls  
YES - Chair Sam Merulla  
YES - Councillor Terry Whitehead  
YES - Councillor Brad Clark

**(e) DELEGATION REQUESTS (Item 6)**

**(Jackson/Nann)**

That the following Delegation Requests, be approved for today's meeting:

- (i) Tom Cooper and Sulema James, Hamilton Roundtable for Poverty Reduction, respecting Item 10.2 on Sept 19. Transition Child Benefit, with new information on the Provincial Program (Added Item 6.1)
- (ii) Jackie Caldwell, Hamilton Roundtable for Poverty Reduction, respecting Transition Child Benefit (Added Item 6.2)
- (iii) Judith Bishop, Child Advocacy Group, respecting concern over the elimination of the Transition Child Benefit (Added Item 6.3)

**Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 6 to 0, as follows:**

YES - Councillor Nrinder Nann  
YES - Councillor Tom Jackson  
YES - Councillor Esther Pauls  
YES - Chair Sam Merulla  
YES - Councillor Terry Whitehead  
YES - Councillor Brad Clark

**(f) CONSENT ITEMS (Item 7)**

**(i) Housing and Homelessness Advisory Committee Minutes (Item 7.1)**

**(Jackson/Nann)**

That the following Housing and Homelessness Advisory Committee Minutes, be received:

- 1. June 5, 2018 (Item 7.1(a))
- 2. March 5, 2019 (Item 7.1(b))

**CARRIED**

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

**(i) Tom Cooper and Sulema James, Hamilton Roundtable for Poverty Reduction, respecting Item 10.2 on Sept 19. Transition Child Benefit, with new information on the Provincial Program (Added Item 8.1)**

Tom Cooper and Sulema James, Hamilton Roundtable for Poverty Reduction, addressed the Committee respecting Item 10.2, Transition Child Benefit, with new information on the Provincial Program, with the aid of a presentation and a handout.

**(Nann/Whitehead)**

That the Delegation from Tom Cooper and Sulema James, Hamilton Roundtable for Poverty Reduction, respecting Item 10.2, Transition Child Benefit, with new information on the Provincial Program, be received.

**CARRIED**

The presentation and handout are available at [www.hamilton.ca](http://www.hamilton.ca) and through the Office of the City Clerk.

For further disposition of this matter, refer to Item 3.

**(ii) Jackie Caldwell, Hamilton Roundtable for Poverty Reduction, respecting Transition Child Benefit (Added Item 8.2)**

Jackie Caldwell and Jodi Dean, Hamilton Roundtable for Poverty Reduction, addressed the Committee respecting Transition Child Benefit.

**(Nann/Whitehead)**

That the Delegation from Jackie Caldwell, Hamilton Roundtable for Poverty Reduction, respecting Transition Child Benefit, be received.

**CARRIED**

For further disposition of this matter, refer to Item 3.

**(iii) Judith Bishop, Child Advocacy Group, respecting concern over the elimination of the Transition Child Benefit (Added Item 8.3)**

Judith Bishop, Hamilton Roundtable for Poverty Reduction, addressed the Committee respecting Transition Child Benefit, with the aid of a handout.

**(Whitehead/Clark)**

That the Delegation from Judith Bishop, Child Advocacy Group, respecting concern over the elimination of the Transition Child Benefit, be received.

**CARRIED**

The handout is available at [www.hamilton.ca](http://www.hamilton.ca) and through the Office of the City Clerk.

For further disposition of this matter, refer to Item 3.

**(h) DISCUSSION ITEMS (Item 10)**

**(i) Ministry Inspection Report - Macassa and Wentworth Lodges (HSC19051) (Wards 7 and 13) (Item 10.3)**

**(Clark/Pauls)**

That Healthy and Safe Communities staff be directed to report back to the Emergency and Community Services Committee with an outline of a governance mechanism for Macassa Lodge and Wentworth Lodge,

including policies and/or protocols for reporting Critical Incidents and the results of Resident Quality Inspections conducted by the Ministry of Long-Term Care to the Emergency and Community Services Committee, before December 31, 2019.

**Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 6 to 0, as follows:**

YES - Councillor Nrinder Nann  
YES - Councillor Tom Jackson  
YES - Councillor Esther Pauls  
YES - Chair Sam Merulla  
YES - Councillor Terry Whitehead  
YES - Councillor Brad Clark

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

**(i) NOTICES OF MOTION (Item 12)**

Due to time sensitivity and the cancellation of the October 3, 2019 Emergency and Community Services meeting, the following motion was considered at the September 25, 2019 Council meeting. (For disposition, please refer to Item 7.4 of the September 25, 2019 Council Minutes.)

**(i) Ward 3 Social Infrastructure**

Councillor Nann introduced the following Notice of Motion:

WHEREAS Beautiful Alleys has been coordinating resident-led initiatives annually since 2012 to keep Ward 3 Alleys clean, green and safe;

WHEREAS BIPOC 2SLGBTQIA+ residents in the city are leading important work to debrief and strategize effective responses to targeted hate and violence with the organizational support of Spectrum Youth;

WHEREAS the Bagshaw Room, the largest community room at First Place used by residents and the larger community, requires a new partition to accommodate two activities to occur simultaneously;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,

(a) the following initiatives be approved for funding through the corresponding accounts:

(i) That \$3,000 be funded to Beautiful Alleys through the GALA Neighbourhood Association for coordinating future clean-ups and training through the Ward 3 Cell Tower Fund (3301609603);



- (ii) That \$3,000 be funded to Spectrum Youth Advocacy to enable supporting the work of BIPOC 2SLGBTQIA+ residents through the Ward 3 Cell Tower Fund (3301609603);
- (iii) That \$16,000 be funded to CityHousing for the construction and maintenance of a new partition wall for the Bagshaw room through Ward 3 Area Rating Discretionary Account - Social Infrastructure (3301909300); and,
- (iv) That the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized and directed to execute any required agreement(s) and ancillary documents in relation to funding the construction and maintenance of a new partition wall for the Bagshaw Room, with such terms and conditions in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor.

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

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

**(Jackson/Whitehead)**

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) Pilot Project for Accessible Tricycles/Four Wheelers at the Waterfront  
Item on OBL: G  
Current Due Date: October 3, 2019  
Proposed New Due Date: November 7, 2019

**Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 6 to 0, as follows:**

YES - Councillor Nrinder Nann  
YES - Councillor Tom Jackson  
YES - Councillor Esther Pauls  
YES - Chair Sam Merulla  
YES - Councillor Terry Whitehead  
YES - Councillor Brad Clark

**(k) ADJOURNMENT (Item 15)**

**(Nann/Clark)**

That there being no further business, the Emergency and Community Services Committee be adjourned at 3:21 p.m.

**CARRIED**

Respectfully submitted,

Councillor S. Merulla  
Chair, Emergency and Community Services  
Committee

Tamara Bates  
Legislative Coordinator  
Office of the City Clerk