



**GENERAL ISSUES COMMITTEE  
(OPERATING BUDGET)  
MINUTES 19-002(j)**

9:30 a.m.

Thursday, February 28, 2019

Council Chambers

Hamilton City Hall

71 Main Street West

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**Present:** Mayor F. Eisenberger, Deputy Mayor C. Collins (Chair)  
Councillors M. Wilson, J. Farr, N. Nann, S. Merulla, T. Jackson,  
E. Pauls, J.P. Danko, B. Clark, M. Pearson, L. Ferguson,  
A. VanderBeek, T. Whitehead, J. Partridge

**Absent:** Councillor B. Johnson – Bereavement

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

**1. Impacts of Changing Transit Area Rating (FCS19010) (City Wide) (Item 6.1)**

**(Whitehead/Pearson)**

That Report FCS19010, respecting the Impacts of Changing Transit Area Rating, be received.

**CARRIED**

**2. 2018 Assessment Growth (FCS19013) (City Wide) (Item 6.2)**

**(Farr/Nann)**

That Report FCS19013, respecting the 2018 Growth Assessment, be received.

**CARRIED**

**3. Hamilton Strategic Road Safety Program and Vision Zero Action Plan 2019 - 2025 (PW19015) (City Wide) (Item 6.6)**

**(Jackson/Pauls)**

(a) That the Hamilton Strategic Road Safety Program and the Vision Zero Action Plan 2019-2025, as described Appendices "A" to "C" of Report PW19015, be approved;

(b) That an increase of \$1,700,000, for the Hamilton Strategic Road Safety Program and the Vision Zero Action Plan 2019-2025, as described Appendices "A" to "C" of Report PW19015, be approved, as a 2019 Tax

Operating Budget amendment with zero net levy impact, to be funded by the Red Light Camera reserve #112203; and,

- (c) That the Outstanding Business List item, respecting a Strategic Road Safety Program update (Vision Zero) be identified as completed and removed from Public Works Committee's Outstanding Business list.

**Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 11 to 0, as follows:**

NOT PRESENT - Councillor Maureen Wilson  
YES - Councillor Jason Farr  
YES - Councillor Nrinder Nann  
YES - Councillor Sam Merulla  
YES - Councillor Tom Jackson  
YES - Councillor Esther Pauls  
YES - Councillor John-Paul Danko  
YES - Deputy-Mayor Chad Collins  
YES - Mayor Fred Eisenberger  
YES - Councillor Judi Partridge  
NOT PRESENT - Councillor Terry Whitehead  
NOT PRESENT - Councillor Arlene VanderBeek  
YES - Councillor Lloyd Ferguson  
NOT PRESENT - Councillor Brenda Johnson  
YES - Councillor Maria Pearson  
NOT PRESENT - Councillor Brad Clark

**4. Hess Village Paid Duty Policing (PED18081(a) (Ward 2) (Item 6.7)**

**(Farr/Merulla)**

WHEREAS, the Paid Duty Policing charge to some operators of the City of Hamilton's only Entertainment District is an exclusive-to-Hamilton extra tax for public service; and,

WHEREAS, it is prudent to limit the time and expense related to the Hamilton Licensing Tribunal's work;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

- (a) That for one year, the City of Hamilton pay the operators' portion of the Paid Duty Policing fees, for affected operators within the Hamilton Entertainment District, up to \$50,000 in total, to be funded through the Tax Stabilization Reserve; and,
- (b) That the appropriate staff be directed to report back to the General Issues Committee, during the 2020 Operating Budget process, with an analysis of

a fair funding model for all affected, licensed operators within the Hamilton Entertainment District.

**Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 10 to 1, as follows:**

NO - Councillor Maureen Wilson  
YES - Councillor Jason Farr  
YES - Councillor Nrinder Nann  
YES - Councillor Sam Merulla  
NOT PRESENT - Councillor Tom Jackson  
YES - Councillor Esther Pauls  
YES - Councillor John-Paul Danko  
YES - Deputy-Mayor Chad Collins  
NOT PRESENT - Mayor Fred Eisenberger  
YES - Councillor Judi Partridge  
YES - Councillor Terry Whitehead  
NOT PRESENT - Councillor Arlene VanderBeek  
YES - Councillor Lloyd Ferguson  
NOT PRESENT - Councillor Brenda Johnson  
NOT PRESENT - Councillor Maria Pearson  
YES - Councillor Brad Clark

**5. Winter Sidewalk Maintenance (PW19022) (City Wide) (Item 6.8)**

**(Whitehead/Partridge)**

That Report PW19022, respecting Winter Sidewalk Maintenance, be received;

**CARRIED**

**6. Sidewalk Clearing Program (Item 6.8)**

**(Nann/Farr)**

That staff be directed to prepare a report for consideration during the 2020 budget that would include, but not be limited to, integrating an Equity, Diversity and Inclusion (EDI) framework of removing snow on sidewalks in high pedestrian areas, around parks, daycare and childcare facilities, senior housing and eldercare facilities and provide connectivity to transit routes.

**Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 8 to 5, as follows:**

YES - Councillor Maureen Wilson  
YES - Councillor Jason Farr  
YES - Councillor Nrinder Nann  
YES - Councillor Sam Merulla  
YES - Councillor Tom Jackson  
YES - Councillor Esther Pauls  
NO - Councillor John-Paul Danko

NO - Deputy-Mayor Chad Collins  
NOT PRESENT - Mayor Fred Eisenberger  
NO - Councillor Judi Partridge  
YES - Councillor Terry Whitehead  
NOT PRESENT - Councillor Arlene VanderBeek  
NO - Councillor Lloyd Ferguson  
NOT PRESENT - Councillor Brenda Johnson  
NO - Councillor Maria Pearson  
YES - Councillor Brad Clark

**7. Snow Angels Program, Pro-Active Sidewalk Snow Removal Enforcement and Regular Maintenance of Canada Post Community Mailbox Locations (Item 6.8)**

**(Jackson/Pauls)**

That staff be directed to report back to either before or to the General Issues Committee during the 2020 Operating Budget process respecting the following:

- (a) The feasibility of ways and means to enhance the Snow Angel program;
- (b) The feasibility of greater proactive sidewalk snow removal enforcement; and
- (c) Communications with Canada Post for regular maintenance (snow and ice removal) of the Community Mailbox locations.

**Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 13 to 0, as follows:**

YES - Councillor Maureen Wilson  
YES - Councillor Jason Farr  
YES - Councillor Nrinder Nann  
YES - Councillor Sam Merulla  
YES - Councillor Tom Jackson  
YES - Councillor Esther Pauls  
YES - Councillor John-Paul Danko  
YES - Deputy-Mayor Chad Collins  
NOT PRESENT - Mayor Fred Eisenberger  
YES - Councillor Judi Partridge  
YES - Councillor Terry Whitehead  
NOT PRESENT - Councillor Arlene VanderBeek  
YES - Councillor Lloyd Ferguson  
NOT PRESENT - Councillor Brenda Johnson  
YES - Councillor Maria Pearson  
YES - Councillor Brad Clark

8. **2019 Operating Budget: Our Citizen Survey Business Case (BC-08)  
(CM19002) (City Wide) (Item 6.9)**

**(Farr/Pauls)**

That \$65,000, for the City Manager's Office, Strategic and Performance Excellence Program Business Case #BC-08, respecting Citizen Engagement and Marketing (Our Citizen Survey), be approved.

**Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 6 to 3, as follows:**

NO - Councillor Maureen Wilson  
YES - Councillor Jason Farr  
YES - Councillor Nrinder Nann  
YES - Councillor Sam Merulla  
NOT PRESENT - Councillor Tom Jackson  
YES - Councillor Esther Pauls  
NOT PRESENT - Councillor John-Paul Danko  
NO - Deputy-Mayor Chad Collins  
NOT PRESENT - Mayor Fred Eisenberger  
NOT PRESENT - Councillor Judi Partridge  
NOT PRESENT - Councillor Terry Whitehead  
NOT PRESENT - Councillor Arlene VanderBeek  
NO - Councillor Lloyd Ferguson  
NOT PRESENT - Councillor Brenda Johnson  
YES - Councillor Maria Pearson  
YES - Councillor Brad Clark

9. **2018 Vacancy Analysis (FCS19015) (City Wide) (Item 6.10)**

**(Clark/Pearson)**

That Report FCS19015, respecting the 2018 Vacancy Analysis, be received.

**CARRIED**

10. **Request for Information - 2017 Tax Competitiveness Study (FCS19016)  
(City Wide) (Item 6.11)**

**(Merulla/Pauls)**

That Report FCS19016, respecting the Request for Information - 2017 Tax Competitiveness Study, be received.

**CARRIED**

**11. Transit 2019 Operating Budget Presentation – Follow-up Information (PW19025) (City Wide) (Item 6.13)**

**(Merulla/Farr)**

That Report PW19025, respecting the Transit 2019 Operating Budget Presentation – Follow-up Information, be received.

**CARRIED**

**12. Transit Service Levels, Demand and Growth Opportunities by Ward (PW19026) (City Wide) (Item 6.14)**

**(Clark/Ferguson)**

That Report PW19026, respecting Transit Service Levels, Demand and Growth Opportunities by Ward, be received and referred to the newly established Transit Area Rating Review Sub-Committee for discussion.

**Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 10 to 0, as follows:**

YES - Councillor Maureen Wilson  
YES - Councillor Jason Farr  
NOT PRESENT - Councillor Nrinder Nann  
YES - Councillor Sam Merulla  
YES - Councillor Tom Jackson  
YES - Councillor Esther Pauls  
NOT PRESENT - Councillor John-Paul Danko  
YES - Deputy-Mayor Chad Collins  
NOT PRESENT - Mayor Fred Eisenberger  
NOT PRESENT - Councillor Judi Partridge  
YES - Councillor Terry Whitehead  
NOT PRESENT - Councillor Arlene VanderBeek  
YES - Councillor Lloyd Ferguson  
NOT PRESENT - Councillor Brenda Johnson  
YES - Councillor Maria Pearson  
YES - Councillor Brad Clark

**13. A System-Wide Approach to Public Transit (Item 7.1)**

**(Merulla/Eisenberger)**

WHEREAS, transportation and public transit continue to be significant and important public policy matters;

WHEREAS, public transit (known as HSR) in the City of Hamilton remains a priority for Council;

WHEREAS, public transit is currently apportioned to residents based on geographic area and service levels; and,

WHEREAS, Council has stated on numerous occasions, that it supports a system-wide approach to public transit, which includes enhancing service levels;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

- (a) ***That a Transit Area Rating Review Sub-Committee be established, to be comprised of 6 members of Council; (3) three urban and (3) three suburban Councillors, to evaluate options for rebalancing area rating for transit, based on an urban and rural split, and to make recommendations to the General Issues Committee in a fair and equitable way in order to rebalance transit area rating for the 2020 budget process;***
- (b) ***That staff be directed to report back to the General Issues Committee with a Terms of Reference and guiding principles for the Transit Area Rating Review Sub-Committee, prior to the first meeting of the Sub-Committee;***
- (c) That staff be directed to report back to the Transit Area Rating Review Sub-Committee with an area rating analysis for transit for the 2020 Operating budget process, with respect to a public transit system that supports a system-wide approach, with that report to include enhanced service levels that align with the overall City Transit Strategy; and,
- (d) That staff be directed to review the possibility of the area rating net benefit to Wards 1 to 8 being used for public transit city-wide and report to the Transit Area Rating Review Sub-Committee.

**Result: Main Motion, AS AMENDED, CARRIED, on a vote of 14 to 0, as follows:**

YES - Councillor Maureen Wilson  
YES - Councillor Jason Farr  
YES - Councillor Nrinder Nann  
YES - Councillor Sam Merulla  
YES - Councillor Tom Jackson  
YES - Councillor Esther Pauls  
YES - Councillor John-Paul Danko  
YES - Deputy-Mayor Chad Collins  
YES - Mayor Fred Eisenberger  
YES - Councillor Judi Partridge  
YES - Councillor Terry Whitehead  
NOT PRESENT - Councillor Arlene VanderBeek  
YES - Councillor Lloyd Ferguson  
NOT PRESENT - Councillor Brenda Johnson  
YES - Councillor Maria Pearson  
YES - Councillor Brad Clark

**14. Alternative Funding Options for Transit (Item 7.2)**

**(Whitehead/Partridge)**

That staff be directed to incorporate an analysis of other options of funding for Transit, and to include the following, in the report respecting a system-wide approach to public transit, which is to come forward to the newly established Transit Area Rating Review Sub-Committee:

- (i) Kilometers of service and service levels city-wide; and,
- (ii) Incorporating the assessment part of the area rating formula (as was done by the Region).

**Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 12 to 2, as follows:**

NO - Councillor Maureen Wilson  
YES - Councillor Jason Farr  
YES - Councillor Nrinder Nann  
YES - Councillor Sam Merulla  
YES - Councillor Tom Jackson  
YES - Councillor Esther Pauls  
NO - Councillor John-Paul Danko  
YES - Deputy-Mayor Chad Collins  
YES - Mayor Fred Eisenberger  
YES - Councillor Judi Partridge  
YES - Councillor Terry Whitehead  
NOT PRESENT - Councillor Arlene VanderBeek  
YES - Councillor Lloyd Ferguson  
NOT PRESENT - Councillor Brenda Johnson  
YES - Councillor Maria Pearson  
YES - Councillor Brad Clark

**15. Recalculation of the 10-year Transit Strategy (Item 7.5)**

**(Ferguson/Pearson)**

That the General Manager of Public Works be directed to recalculate the 10-year Transit Strategy using actual ridership and population numbers rather than anticipated numbers, and report to the General Issues Committee with the impact during the 2019 Operating Budget process.

**Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 10 to 0, as follows:**

YES - Councillor Maureen Wilson  
YES - Councillor Jason Farr  
NOT PRESENT - Councillor Nrinder Nann  
YES - Councillor Sam Merulla



YES - Councillor Tom Jackson  
YES - Councillor Esther Pauls  
NOT PRESENT - Councillor John-Paul Danko  
YES - Deputy-Mayor Chad Collins  
NOT PRESENT - Mayor Fred Eisenberger  
NOT PRESENT - Councillor Judi Partridge  
YES - Councillor Terry Whitehead  
NOT PRESENT - Councillor Arlene VanderBeeck  
YES - Councillor Lloyd Ferguson  
NOT PRESENT - Councillor Brenda Johnson  
YES - Councillor Maria Pearson  
YES - Councillor Brad Clark

**16. Correspondence from the Lakewood Beach Community Council respecting Item 6.2 on today's agenda – Report FCS19013, 2018 Assessment Growth (Item 9.1)**

**(Partridge/Whitehead)**

That the correspondence from the Lakewood Beach Community Council, respecting Item 6.2 on today's agenda – Report FCS19013, 2018 Assessment Growth, be received and referred to staff for a response to the constituents' regarding the questions in the correspondence.

**CARRIED**

**FOR INFORMATION:**

**(a) CHANGES TO THE AGENDA (Item 1)**

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

**1. DISCUSSION ITEMS (Item 6)**

- 6.1 Impacts of Changing Transit Area Rating (FCS19010) (City Wide) (to be distributed) – **REVISED REPORT**
- 6.4 2019 Tax Supported Operating Budget – Recommendations (FCS18096(a)) (City Wide) – **REVISED APPENDIX “D”**
- 6.7 Hess Village Paid Duty Policing (PED18081(a)) (Ward 2)
- 6.8 Winter Sidewalk Maintenance (PW19022) (City Wide)
- 6.9 2019 Operating Budget: Our Citizen Survey Business Case (BC-08) (CM19002) (City Wide)

- 6.10 2018 Vacancy Analysis (FCS19015) (City Wide)
- 6.11 Request for Information - 2017 Tax Competitiveness Study (FCS19016) (City Wide)
- 6.12 Implementation of Living Wage (FCS19017) (City Wide)
- 6.13 Transit 2019 Operating Budget Presentation – Follow-up Information (PW19025) (City Wide)
- 6.14 Transit Service Levels, Demand and Growth Opportunities by Ward (PW19026) (City Wide)

**2. MOTIONS (Item 7)**

- 7.4 Transit Service Levels
- 7.5 Recalculation of the 10-year Transit Strategy

**3. NOTICES OF MOTION (Item 8)**

- 8.1 Project 7101954902 - Valley Park Lifecycle Renewal and Accessibility Funding

**4. GENERAL INFORMATION / OTHER BUSINESS (Item 9)**

- 9.1 Correspondence from the Lakewood Beach Community Council respecting Item 6.2 on today's agenda – Report FCS19013, 2018 Assessment Growth

**(Wilson/Farr)**

That the agenda for the February 28, 2019 meeting of the General Issues Committee (Operating Budget) be approved, as amended.

**Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 13 to 0, as follows:**

- YES - Councillor Maureen Wilson
- YES - Councillor Jason Farr
- YES - Councillor Nrinder Nann
- YES - Councillor Sam Merulla
- NOT PRESENT - Councillor Tom Jackson
- YES - Councillor Esther Pauls
- YES - Councillor John-Paul Danko

YES - Deputy-Mayor Chad Collins  
YES - Mayor Fred Eisenberger  
YES - Councillor Judi Partridge  
YES - Councillor Terry Whitehead  
YES - Councillor Arlene VanderBeek  
NOT PRESENT - Councillor Lloyd Ferguson  
NOT PRESENT - Councillor Brenda Johnson  
YES - Councillor Maria Pearson  
YES - Councillor Brad Clark

**(b) DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (Item 2)**

There were no declarations of interest.

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

**(i) February 15, 2019 (Operating Budget) (Item 3.1)**

**(Whitehead/Partridge)**

That the Minutes of the February 15, 2019 General Issues Committee (Operating Budget) meeting be approved, as presented.

**Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 14 to 0, as follows:**

YES - Councillor Maureen Wilson  
YES - Councillor Jason Farr  
YES - Councillor Nrinder Nann  
YES - Councillor Sam Merulla  
NOT PRESENT - Councillor Tom Jackson  
YES - Councillor Esther Pauls  
YES - Councillor John-Paul Danko  
YES - Deputy-Mayor Chad Collins  
YES - Mayor Fred Eisenberger  
YES - Councillor Judi Partridge  
YES - Councillor Terry Whitehead  
YES - Councillor Arlene VanderBeek  
YES - Councillor Lloyd Ferguson  
NOT PRESENT - Councillor Brenda Johnson  
YES - Councillor Maria Pearson  
YES - Councillor Brad Clark

(d) **DISCUSSION ITEMS (Item 6)**

(i) **2019 Operating Budget Offsets from Planning and Development Fees (PED19066) (City Wide) (Item 6.3)**

**(Jackson/Partridge)**

That Report PED19066, respecting 2019 Operating Budget Offsets from Planning and Development Fees, be DEFERRED to the March 22, 2019 Special General Issues Committee meeting.

**Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 9 to 0, as follows:**

YES - Councillor Maureen Wilson  
YES - Councillor Jason Farr  
YES - Councillor Nrinder Nann  
NOT PRESENT - Councillor Sam Merulla  
YES - Councillor Tom Jackson  
YES - Councillor Esther Pauls  
NOT PRESENT - Councillor John-Paul Danko  
YES - Deputy-Mayor Chad Collins  
NOT PRESENT - Mayor Fred Eisenberger  
YES - Councillor Judi Partridge  
NOT PRESENT - Councillor Terry Whitehead  
NOT PRESENT - Councillor Arlene VanderBeek  
NOT PRESENT - Councillor Lloyd Ferguson  
NOT PRESENT - Councillor Brenda Johnson  
YES - Councillor Maria Pearson  
YES - Councillor Brad Clark

(ii) **2019 Tax Supported Operating Budget – Recommendations (FCS18096(a)) (City Wide) (Item 6.4)**

**(Danko/Jackson)**

That Report FCS18096(a), respecting the 2019 Tax Supported Operating Budget – Recommendations, be DEFERRED to the Special General Issues Committee Budget meeting on March 22, 2019.

**Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 10 to 0, as follows:**

YES - Councillor Maureen Wilson  
YES - Councillor Jason Farr  
YES - Councillor Nrinder Nann  
YES - Councillor Sam Merulla  
YES - Councillor Tom Jackson  
NOT PRESENT - Councillor Esther Pauls  
NOT PRESENT - Councillor John-Paul Danko

YES - Deputy-Mayor Chad Collins  
NOT PRESENT - Mayor Fred Eisenberger  
YES - Councillor Judi Partridge  
NOT PRESENT - Councillor Terry Whitehead  
NOT PRESENT - Councillor Arlene VanderBeek  
YES - Councillor Lloyd Ferguson  
NOT PRESENT - Councillor Brenda Johnson  
YES - Councillor Maria Pearson  
YES - Councillor Brad Clark

**(iii) Councillor Ward Office Budgets and Policy Guidelines for Eligible Expenses for Elected Officials (FCS18083(b)) (City Wide) (Item 6.5)**

**(Danko/Jackson)**

That Report FCS18083(b), respecting the Councillor Ward Office Budgets and Policy Guidelines for Eligible Expenses for Elected Officials, be DEFERRED to the March 22, 2019 Special General Issues Committee Budget meeting.

**Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 9 to 1, as follows:**

YES - Councillor Maureen Wilson  
YES - Councillor Jason Farr  
NOT PRESENT - Councillor Nrinder Nann  
YES - Councillor Sam Merulla  
YES - Councillor Tom Jackson  
YES - Councillor Esther Pauls  
YES - Councillor John-Paul Danko  
YES - Deputy-Mayor Chad Collins  
NOT PRESENT - Mayor Fred Eisenberger  
NO - Councillor Judi Partridge  
YES - Councillor Terry Whitehead  
NOT PRESENT - Councillor Arlene VanderBeek  
NOT PRESENT - Councillor Lloyd Ferguson  
NOT PRESENT - Councillor Brenda Johnson  
NOT PRESENT - Councillor Maria Pearson  
YES - Councillor Brad Clark

**(iv) Implementation of Living Wage (FCS19017) (City Wide) (Item 6.12)**

**(Farr/Merulla)**

That Report FCS19017, respecting the Implementation of Living Wage, be DEFERRED to the March 22, 2019 Special General Issues Committee Budget meeting.

**Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 10 to 0, as follows:**

YES - Councillor Maureen Wilson  
YES - Councillor Jason Farr  
NOT PRESENT - Councillor Nrinder Nann  
YES - Councillor Sam Merulla  
YES - Councillor Tom Jackson  
YES - Councillor Esther Pauls  
NOT PRESENT - Councillor John-Paul Danko  
YES - Deputy-Mayor Chad Collins  
NOT PRESENT - Mayor Fred Eisenberger  
NOT PRESENT - Councillor Judi Partridge  
YES - Councillor Terry Whitehead  
NOT PRESENT - Councillor Arlene VanderBeek  
YES - Councillor Lloyd Ferguson  
NOT PRESENT - Councillor Brenda Johnson  
YES - Councillor Maria Pearson  
YES - Councillor Brad Clark

**(e) MOTIONS (Item 7)**

**(i) A System-Wide Approach to Public Transit (Item 7.1)**

**(Eisenberger/Merulla)**

That the Motion respecting a System-Wide Approach to Public Transit, be amended by adding new sub-sections (a) and (b), and re-lettering the balance accordingly, to read as follows:

- (a) *That a Transit Area Rating Review Sub-Committee be established, to be comprised of 6 members of Council; (3) three urban and (3) suburban Councillors, to evaluate options for rebalancing area rating for transit, based on an urban and rural split, and to make recommendations to the General Issues Committee in a fair and equitable way in order to rebalance transit area rating for the 2020 budget process;***
- (b) *That staff be directed to report back to the General Issues Committee with a Terms of Reference and guiding principles for the Transit Area Rating Review Sub-Committee, prior to the first meeting of the Sub-Committee;***

**Result: Amendment CARRIED by a vote of 13 to 1, as follows:**

YES - Councillor Maureen Wilson  
YES - Councillor Jason Farr  
YES - Councillor Nrinder Nann

YES - Councillor Sam Merulla  
YES - Councillor Tom Jackson  
YES - Councillor Esther Pauls  
YES - Councillor John-Paul Danko  
YES - Deputy-Mayor Chad Collins  
YES - Mayor Fred Eisenberger  
YES - Councillor Judi Partridge  
YES - Councillor Terry Whitehead  
NOT PRESENT - Councillor Arlene VanderBeek  
NO - Councillor Lloyd Ferguson  
NOT PRESENT - Councillor Brenda Johnson  
YES - Councillor Maria Pearson  
YES - Councillor Brad Clark

Councillor T. Whitehead did not introduce the following Motion and requested that it be placed on the next regular General Issues Committee agenda (March 20, 2019):

**(ii) At-Risk Taxpayer Trends (Item 7.3)**

That staff be directed to report back to the General Issues Committee with a five-year trend that illustrates at risk tax payers (seniors, renters, etc.) with regard residential late taxes paid and outstanding taxes, with that report to show per capita spending on housing and housing units compared with similar communities, and social services spending and programs.

Mayor Eisenberger did not introduce the following Motion and requested that it be placed on the next regular General Issues Committee agenda (March 20, 2019):

**(iii) Transit Service Levels (Item 7.4)**

- (a) That the General Manager of the Public Works Department be directed to report back to the Transit Area Rating Review Sub-Committee with the transit volume forecast for Ancaster, Binbrook, Dundas, Waterdown and Stoney Creek, based on the significant growth projected in those communities; and,
- (b) That the General Manager of the Public Works Department be directed to report back to the Transit Area Rating Review Sub-Committee on how existing transit service levels vary, based on volume and demand specifically in non-area-rated service areas.

(f) **NOTICES OF MOTION (Item 8)**

Councillor B. Clark introduced the following Notice of Motion:

(i) **Project 7101954902 - Valley Park Life Cycle Renewal and Accessibility Funding (Item 8.1)**

WHEREAS, the Energy, Fleet & Facilities Management Section is preparing design and specification documents for a new/expanded 12,400 square foot library addition, attached to Valley Park Community Centre, which will also house 3,000 square feet of new community programming space;

WHEREAS, through Information Report PW18092 - Capital Lifecycle Renewal – Valley Park Community Centre, which was submitted at the December 7, 2018 General Issues Committee Budget meeting, staff suggested taking a holistic approach by taking advantage of the opportunity to complete capital works in the existing complex, in conjunction with the new library construction project;

WHEREAS, Project 7101954902 - Valley Park Life Cycle Renewal and Accessibility is currently not included in the 2019 Capital Budget, due to funding constraints, but is being accelerated in the plan for future life cycle program years;

WHEREAS, through Information Report PW18092 - Capital Lifecycle Renewal – Valley Park Community Centre, which was submitted at the December 7, 2018 General Issues Committee Budget meeting, staff revised the capital project costing to only include those projects that demonstrated the opportunity for cost avoidance by taking a holistic approach in conjunction with the new library construction project; and,

WHEREAS, capitalizing on the current tender process and in conjunction with the new library construction project for Project 7101954902 - Valley Park Life Cycle Renewal and Accessibility, an estimated cost avoidance of approximately \$420K, is anticipated due to contractor mobilization fee savings, synergies, soft costs, programming and public disruptions, as well as risk of emergency fixes due to end-of-life infrastructure;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

That, in order to complete the capital works of the 3,000 square feet of new community programming space, at the same time as the expansion of the library, at the Valley Park location, Project 7101954902 - Valley Park Life Cycle Renewal and Accessibility, in an amount of up to \$2,400,000, to be funded as follows, be approved:



- (a) \$500,000 from the Terrapure Compensation Royalties Reserve Account #117036; and,
- (b) \$1,900,000 from the Unallocated Capital Reserve Account #108020.

**(g) ADJOURNMENT (Item 10)**

**(Clark/Pearson)**

That, there being no further business, the General Issues Committee, be adjourned at 3:37 p.m.

**CARRIED**

Respectfully submitted,

C. Collins, Deputy Mayor  
Chair, General Issues Committee

Stephanie Paparella  
Legislative Coordinator  
Office of the City Clerk