



## **GENERAL ISSUES COMMITTEE MINUTES 21-014**

9:30 a.m.

Monday, July 5, 2021

Due to COVID-19 and the closure of City Hall, this meeting was held virtually.

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

**Absent:** Councillor T. Whitehead – Leave of Absence

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

**1. Assessing COVID Related Financial Impacts on Local Farmers' Markets (PED21141) (City Wide) (Item 7.2)**

**(Farr/Partridge)**

That the Report PED21141, respecting Assessing COVID Related Financial Impacts on Local Farmers' Markets, be received.

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

Absent	-	Mayor Fred Eisenberger
Yes	-	Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 2 Councillor Jason Farr
Yes	-	Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
Yes	-	Ward 4 Councillor Sam Merulla, Deputy Mayor
Yes	-	Ward 5 Councillor Chad Collins
Yes	-	Ward 6 Councillor Tom Jackson
Yes	-	Ward 7 Councillor Esther Pauls
Yes	-	Ward 8 Councillor J. P. Danko
Yes	-	Ward 9 Councillor Brad Clark
Yes	-	Ward 10 Councillor Maria Pearson
Yes	-	Ward 11 Councillor Brenda Johnson
Yes	-	Ward 12 Councillor Lloyd Ferguson
Yes	-	Ward 13 Councillor Arlene VanderBeek
Absent	-	Ward 14 Councillor Terry Whitehead
Yes	-	Ward 15 Councillor Judi Partridge

**2. Chedoke Creek Order - Cootes Paradise Workplan (PW19008(m)) (City Wide) (Item 8.2)**

**(Wilson/Jackson)**

That Report PW190098(m), respecting the Chedoke Creek Order - Cootes Paradise Workplan, be received.

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

Yes	-	Mayor Fred Eisenberger
Yes	-	Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 2 Councillor Jason Farr
Yes	-	Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
Yes	-	Ward 4 Councillor Sam Merulla, Deputy Mayor
Yes	-	Ward 5 Councillor Chad Collins
Yes	-	Ward 6 Councillor Tom Jackson
Yes	-	Ward 7 Councillor Esther Pauls
Yes	-	Ward 8 Councillor J. P. Danko
Yes	-	Ward 9 Councillor Brad Clark
Yes	-	Ward 10 Councillor Maria Pearson
Yes	-	Ward 11 Councillor Brenda Johnson
Yes	-	Ward 12 Councillor Lloyd Ferguson
Yes	-	Ward 13 Councillor Arlene VanderBeek
Absent	-	Ward 14 Councillor Terry Whitehead
Absent	-	Ward 15 Councillor Judi Partridge

**3. City Manager's 2020 - 2021 Review (CM21006) (City Wide) (Item 8.3)**

**(Ferguson/Jackson)**

That Report CM21006, respecting the City Manager's 2020 - 2021 Review, be received.

**Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 15 to 0, as follows:**

Yes	-	Mayor Fred Eisenberger
Yes	-	Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 2 Councillor Jason Farr
Yes	-	Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
Yes	-	Ward 4 Councillor Sam Merulla, Deputy Mayor
Yes	-	Ward 5 Councillor Chad Collins
Yes	-	Ward 6 Councillor Tom Jackson
Yes	-	Ward 7 Councillor Esther Pauls
Yes	-	Ward 8 Councillor J. P. Danko
Yes	-	Ward 9 Councillor Brad Clark
Yes	-	Ward 10 Councillor Maria Pearson
Yes	-	Ward 11 Councillor Brenda Johnson
Yes	-	Ward 12 Councillor Lloyd Ferguson

Yes	-	Ward 13	Councillor Arlene VanderBeek
Absent	-	Ward 14	Councillor Terry Whitehead
Yes	-	Ward 15	Councillor Judi Partridge

**4. Hamilton Tax Increment Grant - 154 Main Street East, Hamilton (PED21115)  
(Ward 2) (Item 10.1)**

**(Jackson/Collins)**

- (a) That a Hamilton Tax Increment Grant Program Application, submitted by 1970703 Ontario Inc. (Darko Vranich) for the property known as 154 Main Street East, Hamilton, estimated at \$1,211,018.67 over a maximum of a five (5) year period, based upon the incremental tax increase attributable to the development of 154 Main Street East, Hamilton, be authorized and approved, in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Hamilton Tax Increment Grant Program;
- (b) That the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized and directed to execute a Grant Agreement together with any ancillary documentation required, to give effect to the Hamilton Tax Increment Grant for 1970703 Ontario Inc. for the property known as 154 Main Street East, Hamilton, in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor; and,
- (c) That the General Manager of the Planning and Economic Development Department be authorized to approve and execute any Grant Amending Agreements, together with any ancillary amending documentation, if required, provided that the terms and conditions of the Hamilton Tax Increment Grant Program, as approved by City Council, are maintained.

**Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 12 to 0, as follows:**

Yes	-	Mayor Fred Eisenberger
Yes	-	Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 2 Councillor Jason Farr
Yes	-	Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
Conflict	-	Ward 4 Councillor Sam Merulla, Deputy Mayor
Yes	-	Ward 5 Councillor Chad Collins
Yes	-	Ward 6 Councillor Tom Jackson
Yes	-	Ward 7 Councillor Esther Pauls
Yes	-	Ward 8 Councillor J. P. Danko
Yes	-	Ward 9 Councillor Brad Clark
Conflict	-	Ward 10 Councillor Maria Pearson
Yes	-	Ward 11 Councillor Brenda Johnson
Yes	-	Ward 12 Councillor Lloyd Ferguson
Conflict	-	Ward 13 Councillor Arlene VanderBeek
Absent	-	Ward 14 Councillor Terry Whitehead
Yes	-	Ward 15 Councillor Judi Partridge

**5. Capital Projects Work-in-Progress Sub-Committee Report 21-002, June 21, 2021 (Item 10.3)**

**(Danko/Nann)**

**(a) Capital Project Closing Report as of December 31, 2020 (FCS20079(b))  
(City Wide) (Item 10.1)**

- (i) That the General Manager, Finance and Corporate Services, be authorized and directed to transfer \$221,437 to the Unallocated Capital Levy Reserve (108020) and \$97,064 from other sources, as outlined in Appendix "A" to Capital Projects Work-in-Progress Review Sub-Committee Report 21-002;
- (ii) That the General Manager, Finance and Corporate Services, be authorized and directed to close the completed and / or cancelled capital projects listed in Appendix "B" to Capital Projects Work-in-Progress Review Sub-Committee Report 21-002, in accordance with the Capital Projects Closing and Monitoring Policy;
- (iii) That Appendix "C" to Report FCS20079(b), Capital Projects Budget Appropriations for the period covering October 1, 2020 through December 31, 2020, be received for information;
- (iv) That Appendix "C" to Capital Projects Work-in-Progress Review Sub-Committee Report 21-002, Capital Projects Budget Appropriations of \$250,000 or greater and Capital Project Reserve Funding requiring Council authorization, be approved;
- (v) That the General Manager, Finance and Corporate Services, be authorized and directed to transfer \$2,234,783 from the Unallocated Capital Levy Reserve (108020) and return \$2,234,783 to the Federal Gas Tax Reserve (112213) for various projects, as outlined in Appendix "D" to Capital Projects Work-in-Progress Review Sub-Committee Report 21-002, for the purpose of funding ineligible expenditures, pursuant to the Federal Gas Tax Municipal Funding Agreement; and,
- (vi) That the projects listed in Appendix "E" to Capital Projects Work-in-Progress Review Sub-Committee Report 21-002, that were inadvertently closed during capital work-in-progress review, be re-opened.

**(b) Capital Projects Status Report as of December 31, 2020 (FCS20078(b))  
(City Wide) (Item 10.2)**

- (i) That the Capital Projects Status Report – Tax Supported, as of December 31, 2020, attached as Appendix “A” to Report FCS20078(b), be received;
- (ii) That the Capital Projects Status Report – Rate Supported, as of December 31, 2020, attached as Appendix “B” to Report FCS20078(b), be received; and,
- (iii) That the confidential Appendix “C” to Report FCS20078(b), respecting the Capital Projects Status Report as of December 31, 2020, be received and remain confidential.

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

Yes	-	Mayor Fred Eisenberger
Yes	-	Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
Absent	-	Ward 2 Councillor Jason Farr
Yes	-	Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
Yes	-	Ward 4 Councillor Sam Merulla, Deputy Mayor
Yes	-	Ward 5 Councillor Chad Collins
Yes	-	Ward 6 Councillor Tom Jackson
Yes	-	Ward 7 Councillor Esther Pauls
Yes	-	Ward 8 Councillor J. P. Danko
Yes	-	Ward 9 Councillor Brad Clark
Yes	-	Ward 10 Councillor Maria Pearson
Yes	-	Ward 11 Councillor Brenda Johnson
Yes	-	Ward 12 Councillor Lloyd Ferguson
Yes	-	Ward 13 Councillor Arlene VanderBeek
Absent	-	Ward 14 Councillor Terry Whitehead
Absent	-	Ward 15 Councillor Judi Partridge

**6. School Board Properties Sub-Committee Report 21-002, June 22, 2021 (Item 10.5)**

**(Partridge/Clark)**

**(a) Hamilton-Wentworth District School Board Property at 350 Albright Road, Stoney Creek (PED21128) (Ward 5) (Item 10.1)**

- (i) That staff be authorized and directed to advise the Hamilton-Wentworth District School Board (HWDSB) that the City of Hamilton has no interest in acquiring its property located at 350 Albright Road, Stoney Creek, as shown on Appendix “A” attached to Report PED21128; and,
- (ii) That staff be directed to advise the Hamilton-Wentworth District School Board of the City of Hamilton’s site development requirements, as identified in Appendix “B” attached to Report PED21128.

**(b) Hamilton-Wentworth District School Board Property at 140 Glen Echo Drive, Stoney Creek (PED21129) (Ward 5) (Item 10.2)**

- (i) That staff be authorized and directed to advise the Hamilton-Wentworth District School Board (HWDSB) that the City of Hamilton has no interest in acquiring its property located at 140 Glen Echo Drive, Stoney Creek, as shown on Appendix "A" attached to Report PED21129; and,
- (ii) That staff be directed to advise the Hamilton-Wentworth District School Board of the City of Hamilton's site development requirements, as identified in Appendix "B" attached to Report PED21129.

**(c) Hamilton-Wentworth District School Board Property at 45 Randall Avenue, Stoney Creek (PED21130) (Ward 5) (Item 10.3)**

- (i) That staff be authorized and directed to advise the Hamilton-Wentworth District School Board (HWDSB) that the City of Hamilton has no interest in acquiring its property located at 45 Randall Avenue, Stoney Creek, as shown on Appendix "A" attached to Report PED21130; and,
- (ii) That staff be directed to advise the Hamilton-Wentworth District School Board of the City of Hamilton's site development requirements, as identified in Appendix "B" attached to Report PED21130.

**(d) Hamilton-Wentworth District School Board Property at 630-640 Rymal Road East, Hamilton (PED21131) (Ward 7) (Item 14.1)**

- (i) That the Manager of Real Estate, or designate, be authorized and directed to advise the Hamilton-Wentworth District School Board (HWDSB) that the City of Hamilton may have an interest in the acquisition of the lands located at 630-640 Rymal Road East, Hamilton, as shown and legally described in Appendix "A" attached to Report PED21131;
- (ii) That staff be authorized and directed to complete the due diligence work in preparation for the potential acquisition of the of the lands located at 630-640 Rymal Road East, Hamilton, to be funded from the Property Purchases and Sales Capital Account No. 3562850200;
- (iii) That staff be directed to report back to the School Board Properties Sub-Committee, as to its due diligence findings, refined acquisition and post-acquisition cost estimates, funding model and its recommendations for the City to submit an Offer to Purchase the

Hamilton-Wentworth District School Board lands located at 630-640 Rymal Road East, Hamilton; and,

- (iv) That Report PED21131, respecting Hamilton-Wentworth District School Board Property at 630-640 Rymal Road East, Hamilton, remain confidential and not be released as a public document.

**(e) Hamilton-Wentworth District School Board Property at 20 Lake Avenue South, Stoney Creek (PED21132) (Ward 5) (Item 14.2)**

- (i) That the Manager of Real Estate, or designate, be authorized and directed to advise the Hamilton-Wentworth District School Board (HWDSB) that the City of Hamilton may have an interest in the acquisition of the lands located at 20 Lake Avenue South, Stoney Creek, as shown and legally described in Appendix "A" attached to Report PED21132;
- (ii) That staff be authorized and directed to complete the due diligence work in preparation for the potential acquisition of the Hamilton-Wentworth District School Board lands located at 20 Lake Avenue South, Stoney Creek;
- (iii) That staff be directed to establish a Capital Account Project I.D. to be funded from the Parkland Acquisition Reserve No. 108050, for use as the funding source for all costs related to the due diligence for the potential acquisition of the Hamilton-Wentworth District School Board lands located at 20 Lake Avenue South, Stoney Creek;
- (iv) That staff be directed to report back to the School Board Properties Sub-Committee, as to its due diligence findings, refined acquisition and post-acquisition cost estimates, funding model and its recommendations for the City to submit an Offer to Purchase the Hamilton-Wentworth District School Board lands located at 20 Lake Avenue South, Stoney Creek; and,
- (v) That Report PED21132, respecting the Hamilton-Wentworth District School Board Property at 20 Lake Avenue South, Stoney Creek, remain confidential and not be released as a public document.

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

Yes	-	Mayor Fred Eisenberger
Yes	-	Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 2 Councillor Jason Farr
Yes	-	Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
Yes	-	Ward 4 Councillor Sam Merulla, Deputy Mayor
Yes	-	Ward 5 Councillor Chad Collins

Yes	-	Ward 6	Councillor Tom Jackson
Yes	-	Ward 7	Councillor Esther Pauls
Conflict	-	Ward 8	Councillor J. P. Danko
Yes	-	Ward 9	Councillor Brad Clark
Yes	-	Ward 10	Councillor Maria Pearson
Yes	-	Ward 11	Councillor Brenda Johnson
Yes	-	Ward 12	Councillor Lloyd Ferguson
Absent	-	Ward 13	Councillor Arlene VanderBeek
Absent	-	Ward 14	Councillor Terry Whitehead
Yes	-	Ward 15	Councillor Judi Partridge

**7. Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities Report 21-006, June 8, 2021  
(Item 10.6)**

**(Collins/Partridge)**

**(a) Correspondence from Mary Sinclair respecting Resignation from the  
Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities (Item 4.2)**

- (i) That the Correspondence from Mary Sinclair respecting her resignation from the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities (ACPD), be received;
- (ii) That the Selection Committee be reconvened to review the original applications submitted for the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities (ACPD), during the initial 2018-2022 recruitment process; and,
- (iii) That the Committee Clerk be directed to prepare a letter and expression of gratitude to be sent to Mary Sinclair for her service on behalf of the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities.

**(b) Appointment of Tom Manzuk to the Outreach Working Group of the  
Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities (Item 6.3(c))**

That Tom Manzuk be appointed to the Outreach Working Group of the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities for the remainder of the 2018 – 2022 Term of Council.

**(c) Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities Informational  
Pamphlet (Item 6.3(d))**

WHEREAS, in an effort to educate the public regarding the role and function of the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities (ACPD) with respect to City Council, the Outreach Working Group of ACPD has designed an informational pamphlet to be used in outreach efforts in the community; and,



WHEREAS, the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities logo was approved by Council on May 12, 2021 (see Item 5(b) of Audit, Finance and Administration Committee Report 21-007 for reference) to be used in outreach efforts in the community alongside the City of Hamilton logo in accordance with the City of Hamilton Brand Guidelines;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

- (i) That the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities informational pamphlet, attached as Appendix “A” to Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities Report 21-006, to be used in outreach efforts in the community, be approved; and,
- (ii) That the costs, to an upset limit of \$300, for printing 500 copies of the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities informational pamphlet, to be funded from the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities 2021 Budget, be approved.

**(d) Invitation to Donna Skelly, MPP, to Discuss the Report Entitled “Listening to Ontarians with Disabilities: Report of the Third Review of the *Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act, 2005*” (Item 10.1)**

WHEREAS, the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities (ACPD) directed staff to prepare correspondence to a Member of Provincial Parliament respecting the report “Listening to Ontarians with Disabilities: Report of the Third Review of the *Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act, 2005*” (see Item (f)(i) of Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities Report 19-003 for reference);

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

- (i) That correspondence from the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities, attached as Appendix “B” to Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities Report 21-006, respecting an invitation to discuss the report “Listening to Ontarians with Disabilities: Report of the Third Review of the *Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act, 2005*”, be emailed to Donna Skelly, MPP; and,
- (ii) That the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities Outstanding Business List Item 2019-C, respecting Correspondence to a Member of Provincial Parliament respecting Listening to Ontarians with Disabilities: Report of the Third Review of the *Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act, 2005*, be identified as complete and removed from the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities’ Outstanding Business List.

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

Yes	-	Mayor Fred Eisenberger
Yes	-	Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 2 Councillor Jason Farr
Yes	-	Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
Yes	-	Ward 4 Councillor Sam Merulla, Deputy Mayor
Yes	-	Ward 5 Councillor Chad Collins
Yes	-	Ward 6 Councillor Tom Jackson
Yes	-	Ward 7 Councillor Esther Pauls
Yes	-	Ward 8 Councillor J. P. Danko
Absent	-	Ward 9 Councillor Brad Clark
Yes	-	Ward 10 Councillor Maria Pearson
Yes	-	Ward 11 Councillor Brenda Johnson
Yes	-	Ward 12 Councillor Lloyd Ferguson
Yes	-	Ward 13 Councillor Arlene VanderBeek
Absent	-	Ward 14 Councillor Terry Whitehead
Yes	-	Ward 15 Councillor Judi Partridge

**8. 2022 Municipal Election: Communication Plan (FCS21071) (City Wide) (Item 10.7)**

**(Johnson/Ferguson)**

- (a) That a one-time increase of \$56,000 be transferred to the Election Expense Reserve (112206) from the Tax Stabilization Reserve to support an enhanced communication plan for the 2022 municipal election;
- (b) That an annual increase of \$14,000 for the Election Expense Reserve (112206), to cover the increased costs to deliver an enhanced communications strategy regarding Municipal Elections for the City of Hamilton, be referred to the 2022 Operating Budget (GIC) deliberations for consideration;
- (c) That a one-time increase of \$40,000 to the Election Expense Reserve (112206) be funded through the Tax Stabilization Reserve to allow for the hiring of four summer students to support the Election communication and outreach plan; and.
- (d) That the Outstanding Business List Item requesting that the City Clerk establish a communications strategy to assist in ensuring residents check and are listed on the municipal elections voters list be considered complete and removed from the General Issues Committee's Outstanding Business List.

**Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 15 to 0, as follows:**

Yes	-	Mayor Fred Eisenberger
Yes	-	Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 2 Councillor Jason Farr
Yes	-	Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
Yes	-	Ward 4 Councillor Sam Merulla, Deputy Mayor
Yes	-	Ward 5 Councillor Chad Collins
Yes	-	Ward 6 Councillor Tom Jackson
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Yes	-	Ward 9 Councillor Brad Clark
Yes	-	Ward 10 Councillor Maria Pearson
Yes	-	Ward 11 Councillor Brenda Johnson
Yes	-	Ward 12 Councillor Lloyd Ferguson
Yes	-	Ward 13 Councillor Arlene VanderBeek
Absent	-	Ward 14 Councillor Terry Whitehead
Yes	-	Ward 15 Councillor Judi Partridge

**9. Investing in City Roads and Sidewalks Infrastructure with Canada Community-Building Funds (Item 11.1)**

**(Collins/Ferguson)**

WHEREAS, Deputy Prime Minister Freeland announced Bill C-25, An Act to amend the *Federal-Provincial Fiscal Arrangements Act*, to authorize certain payments to be made out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund and to amend another Act, which would permanently rename the Federal Gas Tax Fund to the Canada Community-Building Fund and increase funding by \$2.2 billion in 2021, almost double the allocation for this year, totaling approximately \$4.5 billion;

WHEREAS, Bill C-25 has not yet been enacted by the House of Commons Canada;

WHEREAS, the City of Hamilton expects to receive \$32.7 million in one-time funding under Bill C-25 in 2021;

WHEREAS, Federal Gas Tax Funds must be spent within five years;

WHEREAS, highway infrastructure and infrastructure for local roads and bridges eligible projects under the Federal Gas Tax Agreements includes roads, bridges, tunnels, highways and active transportation infrastructure, referring to investments that support active methods of travel of cycling lanes and paths, sidewalks, hiking and walking trails;

WHEREAS, the City of Hamilton maintains roads related infrastructure with an estimated value of \$6 Billion, and,

WHEREAS, the City of Hamilton has a funding gap that does not maintain our current condition for Roads Related infrastructure;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

- (a) That \$30 million of the estimated \$32.7 million of the one-time funding under Bill C-25, be invested in sidewalk and road repairs (minor maintenance);
- (b) That the funds be allocated equally amongst 15 wards (\$2m per ward); and,
- (c) That staff be directed to report back to the Audit, Finance and Administration Committee with a procurement process that expedites the use of the funds to limit exposure to rising (inflationary) prices.

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

Yes	-	Mayor Fred Eisenberger
No	-	Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 2 Councillor Jason Farr
Absent	-	Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
Yes	-	Ward 4 Councillor Sam Merulla, Deputy Mayor
Yes	-	Ward 5 Councillor Chad Collins
Yes	-	Ward 6 Councillor Tom Jackson
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Yes	-	Ward 9 Councillor Brad Clark
Yes	-	Ward 10 Councillor Maria Pearson
Yes	-	Ward 11 Councillor Brenda Johnson
Yes	-	Ward 12 Councillor Lloyd Ferguson
Yes	-	Ward 13 Councillor Arlene VanderBeek
Absent	-	Ward 14 Councillor Terry Whitehead
Yes	-	Ward 15 Councillor Judi Partridge

**10. Amendments to the Outstanding Business List (Item 13.1)**

**(Clark/Ferguson)**

That the following amendments to the General Issues Committee's Outstanding Business List, be approved:

**(a) Items to be Referred to the Planning Committee (Item 13.1.c.):**

- (i) Draft Agreement - Biodiversity Action Plan (Item 13.1.c.a.)
- (ii) Update regarding the Progress of the Biodiversity Action Plan (Item 13.1.c.b.)
- (iii) All other matters related to the Biodiversity Action Plan (Item 13.1.c.c.)

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

Yes	-	Mayor Fred Eisenberger
Yes	-	Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 2 Councillor Jason Farr
Absent	-	Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
Yes	-	Ward 4 Councillor Sam Merulla, Deputy Mayor
Yes	-	Ward 5 Councillor Chad Collins
Yes	-	Ward 6 Councillor Tom Jackson
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Yes	-	Ward 8 Councillor J. P. Danko
Yes	-	Ward 9 Councillor Brad Clark
Yes	-	Ward 10 Councillor Maria Pearson
Yes	-	Ward 11 Councillor Brenda Johnson
Yes	-	Ward 12 Councillor Lloyd Ferguson
Yes	-	Ward 13 Councillor Arlene VanderBeek
Absent	-	Ward 14 Councillor Terry Whitehead
Yes	-	Ward 15 Councillor Judi Partridge

**11. Disposition of City-Owned Industrial Land (PED21135) (Ward 11) (Item 14.1)**

**(Johnson/Clark)**

- (a) That an Offer to Purchase and Sale for the sale of a portion of City-owned Industrial Land, as identified in Appendix "A" attached to Report PED21135, scheduled to close 60 days after the fulfilment of all conditions, be approved and completed, substantially on terms and conditions, outlined in Appendix "B" attached to Report PED21135, and on such other terms and conditions deemed appropriate by the General Manager, Planning and Economic Development Department, with the net proceeds to be credited to Account No. 5160507001 (North Glanbrook Industrial Business Park Servicing);
- (b) That \$329,820 from the proceeds of the sale of the City-owned Industrial Land, as identified in Appendix "A" attached to Report PED21135, be charged to Project ID Account No. 59806-5160507001 (North Glanbrook Industrial Business Park Servicing) and credited to Dept. ID Account No. 59806-812036 for recovery of expenses including real estate, appraisal, property management and legal fees;
- (c) That the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized and directed to execute any necessary documents respecting the sale of the City-owned Industrial Land, as identified in Appendix "A" attached to Report PED21135, in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor;
- (d) That the City Solicitor be authorized and directed to complete the sale of the City-owned Industrial Land, as identified in Appendix "A" attached to Report PED21135, on behalf of the City, including paying any necessary expenses, amending the closing, due diligence and other dates, and amending and waiving terms and conditions on such terms as he considers reasonable; and,

- (e) That Report PED21135, respecting the Disposition of City-Owned Industrial Land, remain confidential and not be released as a public document until final completion of the real estate transaction.

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

Yes	-	Mayor Fred Eisenberger
Yes	-	Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 2 Councillor Jason Farr
Yes	-	Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
Yes	-	Ward 4 Councillor Sam Merulla, Deputy Mayor
Yes	-	Ward 5 Councillor Chad Collins
Yes	-	Ward 6 Councillor Tom Jackson
Yes	-	Ward 7 Councillor Esther Pauls
Yes	-	Ward 8 Councillor J. P. Danko
Yes	-	Ward 9 Councillor Brad Clark
Yes	-	Ward 10 Councillor Maria Pearson
Yes	-	Ward 11 Councillor Brenda Johnson
Absent	-	Ward 12 Councillor Lloyd Ferguson
Absent	-	Ward 13 Councillor Arlene VanderBeek
Absent	-	Ward 14 Councillor Terry Whitehead
Yes	-	Ward 15 Councillor Judi Partridge

**12. Surplus and Disposition of City-Owned Land in Ward 12 (PED21124) (Ward 12) (Item 14.2)**

**(Johnson/VanderBeek)**

- (a) That the City-owned land, as shown in Appendix "A" and described in Appendix "B" to attached to Report PED21124, be declared surplus for the purposes of disposition;
- (b) That an Offer to Purchase, for the sale of City-owned land, as shown in Appendix "A" and described in Appendix "B" attached to Report PED21124, substantially on terms and conditions, outlined in Appendix "B" attached to Report PED21124, and on such other terms and conditions deemed appropriate by the General Manager, Planning and Economic Development Department, be approved;
- (c) That the General Manager, Planning and Economic Development Department, or designate, acting on behalf of the City as land owner, be authorized and directed to provide any requisite consents, approvals and notices related to any applications for land use approval related to the sale of City-owned Lands, as shown in Appendix "A" attached to Report PED21124;
- (d) That staff be authorized and directed to transfer all net proceeds from the disposition of the City-owned Lands, as shown in Appendix "A" attached to Report PED21124, including \$37,500 for recovery of expenses including

appraisal, due diligence, property management and real estate and legal fees, to Dept. ID Account No. 47702-3561850200 (Property Purchases and Sales) and \$37,500 be further allocated to Dept. ID Account No. 59806-812036 (Real Estate – Admin Recovery;

- (e) That the City Solicitor be authorized and directed to complete the sale of City-owned Lands, shown in Appendix “A” and described in Appendix “B” attached to Report PED21124, on behalf of the City, including paying any necessary expenses, amending the closing, due diligence and other dates, and amending and waiving terms and conditions on such terms as considered reasonable;
- (f) That the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized and directed to execute any necessary documents respecting the sale of City-owned Lands, as shown in Appendix “A” attached to Report PED21124, in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor; and,
- (g) That Report PED21124, respecting the Surplus and Disposition of City-Owned Land in Ward 12, remain confidential until final completion of the real estate transaction.

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

Yes	-	Mayor Fred Eisenberger
Yes	-	Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 2 Councillor Jason Farr
Yes	-	Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
Yes	-	Ward 4 Councillor Sam Merulla, Deputy Mayor
Yes	-	Ward 5 Councillor Chad Collins
Yes	-	Ward 6 Councillor Tom Jackson
Yes	-	Ward 7 Councillor Esther Pauls
Yes	-	Ward 8 Councillor J. P. Danko
Yes	-	Ward 9 Councillor Brad Clark
Yes	-	Ward 10 Councillor Maria Pearson
Yes	-	Ward 11 Councillor Brenda Johnson
Absent	-	Ward 12 Councillor Lloyd Ferguson
Yes	-	Ward 13 Councillor Arlene VanderBeek
Absent	-	Ward 14 Councillor Terry Whitehead
Yes	-	Ward 15 Councillor Judi Partridge

**13. Planning and Economic Development Realignments - Real Estate Section (PED21134) (City Wide) (Item 14.3)**

**(Jackson/VanderBeek)**

- (a) That the direction provided to staff in Closed Session, respecting Report PED21134 - Planning and Economic Development Realignments – Real Estate Section, be approved; and,

- (b) That Report PED21134, respecting the Planning and Economic Development Realignments – Real Estate Section, remain confidential until approved by Council.

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

Yes	-	Mayor Fred Eisenberger
Yes	-	Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 2 Councillor Jason Farr
Yes	-	Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
Yes	-	Ward 4 Councillor Sam Merulla, Deputy Mayor
Yes	-	Ward 5 Councillor Chad Collins
Yes	-	Ward 6 Councillor Tom Jackson
Yes	-	Ward 7 Councillor Esther Pauls
Yes	-	Ward 8 Councillor J. P. Danko
Yes	-	Ward 9 Councillor Brad Clark
Yes	-	Ward 10 Councillor Maria Pearson
Yes	-	Ward 11 Councillor Brenda Johnson
Absent	-	Ward 12 Councillor Lloyd Ferguson
Yes	-	Ward 13 Councillor Arlene VanderBeek
Absent	-	Ward 14 Councillor Terry Whitehead
Yes	-	Ward 15 Councillor Judi Partridge

**14. Planning and Economic Development Realignments (PED21151) (City Wide)  
(Item 14.4)**

**(Farr/Clark)**

- (a) That the direction provided to staff in Closed Session, respecting Report PED21151 - Realignments in the Planning & Economic Development Department, be approved; and,
- (b) That Report PED21151, respecting Realignments in the Planning & Economic Development Department, remain confidential until approved by Council.

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

Yes	-	Mayor Fred Eisenberger
Yes	-	Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 2 Councillor Jason Farr
Yes	-	Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
Yes	-	Ward 4 Councillor Sam Merulla, Deputy Mayor
Yes	-	Ward 5 Councillor Chad Collins
Yes	-	Ward 6 Councillor Tom Jackson
Yes	-	Ward 7 Councillor Esther Pauls
Yes	-	Ward 8 Councillor J. P. Danko
Yes	-	Ward 9 Councillor Brad Clark



Yes	-	Ward 10	Councillor Maria Pearson
Yes	-	Ward 11	Councillor Brenda Johnson
Absent	-	Ward 12	Councillor Lloyd Ferguson
Yes	-	Ward 13	Councillor Arlene VanderBeek
Absent	-	Ward 14	Councillor Terry Whitehead
Yes	-	Ward 15	Councillor Judi Partridge

**15. Red Hill Valley Parkway Inquiry Update (LS19036(e)) (City Wide) (Item 14.5)**

**(Jackson/Collins)**

- (a) That the direction provided to staff in Closed Session, respecting Report LS19036(e) - Red Hill Valley Parkway Inquiry Update, be approved; and,
- (b) That Confidential Appendix "A" attached to Report LS19036(e) - Red Hill Valley Parkway Inquiry Update, remain confidential.

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

Yes	-	Mayor Fred Eisenberger
Yes	-	Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 2 Councillor Jason Farr
Yes	-	Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
Yes	-	Ward 4 Councillor Sam Merulla, Deputy Mayor
Yes	-	Ward 5 Councillor Chad Collins
Yes	-	Ward 6 Councillor Tom Jackson
Yes	-	Ward 7 Councillor Esther Pauls
Yes	-	Ward 8 Councillor J. P. Danko
Yes	-	Ward 9 Councillor Brad Clark
Yes	-	Ward 10 Councillor Maria Pearson
Yes	-	Ward 11 Councillor Brenda Johnson
Absent	-	Ward 12 Councillor Lloyd Ferguson
Yes	-	Ward 13 Councillor Arlene VanderBeek
Absent	-	Ward 14 Councillor Terry Whitehead
Yes	-	Ward 15 Councillor Judi Partridge

**FOR INFORMATION:**

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

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

**5. ADDED COMMUNICATION ITEM**

- 5.1. Correspondence from the Hamilton ACORN Tenant Union respecting Item 10.2 – Report PED21140, Vacant Homes Tax and Grant Application for 540 King Street East.

Recommendation: Be received and referred to the consideration of Item 10.2.

## **6. ADDED DELEGATION REQUESTS**

- 6.2. Darlene Wesley, ACORN Hamilton, respecting Item 10.2 – Report PED21140, Vacant Homes Tax and Grant Application for 540 King Street East (For the July 5, 2021 GIC)
- 6.3. Elizabeth Ellis, ACORN Hamilton, respecting Item 10.2 – Report PED21140, Vacant Homes Tax and Grant Application for 540 King Street East (For the July 5, 2021 GIC)
- 6.4. Karl Andrus, Hamilton Community Benefits Network respecting Item 10.4 - Report FCS21017(a)/PED21114, Considerations to Implement a Vacant Home Tax in Hamilton (For the July 5, 2021 GIC)
- 6.5. Lynda Lukasik, Environment Hamilton respecting Item 10.4 - Report FCS21017(a)/PED21114, Considerations to Implement a Vacant Home Tax in Hamilton
- 6.6. Veronica Gonzalez, ACORN Hamilton, respecting Item 10.2 – Report PED21140, Vacant Homes Tax and Grant Application for 540 King Street East (For the July 5, 2021 GIC)
- 6.7. Dayna Sparkes, ACORN Hamilton, respecting Item 10.2 – Report PED21140, Vacant Homes Tax and Grant Application for 540 King Street East (For the July 5, 2021 GIC)
- 6.8. Kojo Dampsey, Hamilton Centre for Civic Inclusion, respecting Item 10.4 - Report FCS21017(a)/PED21114, Considerations to Implement a Vacant Home Tax in Hamilton (For the July 5, 2021 GIC)
- 6.9. Delegation Requests with Video Submissions:
  - 6.9.a. David Galvin, ACORN Hamilton, respecting Item 10.4 - Report FCS21017(a)/PED21114, Considerations to Implement a Vacant Home Tax in Hamilton (For the July 5, 2021 GIC)
  - 6.9.b. Rebecca Guzzo, ACORN Hamilton, respecting Item 10.2 – Report PED21140, Vacant Homes Tax and Grant Application for 540 King Street East (For the July 5, 2021 GIC)

- 6.9.c. Ally Shanner, ACORN Hamilton, respecting Item 10.2 – Report PED21140, Vacant Homes Tax and Grant Application for 540 King Street East (For the July 5, 2021 GIC)
- 6.9.d. Brigitte Huard respecting Items 10.2 – Report PED21140, Vacant Homes Tax and Grant Application for 540 King Street East; and, 10.4 - Report FCS21017(a)/PED21114, Considerations to Implement a Vacant Home Tax in Hamilton (for the July 5, 2021 GIC)

**10. CHANGE TO DISCUSSION ITEMS**

- 10.8 Chedoke Creek Order - Cootes Paradise Workplan (PW19008(m)) (City Wide)

As a presentation has been added to this report, this matter will now be heard under Item 8.2, and the balance of the presentations will be renumbered accordingly.

**13. ADDED GENERAL INFORMATION / OTHER BUSINESS ITEMS**

- 13.1. Amendments to the Outstanding Business List:

- 13.1.c. Items to be Referred to the Planning Committee:
  - 13.1.c.a. Draft Agreement - Biodiversity Action Plan
  - 13.1.c.b. Update regarding the Progress of the Biodiversity Action Plan \*13.1.c.c. All other matters related to the Biodiversity Action Plan.
  - 13.1.c.c. All other matters related to the Biodiversity Action Plan

**14. ADDED PRIVATE AND CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS**

- 14.4. Planning and Economic Development Realignments (PED21151) (City Wide)

Pursuant to Section 9.1, Sub-section (d) of the City's Procedural By-law 21-021 and Section 239(2), Sub-section (d) of the *Ontario Municipal Act*, 2001, as amended, as the subject matter pertains to labour relations or employee negotiations.

14.5. Red Hill Valley Parkway Inquiry Update (LS19036(e)) (City Wide)

Pursuant to Section 9.1, Sub-sections (e), (f) and (k) of the City's Procedural By-law 21-021 and Section 239(2), Sub-sections (e), (f) and (k) of the *Ontario Municipal Act*, 2001, as amended, as the subject matter pertains to litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the municipality or local board; advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose; and, a position, plan, procedure, criteria or instruction to be applied to any negotiations carried on or to be carried on by or on behalf of the municipality or local board.

As well, as there are many members of the City's external legal counsel in attendance, therefore, Item 14.5 will be considered prior to Item 14.1 in Closed Session.

**(Farr/Clark)**

That the agenda for the July 5, 2021 General Issues Committee meeting, be approved, as amended.

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

Yes	-	Mayor Fred Eisenberger
Yes	-	Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 2 Councillor Jason Farr
Yes	-	Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
Yes	-	Ward 4 Councillor Sam Merulla, Deputy Mayor
Yes	-	Ward 5 Councillor Chad Collins
Yes	-	Ward 6 Councillor Tom Jackson
Absent	-	Ward 7 Councillor Esther Pauls
Yes	-	Ward 8 Councillor J. P. Danko
Yes	-	Ward 9 Councillor Brad Clark
Yes	-	Ward 10 Councillor Maria Pearson
Yes	-	Ward 11 Councillor Brenda Johnson
Absent	-	Ward 12 Councillor Lloyd Ferguson
Yes	-	Ward 13 Councillor Arlene VanderBeek
Absent	-	Ward 14 Councillor Terry Whitehead
Yes	-	Ward 15 Councillor Judi Partridge

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

- (i) Councillor S. Merulla declared an interest to Item 5.1, Correspondence from the Hamilton ACORN Tenant Union respecting Item 10.2 – Report PED21140, Vacant Homes Tax and Grant Application for 540 King Street East, as he and his wife are rental property landlords.

- (ii) Councillor S. Merulla declared an interest to Item 6.2, the Delegation Request from Darlene Wesley, ACORN Hamilton, respecting Item 10.2 – Report PED21140, Vacant Homes Tax and Grant Application for 540 King Street East, as he and his wife are rental property landlords.
- (iii) Councillor S. Merulla declared an interest to Item 6.3, the Delegation Request from Elizabeth Ellis, ACORN Hamilton, respecting Item 10.2 – Report PED21140, Vacant Homes Tax and Grant Application for 540 King Street East, as he and his wife are rental property landlords.
- (iv) Councillor S. Merulla declared an interest to Item 6.4, the Delegation Request from Karl Andrus, Hamilton Community Benefits Network respecting Item 10.4 - Report FCS21017(a)/PED21114, Considerations to Implement a Vacant Home Tax in Hamilton, as he and his wife are rental property landlords.
- (v) Councillor S. Merulla declared an interest to Item 6.5, the Delegation Request from Lynda Lukasik, Environment Hamilton respecting Item 10.4 - Report FCS21017(a)/PED21114, Considerations to Implement a Vacant Home Tax in Hamilton, as he and his wife are rental property landlords.
- (vi) Councillor S. Merulla declared an interest to Item 6.6, the Delegation Request from Veronica Gonzalez, ACORN Hamilton, respecting Item 10.2 – Report PED21140, Vacant Homes Tax and Grant Application for 540 King Street East, as he and his wife are rental property landlords.
- (vii) Councillor S. Merulla declared an interest to Item 6.7, the Delegation Request from Dayna Sparkes, ACORN Hamilton, respecting Item 10.2 – Report PED21140, Vacant Homes Tax and Grant Application for 540 King Street East, as he and his wife are rental property landlords.
- (viii) Councillor S. Merulla declared an interest to Item 6.8, the Delegation Request from Kojo Dampsey, Hamilton Centre for Civic Inclusion, respecting Item 10.4 - Report FCS21017(a)/PED21114, Considerations to Implement a Vacant Home Tax in Hamilton, as he and his wife are rental property landlords.
- (ix) Councillor S. Merulla declared an interest to Item 6.9.a., the video Delegation Request from David Galvin, ACORN Hamilton, respecting Item 10.4 - Report FCS21017(a)/PED21114, Considerations to Implement a Vacant Home Tax in Hamilton, as he and his wife are rental property landlords.
- (x) Councillor S. Merulla declared an interest to Item to Item 6.9.b., the video Delegation Request from Rebecca Guzzo, ACORN Hamilton, respecting Item 10.2 – Report PED21140, Vacant Homes Tax and Grant Application for 540 King Street East, as he and his wife are rental property landlords.

- (xi) Councillor S. Merulla declared an interest to Item 6.9.c., the video Delegation Request from Ally Shanner, ACORN Hamilton, respecting Item 10.2 – Report PED21140, Vacant Homes Tax and Grant Application for 540 King Street East, as he and his wife are rental property landlords.
- (xii) Councillor S. Merulla declared an interest to Item 6.9.d., the video Delegation Request from Brigitte Huard respecting Items 10.2 – Report PED21140, Vacant Homes Tax and Grant Application for 540 King Street East; and, 10.4 - Report FCS21017(a)/PED21114, Considerations to Implement a Vacant Home Tax in Hamilton, as he and his wife are rental property landlords.
- (xiii) Councillor S. Merulla declared an interest to Item 10.1, Report PED21115, Hamilton Tax Increment Grant - 154 Main Street East, Hamilton, as he and his wife are rental property landlords.
- (xiv) Councillor S. Merulla declared an interest to Item 10.4, Report FCS21017(a)/PED21114, Considerations to Implement a Vacant Home Tax in Hamilton, as he and his wife are rental property landlords.
- (xv) Councillor J. P. Danko declared an interest to Item 10.5 – School Board Properties Sub-Committee Report 21-002, June 22, 2021, as his wife is currently the Chair of the Hamilton-Wentworth District School Board.
- (xvi) Councillor A. VanderBeek declared an interest to Item 5.1, Correspondence from the Hamilton ACORN Tenant Union respecting Item 10.2 – Report PED21140, Vacant Homes Tax and Grant Application for 540 King Street East, as she is a rental property landlord.
- (xvii) Councillor A. VanderBeek declared an interest to Item 6.2, the Delegation Request from Darlene Wesley, ACORN Hamilton, respecting Item 10.2 – Report PED21140, Vacant Homes Tax and Grant Application for 540 King Street East, as she is a rental property landlord.
- (xviii) Councillor A. VanderBeek declared an interest to Item 6.3, the Delegation Request from Elizabeth Ellis, ACORN Hamilton, respecting Item 10.2 – Report PED21140, Vacant Homes Tax and Grant Application for 540 King Street East, as she is a rental property landlord.
- (xix) Councillor A. VanderBeek declared an interest to Item 6.4, the Delegation Request from Karl Andrus, Hamilton Community Benefits Network respecting Item 10.4 - Report FCS21017(a)/PED21114, Considerations to Implement a Vacant Home Tax in Hamilton, as she is a rental property landlord.
- (xx) Councillor A. VanderBeek declared an interest to Item 6.5, the Delegation Request from Lynda Lukasik, Environment Hamilton respecting Item 10.4 - Report FCS21017(a)/PED21114, Considerations to Implement a Vacant Home Tax in Hamilton, as she is a rental property landlord.

- (xxi) Councillor A. VanderBeek declared an interest to Item 6.6, the Delegation Request from Veronica Gonzalez, ACORN Hamilton, respecting Item 10.2 – Report PED21140, Vacant Homes Tax and Grant Application for 540 King Street East, as she is a rental property landlord.
- (xxii) Councillor A. VanderBeek declared an interest to Item 6.7, the Delegation Request from Dayna Sparkes, ACORN Hamilton, respecting Item 10.2 – Report PED21140, Vacant Homes Tax and Grant Application for 540 King Street East, as she is a rental property landlord.
- (xxiii) Councillor A. VanderBeek declared an interest to Item 6.8, the Delegation Request from Kojo Dampthey, Hamilton Centre for Civic Inclusion, respecting Item 10.4 - Report FCS21017(a)/PED21114, Considerations to Implement a Vacant Home Tax in Hamilton, as she is a rental property landlord.
- (xxiv) Councillor A. VanderBeek declared an interest to Item 6.9.a., the video Delegation Request from David Galvin, ACORN Hamilton, respecting Item 10.4 - Report FCS21017(a)/PED21114, Considerations to Implement a Vacant Home Tax in Hamilton, as she is a rental property landlord.
- (xxv) Councillor A. VanderBeek declared an interest to Item to Item 6.9.b., the video Delegation Request from Rebecca Guzzo, ACORN Hamilton, respecting Item 10.2 – Report PED21140, Vacant Homes Tax and Grant Application for 540 King Street East, as she is a rental property landlord.
- (xxvi) Councillor A. VanderBeek declared an interest to Item to Item 6.9.c., the video Delegation Request from Ally Shanner, ACORN Hamilton, respecting Item 10.2 – Report PED21140, Vacant Homes Tax and Grant Application for 540 King Street East, as she is a rental property landlord.
- (xxvii) Councillor A. VanderBeek declared an interest to Item 6.9.d., the video Delegation Request from Brigitte Huard respecting Items 10.2 – Report PED21140, Vacant Homes Tax and Grant Application for 540 King Street East; and, 10.4 - Report FCS21017(a)/PED21114, Considerations to Implement a Vacant Home Tax in Hamilton, as she is a rental property landlord.
- (xxviii) Councillor A. VanderBeek declared an interest to Item 10.1, Report PED21115, Hamilton Tax Increment Grant - 154 Main Street East, Hamilton, as she is a rental property landlord.
- (xxix) Councillor A. VanderBeek declared an interest to Item 10.4, Report FCS21017(a)/PED21114, Considerations to Implement a Vacant Home Tax in Hamilton, as she is a rental property landlord.
- (xxx) Councillor M. Pearson declared an interest to Item 5.1, Correspondence from the Hamilton ACORN Tenant Union respecting Item 10.2 – Report

PED21140, Vacant Homes Tax and Grant Application for 540 King Street East, as she is a rental property landlord.

- (xxxi) Councillor M. Pearson declared an interest to Item 6.2, the Delegation Request from Darlene Wesley, ACORN Hamilton, respecting Item 10.2 – Report PED21140, Vacant Homes Tax and Grant Application for 540 King Street East, as she is a rental property landlord.
- (xxxii) Councillor M. Pearson declared an interest to Item 6.3, the Delegation Request from Elizabeth Ellis, ACORN Hamilton, respecting Item 10.2 – Report PED21140, Vacant Homes Tax and Grant Application for 540 King Street East, as she is a rental property landlord.
- (xxxiii) Councillor M. Pearson declared an interest to Item 6.4, the Delegation Request from Karl Andrus, Hamilton Community Benefits Network respecting Item 10.4 - Report FCS21017(a)/PED21114, Considerations to Implement a Vacant Home Tax in Hamilton, as she is a rental property landlord.
- (xxxiv) Councillor M. Pearson declared an interest to Item 6.5, the Delegation Request from Lynda Lukasik, Environment Hamilton respecting Item 10.4 - Report FCS21017(a)/PED21114, Considerations to Implement a Vacant Home Tax in Hamilton, as she is a rental property landlord.
- (xxxv) Councillor M. Pearson declared an interest to Item 6.6, the Delegation Request from Veronica Gonzalez, ACORN Hamilton, respecting Item 10.2 – Report PED21140, Vacant Homes Tax and Grant Application for 540 King Street East, as she is a rental property landlord.
- (xxxvi) Councillor M. Pearson declared an interest to Item 6.7, the Delegation Request from Dayna Sparkes, ACORN Hamilton, respecting Item 10.2 – Report PED21140, Vacant Homes Tax and Grant Application for 540 King Street East, as she is a rental property landlord.
- (xxvii) Councillor M. Pearson declared an interest to Item 6.8, the Delegation Request from Kojo Dampsey, Hamilton Centre for Civic Inclusion, respecting Item 10.4 - Report FCS21017(a)/PED21114, Considerations to Implement a Vacant Home Tax in Hamilton, as she is a rental property landlord.
- (xxxviii) Councillor M. Pearson declared an interest to Item 6.9.a., the video Delegation Request from David Galvin, ACORN Hamilton, respecting Item 10.4 - Report FCS21017(a)/PED21114, Considerations to Implement a Vacant Home Tax in Hamilton, as she is a rental property landlord.
- (xxxix) Councillor M. Pearson declared an interest to Item to Item 6.9.b., the video Delegation Request from Rebecca Guzzo, ACORN Hamilton, respecting Item 10.2 – Report PED21140, Vacant Homes Tax and Grant Application for 540 King Street East, as she is a rental property landlord.



- (xl) Councillor M. Pearson declared an interest to Item to Item 6.9.c., the video Delegation Request from Ally Shanner, ACORN Hamilton, respecting Item 10.2 – Report PED21140, Vacant Homes Tax and Grant Application for 540 King Street East, as she is a rental property landlord.
- (xli) Councillor M. Pearson declared an interest to Item 6.9.d., the video Delegation Request from Brigitte Huard respecting Items 10.2 – Report PED21140, Vacant Homes Tax and Grant Application for 540 King Street East; and, 10.4 - Report FCS21017(a)/PED21114, Considerations to Implement a Vacant Home Tax in Hamilton, as she is a rental property landlord.
- (xlii) Councillor M. Pearson declared an interest to Item 10.1, Report PED21115, Hamilton Tax Increment Grant - 154 Main Street East, Hamilton, as she is a rental property landlord.
- (xlili) Councillor M. Pearson declared an interest to Item 10.4, Report FCS21017(a)/PED21114, Considerations to Implement a Vacant Home Tax in Hamilton, as she is a rental property landlord.

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

**(i) June 16, 2021 (Item 4.1)**

**(Jackson/Johnson)**

That the Minutes of the June 16, 2021 General Issues Committee meeting be approved, as presented.

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

Yes	-	Mayor Fred Eisenberger
Yes	-	Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 2 Councillor Jason Farr
Yes	-	Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
Yes	-	Ward 4 Councillor Sam Merulla, Deputy Mayor
Yes	-	Ward 5 Councillor Chad Collins
Yes	-	Ward 6 Councillor Tom Jackson
Absent	-	Ward 7 Councillor Esther Pauls
Yes	-	Ward 8 Councillor J. P. Danko
Yes	-	Ward 9 Councillor Brad Clark
Yes	-	Ward 10 Councillor Maria Pearson
Yes	-	Ward 11 Councillor Brenda Johnson
Absent	-	Ward 12 Councillor Lloyd Ferguson
Yes	-	Ward 13 Councillor Arlene VanderBeek
Absent	-	Ward 14 Councillor Terry Whitehead
Yes	-	Ward 15 Councillor Judi Partridge

**(d) COMMUNICATION ITEMS (Item 5)**

- (i) Correspondence from the Hamilton ACORN Tenant Union respecting Item 10.2 – Report PED21140, Vacant Homes Tax and Grant Application for 540 King Street East, Hamilton (Item 5.1)**

**(Nann/Ferguson)**

That the correspondence from the Hamilton ACORN Tenant Union respecting Item 10.2 – Report PED21140, Vacant Homes Tax and Grant Application for 540 King Street East, Hamilton, be received and referred to the consideration of Item 10.2.

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

Yes	-	Mayor Fred Eisenberger
Yes	-	Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 2 Councillor Jason Farr
Yes	-	Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
Conflict	-	Ward 4 Councillor Sam Merulla, Deputy Mayor
Yes	-	Ward 5 Councillor Chad Collins
Yes	-	Ward 6 Councillor Tom Jackson
Absent	-	Ward 7 Councillor Esther Pauls
Yes	-	Ward 8 Councillor J. P. Danko
Yes	-	Ward 9 Councillor Brad Clark
Conflict	-	Ward 10 Councillor Maria Pearson
Yes	-	Ward 11 Councillor Brenda Johnson
Yes	-	Ward 12 Councillor Lloyd Ferguson
Conflict	-	Ward 13 Councillor Arlene VanderBeek
Absent	-	Ward 14 Councillor Terry Whitehead
Yes	-	Ward 15 Councillor Judi Partridge

For disposition of this matter, please refer to Information Item (h)(i).

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

**(Eisenberger/Jackson)**

That the following Delegation Requests, be approved, as shown below:

- (i) Paven Bratch, Metro Partners Inc., respecting the proposed Downtown TechHub (For a future meeting) (Item 6.1)
- (ii) Darlene Wesley, ACORN Hamilton, respecting Item 10.2 – Report PED21140, Vacant Homes Tax and Grant Application for 540 King Street East (For the July 5, 2021 GIC) (Item 6.2)

- (iii) Elizabeth Ellis, ACORN Hamilton, respecting Item 10.2 – Report PED21140, Vacant Homes Tax and Grant Application for 540 King Street East (For the July 5, 2021 GIC) (Item 6.3)
- (iv) Karl Andrus, Hamilton Community Benefits Network respecting Item 10.4 - Report FCS21017(a)/PED21114, Considerations to Implement a Vacant Home Tax in Hamilton (For the July 5, 2021 GIC) (Item 6.4)
- (v) Lynda Lukasik, Environment Hamilton respecting Item 10.4 - Report FCS21017(a)/PED21114, Considerations to Implement a Vacant Home Tax in Hamilton (For the July 5, 2021 GIC) (Item 6.5)
- (vi) Veronica Gonzalez, ACORN Hamilton, respecting Item 10.2 – Report PED21140, Vacant Homes Tax and Grant Application for 540 King Street East (For the July 5, 2021 GIC) (Item 6.6)
- (vii) Dayna Sparkes, ACORN Hamilton, respecting Item 10.2 – Report PED21140, Vacant Homes Tax and Grant Application for 540 King Street East (For the July 5, 2021 GIC) (Item 6.7)
- (viii) Kojo Dampsey, Hamilton Centre for Civic Inclusion, respecting Item 10.4 - Report FCS21017(a)/PED21114, Considerations to Implement a Vacant Home Tax in Hamilton (For the July 5, 2021 GIC) (Item 6.8)
- (ix) Video Submission - David Galvin, ACORN Hamilton, respecting Item 10.4 - Report FCS21017(a)/PED21114, Considerations to Implement a Vacant Home Tax in Hamilton (For the July 5, 2021 GIC) (Item 6.9.a.)
- (x) Video Submission - Rebecca Guzzo, ACORN Hamilton, respecting Item 10.2 – Report PED21140, Vacant Homes Tax and Grant Application for 540 King Street East (For the July 5, 2021 GIC) (Item 6.9.b.)
- (xi) Ally Shanner, ACORN Hamilton, respecting Item 10.2 – Report PED21140, Vacant Homes Tax and Grant Application for 540 King Street East (For the July 5, 2021 GIC) (Item 6.9.c.)
- (xii) Brigitte Huard respecting Items 10.2 - Vacant Homes Tax and Grant Application for 540 King Street East; and, 10.4 - Report FCS21017(a)/PED21114, Considerations to Implement a Vacant Home Tax in Hamilton (for the July 5, 2021 GIC) (Item 6.9.d.)

**Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 12 to 0, as follows:**

Yes	-	Mayor Fred Eisenberger
Yes	-	Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 2 Councillor Jason Farr
Yes	-	Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
Conflict	-	Ward 4 Councillor Sam Merulla, Deputy Mayor

Yes	-	Ward 5	Councillor Chad Collins
Yes	-	Ward 6	Councillor Tom Jackson
Yes	-	Ward 7	Councillor Esther Pauls
Yes	-	Ward 8	Councillor J. P. Danko
Yes	-	Ward 9	Councillor Brad Clark
Conflict	-	Ward 10	Councillor Maria Pearson
Yes	-	Ward 11	Councillor Brenda Johnson
Yes	-	Ward 12	Councillor Lloyd Ferguson
Conflict	-	Ward 13	Councillor Arlene VanderBeek
Absent	-	Ward 14	Councillor Terry Whitehead
Yes	-	Ward 15	Councillor Judi Partridge

For disposition of these matters, please refer to Information Items (h)(i) and (h)(ii).

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

**(i) Business Improvement Area (BIA) Advisory Committee Minutes 21-005,  
May 11, 2021 (Item 7.1)**

**(Farr/Pauls)**

That the Business Improvement Area (BIA) Advisory Committee Minutes 21-005, May 11, 2021, be received.

**Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 15 to 0 , as follows:**

Yes	-	Mayor Fred Eisenberger
Yes	-	Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 2 Councillor Jason Farr
Yes	-	Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
Yes	-	Ward 4 Councillor Sam Merulla, Deputy Mayor
Yes	-	Ward 5 Councillor Chad Collins
Yes	-	Ward 6 Councillor Tom Jackson
Yes	-	Ward 7 Councillor Esther Pauls
Yes	-	Ward 8 Councillor J. P. Danko
Yes	-	Ward 9 Councillor Brad Clark
Yes	-	Ward 10 Councillor Maria Pearson
Yes	-	Ward 11 Councillor Brenda Johnson
Yes	-	Ward 12 Councillor Lloyd Ferguson
Yes	-	Ward 13 Councillor Arlene VanderBeek
Absent	-	Ward 14 Councillor Terry Whitehead
Yes	-	Ward 15 Councillor Judi Partridge

**(g) PRESENTATIONS (Item 8)**

**(i) COVID-19 Verbal Update (Item 8.1)**

Paul Johnson, General Manager, Healthy & Safe Communities Department; and, Dr. Elizabeth Richardson, Medical Officer of Health, provided the update regarding COVID-19.

**(Farr/Johnson)**

That the presentation, respecting the COVID-19 Verbal Update, be received.

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

Yes	-	Mayor Fred Eisenberger
Yes	-	Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 2 Councillor Jason Farr
Yes	-	Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
Yes	-	Ward 4 Councillor Sam Merulla, Deputy Mayor
Yes	-	Ward 5 Councillor Chad Collins
Yes	-	Ward 6 Councillor Tom Jackson
Yes	-	Ward 7 Councillor Esther Pauls
Absent	-	Ward 8 Councillor J. P. Danko
Yes	-	Ward 9 Councillor Brad Clark
Yes	-	Ward 10 Councillor Maria Pearson
Yes	-	Ward 11 Councillor Brenda Johnson
Yes	-	Ward 12 Councillor Lloyd Ferguson
Yes	-	Ward 13 Councillor Arlene VanderBeek
Absent	-	Ward 14 Councillor Terry Whitehead
Yes	-	Ward 15 Councillor Judi Partridge

**(ii) Chedoke Creek Order - Cootes Paradise Workplan (PW19008(m)) (City Wide) (Item 8.2)**

Andrew Grice, Director of Hamilton Water, provided the presentation respecting Report PW190089(m) - Chedoke Creek Order - Cootes Paradise Workplan.

**(Wilson/Jackson)**

That the presentation, respecting Report PW190089(m) - Chedoke Creek Order - Cootes Paradise Workplan, be received.

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

Yes	-	Mayor Fred Eisenberger
Yes	-	Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 2 Councillor Jason Farr
Yes	-	Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann

Yes	-	Ward 4	Councillor Sam Merulla, Deputy Mayor
Yes	-	Ward 5	Councillor Chad Collins
Yes	-	Ward 6	Councillor Tom Jackson
Yes	-	Ward 7	Councillor Esther Pauls
Yes	-	Ward 8	Councillor J. P. Danko
Yes	-	Ward 9	Councillor Brad Clark
Yes	-	Ward 10	Councillor Maria Pearson
Yes	-	Ward 11	Councillor Brenda Johnson
Yes	-	Ward 12	Councillor Lloyd Ferguson
Yes	-	Ward 13	Councillor Arlene VanderBeek
Absent	-	Ward 14	Councillor Terry Whitehead
Absent	-	Ward 15	Councillor Judi Partridge

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

**(iii) City Manager's 2020-2021 Review (CM21006) (City Wide) (Item 8.3)**

Janette Smith, City Manager, provided a presentation respecting the City Manager's 2020-2021 Review.

**(Jackson/Ferguson)**

That the presentation, respecting the City Manager's 2020-2021 Review, be received.

**Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 15 to 0, as follows:**

Yes	-	Mayor Fred Eisenberger
Yes	-	Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 2 Councillor Jason Farr
Yes	-	Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
Yes	-	Ward 4 Councillor Sam Merulla, Deputy Mayor
Yes	-	Ward 5 Councillor Chad Collins
Yes	-	Ward 6 Councillor Tom Jackson
Yes	-	Ward 7 Councillor Esther Pauls
Yes	-	Ward 8 Councillor J. P. Danko
Yes	-	Ward 9 Councillor Brad Clark
Yes	-	Ward 10 Councillor Maria Pearson
Yes	-	Ward 11 Councillor Brenda Johnson
Yes	-	Ward 12 Councillor Lloyd Ferguson
Yes	-	Ward 13 Councillor Arlene VanderBeek
Absent	-	Ward 14 Councillor Terry Whitehead
Yes	-	Ward 15 Councillor Judi Partridge

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

**(g) PUBLIC HEARINGS / DELEGATIONS (Item 9)**

**(i) Darlene Wesley, ACORN Hamilton, respecting Item 10.2 – Report PED21140, Vacant Homes Tax and Grant Application for 540 King Street East (Item 9.1)**

Darlene Wesley, ACORN Hamilton, addressed Committee respecting Item 10.2 – Report PED21140, Vacant Homes Tax and Grant Application for 540 King Street East.

**(Ferguson/Nann)**

That the presentation, provided by Darlene Wesley, ACORN Hamilton, respecting Item 10.2 – Report PED21140, Vacant Homes Tax and Grant Application for 540 King Street East, be received.

**Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 11 to 3, as follows:**

Yes	-	Mayor Fred Eisenberger
Yes	-	Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
Absent	-	Ward 2 Councillor Jason Farr
Yes	-	Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
Conflict	-	Ward 4 Councillor Sam Merulla, Deputy Mayor
Yes	-	Ward 5 Councillor Chad Collins
Yes	-	Ward 6 Councillor Tom Jackson
Yes	-	Ward 7 Councillor Esther Pauls
Yes	-	Ward 8 Councillor J. P. Danko
Yes	-	Ward 9 Councillor Brad Clark
Conflict	-	Ward 10 Councillor Maria Pearson
Yes	-	Ward 11 Councillor Brenda Johnson
Yes	-	Ward 12 Councillor Lloyd Ferguson
Conflict	-	Ward 13 Councillor Arlene VanderBeek
Absent	-	Ward 14 Councillor Terry Whitehead
Yes	-	Ward 15 Councillor Judi Partridge

For disposition of this matter, please refer to Information Item (h)(i).

**(ii) Elizabeth Ellis, ACORN Hamilton, respecting Item 10.2 – Report PED21140, Vacant Homes Tax and Grant Application for 540 King Street East (Item 9.2)**

Elizabeth Ellis, ACORN Hamilton, addressed Committee respecting Item 10.2 – Report PED21140, Vacant Homes Tax and Grant Application for 540 King Street East.

**(Ferguson/Nann)**

That the presentation provided by Elizabeth Ellis, ACORN Hamilton, respecting Item 10.2 – Report PED21140, Vacant Homes Tax and Grant Application for 540 King Street East, be received.

**Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 11 to 3, as follows:**

Yes	-	Mayor Fred Eisenberger
Yes	-	Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
Absent	-	Ward 2 Councillor Jason Farr
Yes	-	Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
Conflict	-	Ward 4 Councillor Sam Merulla, Deputy Mayor
Yes	-	Ward 5 Councillor Chad Collins
Yes	-	Ward 6 Councillor Tom Jackson
Yes	-	Ward 7 Councillor Esther Pauls
Yes	-	Ward 8 Councillor J. P. Danko
Yes	-	Ward 9 Councillor Brad Clark
Conflict	-	Ward 10 Councillor Maria Pearson
Yes	-	Ward 11 Councillor Brenda Johnson
Yes	-	Ward 12 Councillor Lloyd Ferguson
Conflict	-	Ward 13 Councillor Arlene VanderBeek
Absent	-	Ward 14 Councillor Terry Whitehead
Yes	-	Ward 15 Councillor Judi Partridge

For disposition of this matter, please refer to Information Item (h)(i).

**(iii) Karl Andrus, Hamilton Community Benefits Network, respecting Item 10.4 - Report FCS21017(a)/PED21114, Considerations to Implement a Vacant Home Tax in Hamilton (Item 9.3)**

Karl Andrus, Hamilton Community Benefits Network, addressed Committee respecting Item 10.4 - Report FCS21017(a)/PED21114, Considerations to Implement a Vacant Home Tax in Hamilton.

**(Ferguson/Nann)**

That the presentation provided by Karl Andrus, Hamilton Community Benefits Network, respecting Item 10.4 - Report FCS21017(a)/PED21114, Considerations to Implement a Vacant Home Tax in Hamilton, be received.

**Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 11 to 3, as follows:**

Yes	-	Mayor Fred Eisenberger
Yes	-	Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
Absent	-	Ward 2 Councillor Jason Farr
Yes	-	Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
Conflict	-	Ward 4 Councillor Sam Merulla, Deputy Mayor
Yes	-	Ward 5 Councillor Chad Collins



Yes	-	Ward 6	Councillor Tom Jackson
Yes	-	Ward 7	Councillor Esther Pauls
Yes	-	Ward 8	Councillor J. P. Danko
Yes	-	Ward 9	Councillor Brad Clark
Conflict	-	Ward 10	Councillor Maria Pearson
Yes	-	Ward 11	Councillor Brenda Johnson
Yes	-	Ward 12	Councillor Lloyd Ferguson
Conflict	-	Ward 13	Councillor Arlene VanderBeek
Absent	-	Ward 14	Councillor Terry Whitehead
Yes	-	Ward 15	Councillor Judi Partridge

For disposition of this matter, please refer to Item (h)(ii).

**(iv) Lynda Lukasik, Environment Hamilton, respecting Item 10.4 - Report FCS21017(a)/PED21114, Considerations to Implement a Vacant Home Tax in Hamilton (Item 9.4)**

Lynda Lukasik, Environment Hamilton, addressed Committee respecting Item 10.4 - Report FCS21017(a)/PED21114, Considerations to Implement a Vacant Home Tax in Hamilton.

**(Ferguson/Nann)**

That the presentation provided by Lynda Lukasik, Environment Hamilton, respecting Item 10.4 - Report FCS21017(a)/PED21114, Considerations to Implement a Vacant Home Tax in Hamilton, be received.

**Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 11 to 3, as follows:**

Yes	-	Mayor Fred Eisenberger
Yes	-	Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
Absent	-	Ward 2 Councillor Jason Farr
Yes	-	Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
Conflict	-	Ward 4 Councillor Sam Merulla, Deputy Mayor
Yes	-	Ward 5 Councillor Chad Collins
Yes	-	Ward 6 Councillor Tom Jackson
Yes	-	Ward 7 Councillor Esther Pauls
Yes	-	Ward 8 Councillor J. P. Danko
Yes	-	Ward 9 Councillor Brad Clark
Conflict	-	Ward 10 Councillor Maria Pearson
Yes	-	Ward 11 Councillor Brenda Johnson
Yes	-	Ward 12 Councillor Lloyd Ferguson
Conflict	-	Ward 13 Councillor Arlene VanderBeek
Absent	-	Ward 14 Councillor Terry Whitehead
Yes	-	Ward 15 Councillor Judi Partridge

For disposition of this matter, please refer to Information Item (h)(ii).

- (v) **Veronica Gonzalez, ACORN Hamilton, respecting Item 10.2 – Report PED21140, Vacant Homes Tax and Grant Application for 540 King Street East (Item 9.5)**

Veronica Gonzalez, ACORN Hamilton, addressed Committee respecting Item 10.2 – Report PED21140, Vacant Homes Tax and Grant Application for 540 King Street East.

**(Ferguson/Nann)**

That the presentation provided by Veronica Gonzalez, ACORN Hamilton, respecting Item 10.2 – Report PED21140, Vacant Homes Tax and Grant Application for 540 King Street East, be received.

**Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 11 to 3, as follows:**

Yes	-	Mayor Fred Eisenberger
Yes	-	Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
Absent	-	Ward 2 Councillor Jason Farr
Yes	-	Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
Conflict	-	Ward 4 Councillor Sam Merulla, Deputy Mayor
Yes	-	Ward 5 Councillor Chad Collins
Yes	-	Ward 6 Councillor Tom Jackson
Yes	-	Ward 7 Councillor Esther Pauls
Yes	-	Ward 8 Councillor J. P. Danko
Yes	-	Ward 9 Councillor Brad Clark
Conflict	-	Ward 10 Councillor Maria Pearson
Yes	-	Ward 11 Councillor Brenda Johnson
Yes	-	Ward 12 Councillor Lloyd Ferguson
Conflict	-	Ward 13 Councillor Arlene VanderBeek
Absent	-	Ward 14 Councillor Terry Whitehead
Yes	-	Ward 15 Councillor Judi Partridge

For disposition of this matter, please refer to Information Item (h)(i).

- (vi) **Dayna Sparkes, ACORN Hamilton, respecting Item 10.2 – Report PED21140, Vacant Homes Tax and Grant Application for 540 King Street East (Item 9.6)**

Dayna Sparkes, ACORN Hamilton, addressed Committee respecting Item 10.2 – Report PED21140, Vacant Homes Tax and Grant Application for 540 King Street East.

**(Ferguson/Nann)**

That the presentation provided by Dayna Sparkes, ACORN Hamilton, respecting Item 10.2 – Report PED21140, Vacant Homes Tax and Grant Application for 540 King Street East, be received.

**Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 11 to 3, as follows:**

Yes	-	Mayor Fred Eisenberger
Yes	-	Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
Absent	-	Ward 2 Councillor Jason Farr
Yes	-	Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
Conflict	-	Ward 4 Councillor Sam Merulla, Deputy Mayor
Yes	-	Ward 5 Councillor Chad Collins
Yes	-	Ward 6 Councillor Tom Jackson
Yes	-	Ward 7 Councillor Esther Pauls
Yes	-	Ward 8 Councillor J. P. Danko
Yes	-	Ward 9 Councillor Brad Clark
Conflict	-	Ward 10 Councillor Maria Pearson
Yes	-	Ward 11 Councillor Brenda Johnson
Yes	-	Ward 12 Councillor Lloyd Ferguson
Conflict	-	Ward 13 Councillor Arlene VanderBeek
Absent	-	Ward 14 Councillor Terry Whitehead
Yes	-	Ward 15 Councillor Judi Partridge

For disposition of this matter, please refer to Information Item (h)(i).

**(vii) Kojo Damphey, Hamilton Centre for Civic Inclusion, respecting Item 10.4 - Report FCS21017(a)/PED21114, Considerations to Implement a Vacant Home Tax in Hamilton (Item 9.7)**

Kojo Damphey, Hamilton Centre for Civic Inclusion, addressed Committee respecting Item 10.4 - Report FCS21017(a)/PED21114, Considerations to Implement a Vacant Home Tax in Hamilton.

**(Ferguson/Nann)**

That the presentation provided by Kojo Damphey, Hamilton Centre for Civic Inclusion, respecting Item 10.4 - Report FCS21017(a)/PED21114, Considerations to Implement a Vacant Home Tax in Hamilton, be received.

**Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 11 to 3, as follows:**

Yes	-	Mayor Fred Eisenberger
Yes	-	Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
Absent	-	Ward 2 Councillor Jason Farr
Yes	-	Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
Conflict	-	Ward 4 Councillor Sam Merulla, Deputy Mayor
Yes	-	Ward 5 Councillor Chad Collins
Yes	-	Ward 6 Councillor Tom Jackson
Yes	-	Ward 7 Councillor Esther Pauls
Yes	-	Ward 8 Councillor J. P. Danko
Yes	-	Ward 9 Councillor Brad Clark
Conflict	-	Ward 10 Councillor Maria Pearson

Yes	-	Ward 11	Councillor Brenda Johnson
Yes	-	Ward 12	Councillor Lloyd Ferguson
Conflict	-	Ward 13	Councillor Arlene VanderBeek
Absent	-	Ward 14	Councillor Terry Whitehead
Yes	-	Ward 15	Councillor Judi Partridge

For disposition of this matter, please refer to Information Item (h)(ii).

**(viii) David Galvin, ACORN Hamilton, respecting Item 10.4 – Report FCS21017(a)/PED21114, Considerations to Implement a Vacant Home Tax in Hamilton (Item 9.8.a.)**

The video presentation provided by David Galvin, ACORN Hamilton, respecting Item 10.4 – Report FCS21017(a)/PED21114, Considerations to Implement a Vacant Home Tax in Hamilton, was presented to Committee.

**(Ferguson/Nann)**

That the video presentation provided by David Galvin, ACORN Hamilton, respecting Item 10.4 – Report FCS21017(a)/PED21114, Considerations to Implement a Vacant Home Tax in Hamilton, be received.

**Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 11 to 3, as follows:**

Yes	-	Mayor Fred Eisenberger
Yes	-	Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
Absent	-	Ward 2 Councillor Jason Farr
Yes	-	Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
Conflict	-	Ward 4 Councillor Sam Merulla, Deputy Mayor
Yes	-	Ward 5 Councillor Chad Collins
Yes	-	Ward 6 Councillor Tom Jackson
Yes	-	Ward 7 Councillor Esther Pauls
Yes	-	Ward 8 Councillor J. P. Danko
Yes	-	Ward 9 Councillor Brad Clark
Conflict	-	Ward 10 Councillor Maria Pearson
Yes	-	Ward 11 Councillor Brenda Johnson
Yes	-	Ward 12 Councillor Lloyd Ferguson
Conflict	-	Ward 13 Councillor Arlene VanderBeek
Absent	-	Ward 14 Councillor Terry Whitehead
Yes	-	Ward 15 Councillor Judi Partridge

For disposition of this matter, please refer to Information Item (h)(ii).

- (ix) **Rebecca Guzzo, ACORN Hamilton, respecting Item 10.2 – Report PED21140, Vacant Homes Tax and Grant Application for 540 King Street East (Item 9.8.b)**

The video presentation provided by Rebecca Guzzo, ACORN Hamilton, respecting Item 10.2 – Report PED21140, Vacant Homes Tax and Grant Application for 540 King Street East, was presented to Committee.

**(Ferguson/Nann)**

That the video presentation provided by Rebecca Guzzo, ACORN Hamilton, respecting Item 10.2 – Report PED21140, Vacant Homes Tax and Grant Application for 540 King Street East, be received.

**Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 11 to 3, as follows:**

Yes	-	Mayor Fred Eisenberger
Yes	-	Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
Absent	-	Ward 2 Councillor Jason Farr
Yes	-	Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
Conflict	-	Ward 4 Councillor Sam Merulla, Deputy Mayor
Yes	-	Ward 5 Councillor Chad Collins
Yes	-	Ward 6 Councillor Tom Jackson
Yes	-	Ward 7 Councillor Esther Pauls
Yes	-	Ward 8 Councillor J. P. Danko
Yes	-	Ward 9 Councillor Brad Clark
Conflict	-	Ward 10 Councillor Maria Pearson
Yes	-	Ward 11 Councillor Brenda Johnson
Yes	-	Ward 12 Councillor Lloyd Ferguson
Conflict	-	Ward 13 Councillor Arlene VanderBeek
Absent	-	Ward 14 Councillor Terry Whitehead
Yes	-	Ward 15 Councillor Judi Partridge

For disposition of this matter, please refer to Information Item (h)(i).

- (x) **Ally Shanner, ACORN Hamilton, respecting Item 10.2 – Report PED21140, Vacant Homes Tax and Grant Application for 540 King Street East (Item 9.8.c.)**

The video presentation provided by Ally Shanner, ACORN Hamilton, respecting Item 10.2 – Report PED21140, Vacant Homes Tax and Grant Application for 540 King Street East, was shown for Committee.

**(Ferguson/Nann)**

That the video presentation provided by Ally Shanner, ACORN Hamilton, respecting Item 10.2 – Report PED21140, Vacant Homes Tax and Grant Application for 540 King Street East, be received.

**Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 11 to 3, as follows:**

Yes	-	Mayor Fred Eisenberger
Yes	-	Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
Absent	-	Ward 2 Councillor Jason Farr
Yes	-	Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
Conflict	-	Ward 4 Councillor Sam Merulla, Deputy Mayor
Yes	-	Ward 5 Councillor Chad Collins
Yes	-	Ward 6 Councillor Tom Jackson
Yes	-	Ward 7 Councillor Esther Pauls
Yes	-	Ward 8 Councillor J. P. Danko
Yes	-	Ward 9 Councillor Brad Clark
Conflict	-	Ward 10 Councillor Maria Pearson
Yes	-	Ward 11 Councillor Brenda Johnson
Yes	-	Ward 12 Councillor Lloyd Ferguson
Conflict	-	Ward 13 Councillor Arlene VanderBeek
Absent	-	Ward 14 Councillor Terry Whitehead
Yes	-	Ward 15 Councillor Judi Partridge

For disposition of this matter, please refer to Information Item (h)(i).

- (xi) **Brigitte Huard respecting Items 10.2 – Report PED21140, Vacant Homes Tax and Grant Application for 540 King Street East; and, 10.4 - Report FCS21017(a)/PED21114, Considerations to Implement a Vacant Home Tax in Hamilton (Item 9.8.d.)**

The video presentation provided by Brigitte Huard respecting Items 10.2 – Report PED21140, Vacant Homes Tax and Grant Application for 540 King Street East; and, 10.4 - Report FCS21017(a)/PED21114, Considerations to Implement a Vacant Home Tax in Hamilton, was presented to Committee.

**(Ferguson/Nann)**

That the video presentation provided by Brigitte Huard respecting Items 10.2 – Report PED21140, Vacant Homes Tax and Grant Application for 540 King Street East; and, 10.4 - Report FCS21017(a)/PED21114, Considerations to Implement a Vacant Home Tax in Hamilton, be received.

**Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 11 to 3, as follows:**

Yes	-	Mayor Fred Eisenberger
Yes	-	Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
Absent	-	Ward 2 Councillor Jason Farr
Yes	-	Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
Conflict	-	Ward 4 Councillor Sam Merulla, Deputy Mayor
Yes	-	Ward 5 Councillor Chad Collins
Yes	-	Ward 6 Councillor Tom Jackson
Yes	-	Ward 7 Councillor Esther Pauls

Yes	-	Ward 8	Councillor J. P. Danko
Yes	-	Ward 9	Councillor Brad Clark
Conflict	-	Ward 10	Councillor Maria Pearson
Yes	-	Ward 11	Councillor Brenda Johnson
Yes	-	Ward 12	Councillor Lloyd Ferguson
Conflict	-	Ward 13	Councillor Arlene VanderBeek
Absent	-	Ward 14	Councillor Terry Whitehead
Yes	-	Ward 15	Councillor Judi Partridge

For disposition of this matter, please refer to Information Items (h)(i) and (h)(ii).

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

**(i) Hamilton Tax Increment Grant - 540 King Street East, Hamilton  
(PED21140) (Ward 3) (Item 10.2)**

**(Nann/Wilson)**

That Report PED21140, respecting the Hamilton Tax Increment Grant - 540 King Street East, Hamilton, be referred back to staff to meet with ACORN Hamilton and the applicant, as well as to provide a legal analysis, and policy revisions to address any potential loopholes of this program, which may result in displacement of tenants and report back to the General Issues Committee.

**Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 12 to 0, as follows:**

Yes	-	Mayor Fred Eisenberger
Yes	-	Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 2 Councillor Jason Farr
Yes	-	Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
Conflict	-	Ward 4 Councillor Sam Merulla, Deputy Mayor
Yes	-	Ward 5 Councillor Chad Collins
Yes	-	Ward 6 Councillor Tom Jackson
Yes	-	Ward 7 Councillor Esther Pauls
Yes	-	Ward 8 Councillor J. P. Danko
Yes	-	Ward 9 Councillor Brad Clark
Conflict	-	Ward 10 Councillor Maria Pearson
Yes	-	Ward 11 Councillor Brenda Johnson
Yes	-	Ward 12 Councillor Lloyd Ferguson
Conflict	-	Ward 13 Councillor Arlene VanderBeek
Absent	-	Ward 14 Councillor Terry Whitehead
Yes	-	Ward 15 Councillor Judi Partridge

**(Farr/Ferguson)**

That the General Issues Committee recess for 30 minutes until 1:30 p.m.

**Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 15 to 0, as follows:**

Yes	-	Mayor Fred Eisenberger
Yes	-	Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 2 Councillor Jason Farr
Yes	-	Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
Yes	-	Ward 4 Councillor Sam Merulla, Deputy Mayor
Yes	-	Ward 5 Councillor Chad Collins
Yes	-	Ward 6 Councillor Tom Jackson
Yes	-	Ward 7 Councillor Esther Pauls
Yes	-	Ward 8 Councillor J. P. Danko
Yes	-	Ward 9 Councillor Brad Clark
Yes	-	Ward 10 Councillor Maria Pearson
Yes	-	Ward 11 Councillor Brenda Johnson
Yes	-	Ward 12 Councillor Lloyd Ferguson
Yes	-	Ward 13 Councillor Arlene VanderBeek
Absent	-	Ward 14 Councillor Terry Whitehead
Yes	-	Ward 15 Councillor Judi Partridge

**(ii) Considerations to Implement a Vacant Home Tax in Hamilton  
(FCS21017(a) / PED21114) (City Wide) (Item 10.4)**

**(Nann/Wilson)**

That staff be directed to report back to the General Issues Committee with a draft by-law, guidelines and framework for a Vacant Homes and Residential Units Tax program for public consultation and consideration.

**Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 10 to 2, as follows:**

Yes	-	Mayor Fred Eisenberger
Yes	-	Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 2 Councillor Jason Farr
Yes	-	Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
Conflict	-	Ward 4 Councillor Sam Merulla, Deputy Mayor
No	-	Ward 5 Councillor Chad Collins
No	-	Ward 6 Councillor Tom Jackson
Yes	-	Ward 7 Councillor Esther Pauls
Yes	-	Ward 8 Councillor J. P. Danko
Yes	-	Ward 9 Councillor Brad Clark
Conflict	-	Ward 10 Councillor Maria Pearson
Yes	-	Ward 11 Councillor Brenda Johnson
Yes	-	Ward 12 Councillor Lloyd Ferguson
Absent	-	Ward 13 Councillor Arlene VanderBeek
Absent	-	Ward 14 Councillor Terry Whitehead
Yes	-	Ward 15 Councillor Judi Partridge



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

**(i) Investing in City Roads and Sidewalks Infrastructure with Canada Community-Building Funds (Item 12.1)**

**(Collins/Ferguson)**

That the Rules of Order be waived to allow for the introduction of a Motion respecting Investing in City Roads and Sidewalks Infrastructure with Canada Community-Building Funds.

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

Yes	-	Mayor Fred Eisenberger
No	-	Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 2 Councillor Jason Farr
No	-	Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
Yes	-	Ward 4 Councillor Sam Merulla, Deputy Mayor
Yes	-	Ward 5 Councillor Chad Collins
Yes	-	Ward 6 Councillor Tom Jackson
Yes	-	Ward 7 Councillor Esther Pauls
Yes	-	Ward 8 Councillor J. P. Danko
Yes	-	Ward 9 Councillor Brad Clark
Yes	-	Ward 10 Councillor Maria Pearson
Yes	-	Ward 11 Councillor Brenda Johnson
Yes	-	Ward 12 Councillor Lloyd Ferguson
Yes	-	Ward 13 Councillor Arlene VanderBeek
Absent	-	Ward 14 Councillor Terry Whitehead
Yes	-	Ward 15 Councillor Judi Partridge

For disposition of this matter, please refer to Item 9.

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

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

**(Clark/Ferguson)**

That the following amendments to the General Issues Committee's Outstanding Business List, be approved:

**(1) Proposed New Due Dates (Item 13.1.a.):**

**(aa) CityLAB Pilot Update (Item 13.1.a.a.)**

Current Due Date: July 5, 2021

Proposed New Due Date: September 8, 2021

**(bb) Communications Strategy to assist in ensuring residents on the Municipal Elections Voters List (Item 13.1.a.b.)**

Current Due Date: July 5, 2021  
Proposed New Due Date: August 9, 2021

- (cc) Election Expense Reserve Needs related to consideration of Internet Voting for the 2026 Municipal Election (Item 13.1.a.c.)  
Current Due Date: July 5, 2021  
Proposed New Due Date: August 9, 2021

(2) Items to be Removed (Item 13.1.b.):

- (aa) Downtown Entertainment Precinct Master Agreement (Item 13.1.b.a.) (Addressed as Item 14.2 at the June 2, 2021 GIC - Report PED18168(g))
- (bb) Downtown Entertainment Precinct Master Agreement (Item 13.1.b.b.) (Addressed as Item 14.2 at the June 2, 2021 GIC - Report PED18168(g))

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

Yes	-	Mayor Fred Eisenberger
Yes	-	Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 2 Councillor Jason Farr
Absent	-	Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
Yes	-	Ward 4 Councillor Sam Merulla, Deputy Mayor
Yes	-	Ward 5 Councillor Chad Collins
Yes	-	Ward 6 Councillor Tom Jackson
Yes	-	Ward 7 Councillor Esther Pauls
Yes	-	Ward 8 Councillor J. P. Danko
Yes	-	Ward 9 Councillor Brad Clark
Yes	-	Ward 10 Councillor Maria Pearson
Yes	-	Ward 11 Councillor Brenda Johnson
Yes	-	Ward 12 Councillor Lloyd Ferguson
Yes	-	Ward 13 Councillor Arlene VanderBeek
Absent	-	Ward 14 Councillor Terry Whitehead
Yes	-	Ward 15 Councillor Judi Partridge

For further disposition of this matter, please refer to Item 10.

**(k) PRIVATE & CONFIDENTIAL (Item 14)**

**(Farr/Johnson)**

That Committee move into Closed Session to discuss Items 14.1 to 14.6, pursuant to Section 9.1, Sub-sections (c), (d), (e), (f) and (k) of the City's Procedural By-law 21-021; and, Section 239(2), Sub-sections (c), (d), (e), (f) and (k) of the *Ontario Municipal Act*, 2001, as amended, as the subject matter pertains to a proposed or

pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local board; labour relations or employee negotiations; litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the municipality or local board; advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose; and, a position, plan, procedure, criteria or instruction to be applied to any negotiations carried on or to be carried on by or on behalf of the municipality or local board.

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

Yes	-	Mayor Fred Eisenberger
Yes	-	Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 2 Councillor Jason Farr
Absent	-	Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
Yes	-	Ward 4 Councillor Sam Merulla, Deputy Mayor
Yes	-	Ward 5 Councillor Chad Collins
Yes	-	Ward 6 Councillor Tom Jackson
Yes	-	Ward 7 Councillor Esther Pauls
Yes	-	Ward 8 Councillor J. P. Danko
Yes	-	Ward 9 Councillor Brad Clark
Yes	-	Ward 10 Councillor Maria Pearson
Yes	-	Ward 11 Councillor Brenda Johnson
Yes	-	Ward 12 Councillor Lloyd Ferguson
Absent	-	Ward 13 Councillor Arlene VanderBeek
Absent	-	Ward 14 Councillor Terry Whitehead
Yes	-	Ward 15 Councillor Judi Partridge

**(i) City Manager's 2020 – 2021 Review (Item 14.6)**

There was nothing to report in Open Session respecting this matter.

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

**(II) ADJOURNMENT (Item 14)**

**(Partridge/Pearson)**

That there being no further business, the General Issues Committee be adjourned at 4:28 p.m.

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

Yes	-	Mayor Fred Eisenberger
Yes	-	Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 2 Councillor Jason Farr
Yes	-	Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
Yes	-	Ward 4 Councillor Sam Merulla, Deputy Mayor

Yes	-	Ward 5	Councillor Chad Collins
Yes	-	Ward 6	Councillor Tom Jackson
Yes	-	Ward 7	Councillor Esther Pauls
Yes	-	Ward 8	Councillor J. P. Danko
Yes	-	Ward 9	Councillor Brad Clark
Yes	-	Ward 10	Councillor Maria Pearson
Yes	-	Ward 11	Councillor Brenda Johnson
Absent	-	Ward 12	Councillor Lloyd Ferguson
Yes	-	Ward 13	Councillor Arlene VanderBeek
Absent	-	Ward 14	Councillor Terry Whitehead
Yes	-	Ward 15	Councillor Judi Partridge

Respectfully submitted,

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Sam Merulla, Deputy Mayor  
Chair, General Issues Committee

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