

GOVERNANCE REVIEW SUB-COMMITTEE MINUTES 21-006

Tuesday, August 24, 2021 9:30 am Council Chambers Hamilton City Hall

Present: Councillors M. Wilson (Vice-Chair), B. Clark, L. Ferguson, and A. VanderBeek

Absent: Councillors M. Pearson – Personal, T. Whitehead – Leave of Absence

THE FOLLOWING ITEMS WERE REFERRED TO THE AUDIT, FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE FOR CONSIDERATION:

1. Councillor Ward Office Budgets and Policy Guidelines for Eligible Expenses for Elected Officials (FCS18083(c)) (City Wide) (Item 10.1)

(VanderBeek/Wilson)

That Appendix "A" to Report FCS18083(c), Policy and Guidelines for Eligible Expenses for Elected Officials: Budget for the Office of the Mayor, Legislative Budget and Councillor Ward Office Budget, be approved.

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

YES - Councillor Maureen Wilson NOT PRESENT - Chair Terry Whitehead YES - Councillor Arlene VanderBeek YES - Councillor Lloyd Ferguson NOT PRESENT - Councillor Maria Pearson YES - Councillor Brad Clark

FOR INFORMATION:

(a) CHANGES TO THE AGENDA (Item 2)

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

5. COMMUNICATIONS

5.1 Correspondence from Viv Saunders, respecting Ward Office Budgets and Policy Guidelines

Recommendation: Be received and referred to consideration of Item 10.1, Councillor Ward Office Budgets and Policy Guidelines for Eligible Expenses for Elected Officials (FCS18083(c)) (City Wide).

6. DELEGATION REQUESTS

6.1 Cameron Kroetsch, respecting the Proposed Amendment to the Procedural By-law Referred by Council on August 13, 2021 to the Governance Review Sub-Committee, regarding Special Meetings of Council (For today's meeting)

10. DISCUSSION ITEMS

10.2 Proposed Amendment to the Procedural By-law Referred by Council on August 13, 2021 to Governance Review Sub-Committee, respecting Special Meetings of Council

(VanderBeek/Ferguson)

That the August 24, 2021 Agenda of the Governance Review Sub-Committee be approved, as amended.

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

YES - Councillor Maureen Wilson NOT PRESENT - Chair Terry Whitehead YES - Councillor Arlene VanderBeek YES - Councillor Lloyd Ferguson NOT PRESENT - Councillor Maria Pearson YES - Councillor Brad Clark

(b) DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (Item 3)

There were no declarations of interest.

(c) APPROVAL OF MINUTES (Item 4)

(i) July 14, 2021 (Item 4.1)

(Clark/VanderBeek)

That the Minutes of the July 14, 2021 meeting of the Governance Review Sub-Committee be approved, as presented.

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

YES - Councillor Maureen Wilson NOT PRESENT - Chair Terry Whitehead YES - Councillor Arlene VanderBeek YES - Councillor Lloyd Ferguson NOT PRESENT - Councillor Maria Pearson YES - Councillor Brad Clark

(d) COMMUNICATIONS (Item 5)

(i) Correspondence from Viv Saunders, respecting Ward Office Budgets and Policy Guidelines (Added Item 5.1)

(VanderBeek/Wilson)

That the correspondence from Viv Saunders, respecting Ward Office Budgets and Policy Guidelines, be received and referred to consideration of Item 10.1, Councillor Ward Office Budgets and Policy Guidelines for Eligible Expenses for Elected Officials (FCS18083(c)) (City Wide).

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

YES - Councillor Maureen Wilson NOT PRESENT - Chair Terry Whitehead YES - Councillor Arlene VanderBeek YES - Councillor Lloyd Ferguson NOT PRESENT - Councillor Maria Pearson YES - Councillor Brad Clark

(e) DELEGATION REQUESTS (Item 6)

(i) Cameron Kroetsch, respecting the Proposed Amendment to the Procedural By-law Referred by Council on August 13, 2021 to the Governance Review Sub-Committee, regarding Special Meetings of Council (For today's meeting) (Added Item 6.1)

(Clark/Ferguson)

That the delegation request from Cameron Kroetsch, respecting the Proposed Amendment to the Procedural By-law Referred by Council on August 13, 2021 to the Governance Review Sub-Committee, regarding Special Meetings of Council, be approved for today's meeting.

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

YES - Councillor Maureen Wilson NOT PRESENT - Chair Terry Whitehead YES - Councillor Arlene VanderBeek YES - Councillor Lloyd Ferguson NOT PRESENT - Councillor Maria Pearson YES - Councillor Brad Clark Governance Review Sub-Committee Minutes 21-006

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

(i) Cameron Kroetsch, respecting the Proposed Amendment to the Procedural By-law Referred by Council on August 13, 2021 to the Governance Review Sub-Committee, regarding Special Meetings of Council (Added Item 9.1)

Cameron Kroetsch addressed the Committee respecting the Proposed Amendment to the Procedural By-law Referred by Council on August 13, 2021 to the Governance Review Sub-Committee, regarding Special Meetings of Council.

(VanderBeek/Ferguson)

That the delegation from Cameron Kroetsch, respecting the Proposed Amendment to the Procedural By-law Referred by Council on August 13, 2021 to the Governance Review Sub-Committee, regarding Special Meetings of Council, be received.

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

YES - Councillor Maureen Wilson NOT PRESENT - Chair Terry Whitehead YES - Councillor Arlene VanderBeek YES - Councillor Lloyd Ferguson NOT PRESENT - Councillor Maria Pearson YES - Councillor Brad Clark

(g) DISCUSSION ITEMS (Item 10)

(i) Proposed Amendment to the Procedural By-law Referred by Council on August 13, 2021 to Governance Review Sub-Committee, respecting Special Meetings of Council (Added Item 10.2)

(Ferguson/Clark)

That Council approve the proposed *amendment* to Sub-Section 3.4, Special Meetings of Council of Procedural By-law 21-021, as follows:

3.4 Special Meetings of Council

(7) Notwithstanding subsection 3.4(3), on urgent and extraordinary occasions, with the consent of the majority of all the Members of Council, recorded in the Minutes, a special meeting of the Council may be called by the Mayor without notice to consider and deal with such urgent and extraordinary matters.

Result: *Amendment* **DEFEATED** by a vote of 1 to 3, as follows:

NO - Councillor Maureen Wilson

NOT PRESENT - Chair Terry Whitehead NO - Councillor Arlene VanderBeek YES - Councillor Lloyd Ferguson NOT PRESENT - Councillor Maria Pearson NO - Councillor Brad Clark

(h) ADJOURNMENT (Item 15)

(Ferguson/VanderBeek)

That, there being no further business, the Governance Review Sub-Committee meeting be adjourned at 11:04 a.m.

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

YES - Councillor Maureen Wilson NOT PRESENT - Chair Terry Whitehead YES - Councillor Arlene VanderBeek YES - Councillor Lloyd Ferguson NOT PRESENT - Councillor Maria Pearson YES - Councillor Brad Clark

Respectfully submitted,

Councillor M. Wilson, Vice-Chair Governance Review Sub-Committee

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