



**City of Hamilton**  
**GENERAL ISSUES COMMITTEE**  
**REVISED**

**Meeting #:** 24-003  
**Date:** February 7, 2024  
**Time:** 9:30 a.m.  
**Location:** Council Chambers (GIC)  
Hamilton City Hall  
71 Main Street West

Angela McRae, Legislative Coordinator (905) 546-2424 ext. 5987

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1. **CEREMONIAL ACTIVITIES**
2. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**  
(Added Items, if applicable, will be noted with \*)
3. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**
4. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**
  - 4.1 January 17, 2024
5. **COMMUNICATIONS**
6. **DELEGATION REQUESTS**
  - 6.1 Stewart Klazinga, ACORN Hamilton, respecting the vote of LRT Operations (Virtually)  
(For a future meeting)
  - 6.2 David Braden, Windrush Farm, respecting asking the City to provide land for a small housing project to demonstrate superior energy efficiency and housing affordability  
(In-Person) (For a future meeting)
7. **DELEGATIONS**

- 7.1 Douglas Mattina, Kemp Care Network (formerly Dr. Bob Kemp Hospice), respecting next steps towards acquisition of the land (sale or lease) at 41 South St. W. (In-Person) (Approved November 15, 2023)
- \*a. Doug Mattina, Kemp Care Network - Presentation
- 7.2 Matt Johnston, Urban Solutions Planning & Land Development Consultants Inc., respecting Hamilton Tax Increment Grant Program in relation to 75 James Street South, Hamilton (In-Person) (Approved December 6, 2023)
- \*a. WITHDRAWN
- 7.3 Susan Creer, Accessible Hamilton, respecting the BIA's taking away parking spaces in Dundas, Hamilton, etc and "porch patios" (In-Person) (Approved January 17, 2024)
- 7.4 Ian Hamilton, Hamilton-Oshawa Port Authority (HOPA Ports), respecting Port authority activities update (In-Person) (Approved January 17, 2024)
- \*a. Ian Hamilton, Hamilton-Oshawa Port Authority (HOPA Ports) - Presentation
- 7.5 Karl Andrus, Hamilton Community Benefits Network, respecting Report PED19063(e), Memorandum of Understanding with City and Aeon Studio Group on Barton-Tiffany Land, which was Item 14.3 on the November 15th agenda (In-Person) (Approved December 6, 2023)

## 8. STAFF PRESENTATIONS

## 9. CONSENT ITEMS

## 10. DISCUSSION ITEMS

- 10.1 Business Improvement Area Sub-Committee Report 24-001 - January 9, 2024
- 10.2 Interview Sub-Committee to the General Issues Committee Report 24-001 - January 25, 2024
- 10.3 Light Rail Transit Sub-Committee Report 24-001 - January 29, 2024

## 11. MOTIONS

- 11.1 Arts and Cultural Performance Space and Potential Future Multi-Purpose Community Hub
- \*a. Arts and Cultural Performance Space and Potential Future Multi-Purpose Community Hub - REVISED

## 12. NOTICES OF MOTION

Members of the public can contact the Clerk's Office to acquire the documents considered at this meeting, in an alternate format.

- \*12.1 City of Hamilton advocacy at the Federation of Canadian Municipalities Board of Directors Meeting in Prince George, BC in March 2024 (A request to waive the rules will be introduced)

### 13. GENERAL INFORMATION / OTHER BUSINESS

#### 13.1 Amendments to the Outstanding Business List:

##### a. Items Requiring a New Due Date:

Housing Sustainability and Investment Roadmap Work Program: City Property Review and Property Disposition Strategies (PED23099(a) / HSC23028(a)) (City Wide)

Current Due Date: March 20, 2024

Proposed Due Date: April 17, 2024

### 14. PRIVATE AND CONFIDENTIAL

#### 14.1 Ontario Nurses' Association Local 50, Public Health Services Ratification of Collective Agreement (HUR24003) (City Wide)

Pursuant to Section 9.3, Sub-section (d) of the City's Procedural By-law 21-021, as amended, 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.

#### 14.2 Participation in a Litigation Matter (LS24003) (City Wide)

Pursuant to Section 9.3, Sub-section (b), (e), (f), and (h) of the City's Procedural By-law 21-021, as amended, and Section 239(2), Sub-section (b), (e), (f), and (h) of the *Ontario Municipal Act, 2001*, as amended, as the subject matter pertains to personal matters about an identifiable individual, including City or local board employees; litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the City or a local board; advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose; and information explicitly supplied in confidence to the City or a local board by Canada, a province or territory or a Crown agency of any of them.

#### 14.3 Appointments to the Climate Change Advisory Committee for the 2022 - 2026 Council Term

Pursuant to Section 9.3 sub-section (b) of the City's Procedural By-law 21-021, as amended, and Section 239(2) sub-section (b) of the *Ontario Municipal Act, 2001*, as amended, as the subject matters pertain to personal matters about identifiable individuals, including municipal or local board employees.

15. ADJOURNMENT



## **GENERAL ISSUES COMMITTEE MINUTES 24-002**

9:30 a.m.

January 17, 2024

Council Chambers, City Hall, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor  
71 Main Street West, Hamilton, Ontario

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**Present:** Mayor A. Horwath  
Deputy Mayor M. Spadafora (Chair)  
Councillors J. Beattie, C. Cassar, B. Clark, J.P. Danko, M. Francis, T. Hwang, T. Jackson, C. Kroetsch, T. McMeekin, N. Nann, E. Pauls, , M. Tadeson, A. Wilson and M. Wilson

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

**1. City of Hamilton Public Engagement Policy (CM21101(b)) (City Wide)  
(Outstanding Business List Item) (Item 8.1)**

**(Tadeson/Nann)**

- (a) That the City of Hamilton Public Engagement Policy attached as Appendix "A" to Report CM21011(b) be approved;
- (b) That staff be directed to review the public engagement policy and report back to Council at a minimum of every four years on the implementation of the policy and any required updates;
- (c) That staff report back to the General Issues Committee in Q4 2024 with a status update respecting the implementation of the Public Engagement Policy and creation of a corporate-wide Public Engagement Strategy;
- (d) That one Full Time Equivalent (FTE) for a Performance Reporting & Impact Evaluation Specialist and one FTE for a Project Manager specializing in Public Engagement, at an annualized total of \$302,000 be referred to the 2025 Budget in the Government Relations and Community Engagement Division, to facilitate corporate-wide public engagement programming, training, and reporting; and,
- (e) That the items respecting the City of Hamilton Public Engagement Policy be removed from the Outstanding Business List.

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

Yes	-	Mayor Andrea Horwath
Yes	-	Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 2 Councillor Cameron Kroetsch
Yes	-	Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
Yes	-	Ward 4 Councillor Tammy Hwang
Yes	-	Ward 5 Councillor Matt Francis
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 Jeff Beattie
Yes	-	Ward 11 Councillor Mark Tadeson
Yes	-	Ward 12 Councillor Craig Cassar
Yes	-	Ward 13 Councillor Alex Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 14 Councillor Mike Spadafora
Absent	-	Ward 15 Councillor Ted McMeekin

**2. Business Improvement Areas - Board of Management Changes (Item 9.1)**

**(McMeekin/Kroetsch)**

That the Consent Items 9.1(a) through 9.1(c), be approved, as follows:

**(a) Revised Board of Management for the Ottawa Street Business Improvement Area (PED24004) (Wards 3 and 4) (Item 9.1(a))**

- (i) That the following individual be removed from the Ottawa Street Business Improvement Area Board of Management:

Sean Queroub – Nova Sewing.

**(b) Dundas Business Improvement Area Changes to Board of Management (PED24018) (Ward 13) (Item 9.1(b))**

- (i) That the following individuals be removed from the Dundas Business Improvement Area Board of Management:

- (1) Lily Zoghaid;  
(2) Donna Cole;

- (ii) That the following individuals be appointed to the Dundas Business Improvement Area Board of Management:

- (1) Jackie Webber;  
(2) Lindsay McAlpine.

**(c) Barton Village Business Improvement Area Changes to Board of Management (PED24022) (Wards 2 and 3) (Item 9.1(c))**

- (i) That the following individuals be appointed to the Barton Village Business Improvement Area Board of Management:
- (1) Brodie Dawson, Dawsons Hot Sauce;
  - (2) Julia Forrester, Community Representative.

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

Absent	-	Mayor Andrea Horwath
Yes	-	Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 2 Councillor Cameron Kroetsch
Yes	-	Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
Yes	-	Ward 4 Councillor Tammy Hwang
Absent	-	Ward 5 Councillor Matt Francis
Absent	-	Ward 6 Councillor Tom Jackson
Yes	-	Ward 7 Councillor Esther Pauls
Yes	-	Ward 8 Councillor J. P. Danko
Yes	-	Ward 9 Councillor Brad Clark
Absent	-	Ward 10 Councillor Jeff Beattie
Absent	-	Ward 11 Councillor Mark Tadeson
Yes	-	Ward 12 Councillor Craig Cassar
Yes	-	Ward 13 Councillor Alex Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 14 Councillor Mike Spadafora
Yes	-	Ward 15 Councillor Ted McMeekin

**3. Pipeline Trail Public Art (PED24009) (Ward 4) (Item 9.2)**

**(M. Wilson/A. Wilson)**

That Andrew Warburton Memorial Park Public Art (capital project ID 7102258202) be increased by an additional \$82,000 funded from the Public Art Reserve (ID 108044) to make the total project funding equal to \$225,000 for the Pipeline Trail Public Art Project.

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

Absent	-	Mayor Andrea Horwath
Yes	-	Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 2 Councillor Cameron Kroetsch
Yes	-	Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
Yes	-	Ward 4 Councillor Tammy Hwang
Absent	-	Ward 5 Councillor Matt Francis
Absent	-	Ward 6 Councillor Tom Jackson
Yes	-	Ward 7 Councillor Esther Pauls

Yes	-	Ward 8	Councillor J. P. Danko
Yes	-	Ward 9	Councillor Brad Clark
Absent	-	Ward 10	Councillor Jeff Beattie
Absent	-	Ward 11	Councillor Mark Tadeson
Yes	-	Ward 12	Councillor Craig Cassar
Yes	-	Ward 13	Councillor Alex Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 14	Councillor Mike Spadafora
Yes	-	Ward 15	Councillor Ted McMeekin

**4. Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities (ACPD) Report 23-012 - December 12, 2023 (Item 9.3)**

**(A. Wilson/McMeekin)**

That Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities (ACPD) Report 23-012 - December 12, 2023, be received.

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

Absent	-	Mayor Andrea Horwath
Yes	-	Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 2 Councillor Cameron Kroetsch
Yes	-	Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
Yes	-	Ward 4 Councillor Tammy Hwang
Absent	-	Ward 5 Councillor Matt Francis
Absent	-	Ward 6 Councillor Tom Jackson
Yes	-	Ward 7 Councillor Esther Pauls
Yes	-	Ward 8 Councillor J. P. Danko
Yes	-	Ward 9 Councillor Brad Clark
Absent	-	Ward 10 Councillor Jeff Beattie
Absent	-	Ward 11 Councillor Mark Tadeson
Yes	-	Ward 12 Councillor Craig Cassar
Yes	-	Ward 13 Councillor Alex Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 14 Councillor Mike Spadafora
Yes	-	Ward 15 Councillor Ted McMeekin

**5. Encampment Response Update – December 2023 (HSC23066(c)) (City Wide) (Item 9.4)**

**(Kroetsch/Cassar)**

That Report HSC23066(c), Encampment Response Update – December 2023, be received.

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

Absent	-	Mayor Andrea Horwath
Yes	-	Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson

Yes	-	Ward 2	Councillor Cameron Kroetsch
Yes	-	Ward 3	Councillor Nrinder Nann
Yes	-	Ward 4	Councillor Tammy Hwang
Yes	-	Ward 5	Councillor Matt Francis
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 Jeff Beattie
Yes	-	Ward 11	Councillor Mark Tadeson
Yes	-	Ward 12	Councillor Craig Cassar
Yes	-	Ward 13	Councillor Alex Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 14	Councillor Mike Spadafora
Yes	-	Ward 15	Councillor Ted McMeekin

**6. Addressing Renovictions, Tenant Displacement and Property Standards in Apartment Buildings in the City of Hamilton (PED23072) (City Wide) (Item 10.1)**

**(Nann/Kroetsch)**

That recommendations (e), (f), (g), and (h) to Report PED23072, Addressing Renovictions, Tenant Displacement and Property Standards in Apartment Buildings in the City of Hamilton, be received.

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

Conflict	-	Mayor Andrea Horwath
Yes	-	Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 2 Councillor Cameron Kroetsch
Yes	-	Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
Yes	-	Ward 4 Councillor Tammy Hwang
Yes	-	Ward 5 Councillor Matt Francis
Yes	-	Ward 6 Councillor Tom Jackson
Yes	-	Ward 7 Councillor Esther Pauls
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Yes	-	Ward 9 Councillor Brad Clark
Yes	-	Ward 10 Councillor Jeff Beattie
Yes	-	Ward 11 Councillor Mark Tadeson
Yes	-	Ward 12 Councillor Craig Cassar
Yes	-	Ward 13 Councillor Alex Wilson
Conflict	-	Ward 14 Councillor Mike Spadafora
Yes	-	Ward 15 Councillor Ted McMeekin

**7. Addressing Renovictions, Tenant Displacement and Property Standards in Apartment Buildings in the City of Hamilton (PED23072(a)) (City Wide) (Outstanding Business List Item) (Item 10.1(a))****(Nann/Kroetsch)**

- (a) That staff be directed to present for Council's approval, the Renovation Licence and Relocation By-law to regulate repairs and renovations to rental units, in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor, attached as Appendix "A" to Report PED23072(a), following the 2024 budget process and subject to the approval of the staffing and resourcing outlined in Recommendation (d) as part of the 2024 Budget;
- (b) That City of Hamilton User Fees and Charges By-law No. 23-112 be amended to reflect the new Renovation Licence and Relocation By-law Fee Schedule developed at 10% cost recovery attached as Appendix "B" to Report PED23072(a);
- (c) That, subject to the adoption of the Renovation Licence and Relocation By-law by Council, the Transition Plan as detailed in Appendix "C" to Report PED23072(a) to develop, implement and administer the By-law be approved;
- (d) That the General Manager of Planning and Economic Development be directed to refer the following to the 2024 Budget for the implementation of the Renovation Licence and Relocation By-law;
  - (i) Three full-time (3.0 FTE) Licensing Administrators in the Licensing and By-law Services Division to administer licence applications, enter investigation files and respond to inquiries, at an estimated total cost of \$287,000 annually (\$258,300 net levy);
  - (ii) Three full-time (3.0 FTE) Licensing Compliance Officers in the Licensing and By-law Services Division to enforce the By-law, at an estimated total cost of \$327,000 annually (\$294,300 net levy);
  - (iii) One full-time (1.0 FTE) Solicitor in Legal Services to respond to legal challenges and increased Property Standards Committee hearings, at an estimated total cost of \$212,000 annually (\$190,800 net levy);
  - (iv) One full-time (1.0 FTE) Housing Clerk in the Housing Services Division to facilitate tenant support/education, at an estimated total cost of \$80,000 annually (\$72,000 net levy);

- (v) The purchase of three (3) vehicles at an estimated initial cost of \$163,575 and an annual operating cost of \$26,850 (\$24,165 net levy);
  - (vi) An outreach, education and communications budget of \$10,000 annually (\$9,000 net levy); and,
  - (vii) A one-time cost of \$150,000 for the the transition period for the implementation of the By-law be funded by the Tax Stabilization Reserve 110046.
- (e) That Licensing and By-law Services staff be directed to work with Legal Services to obtain approval for set fines with the Ministry of the Attorney General;
  - (f) That subject to and following the approval of set fines by the Ministry of the Attorney General, staff be directed to work with Legal Services to amend the Administrative Penalties By-law No. 17-225 to incorporate charges under the Renovation Licence and Relocation By-law.

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

Conflict	-	Mayor Andrea Horwath
Yes	-	Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 2 Councillor Cameron Kroetsch
Yes	-	Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
Yes	-	Ward 4 Councillor Tammy Hwang
Yes	-	Ward 5 Councillor Matt Francis
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 Jeff Beattie
Yes	-	Ward 11 Councillor Mark Tadeson
Yes	-	Ward 12 Councillor Craig Cassar
Yes	-	Ward 13 Councillor Alex Wilson
Conflict	-	Ward 14 Councillor Mike Spadafora
Yes	-	Ward 15 Councillor Ted McMeekin

**8. 2024 Tax Supported User Fees (FCS24003) (City Wide) (Item 10.2)**

- (a) **(M. Wilson/Cassar)**
  - (a) That the 2024 User Fees – User Group Ice Rates (Hourly) on Page 48 of Appendix “A” to Report FCS24003, “2024 Tax Supported User Fees”, be approved and implemented;

**Result: MOTION on User Group Ice Rates (Hourly) on Page 48 of Appendix “A”,  
CARRIED by a vote of 15 to 0, as follows:**

Yes	-	Mayor Andrea Horwath
Yes	-	Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 2 Councillor Cameron Kroetsch
Yes	-	Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
Yes	-	Ward 4 Councillor Tammy Hwang
Yes	-	Ward 5 Councillor Matt Francis
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 Jeff Beattie
Yes	-	Ward 11 Councillor Mark Tadeson
Yes	-	Ward 12 Councillor Craig Cassar
Yes	-	Ward 13 Councillor Alex Wilson
Conflict	-	Ward 14 Councillor Mike Spadafora
Yes	-	Ward 15 Councillor Ted McMeekin

**(b) (M. Wilson/Cassar)**

- (a) That the 2024 User Fees contained in Appendix “A” with the exception of User Group Ice Rates (Hourly) on Page 48 of Report FCS24003, “2024 Tax Supported User Fees”, be approved and implemented;
- (b) That the City Solicitor be authorized and directed to prepare all necessary by laws, for Council approval, for the purposes of establishing the user fees contained in Appendix “A” to Report FCS24003; and
- (c) That the General Manager, Finance and Corporate Services, be authorized and directed to engage an external consultant to conduct a City-wide review of user fees, with primary focus on Recreation and Transit and to facilitate a process for establishing a user fee framework consistent with the City’s organizational goals and priorities centered around community benefit, accessibility, equity and ability to pay.

**Result: MOTION on the balance of Appendix “A” of Report FCS24003, CARRIED  
by a vote of 16 to 0, as follows:**

Yes	-	Mayor Andrea Horwath
Yes	-	Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 2 Councillor Cameron Kroetsch
Yes	-	Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann

Yes	-	Ward 4	Councillor Tammy Hwang
Yes	-	Ward 5	Councillor Matt Francis
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 Jeff Beattie
Yes	-	Ward 11	Councillor Mark Tadeson
Yes	-	Ward 12	Councillor Craig Cassar
Yes	-	Ward 13	Councillor Alex Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 14	Councillor Mike Spadafora
Yes	-	Ward 15	Councillor Ted McMeekin

**9. Business Improvement Areas - 2024 Proposed Budgets and Schedule of Payments (Item 10.3)**

**(Clark/Cassar)**

That the Discussion Items 10.3(a) through 10.3(h), be approved, as follows:

**(a) Downtown Hamilton Business Improvement Area 2024 Proposed Budget and Schedule of Payments (PED24010) (Ward 2) (Item 10.3(a))**

- (a) That the 2024 Operating Budget for the Downtown Hamilton Business Improvement Area, attached as Appendix "A" to Report PED24010, in the amount of \$515,000 be approved;
- (b) That the levy portion of the Operating Budget for the Downtown Hamilton Business Improvement Area in the amount of \$450,000 be approved;
- (c) That the General Manager of Finance and Corporate Services be hereby authorized and directed to prepare the requisite By-law pursuant to Section 208, The *Municipal Act, 2001*, to the levy portion of the 2024 Budget as referenced in Recommendation (b) of Report PED24010;
- (d) That the 2/3 levy reduction, previously provided to Royal Connaught (110, 114, 116, 118, 120 and 122 King Street East) and the former Holiday Inn (130-150 King Street East) be eliminated in 2024;
- (e) That the following schedule of payments for 2024 be approved:
  - (i) February \$225,000;
  - (ii) June \$225,000;

Note: Assessment appeals may be deducted from the levy payments.

**(b) Dundas Business Improvement Area 2024 Proposed Budget and Schedule of Payments (PED24011) (Ward 13) (Item 10.3(b))**

- (a) That the 2024 Operating Budget for the Dundas Business Improvement Area, attached as Appendix “A” to Report PED24011, in the amount of \$269,665.63 be approved;
- (b) That the levy portion of the Operating Budget for the Dundas Business Improvement Area in the amount of \$178,880 be approved;
- (c) That the General Manager of Finance and Corporate Services be hereby authorized and directed to prepare the requisite By-law pursuant to Section 208, *The Municipal Act, 2001*, to levy the 2023 Budget as referenced in Recommendation of Report PED24011;
- (d) That the following schedule of payments for 2024 Operating Budget for the Dundas Business Improvement Area be approved:
  - (i) February \$89,440;
  - (ii) June \$89,440;

Note: Assessment appeals may be deducted from the levy payments.

**(c) Barton Village Business Improvement Area 2024 Proposed Budget and Schedule of Payments (PED24012) (Wards 2 and 3) (Item 10. 3(c))**

- (a) That the 2024 Operating Budget for the Barton Village Business Improvement Area, attached as Appendix “A” to Report PED24012, in the amount of \$220,000 be approved;
- (b) That the levy portion of the Operating Budget for the Barton Village Business Improvement Area in the amount of \$125,000 be approved;
- (c) That the General Manager of Finance and Corporate Services be hereby authorized and directed to prepare the requisite By-law pursuant to Section 208, *The Municipal Act, 2001*, to the levy portion of the 2024 Budget as referenced in Recommendation (b) of Report PED24012;
- (d) That the 2/3 Business Improvement Area levy reduction, previously provided to 286 Sanford Avenue North, 20 Myler Street, 30 Milton Avenue, and 42 Westinghouse Avenue be gradually phased-out over a three-year period starting in 2024 as follows:

- (i) 60% of the current value assessment in 2024, 80% of the current value assessment in 2025 and 100% of the current value assessment in 2026;

- (e) That the following schedule of payments for 2024 be approved:

- (i) February \$62,500;
- (ii) June \$62,500;

Note: Assessment appeals may be deducted from the levy payments.

**(d) Ancaster Village Business Improvement Area 2024 Proposed Budget and Schedule of Payments (PED24013) (Ward 12) (Item 10. 3(d))**

- (a) That the 2024 Operating Budget for the Ancaster Village Business Improvement Area, attached as Appendix "A" to Report PED24013, in the amount of \$162,990 be approved;
- (b) That the levy portion of the Operating Budget for the Ancaster Village Business Improvement Area in the amount of \$121,000 be approved;
- (c) That the General Manager of Finance and Corporate Services be hereby authorized and directed to prepare the requisite By-law pursuant to Section 208, *The Municipal Act, 2001*, to levy the 2024 Budget as referenced in Recommendation of Report PED24013;
- (d) That the following schedule of payments for 2024 be approved:
  - (i) February \$60,500;
  - (ii) June \$60,500;

Note: Assessment appeals may be deducted from the levy payments.

**(e) Westdale Village Business Improvement Area Proposed Budget and Schedule of Payments (PED24014) (Ward 1) (Item 10. 3(e))**

- (a) That the 2024 Operating Budget for the Westdale Village Business Improvement Area, attached as Appendix "A" to Report PED24014, in the amount of \$131,328 be approved;
- (b) That the levy portion of the Operating Budget for the Westdale Village Business Improvement Area in the amount of \$131,328 be approved;

- (c) That the General Manager of Finance and Corporate Services be hereby authorized and directed to prepare the requisite By-law pursuant to Section 208, The *Municipal Act, 2001*, to levy the 2024 Budget as referenced in Recommendation of Report PED24014;
- (d) That the following schedule of payments for 2024 be approved:
  - (i) February \$65,664;
  - (ii) June \$65,664;

Note: Assessment appeals may be deducted from the levy payments.

**(f) Waterdown Village Business Improvement Area 2024 Proposed Budget and Schedule of Payments (PED24015) (Ward 15) (Item 10.3(f))**

- (a) That the 2024 Operating Budget for the Waterdown Village Business Improvement Area, attached as Appendix "A" to Report PED24015, in the amount of \$384,616 be approved;
- (b) That the levy portion of the Operating Budget for the Waterdown Village Business Improvement Area in the amount of \$285,000 be approved;
- (c) That the General Manager of Finance and Corporate Services be hereby authorized and directed to prepare the requisite By-law pursuant to Section 208, The *Municipal Act, 2001*, to levy the 2024 Budget as referenced in Recommendation of Report PED24015;
- (d) That the following schedule of payments for 2024 be approved:
  - (i) February \$142,500;
  - (ii) June \$142,500;

Note: Assessment appeals may be deducted from the levy payments.

**(g) Stoney Creek Village Business Improvement Area 2024 Proposed Budget and Schedule of Payments (PED24016) (Ward 5) (Item 10.3(g))**

- (a) That the 2024 Operating Budget for the Stoney Creek Village Business Improvement Area, attached as Appendix "A" to Report PED24016, in the amount of \$95,250 be approved;

- (b) That the levy portion of the Operating Budget for the Stoney Creek Village Business Improvement Area in the amount of \$74,440 be approved;
- (c) That the General Manager of Finance and Corporate Services be hereby authorized and directed to prepare the requisite By-law pursuant to Section 208, The *Municipal Act, 2001*, to levy the 2024 Budget as referenced in Recommendation of Report PED24016;
- (d) That the following schedule of payments for 2024 be approved:
  - (i) February \$37,220;
  - (ii) June \$37,220;

Note: Assessment appeals may be deducted from the levy payments.

**(h) Ottawa Street Business Improvement Area Proposed Budget and Schedule of Payments (PED24017) (Wards 3 and 4) (Item 10. 3(h))**

- (a) That the 2024 Operating Budget for the Ottawa Street Business Improvement Area, attached as Appendix "A" to Report PED24017, in the amount of \$218,287 be approved;
- (b) That the levy portion of the Operating Budget for the Ottawa Street Business Improvement Area in the amount of \$153,000 be approved;
- (c) That the General Manager of Finance and Corporate Services be hereby authorized and directed to prepare the requisite By-law pursuant to Section 208, The *Municipal Act, 2001*, to levy the 2024 Budget as referenced in Recommendation of Report PED24017;
- (d) That the following schedule of payments for 2024 be approved:
  - (i) February \$76,500;
  - (ii) June \$76,500;

Note: Assessment appeals may be deducted from the levy payments.

**Result: MOTION, CARRIED by a vote of 16 to 0, as follows:**

- Yes - Mayor Andrea Horwath
- Yes - Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
- Yes - Ward 2 Councillor Cameron Kroetsch
- Yes - Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
- Yes - Ward 4 Councillor Tammy Hwang

Yes	-	Ward 5	Councillor Matt Francis
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 Jeff Beattie
Yes	-	Ward 11	Councillor Mark Tadeson
Yes	-	Ward 12	Councillor Craig Cassar
Yes	-	Ward 13	Councillor Alex Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 14	Councillor Mike Spadafora
Yes	-	Ward 15	Councillor Ted McMeekin

**10. Interim Housing Assistance Program (IHAP) (HSC24003) (City Wide) (Item 10.4)**

**(Nann/A. Wilson)**

- (a) That the General Manager of the Healthy and Safe Communities Department, or their designate, be authorized to:
- (i) Enter into and execute an agreement with the Federal Ministry of Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada to receive \$3.5 M in funding through the Interim Housing Assistance Program (IHAP) to partially reimburse for costs incurred providing temporary housing within Hamilton's homelessness serving system to asylum claimants in 2023; and
  - (ii) Enter into and execute any future agreements with the Federal Ministry of Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada to receive any additional Interim Housing Assistance Program (IHAP) funding to address ongoing pressures; and
- (b) That the General Manager of the Healthy and Safe Communities Department, or their designate, be authorized to enter into any agreements with Community Services Provider(s), and any ancillary agreements, contracts, extensions and documents, associated with the funding, including the authority to authorize the submission of budgets and quarterly and/or year-end reporting, as well as, the authority to make appropriate payments to community service providers, in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor.

**Result: MOTION, CARRIED by a vote of 16 to 0, as follows:**

Yes	-	Mayor Andrea Horwath
Yes	-	Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 2 Councillor Cameron Kroetsch
Yes	-	Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann

Yes	-	Ward 4	Councillor Tammy Hwang
Yes	-	Ward 5	Councillor Matt Francis
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 Jeff Beattie
Yes	-	Ward 11	Councillor Mark Tadeson
Yes	-	Ward 12	Councillor Craig Cassar
Yes	-	Ward 13	Councillor Alex Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 14	Councillor Mike Spadafora
Yes	-	Ward 15	Councillor Ted McMeekin

## **11. DISCUSSION ITEMS (Item 10)**

### **(Kroetsch/Cassar)**

That the Discussion Items 10.5 through 10.9, be approved, as follows:

#### **(a) Light Rail Transit Sub-Committee Report 23-005 - December 11, 2023 (Item 10.5)**

##### **(a) Hamilton Light Rail Transit Community Benefits Update (PED23262) (City Wide) (Outstanding Business List Item) (Item 9.1)**

That Report PED23262, respecting Hamilton Light Rail Transit Community Benefits Update (City Wide), be received.

##### **(b) Light Rail Transit Strategic Site Selection – Update Report (PED23142(a)) (Wards 1,2, 3, 4 and 5) (Item 15.2)**

(i) That the direction provided to staff in the Closed Session, respecting Report PED23412(a) be approved; and

(ii) That the entirety of Report PED23412(a) Light Rail Transit Strategic Site Selection – Update Report remain confidential and not be released as a public document.

#### **(b) Airport Sub-Committee Report 23-005 - December 1, 2023 (Item 10.6)**

##### **(a) Airport Lease – Verbal Update (Item 14.1)**

That the Airport Lease – Verbal Update, be received and remain confidential.

**(b) Terms and Obligations of the Current Airport Lease (Item 11.1)**

That staff be directed to report back to the Airport Sub-Committee with information respecting the terms and obligations of Tradeport International Corporation in the current Airport lease along with an evaluation of how those terms and obligations have been satisfied to date.

**(c) 2024 Budget Submission Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities (CM24001) (City Wide) (Item 10.7)**

That the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities 2024 base budget submission attached as Appendix "A" to Report CM24001 in the amount of \$23,172.00, be approved and referred to the 2024 budget process for consideration.

**(d) Arts Advisory Commission Budget Submission (PED24005) (City Wide) (Item 10.8)**

That the Arts Advisory Commission 2024 budget submission attached as Appendix "A" to Report PED24005 in the amount of \$9,000 be approved and referred to the 2024 budget process for consideration.

**(e) Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities (ACPD) Report 24-001 - January 9, 2024 (Added Item 10.9)****(a) APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEE CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR (Item 1)**

- (i) That James Kemp be appointed as Chair of the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities for 2024.
- (ii) That Paula Kilburn be appointed as Vice Chair of the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities for 2024.

**(b) Changing the Name of the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities (ACPD) to Accessibility Committee for Persons with Disabilities (ACPD) (Item 12.1)**

WHEREAS, the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities (ACPD) is mandated under the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act (AODA) and is a Sub-Committee of Council reporting to the General Issues Committee;

WHEREAS, the AODA requires municipalities having a population of not less than 10,000 to establish an accessibility advisory committee, but provides no direction or requirement for it to be named an “Accessibility Advisory Committee”;

WHEREAS, removing the word “Advisory” and replacing it with “Accessibility” will provide clarity on the status of ACPD as a Sub-Committee of Council.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

That the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities be renamed the Accessibility Committee for Persons with Disabilities.

**Result: MOTION, CARRIED by a vote of 16 to 0, as follows:**

Yes	-	Mayor Andrea Horwath
Yes	-	Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 2 Councillor Cameron Kroetsch
Yes	-	Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
Yes	-	Ward 4 Councillor Tammy Hwang
Yes	-	Ward 5 Councillor Matt Francis
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 Jeff Beattie
Yes	-	Ward 11 Councillor Mark Tadeson
Yes	-	Ward 12 Councillor Craig Cassar
Yes	-	Ward 13 Councillor Alex Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 14 Councillor Mike Spadafora
Yes	-	Ward 15 Councillor Ted McMeekin

**12. Vacant Unit Tax Program Update (FCS21017(d)) (City Wide) (Added Item 10.10)**

**(Nann/Tadeson)**

That Report FCS21017(d), respecting the Vacant Unit Tax Program Update, be received.

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

Conflict	-	Mayor Andrea Horwath
Yes	-	Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 2 Councillor Cameron Kroetsch
Yes	-	Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann

Yes	-	Ward 4	Councillor Tammy Hwang
Absent	-	Ward 5	Councillor Matt Francis
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 Jeff Beattie
Yes	-	Ward 11	Councillor Mark Tadeson
Yes	-	Ward 12	Councillor Craig Cassar
Yes	-	Ward 13	Councillor Alex Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 14	Councillor Mike Spadafora
Yes	-	Ward 15	Councillor Ted McMeekin

**13. 2024 Insurance Renewals - Cyber & Paramedics Medical Malpractice (LS24004) (City Wide) (Added Item 10.11)**

**(A. Wilson/Jackson)**

- (a) That the Paramedic Medical Malpractice Insurance Policy for the term January 30, 2024, to January 30, 2025 in the amount of \$5 Million at a cost of \$68,588 (plus applicable taxes) be approved and funded through the 2024 Risk Management Services Budget; and
- (b) That the City Solicitor be authorized to execute all associated documents related to the renewal of the Paramedic Medical Malpractice coverage for the term January 30th, 2024 to January 30th, 2025, through Arthur J. Gallagher Canada Ltd. and Marsh Canada Ltd. on behalf of the City; and
- (c) That the City Solicitor be granted delegated authority to review and authorize the renewal of the Cyber Insurance coverage for the term January 31st, 2024 to January 31st, 2025, through Arthur J. Gallagher Canada Ltd. and Marsh Canada Ltd.; and
- (d) That the City Solicitor be authorized to execute all associated documents related to the renewal of the Cyber Insurance for the term January 31, 2024 to January 31, 2025, through Arthur J. Gallagher Canada Ltd. and Marsh Canada Ltd. on behalf of the City.

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

Yes	-	Mayor Andrea Horwath
Yes	-	Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 2 Councillor Cameron Kroetsch
Yes	-	Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
Yes	-	Ward 4 Councillor Tammy Hwang
Absent	-	Ward 5 Councillor Matt Francis
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 Jeff Beattie
Yes	-	Ward 11	Councillor Mark Tadeson
Yes	-	Ward 12	Councillor Craig Cassar
Yes	-	Ward 13	Councillor Alex Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 14	Councillor Mike Spadafora
Yes	-	Ward 15	Councillor Ted McMeekin

**14. Ward Office Staffing Recommendations (HUR24001) (City Wide) (Added Item 10.12)**

**(Kroetsch/A. Wilson)**

- (a) That staff be directed to increase each Ward Office staffing budget by one (1) full time equivalent (FTE) administrative position, salary grade 3, compensated at \$66,431-\$82,039 annually (2023) in order to ensure appropriate administrative support for business and operational continuity, and provide adequate coverage for legislated absences such as vacation, illness and/or to cover extra work. The cumulative amount for the proposed additional FTEs (N=15) is \$1.62 million and will be referred for consideration to the 2024 budget deliberations.
- (b) That staff be directed to conduct a non-union Job Evaluation of existing Ward Office positions to confirm the appropriate non-union salary grade, create accurate and up-to-date job descriptions and appropriate, consistent job functions/titles within the Ward Offices.
- (c) That Human Resources be directed to assign a dedicated HR staff resource for administrative support, using existing complement, in order to provide Councillors with the necessary support and assistance in regard to employment matters such as recruitment, onboarding, mandatory and required training, compliance with Corporate policies and procedures, and Council transition requirements.
- (d) That staff be directed to create a Council Staffing Policy, outlining roles and responsibilities of Members of Council for managing City employees working in their Ward Offices, and affirm applicable City Human Resource policy requirements as it relates to Ward Office staff.
- (e) That staff be directed to revise the process for formulating Ward Office Budgets to encompass only discretionary expenses, set at a fixed sum of \$55,710 for the year 2024, with provision for annual adjustments based on the Consumer Price Index.

- (f) That staff be directed to retain the Inner-City Fund for Wards 2, 3, 4, and 5 and that it be added to the fixed amount in recommendation (e).
- (g) ***That staff be directed to evaluate the determinants and methodology used to inform the Inner-City Fund to ensure transparency and fairness across all wards and report back in Q3 2024 to the General Issues Committee.***

**Result: Main MOTION, As Amended, CARRIED by a vote of 13 to 0, as follows:**

Yes	-	Mayor Andrea Horwath
Yes	-	Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 2 Councillor Cameron Kroetsch
Yes	-	Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
Yes	-	Ward 4 Councillor Tammy Hwang
No	-	Ward 5 Councillor Matt Francis
Yes	-	Ward 6 Councillor Tom Jackson
Yes	-	Ward 7 Councillor Esther Pauls
Yes	-	Ward 8 Councillor J. P. Danko
No	-	Ward 9 Councillor Brad Clark
Yes	-	Ward 10 Councillor Jeff Beattie
No	-	Ward 11 Councillor Mark Tadeson
Yes	-	Ward 12 Councillor Craig Cassar
Yes	-	Ward 13 Councillor Alex Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 14 Councillor Mike Spadafora
Yes	-	Ward 15 Councillor Ted McMeekin

**15. Policy and Guidelines for Eligible Expenses for Elected Officials (FCS18083(e)) (City Wide) (Added Item 10.13)**

**(A. Wilson/Kroetsch)**

- (a) That Appendix "A" to Report FCS18083(e) Policy and Guidelines for Eligible Expenses for Elected Officials: Office of the Mayor, Legislative and Councillor Ward Office Budgets be approved;
- (b) That the Employee Related portion of Elected Officials Budgets be moved to the General Legislative Budget and the 2024 Budget be restated; and
- (c) That, effective 2023, the costs associated with employee leaves, excluding vacation, in all Elected Officials budgets be moved to General Legislative Budget.

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

Yes	-	Mayor Andrea Horwath
Yes	-	Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson

Yes	-	Ward 2	Councillor Cameron Kroetsch
Yes	-	Ward 3	Councillor Nrinder Nann
Yes	-	Ward 4	Councillor Tammy Hwang
Yes	-	Ward 5	Councillor Matt Francis
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 Jeff Beattie
Yes	-	Ward 11	Councillor Mark Tadeson
Yes	-	Ward 12	Councillor Craig Cassar
Yes	-	Ward 13	Councillor Alex Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 14	Councillor Mike Spadafora
Yes	-	Ward 15	Councillor Ted McMeekin

**16. Immediate Federal Government Support Required for Asylum Claimants in Municipalities (Item 11.1)**

**(Nann/Horwath)**

WHEREAS, municipalities have been at the forefront of supporting asylum claimants and refugees and providing essential settlement and housing services;

WHEREAS, the rapid and sharp increase of asylum claims in Toronto, Montreal, Hamilton and other municipalities, particularly in the Greater Toronto and Hamilton Area (GTHA), are putting municipal governments under significant pressure;

WHEREAS, without federal action, asylum claimants will not have permanent shelter and housing options once they leave temporary accommodations, and the current crisis will continue to grow;

WHEREAS, refugees and asylum claimants make up over 40% of Hamilton's population in shelters, and is creating massive pressure on Hamilton's already overwhelmed shelter system that is under resourced to meet the unique and complex needs of asylum claimants;

WHEREAS, the supports provided to municipalities to receive asylum claimants are often short-term and focused on emergency response and shelter, but do not ensure permanent settlement and housing options for asylum claimants, including a focus on homeless prevention and long-term stability;

WHEREAS, the crisis of asylum claimants has inextricable links to the housing, homelessness and mental health crises in Canada and the immense pressure on municipal shelter, transitional and supportive housing systems;

WHEREAS, equity-deserving communities are disproportionately represented in asylum claimant populations seeking immediate necessary support which can also lead to further stigmatization and experiences of racism, discrimination, and harassment;

WHEREAS, action on behalf of the federal government and investing in supports to combat racism, specifically anti-Black racism, is imperative as asylum seekers commonly face racism and other forms of discrimination and hate;

WHEREAS, municipalities across Canada are committed to fostering diverse, inclusive and welcoming communities for all individuals seeking asylum and tackling anti-Black racism and other forms of racism;

WHEREAS, Hamilton, Toronto and other municipalities in the Greater Toronto Hamilton Area (GTHA) have been advocating for additional federal supports for asylum claimants over the past year;

THEREFORE IT BE RESOLVED,

That the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) be requested to strongly urge the federal government to take immediate action to support asylum claimants in Canadian municipalities by taking the following actions:

- (a) Immediately provide financial support and reimbursements directly to municipalities to address the immediate short-term needs of asylum claimants and refugees through top-ups to the Canada Housing Benefit and the Interim Housing Assistance Program (IHAP);
- (b) An ongoing commitment of Interim Housing Assistance Program (IHAP) funding to address estimated annual costs for refugees in 2024, and commit to future funding until the demand for shelter returns to sustainable levels;
- (c) Collaborate with municipal governments to develop a long-term strategy to enhance capacity of local governments to effectively support asylum claimants and refugees, including through the development of tripartite agreements between municipalities, provinces and territories and the federal government to enhance cross-government coordination in providing immediate supports to asylum claimants;
- (d) Recognizing that the rise in asylum seeking populations pursuing refuge in Canada is occurring in the midst of a housing crisis, provide additional funding through National Housing Strategy programs and the Canada Housing Benefit to support asylum claimants in the medium- and long-term;

- (e) That the federal government broaden the eligibility for federally-funded settlement services to include asylum claimants who currently can only access provincially-funded services and also that settlement services be funded to support newcomers with housing searches as at present they mostly limited to orientation, language instruction, and employment; and
- (f) Extend and make permanent the Rapid Housing Initiative with another intake in 2024/25 to enable municipalities to invest in supportive housing on an urgent basis and relieve pressure on the shelter system, and work with the provinces and territories to ensure that supportive units have wrap-around health and social supports and long-term operating funding.

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

Yes	-	Mayor Andrea Horwath
Yes	-	Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 2 Councillor Cameron Kroetsch
Yes	-	Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
Yes	-	Ward 4 Councillor Tammy Hwang
Absent	-	Ward 5 Councillor Matt Francis
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 Jeff Beattie
Yes	-	Ward 11 Councillor Mark Tadeson
Yes	-	Ward 12 Councillor Craig Cassar
Yes	-	Ward 13 Councillor Alex Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 14 Councillor Mike Spadafora
Yes	-	Ward 15 Councillor Ted McMeekin

**17. Authorization to Enter into Grant and Loan Agreements as it Relates to Report PED17219, Properties and Process for Disposition of Lands for Affordable Housing (City Wide) (Added Item 11.2)**

**(Nann/Kroetsch)**

WHEREAS, February 10<sup>th</sup>, 2016 by way of a Council Motion, Council authorized and directed the Establishment of an Affordable Housing Site Selection Subcommittee to devise a list of City of Hamilton-owned properties that could be offered to social housing providers for the purpose of building new affordable housing units; directed staff to prepare a Terms of Reference for the Affordable Housing Site Selection Sub-Committee and report back to the Emergency & Community Services Committee; and that the Community and Emergency Services and Planning and Economic Development staff report back with a process for offering City of Hamilton owned properties at no charge to not-for-

profit or private sector housing providers/developers for the purpose of building new affordable housing units.;

WHEREAS on January 24, 2018, Council approved GIC Report 18-002, as staff presented report PED17219 at GIC on November 28, 2017, in response to Council's direction of February 10<sup>th</sup>, 2016 to develop a disposition strategy of City owned lands to build new affordable housing units;

WHEREAS on January 24, 2018, Council approved GIC Report 18-002, staff recommendation (c) of report PED17219, which authorizes and directs staff to establish a capital reserve from which all net proceeds from the sale of properties identified for affordable housing are to be deposited, for use exclusively for new affordable housing development purposes, and all costs related to due diligence, and implementing the strategies outlined in appendixes to Report PED17219;

WHEREAS Affordable Housing Property Reserve (Account 112256) has been established and any positive net sales proceeds or income stream generated through the transaction of properties in this portfolio have been deposited in the Affordable Housing Property Reserve (Account 112256);

WHEREAS Affordable Housing Property Reserve (Account 112256) has a balance of approximately \$1 million as of November 29<sup>th</sup>, 2023;

WHEREAS Housing Services Division, wishes to immediately enter into an agreement with not for profit housing providers to provide additional capital funding to complete affordable housing projects that will create new affordable residential units, including but not limited to providers such as Sacajawea Non-profit Housing, Hamilton East Kiwanis Non-Profit Homes Inc. and City Housing Hamilton; and

WHEREAS previous Council reports did not request permission for the City to enter into Grant or Loan Agreements with affordable housing providers for the purpose of developing new affordable housing using the Affordable Housing Property Reserve; therefore, this motion seeks permission of Council to enter into either a Grant or Loan Agreement at the discretion of General Manager of Healthy and Safe Communities Department or their designate, and the authority to execute the agreement, providing the agreement is in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

- (a) That the City enter into a Grant or Loan agreements and any ancillary agreements, with non-profit affordable housing developers, funded by the Affordable Housing Property Reserve (Account 112256), for the development of new affordable housing units as determined by the General Manager of Healthy and Safe Communities ("GM"); and,

- (b) That that the General Manager of Healthy and Safe Communities be authorized to execute and administer the agreements and any ancillary documents, with terms and conditions satisfactory to the GM and in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor.

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

Yes	-	Mayor Andrea Horwath
Yes	-	Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 2 Councillor Cameron Kroetsch
Yes	-	Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
Absent	-	Ward 4 Councillor Tammy Hwang
Yes	-	Ward 5 Councillor Matt Francis
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 Jeff Beattie
Yes	-	Ward 11 Councillor Mark Tadeson
Yes	-	Ward 12 Councillor Craig Cassar
Yes	-	Ward 13 Councillor Alex Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 14 Councillor Mike Spadafora
Yes	-	Ward 15 Councillor Ted McMeekin

**18. Legal Advice Regarding Renoviction By-Laws (LS23020(b)) (City Wide)  
(Added Item 14.1)**

**(Tadeson/Kroetsch)**

That Report LS23020(b), respecting Legal Advice Regarding Renoviction By-Laws be received and remain confidential.

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

Conflict	-	Mayor Andrea Horwath
Yes	-	Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 2 Councillor Cameron Kroetsch
Yes	-	Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
Yes	-	Ward 4 Councillor Tammy Hwang
Yes	-	Ward 5 Councillor Matt Francis
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 Jeff Beattie
Yes	-	Ward 11 Councillor Mark Tadeson

Yes	-	Ward 12	Councillor Craig Cassar
Yes	-	Ward 13	Councillor Alex Wilson
Conflict	-	Ward 14	Councillor Mike Spadafora
Yes	-	Ward 15	Councillor Ted McMeekin

**FOR INFORMATION:**

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

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

**5. COMMUNICATIONS**

5.1 Correspondence respecting Item 10.1 - Addressing Renovictions, Tenant Displacement and Property Standards in Apartment Buildings in the City of Hamilton (PED23072) (City Wide), from the following individuals:

- (b) Douglas Kwan, Director of Advocacy and Legal Services, Advocacy Centre for Tenants Ontario (Additional Letter)
- (c) Christine Neale
- (d) Elizabeth Ellis, ACORN
- (e) Marie Alcaide, ACORN
- (f) ACORN Hamilton
- (g) Bonnielee Dunlop
- (h) Sherline Morris, ACORN
- (i) Vince Katching
- (j) Kristain Jewers
- (k) Myrna Gale
- (l) Norman Cooper
- (m) Pauleen Ksonzena
- (n) Tracey Romanoski
- (o) Melissa Goldstein
- (p) Erin Fabello
- (q) Hamilton and District Apartment Association

Recommendation: Be received and referred to the consideration of Item 10.1.

**6. DELEGATION REQUESTS**

6.3 Delegation Requests respecting Item 10.1 - Addressing Renovictions, Tenant Displacement and Property Standards in Apartment Buildings in the City of Hamilton (PED23072) (City Wide), for today's meeting, from the following individuals:

- (a) Karen Andrews, Advocacy Centre for Tenants Ontario (In-Person)
- (b) Merima Menzildzic, Hamilton Community Legal Clinic (In-Person)
- (c) Colleen Langmead, ACORN Hamilton (Virtually)
- (d) Pauline Roberts, ACORN (In-Person)
- (e) Karl Andrus, Hamilton Community Benefits Network (In-Person) - WITHDRAWN
- (f) David Galvin, ACORN (In-Person)
- (g) Jennifer McGrath, ACORN (In-Person)
- (h) Lorne MacMillan, ACORN (In-Person)
- (i) Evan Pettitt and Shelby Perrie, ACORN (In-Person)
- (j) Darlene Wesley, ACORN (Virtually)
- (k) Susan McArthur, ACORN (In-Person)
- (l) Brian Doucet, University of Waterloo, School of Planning (In-Person)
- (m) Brigitte Huard, ACORN (Pre-Recorded)
- (n) Dania Majid, Advocacy Centre for Tenants Ontario (Virtually)

## **7. DELEGATIONS**

- 7.1 Karl Andrus, Hamilton Community Benefits Network, respecting Report PED19063(e), Memorandum of Understanding with City and Aeon Studio Group on Barton-Tiffany Land, which was Item 14.3 on the November 15th, 2023 agenda (In-Person) (Approved December 6, 2023) – WITHDRAWN

Withdrawn at the request of the delegate to be rescheduled for a future meeting.

## **10. DISCUSSION ITEMS**

- 10.9 Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities (ACPD) Report 24-001 – January 9, 2024
- 10.10 Vacant Unit Tax Program Update (FCS21017(d)) (City Wide)
- 10.11 2024 Insurance Renewals - Cyber & Paramedics Medical Malpractice (LS24004) (City Wide)
- 10.12 Ward Office Staffing Recommendations (HUR24001) (City Wide)
- 10.13 Policy and Guidelines for Eligible Expenses for Elected Officials (FCS18083(e)) (City Wide)

**12. NOTICES OF MOTION**

12.1 Properties and Process for Disposition of Lands for Affordable Housing (City Wide)

**14. PRIVATE AND CONFIDENTIAL**

14.1 Legal Advice Regarding Renoviction By-Laws (LS23020(b)) (City Wide)

**(Francis/Cassar)**

That the agenda for the January 17, 2024 General Issues Committee meeting, be approved, as amended.

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

Absent	-	Mayor Andrea Horwath
Yes	-	Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 2 Councillor Cameron Kroetsch
Absent	-	Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
Yes	-	Ward 4 Councillor Tammy Hwang
Yes	-	Ward 5 Councillor Matt Francis
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 Jeff Beattie
Yes	-	Ward 11 Councillor Mark Tadeson
Yes	-	Ward 12 Councillor Craig Cassar
Yes	-	Ward 13 Councillor Alex Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 14 Councillor Mike Spadafora
Absent	-	Ward 15 Councillor Ted McMeekin

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

Deputy Mayor Mike Spadafora declared a disqualifying interest to Item 10.2, User Group Ice Rates (Hourly) on Page 48 of Appendix "A" to Report FCS24003 2024 Tax Supported User Fees, as he rents Ice time.

Deputy Mayor Mike Spadafora declared disqualifying interests to Item 5.1, 6.3, 7.3, 10.1, 10.1(a) and 14.1 respecting Report PED23072 and Report PED23072(a), Addressing Renovictions, Tenant Displacement and Property Standards in Apartment Buildings in the City of Hamilton and Report LS23020(b), Legal Advice Regarding Renoviction By-Laws, as he is a landlord.

Mayor Andrea Horwath declared disqualifying interests to Items 6.3, 7.3, 10.1, 10.1(a), 10.10 and 14.1 respecting Report PED23072 and Report PED23072(a), Addressing Renovictions, Tenant Displacement and Property Standards in Apartment Buildings in the City of Hamilton; Report FCS21017(d), Vacant Unit Tax Program - Update and Report LS23020(b), Legal Advice Regarding Renoviction By-Laws, as she is a landlord.

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

**(i) December 6, 2023 (Item 4.1)**

**(Francis/Kroetsch)**

That the minutes of the December 6, 2023 General Issues Committee meeting be approved, as presented.

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

Yes	-	Mayor Andrea Horwath
Yes	-	Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 2 Councillor Cameron Kroetsch
Absent	-	Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
Yes	-	Ward 4 Councillor Tammy Hwang
Yes	-	Ward 5 Councillor Matt Francis
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 Jeff Beattie
Yes	-	Ward 11 Councillor Mark Tadeson
Yes	-	Ward 12 Councillor Craig Cassar
Yes	-	Ward 13 Councillor Alex Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 14 Councillor Mike Spadafora
Absent	-	Ward 15 Councillor Ted McMeekin

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

Due to a declared conflict Deputy Mayor Spadafora relinquished the Chair to Councillor A. Wilson during the consideration of the following items:

**(i) Correspondence respecting Item 10.1 - Addressing Renovictions, Tenant Displacement and Property Standards in Apartment Buildings in the City of Hamilton (PED23072) (City Wide) (Item 5.1)**

**(Tadeson/Kroetsch)**

That the correspondence respecting Item 10.1 - Addressing Renovictions, Tenant Displacement and Property Standards in Apartment Buildings in the City of Hamilton (PED23072) (City Wide), be approved as follows:

- (1) Douglas Kwan, Director of Advocacy and Legal Services, Advocacy Centre for Tenants Ontario (Item 5.1(a))
- (2) Douglas Kwan, Director of Advocacy and Legal Services, Advocacy Centre for Tenants Ontario (Additional Letter) (Added Item 5.1(b))
- (3) Christine Neale (Added Item 5.1(c))
- (4) Elizabeth Ellis, ACORN (Added Item 5.1(d))
- (5) Marie Alcaide, ACORN (Added Item 5.1(e))
- (6) ACORN Hamilton (Added Item 5.1(f))
- (7) Bonnielee Dunlop (Added Item 5.1(g))
- (8) Sherline Morris, ACORN (Added Item 5.1(h))
- (9) Vince Katching (Added Item 5.1(i))
- (10) Kristain Jewers (Added Item 5.1(j))
- (11) Myrna Gale (Added Item 5.1(k))
- (12) Norman Cooper (Added Item 5.1(l))
- (13) Pauleen Ksonzena (Added Item 5.1(m))
- (14) Tracey Romanoski (Added Item 5.1(n))
- (15) Melissa Goldstein (Added Item 5.1(o))
- (16) Erin Fabello (Added Item 5.1(p))
- (17) Hamilton and District Apartment Association (Added Item 5.1(q))

Be received and referred to consideration of Item 10.1.

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

Yes	-	Mayor Andrea Horwath
Yes	-	Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 2 Councillor Cameron Kroetsch
Absent	-	Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
Yes	-	Ward 4 Councillor Tammy Hwang
Yes	-	Ward 5 Councillor Matt Francis
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 Jeff Beattie
Yes	-	Ward 11 Councillor Mark Tadeson
Yes	-	Ward 12 Councillor Craig Cassar
Yes	-	Ward 13 Councillor Alex Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 14 Councillor Mike Spadafora
Yes	-	Ward 15 Councillor Ted McMeekin

Deputy Mayor Spadafora assumed the Chair.

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

**(i) (Tadeson/Wilson)**

That the Delegation Requests, be approved as follows:

- (1) Susan Creer, Accessible Hamilton, respecting the BIA's taking away parking spaces in Dundas, Hamilton, etc and "porch patios" (In-Person) (For a future meeting) (Item 6.1)
- (2) Ian Hamilton, Hamilton-Oshawa Port Authority (HOPA Ports), respecting Port authority activities update (In-Person) (For a future meeting) (Item 6.2)

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

Yes	-	Mayor Andrea Horwath
Yes	-	Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 2 Councillor Cameron Kroetsch
Absent	-	Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
Yes	-	Ward 4 Councillor Tammy Hwang
Yes	-	Ward 5 Councillor Matt Francis
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 Jeff Beattie
Yes	-	Ward 11 Councillor Mark Tadeson
Yes	-	Ward 12 Councillor Craig Cassar
Yes	-	Ward 13 Councillor Alex Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 14 Councillor Mike Spadafora
Yes	-	Ward 15 Councillor Ted McMeekin

Due to a declared conflict Deputy Mayor Spadafora relinquished the Chair to Councillor A. Wilson during the consideration of the following items:

**(ii) Delegation Requests respecting Item 10.1 - Addressing Renovictions, Tenant Displacement and Property Standards in Apartment Buildings in the City of Hamilton (PED23072) (City Wide), for today's meeting (Added Item 6.3)**

Councillor A. Wilson relinquished the Chair to the Councillor Cassar in order to introduce the following motion:

**(A. Wilson/Tadeson)**

That the Delegation Requests, respecting Item 10.1 - Addressing Renovictions, Tenant Displacement and Property Standards in Apartment

Buildings in the City of Hamilton (PED23072) (City Wide), for today's meeting be approved as follows:

- (1) Karen Andrews, Advocacy Centre for Tenants Ontario (In-Person) (Added Item 6.3(a))
- (2) Merima Menzildzic, Hamilton Community Legal Clinic (In-Person) (Added Item 6.3(b))
- (3) Colleen Langmead, ACORN Hamilton (Virtually) (Added Item 6.3(c))
- (4) Pauline Roberts, ACORN (In-Person) (Added Item 6.3(d))
- (5) David Galvin, ACORN (In-Person) (Added Item 6.3(f))
- (6) Jennifer McGrath, ACORN (In-Person) (Added Item 6.3(g))
- (7) Lorne MacMillan, ACORN (In-Person) (Added Item 6.3(h))
- (8) Evan Pettitt and Shelby Perrie, ACORN (In-Person) (Added Item 6.3(i))
- (9) Darlene Wesley, ACORN (Virtually) (Added Item 6.3(j))
- (10) Susan McArthur, ACORN (In-Person) (Added Item 6.3(k))
- (11) Brian Doucet, University of Waterloo, School of Planning (In-Person) (Added Item 6.3(l))
- (12) Brigitte Huard, ACORN (Pre-Recorded) (Added Item 6.3(m))
- (13) Dania Majid, Advocacy Centre for Tenants Ontario (Virtually) (Added Item 6.3(n))

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

Conflict	-	Mayor Andrea Horwath
Yes	-	Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 2 Councillor Cameron Kroetsch
Yes	-	Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
Yes	-	Ward 4 Councillor Tammy Hwang
Yes	-	Ward 5 Councillor Matt Francis
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 Jeff Beattie
Yes	-	Ward 11 Councillor Mark Tadeson
Yes	-	Ward 12 Councillor Craig Cassar
Yes	-	Ward 13 Councillor Alex Wilson
Conflict	-	Ward 14 Councillor Mike Spadafora
Yes	-	Ward 15 Councillor Ted McMeekin

Deputy Mayor Spadafora assumed the Chair.

**(f) DELEGATIONS (Item 7)**

- (i) Glen Norton, Music Hall Alliance / New Vision Church, respecting an overview for plans for the Music Hall at New Vision Church (In-Person) (Approved December 6, 2023) (Item 7.2)**

Glen Norton, Music Hall Alliance / New Vision Church; Helen Bradley, New Vision Church; and Dan Peace, New Vision Church, addressed the Committee respecting an overview for plans for the Music Hall at New Vision Church.

**(Jackson/Clark)**

That the delegates be provided with an additional 5 minutes to address the Committee with their delegation.

**Result: MOTION, CARRIED by a vote of 16 to 0, as follows:**

Yes	-	Mayor Andrea Horwath
Yes	-	Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 2 Councillor Cameron Kroetsch
Yes	-	Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
Yes	-	Ward 4 Councillor Tammy Hwang
Yes	-	Ward 5 Councillor Matt Francis
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 Jeff Beattie
Yes	-	Ward 11 Councillor Mark Tadeson
Yes	-	Ward 12 Councillor Craig Cassar
Yes	-	Ward 13 Councillor Alex Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 14 Councillor Mike Spadafora
Yes	-	Ward 15 Councillor Ted McMeekin

**(Tadeson/A. Wilson)**

That the delegation from Glen Norton, Music Hall Alliance / New Vision Church; Helen Bradley, New Vision Church; and Dan Peace, New Vision Church, respecting an overview for plans for the Music Hall at New Vision Church, be received.

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

Yes	-	Mayor Andrea Horwath
Yes	-	Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 2 Councillor Cameron Kroetsch
Yes	-	Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann

Yes	-	Ward 4	Councillor Tammy Hwang
Absent	-	Ward 5	Councillor Matt Francis
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 Jeff Beattie
Yes	-	Ward 11	Councillor Mark Tadeson
Yes	-	Ward 12	Councillor Craig Cassar
Yes	-	Ward 13	Councillor Alex Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 14	Councillor Mike Spadafora
Yes	-	Ward 15	Councillor Ted McMeekin

Due to a declared conflict Deputy Mayor Spadafora relinquished the Chair to Councillor A. Wilson during the consideration of the following items:

**(ii) Delegations respecting Item 10.1 - Addressing Renovictions, Tenant Displacement and Property Standards in Apartment Buildings in the City of Hamilton (PED23072) (City Wide) (Added Item 7.3)**

- (1) The following delegates addressed the Committee respecting Item 10.1 - Addressing Renovictions, Tenant Displacement and Property Standards in Apartment Buildings in the City of Hamilton (PED23072) (City Wide):
- (a) Karen Andrews, Advocacy Centre for Tenants Ontario (In-Person) (Added Item 7.3(a))
  - (b) Merima Menzildzic, Hamilton Community Legal Clinic (In-Person) (Added Item 7.3(b))
  - (c) Colleen Langmead, ACORN Hamilton (Virtually) (Added Item 7.3(c))
  - (d) Pauline Roberts, ACORN (In-Person) (Added Item 7.3(d))
  - (e) David Galvin, ACORN (In-Person) (Added Item 7.3(e))
  - (f) Jennifer McGrath, ACORN (In-Person) (Added Item 7.3(f))
  - (g) Lorne MacMillan, ACORN (In-Person) (Added Item 7.3(g))
  - (h) Evan Pettitt and Shelby Perrie, ACORN (In-Person) (Added Item 7.3(h))
  - (i) Darlene Wesley, ACORN (Virtually) (Added Item 7.3(i))
  - (j) Brian Doucet, University of Waterloo, School of Planning (In-Person) (Added Item 7.3(k))
  - (k) Brigitte Huard, ACORN (Pre-Recorded) (Added Item 7.3(l))
  - (l) Dania Majid, Advocacy Centre for Tenants Ontario (Virtually) (Added Item 7.3(m))

- (2) The following delegate was not present when called upon:
- (a) Susan McArthur, ACORN (In-Person) (Added Item 7.3(j))
- (3) **(Nann/Kroetsch)**  
That the following delegations respecting Item 10.1 - Addressing Renovictions, Tenant Displacement and Property Standards in Apartment Buildings in the City of Hamilton (PED23072) (City Wide), be received:
- (a) Karen Andrews, Advocacy Centre for Tenants Ontario (In-Person) (Added Item 7.3(a))
- (b) Merima Menzildzic, Hamilton Community Legal Clinic (In-Person) (Added Item 7.3(b))
- (c) Colleen Langmead, ACORN Hamilton (Virtually) (Added Item 7.3(c))
- (d) Pauline Roberts, ACORN (In-Person) (Added Item 7.3(d))
- (e) David Galvin, ACORN (In-Person) (Added Item 7.3(e))
- (f) Jennifer McGrath, ACORN (In-Person) (Added Item 7.3(f))
- (g) Lorne MacMillan, ACORN (In-Person) (Added Item 7.3(g))
- (h) Evan Pettitt and Shelby Perrie, ACORN (In-Person) (Added Item 7.3(h))
- (i) Darlene Wesley, ACORN (Virtually) (Added Item 7.3(i))
- (j) Brian Doucet, University of Waterloo, School of Planning (In-Person) (Added Item 7.3(k))
- (k) Brigitte Huard, ACORN (Pre-Recorded) (Added Item 7.3(l))
- (l) Dania Majid, Advocacy Centre for Tenants Ontario (Virtually) (Added Item 7.3(m))

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

Conflict	-	Mayor Andrea Horwath
Yes	-	Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 2 Councillor Cameron Kroetsch
Yes	-	Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
Yes	-	Ward 4 Councillor Tammy Hwang
Yes	-	Ward 5 Councillor Matt Francis
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 Jeff Beattie
Yes	-	Ward 11 Councillor Mark Tadeson
Yes	-	Ward 12 Councillor Craig Cassar
Yes	-	Ward 13 Councillor Alex Wilson
Conflict	-	Ward 14 Councillor Mike Spadafora
Absent	-	Ward 15 Councillor Ted McMeekin

Deputy Mayor Spadafora assumed the Chair.

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

**(i) City of Hamilton Public Engagement Policy (CM21101(b)) (City Wide)  
(Outstanding Business List Item) (Item 8.1)**

Morgan Stahl, Director - Government Relations and Community Engagement; Cindy Mutch, Manager - Community Initiatives; and Jocelyn Strutt, Senior Project Manager - Public Engagement, addressed Committee with a presentation respecting Report CM21101(b), City of Hamilton Public Engagement Policy.

**(Kroetsch/Tadeson)**

That the staff presentation respecting Report CM21101(b), City of Hamilton Public Engagement Policy, be received.

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

Absent	-	Mayor Andrea Horwath
Yes	-	Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 2 Councillor Cameron Kroetsch
Yes	-	Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
Yes	-	Ward 4 Councillor Tammy Hwang
Yes	-	Ward 5 Councillor Matt Francis
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 Jeff Beattie
Yes	-	Ward 11 Councillor Mark Tadeson
Yes	-	Ward 12 Councillor Craig Cassar
Yes	-	Ward 13 Councillor Alex Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 14 Councillor Mike Spadafora
Yes	-	Ward 15 Councillor Ted McMeekin

For disposition of this matter, refer to Item 1.

**(ii) Recess**

**(Nann/M. Wilson)**

That the General Issues Committee recess for 30 minutes until 1:55 p.m.

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

Yes	-	Mayor Andrea Horwath
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Yes	-	Ward 1	Councillor Maureen Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 2	Councillor Cameron Kroetsch
Yes	-	Ward 3	Councillor Nrinder Nann
Yes	-	Ward 4	Councillor Tammy Hwang
Yes	-	Ward 5	Councillor Matt Francis
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 Jeff Beattie
Yes	-	Ward 11	Councillor Mark Tadeson
Yes	-	Ward 12	Councillor Craig Cassar
Yes	-	Ward 13	Councillor Alex Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 14	Councillor Mike Spadafora
Absent	-	Ward 15	Councillor Ted McMeekin

Due to a declared conflict Deputy Mayor Spadafora relinquished the Chair to Councillor A. Wilson during the consideration of the following items:

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

**(i) Addressing Renovictions, Tenant Displacement and Property Standards in Apartment Buildings in the City of Hamilton (PED23072) (City Wide) (Item 10.1)**

**(Nann/Kroetsch)**

- (e) That staff be directed to prepare a Renovation Licence and Relocation Listing By-law to regulate repairs and renovations to rental units, in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor, as per Appendix "D" to Report PED23072, following the 2024 budget process, subject to the approval of the staffing and resourcing outlined in Recommendation (h) as part of the 2024 Budget;
- (f) That City of Hamilton User Fees and Charges By-law No. 23-112 be amended to reflect the new Renovation Licence and Relocation Listing Fee Schedule developed at 10% cost recovery attached as Appendix "E" to Report PED23072;
- (g) That, subject to the adoption of the Renovation Licence and Relocation Listing By-law, the Transition Plan as detailed in Appendix "F" to Report PED23072 to develop, implement and administer the By-law be approved;
- (h) That the appropriate General Managers be directed to refer the following to the 2024 Budget for the implementation of the Renovation Licence and Relocation Listing By-law:

- (i) Three full-time (3.0 FTE) Licensing Administrators in the Licensing and By-law Services Division to administer licence applications, enter investigation files and respond to inquiries, at an estimated total cost of \$287,000 annually (\$258,300 net levy);
- (ii) Three full-time (3.0 FTE) Licensing Compliance Officer in the Licensing and By-law Services Division to enforce the By-law, at an estimated total cost of \$327,000 annually (\$294,300 net levy);
- (iii) One full-time (1.0 FTE) Solicitor in Legal Services to respond to legal challenges and increased Property Standards Committee hearings, at an estimated total cost of \$212,000 annually (\$190,800 net levy);
- (iv) One full-time (1.0 FTE) Housing Clerk in the Housing Services Division to facilitate tenant support/education, at an estimated total cost of \$80,000 annually (\$72,000 net levy);
- (v) The purchase of three (3) vehicles at an estimated initial cost of \$163,575 and an annual operating cost of \$26,850 (\$24,165 net levy);
- (vi) An outreach, education and communications budget of \$10,000 annually (\$9,000 net levy); and
- (vii) A one-time cost of \$150,000 to fund the transition period for the implementation of the By-law.

For disposition of this matter, refer to Item 6.

- (ii) **Addressing Renovictions, Tenant Displacement and Property Standards in Apartment Buildings in the City of Hamilton (PED23072(a)) (City Wide) (Outstanding Business List Item) (Item 10.1(a))**
  - (i) **(Nann/Kroetsch)**
    - (a) That staff be directed to present for Council's approval, the Renovation Licence and Relocation By-law to regulate repairs and renovations to rental units, in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor, attached as Appendix "A" to Report PED23072(a), following the 2024 budget process and subject to the approval of the staffing and resourcing outlined in Recommendation (d) as part of the 2024 Budget;

- (b) That City of Hamilton User Fees and Charges By-law No. 23-112 be amended to reflect the new Renovation Licence and Relocation By-law Fee Schedule developed at 10% cost recovery attached as Appendix "B" to Report PED23072(a);
- (c) That, subject to the adoption of the Renovation Licence and Relocation By-law by Council, the Transition Plan as detailed in Appendix "C" to Report PED23072(a) to develop, implement and administer the By-law be approved;
- (d) That the General Manager of Planning and Economic Development be directed to refer the following to the 2024 Budget for the implementation of the Renovation Licence and Relocation By-law;
  - (i) Three full-time (3.0 FTE) Licensing Administrators in the Licensing and By-law Services Division to administer licence applications, enter investigation files and respond to inquiries, at an estimated total cost of \$287,000 annually (\$258,300 net levy);
  - (ii) Three full-time (3.0 FTE) Licensing Compliance Officers in the Licensing and By-law Services Division to enforce the By-law, at an estimated total cost of \$327,000 annually (\$294,300 net levy);
  - (iii) One full-time (1.0 FTE) Solicitor in Legal Services to respond to legal challenges and increased Property Standards Committee hearings, at an estimated total cost of \$212,000 annually (\$190,800 net levy);
  - (iv) One full-time (1.0 FTE) Housing Clerk in the Housing Services Division to facilitate tenant support/education, at an estimated total cost of \$80,000 annually (\$72,000 net levy);
  - (v) The purchase of three (3) vehicles at an estimated initial cost of \$163,575 and an annual operating cost of \$26,850 (\$24,165 net levy);
  - (vi) An outreach, education and communications budget of \$10,000 annually (\$9,000 net levy); and,

- (vii) A one-time cost of \$150,000 for the the transition period for the implementation of the By-law be funded by the Tax Stabilization Reserve 110046.
  - (e) That Licensing and By-law Services staff be directed to work with Legal Services to obtain approval for set fines with the Ministry of the Attorney General;
  - (f) That subject to and following the approval of set fines by the Ministry of the Attorney General, staff be directed to work with Legal Services to amend the Administrative Penalties By-law No. 17-225 to incorporate charges under the Renovation Licence and Relocation By-law.
- (iii) (Tadeson/Beattie)**  
That consideration of Report PED23072(a), Addressing Renovictions, Tenant Displacement and Property Standards in Apartment Buildings in the City of Hamilton, be DEFERRED until after Closed Session.

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

Conflict	-	Mayor Andrea Horwath
Yes	-	Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 2 Councillor Cameron Kroetsch
Yes	-	Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
Yes	-	Ward 4 Councillor Tammy Hwang
Yes	-	Ward 5 Councillor Matt Francis
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 Jeff Beattie
Yes	-	Ward 11 Councillor Mark Tadeson
Yes	-	Ward 12 Councillor Craig Cassar
Yes	-	Ward 13 Councillor Alex Wilson
Conflict	-	Ward 14 Councillor Mike Spadafora
Yes	-	Ward 15 Councillor Ted McMeekin

For disposition of this matter, refer to Item 7.

**(iii) Recess**

**(Danko/Tadeson)**

That the General Issues Committee recess for 15 minutes until 4:25 p.m.

**Result: MOTION, CARRIED by a vote of 14 to 1, as follows:**

Yes	-	Mayor Andrea Horwath
Yes	-	Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 2 Councillor Cameron Kroetsch
Yes	-	Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
Yes	-	Ward 4 Councillor Tammy Hwang
Absent	-	Ward 5 Councillor Matt Francis
Yes	-	Ward 6 Councillor Tom Jackson
Yes	-	Ward 7 Councillor Esther Pauls
Yes	-	Ward 8 Councillor J. P. Danko
No	-	Ward 9 Councillor Brad Clark
Yes	-	Ward 10 Councillor Jeff Beattie
Yes	-	Ward 11 Councillor Mark Tadeson
Yes	-	Ward 12 Councillor Craig Cassar
Yes	-	Ward 13 Councillor Alex Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 14 Councillor Mike Spadafora
Absent	-	Ward 15 Councillor Ted McMeekin

**(iv) 2024 Tax Supported User Fees (FCS24003) (City Wide) (Item 10.2)**

Due to a declared conflict, Deputy Mayor Spadafora relinquished the Chair to Councillor Cassar during the consideration of User Group Ice Rates (Hourly), on page 48 of Appendix "A" to Report FCS24003, 2024 Tax Supported User Fees.

For disposition of this matter, refer to Item 8(a).

Deputy Mayor Spadafora assumed the Chair following the result of the vote.

**(v) Ward Office Staffing Recommendations (HUR24001) (City Wide) (Added Item 10.12)**

**(i) (Kroetsch/A. Wilson)**

- (a) That staff be directed to increase each Ward Office staffing budget by one (1) full time equivalent (FTE) administrative position, salary grade 3, compensated at \$66,431-\$82,039 annually (2023) in order to ensure appropriate administrative support for business and operational continuity, and provide adequate coverage for legislated absences such as vacation, illness and/or to cover extra work. The cumulative amount for the proposed additional FTEs (N=15) is \$1.62 million and will be referred for consideration to the 2024 budget deliberations.

- (b) That staff be directed to conduct a non-union Job Evaluation of existing Ward Office positions to confirm the appropriate non-union salary grade, create accurate and up-to-date job descriptions and appropriate, consistent job functions/titles within the Ward Offices.
- (c) That Human Resources be directed to assign a dedicated HR staff resource for administrative support, using existing complement, in order to provide Councillors with the necessary support and assistance in regard to employment matters such as recruitment, onboarding, mandatory and required training, compliance with Corporate policies and procedures, and Council transition requirements.
- (d) That staff be directed to create a Council Staffing Policy, outlining roles and responsibilities of Members of Council for managing City employees working in their Ward Offices, and affirm applicable City Human Resource policy requirements as it relates to Ward Office staff.
- (e) That staff be directed to revise the process for formulating Ward Office Budgets to encompass only discretionary expenses, set at a fixed sum of \$55,710 for the year 2024, with provision for annual adjustments based on the Consumer Price Index.
- (f) That staff be directed to retain the Inner-City Fund for Wards 2, 3, 4, and 5 and that it be added to the fixed amount in recommendation (e).

(ii) **(M. Wilson/Kroetsch)**

That Report HUR24001, respecting Ward Office Staffing Recommendations, **be amended**, by adding an additional subsection (g), as follows:

- (g) ***That staff be directed to evaluate the determinants and methodology used to inform the Inner-City Fund to ensure transparency and fairness across all wards and report back in Q3 2024 to the General Issues Committee.***

**Result: AMENDMENT, CARRIED by a 2/3 Majority vote of 16 to 0, as follows:**

Yes	-	Mayor Andrea Horwath
Yes	-	Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 2 Councillor Cameron Kroetsch
Yes	-	Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann

Yes	-	Ward 4	Councillor Tammy Hwang
Yes	-	Ward 5	Councillor Matt Francis
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 Jeff Beattie
Yes	-	Ward 11	Councillor Mark Tadeson
Yes	-	Ward 12	Councillor Craig Cassar
Yes	-	Ward 13	Councillor Alex Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 14	Councillor Mike Spadafora
Yes	-	Ward 15	Councillor Ted McMeekin

For further disposition of this matter, refer to Item 14.

**(vi) Extend the Curfew**

**(Kroetsch/A. Wilson)**

That the General Issues Committee meeting of January 17, 2024, be extended past the 5:30 pm curfew, up to an additional 1.5 hours.

**Result: MOTION, CARRIED by a vote of 13 to 3, as follows:**

Yes	-	Mayor Andrea Horwath
Yes	-	Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 2 Councillor Cameron Kroetsch
Yes	-	Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
Yes	-	Ward 4 Councillor Tammy Hwang
No	-	Ward 5 Councillor Matt Francis
Yes	-	Ward 6 Councillor Tom Jackson
Yes	-	Ward 7 Councillor Esther Pauls
No	-	Ward 8 Councillor J. P. Danko
No	-	Ward 9 Councillor Brad Clark
Yes	-	Ward 10 Councillor Jeff Beattie
Yes	-	Ward 11 Councillor Mark Tadeson
Yes	-	Ward 12 Councillor Craig Cassar
Yes	-	Ward 13 Councillor Alex Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 14 Councillor Mike Spadafora
Yes	-	Ward 15 Councillor Ted McMeekin

**(i) NOTICES OF MOTION (Item 12)****(i) Authorization to Enter into Grant and Loan Agreements as it Relates to Report PED17219, Properties and Process for Disposition of Lands for Affordable Housing (City Wide) (Added Item 12.1)****(Nann/Kroetsch)**

That the Rules of Order be waived to introduce a motion respecting Authorization to Enter into Grant and Loan Agreements as it Relates to Report PED17219, Properties and Process for Disposition of Lands for Affordable Housing.

**Result: MOTION, CARRIED by a 2/3 Majority vote of 13 to 1, as follows:**

No	-	Mayor Andrea Horwath
Yes	-	Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 2 Councillor Cameron Kroetsch
Yes	-	Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
Yes	-	Ward 4 Councillor Tammy Hwang
Absent	-	Ward 5 Councillor Matt Francis
Yes	-	Ward 6 Councillor Tom Jackson
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Yes	-	Ward 12 Councillor Craig Cassar
Yes	-	Ward 13 Councillor Alex Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 14 Councillor Mike Spadafora
Yes	-	Ward 15 Councillor Ted McMeekin

For disposition of this matter, refer to Item 17.

Councillor Kroetsch introduced the following Notice of Motion:

**(ii) Arts and Cultural Performance Space and Potential Future Multi-Purpose Community Hub (Added Item 12.2)**

WHEREAS the repurposing of the former Centenary Methodist Church (now known as the New Vision Church) built in 1868 would preserve an architecturally significant space in downtown Hamilton, provide a solution to the lack of a mid-sized music and performance venue in Hamilton and create a possible future opportunity for an affordable accessible and safe community hub space;

WHEREAS the financial viability of the New Vision Church property is in jeopardy due to a shrinking congregation and the need for structural and restorative work;

WHEREAS a Not-for Profit named The Music Hall Alliance has been incorporated to lease the property from the Trustees of the New Vision Church to transform this historic space into an arts and cultural performance space in a multi-phase project;

WHEREAS the City of Hamilton's Music Strategy (2014) identified a need for a mid-sized venue within the downtown core;

WHEREAS Hamilton's Economic Development Action Plan (2016-2020) identified the need for a mid-sized venue in downtown Hamilton;

WHEREAS Downtown Hamilton has a distinct economic role as the entertainment and cultural centre of the City supported through various City policies and plans;

WHEREAS Phase 1 of the project will transform the existing New Vision Church into a mid-sized arts and cultural performance space venue;

WHEREAS a future Phase 2 could further transform the building into a Multi-Purpose Community Hub which could include programming and services for equity deserving communities, and the possibility of a EarlyON Child and Family Centre focused on meeting the needs of equity deserving families and children.

WHEREAS EarlyON Child and Family Centres provide free, high-quality programs for families and children from prenatal to 6 years old, where families can learn and play with their child and get advice from early childhood professionals;

WHEREAS the Early Years Community Plan has identified Equity, Diversity, Inclusion and Belonging as a priority for the early years system;

WHEREAS the development of a Multi-Purpose Community Hub aligns with the City's Community Safety & Well-being Plan which aims to ensure that all residents are safe, have a sense of belonging, and have access to services.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:**

- (a) That the General Manager of Planning and Economic Development be authorized and directed to enter into and execute any necessary agreements with The Trustees of The New Vision Church, in a form

satisfactory to the City Solicitor, to provide funding, not to exceed \$900,000, to support structural repairs to the existing sanctuary floor and supporting structure as well as hazardous abatement works and related works that are necessary for the conversion of the auditorium space of the former 1868 heritage-designated Centenary Church into a 1,000 occupant performance, event and community space, to be funded 50% from Economic Development Initiatives Capital Project (3621708900) and 50% from the Ward 2 Capital Re-Investment Reserve (108052);

- (b) That prior to the provision of any funding, The Trustees of The New Vision Church be required to provide the following to the satisfaction of the General Manager of Healthy and Safe Communities and the General Manager of Planning and Economic Development:
  - (i) confirmation of the organization's not-for-profit status, governance and organizational structure;
  - (ii) an operating plan for how the space will be utilized and managed, and that demonstrates a sustainable business model for the facility;
  - (iii) a confirmed scope, budget and timing for the works to be funded; and
  - (iv) a Community Use Plan that would allow periodic use of the venue at reduced or nominal cost for the City of Hamilton and for local not-for profit arts and culture organizations and equity-deserving groups and organizations;
  - (v) confirmation of a lease and approval from the facility owner for use of Centenary Church into a 1,000 occupant performance, event and community space
- (c) That The Trustees of The New Vision Church provide an annual report to the City of Hamilton itemizing how they have met the commitments contained within the Community Use Plan;
- (d) That The Trustees of The New Vision Church be invited to submit a capital plan, operating plan, and business plan to the City for the full transformation of the former 1868 heritage-designated Centenary Church into a state-of-the-art 1,000 occupant performance, event and community space, including but not limited to accessible gender neutral washrooms, lobby restoration, ventilation and electrical service upgrades, production elevator, and

related works, and a proposed funding model for the implementation of the plan, including a potential City contribution not to exceed \$3 million, and that staff be directed to review and report back to Council with recommendations regarding the City's potential support for the proposed plan as part of the 2025 Budget process;

- (e) That any funding provided for the works identified in Recommendation (d) be contingent upon The Trustees of The New Vision Church entering into an agreement with the City that gives the City the option to lease, at reduced or nominal cost, some or all of the portion of the building excluding the sanctuary space and lobby space, for the purpose of establishing a Community Hub which addresses safer space, programming and services needs and gaps for equity deserving communities, such as counselling, mental health supports, safe space for connecting and building relationships, employment services, legal support, settlement and newcomer supports, and child minding, including the possibility of locating an EarlyON Child and Family Centre with a specific focus on meeting the needs of equity deserving families and children;
- (f) That the Healthy and Safe Communities Department be directed to secure contract staff or external resources to lead an engagement with community stakeholders to determine an operating and program plan for a Community Hub envisioned within the space, to be funded from the Early Years System Reserve (112218) up to \$100,000; or a Reserve deemed appropriate by the General Manager of Finance/Corporate Services; and,
- (g) That the Healthy and Safe Communities Department be directed to report back to Council prior to the 2025 Budget process with a recommended operating and program plan for the Community Hub including any required City costs and/or contributions.

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

Committee determined that discussion of Items 14.1 was not required in Closed Session; therefore, the matters were addressed in Open Session, as follows:

**(i) Legal Advice Regarding Renoviction By-Laws (LS23020(b)) (City Wide) (Added Item 14.1)**

For disposition of this matter, refer to Item 18.

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

**(Tadeson/Kroetsch)**

That there being no further business, the General Issues Committee be adjourned at 6:09 p.m.

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

Yes	-	Mayor Andrea Horwath
Yes	-	Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 2 Councillor Cameron Kroetsch
Yes	-	Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
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Respectfully submitted,

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Deputy Mayor Mike Spadafora  
Chair, General Issues Committee

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Angela McRae  
Legislative Coordinator  
Office of the City Clerk

Submitted on Mon, 01/29/2024 - 17:06

Submitted by: Anonymous

Submitted values are:

**Committee Requested**

Committee  
General Issues Committee

Will you be delegating in-person or virtually?  
Virtually

Will you be delegating via a pre-recorded video?  
No

**Requestor Information**

Requestor Information  
Stewart Klazinga  
ACORN Hamilton

Preferred Pronoun  
he/him

Reason(s) for delegation request  
To speak on the vote of LRT Operations, Private or Public, the vote which was moved to the GIC meeting of March 21st from the LRT subcommittee meeting on January 29th.

Will you be requesting funds from the City?  
No

Will you be submitting a formal presentation?  
No

Submitted on Tue, 01/30/2024 - 10:58

Submitted by: Anonymous

Submitted values are:

### **Committee Requested**

Committee  
General Issues Committee

Will you be delegating in-person or virtually?  
In-person

Will you be delegating via a pre-recorded video?  
No

### **Requestor Information**

Requestor Information  
David Braden  
Windrush Farm

Preferred Pronoun  
he/him

Reason(s) for delegation request

I am asking the City to provide land for a small housing project to demonstrate superior energy efficiency and housing affordability. This project is intended to educate and train individuals in energy efficient building techniques. I am NOT asking for money. This initiative should serve as a template for other well intentioned, non profit efforts to provide a variety of affordable, climate sensitive housing. It will complement the programs of other levels of government but will harness the goodwill of individuals who want to contribute to solutions.

Will you be requesting funds from the City?  
No

Will you be submitting a formal presentation?  
Yes

Submitted on Thu, 11/09/2023 - 12:58

Submitted by: Anonymous

Submitted values are:

### **Committee Requested**

Committee  
General Issues Committee

Will you be delegating in-person or virtually?  
In-person

Will you be delegating via a pre-recorded video?  
No

### **Requestor Information**

Requestor Information  
Douglas Mattina  
Kemp Care Network (formerly Dr. Bob Kemp Hospice)  
277 Stone Church Rd. East  
Hamilton, ON. L9B 1B1  
[doug.mattina@kemphospice.org](mailto:doug.mattina@kemphospice.org)

Preferred Pronoun  
he/him

Reason(s) for delegation request  
Kemp Care Network (KCN) (formerly Dr. Bob Kemp Hospice) has appeared in front of GIC twice in the past vis a vis the acquisition of land at 41 South St. W for a new build of a critically needed pediatric hospice. This notion was approved by GIC and ratified by council in July 2023.  
KCN would like to return to GIC to as a next step towards acquisition of the land (sale or lease) by providing members rationale and proposed options for consideration for said acquisition, to be voted on and act to provide direction to city officials to formally enter terms and conditions phase leading to a signed agreement.

Will you be requesting funds from the City?  
No

Will you be submitting a formal presentation?  
Yes



PAUL PALETTA  
CHILDREN'S  
HOSPICE

# SPEAKER

DANIELLE ZUCCHET

CEO—Kemp Care Network  
.....and very proud Mom to Keaton Millar





Wentworth  
Lodge

Area 2:  
(2 acres)

City Housing  
Hamilton

Area 1:  
(3.42 acres)

# SPEAKER

**MEGAN WRIGHT**

**Executive Director, Roger Neilson House  
Children's Hospice (Ottawa)  
Director of Pediatric Palliative Care at CHEO**

# FAMILY STORY

CHRISTINE  
AND KEVIN

...and very  
proud Mom and  
Dad to Carter

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=984Wkt8EEyE>





Submitted on Mon, 12/04/2023 - 11:57

Submitted by: Anonymous

Submitted values are:

### **Committee Requested**

Committee  
General Issues Committee

Will you be delegating in-person or virtually?  
In-person

Will you be delegating via a pre-recorded video?  
No

### **Requestor Information**

Requestor Information  
Matt Johnston  
Urban Solutions Planning & Land Development Consultants Inc.  
3 Studebaker Place, Unit 1  
Hamilton, Ontario. L8L 0C8  
[mjohnston@urbansolutions.info](mailto:mjohnston@urbansolutions.info)  
9055461087

Reason(s) for delegation request  
To address Committee in relation to the Hamilton Tax Increment Grant Program in relation to 75 James Street South, Hamilton, for a future GIC agenda.

Will you be requesting funds from the City?  
No

Will you be submitting a formal presentation?  
No

Submitted on Tue, 12/12/2023 - 11:21

Submitted by: Anonymous

Submitted values are:

### **Committee Requested**

Committee  
General Issues Committee

Will you be delegating in-person or virtually?  
In-person

Will you be delegating via a pre-recorded video?  
Yes

### **Requestor Information**

Requestor Information  
Susan J. Creer  
Accessible Hamilton

Reason(s) for delegation request

I want to complain about the BIA's taking away parking spaces in Dundas, Hamilton, etc. based on an article by Craig Campbell in the Hamilton Spec. Susan Creer wants to grieve BIA/City taking away parking in the City lots. Dec. 9. 2023. And complain about "porch patios" as well for the are not a covid relief but were set up by former Ward 1 councillor Aidan Johnson in his Westdale area in 2016 as a favour to the BIA restaurants there.

Will you be requesting funds from the City?  
No

Will you be submitting a formal presentation?  
Yes

Submitted on Mon, 12/18/2023 - 15:52

Submitted by: Anonymous

Submitted values are:

**Committee Requested**

Committee  
General Issues Committee

Will you be delegating in-person or virtually?  
In-person

Will you be delegating via a pre-recorded video?  
No

**Requestor Information**

Requestor Information  
Ian Hamilton  
HOPA Ports  
605 James St N  
Hamilton, ON. L8L 1K1  
[ihamilton@hopaports.ca](mailto:ihamilton@hopaports.ca)

Preferred Pronoun  
he/him

Reason(s) for delegation request  
Port authority activities update

Will you be requesting funds from the City?  
No

Will you be submitting a formal presentation?  
Yes

# HOPA

P O R T S

Presentation to City of Hamilton  
General Issues Committee  
February 2024

WHO WE ARE

# HAMILTON-OSHAWA PORT AUTHORITY IS ONE OF 17 PORT AUTHORITIES IN CANADA

HOPA's mandate is to facilitate trade and support Canadian industry, by providing industrial space, and efficient transportation connections.



WHO WE ARE

# CANADA PORT AUTHORITY

- **Non-share capital corporation**
- **Government-business enterprise**
- **Self-funded**
- **Reinvesting in our assets**
- **Activities determined by the Canada Marine Act and Letters Patent**
- **Our Vision: *To create and lead an integrated port network on the Great Lakes, to boost supply chain resilience***





# HOPA OVERVIEW



Niagara



Oshawa



Hamilton

**WHO WE ARE**

# **MANAGING WORKING WATERFRONTS ON THE CANADIAN GREAT LAKES**

- **Hamilton + Oshawa + Niagara**
- **1,400 acres**
- **10+ million MT cargo**
- **700 vessel calls per year**
- **180+ tenant companies**
- **66 staff**



EXPANDING FOOTPRINT

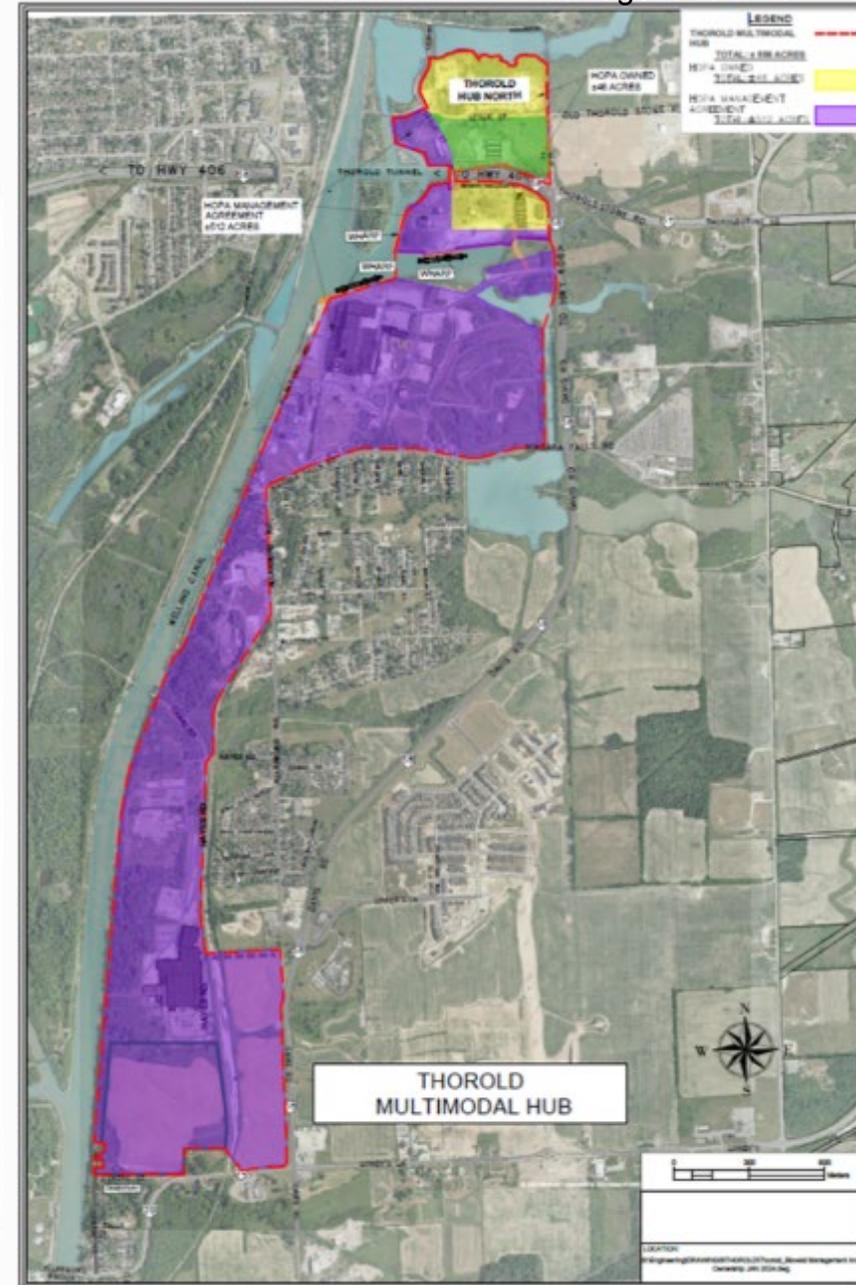
# GROWTH IN NIAGARA

## Thorold Multimodal Hub

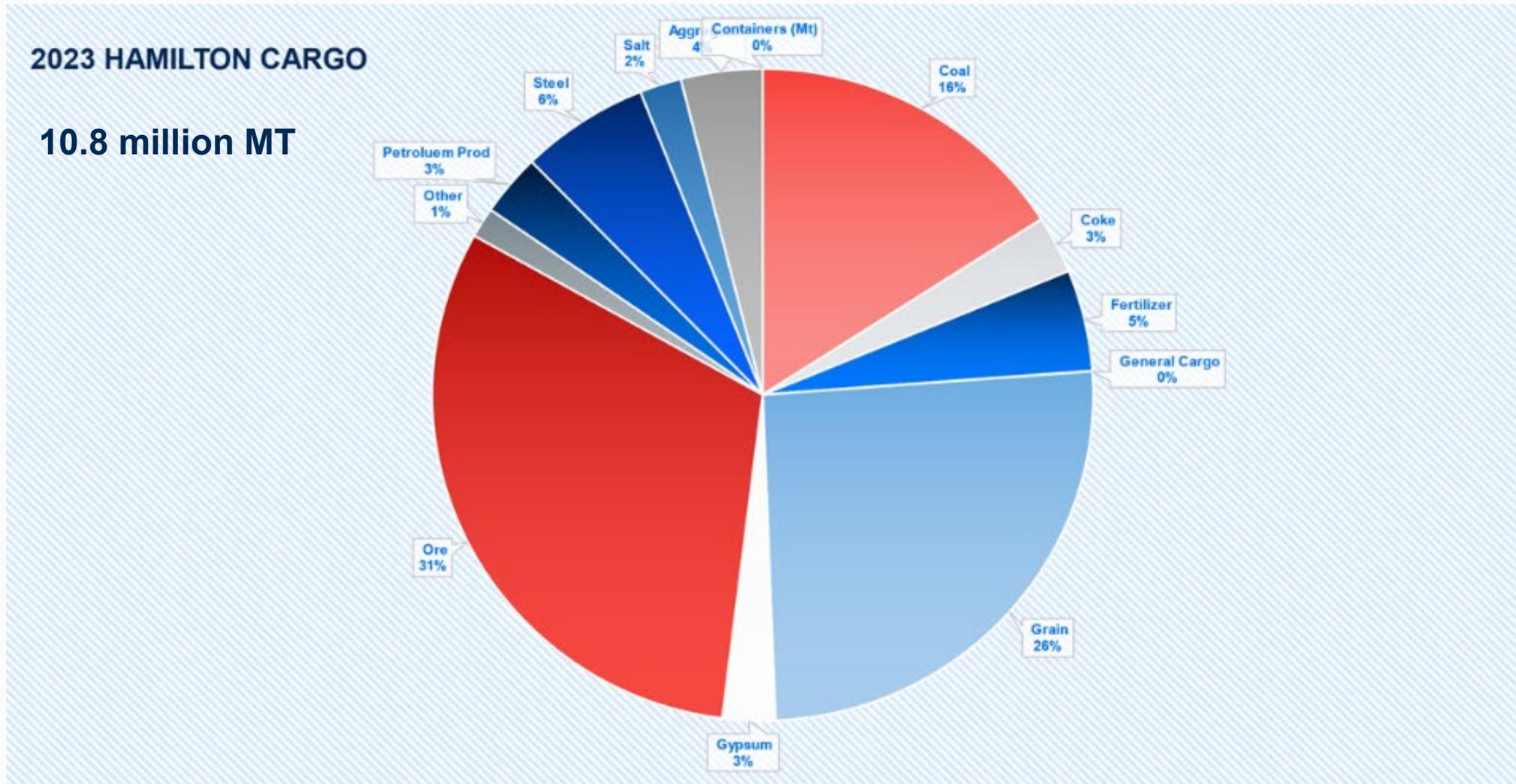
- Grown to over 500+ acres
- Over 1 million sq ft of building space
- 30+ tenants

## Port Colborne Lands

- Transport Canada Surplus Lands
- Transport Canada transferred 41 acres of surplus lands to HOPA in November

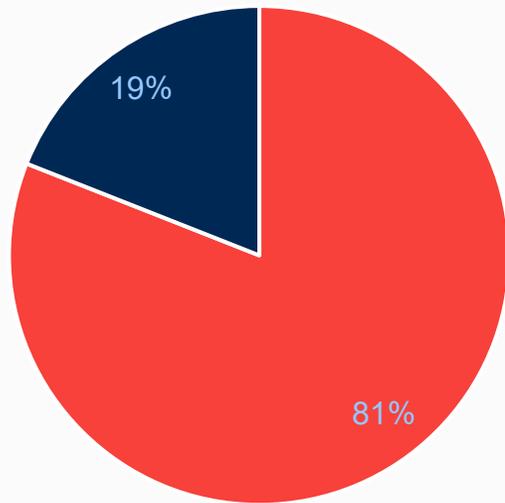


# 2023 HAMILTON CARGO



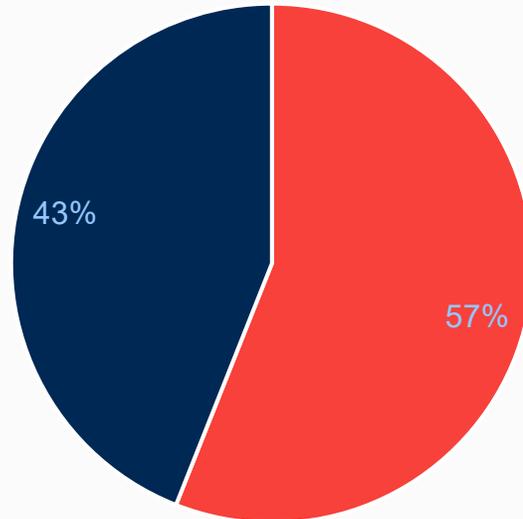
# CARGO DIVERSIFICATION

2008



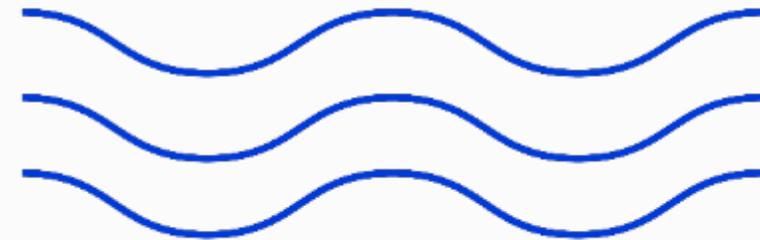
■ Steel-related ■ Diversified

2023



■ Steel-related ■ Diversified

**Diversified cargoes have more than doubled from 19% in 2008 to over 43% in 2023**





## ECONOMIC IMPACT

- **Cargo connected to \$6 billion in economic activity and 38,000 jobs**
- **Approx. 2,400 people work directly on port lands**
- **\$261 million in personal spending**
- **\$6.1 million in property taxes and PILTS**

MAJOR PROJECTS

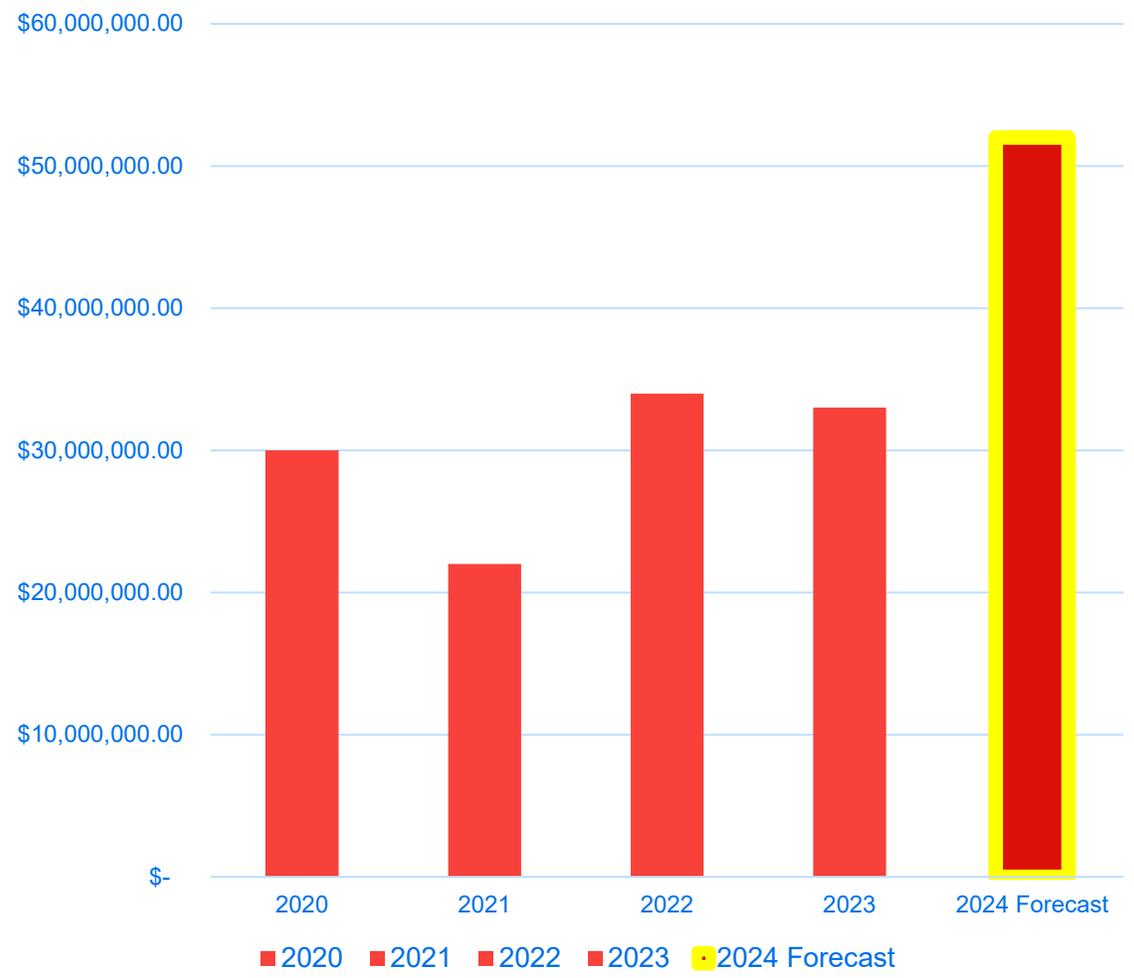
# Half-billion in private sector investment

Building on \$150+M port investment

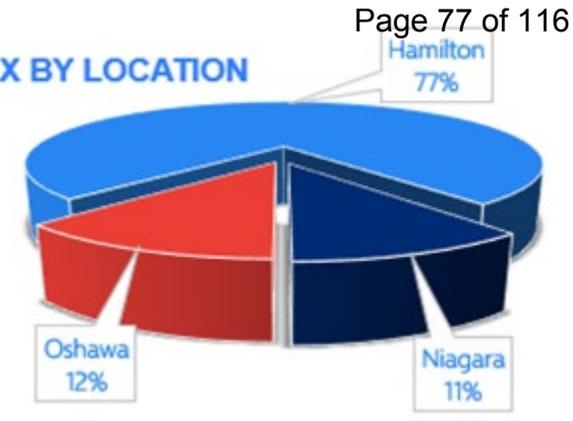


# 2024 CAPEX

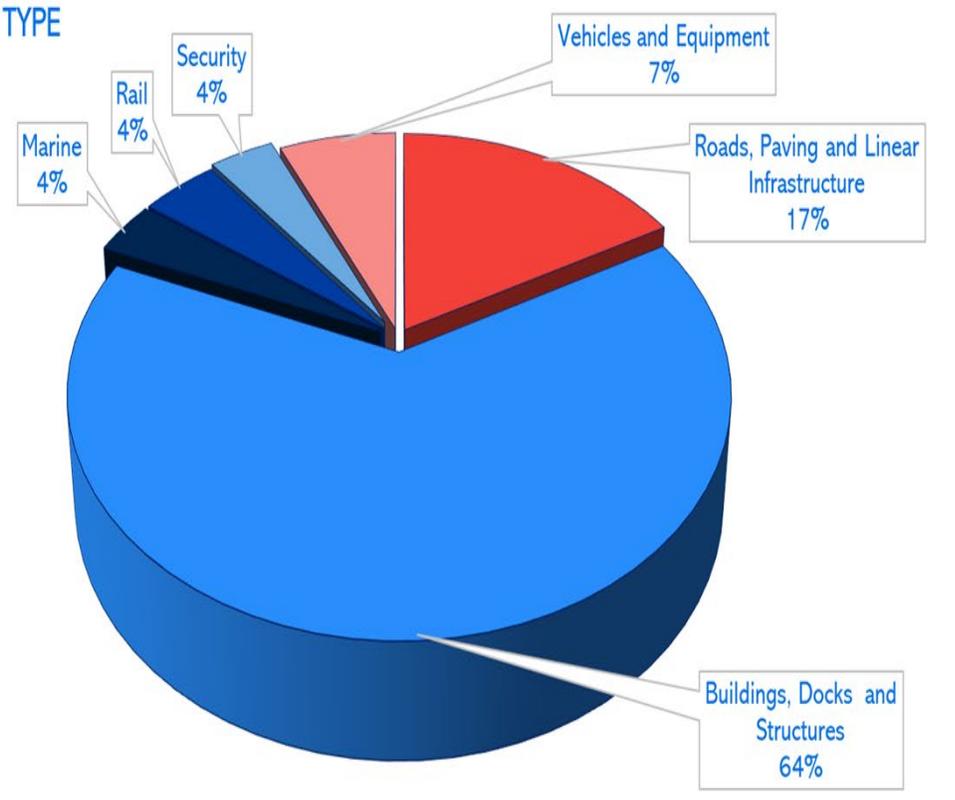
## Capital Expenditures by Year



## 2023 CAPEX BY LOCATION



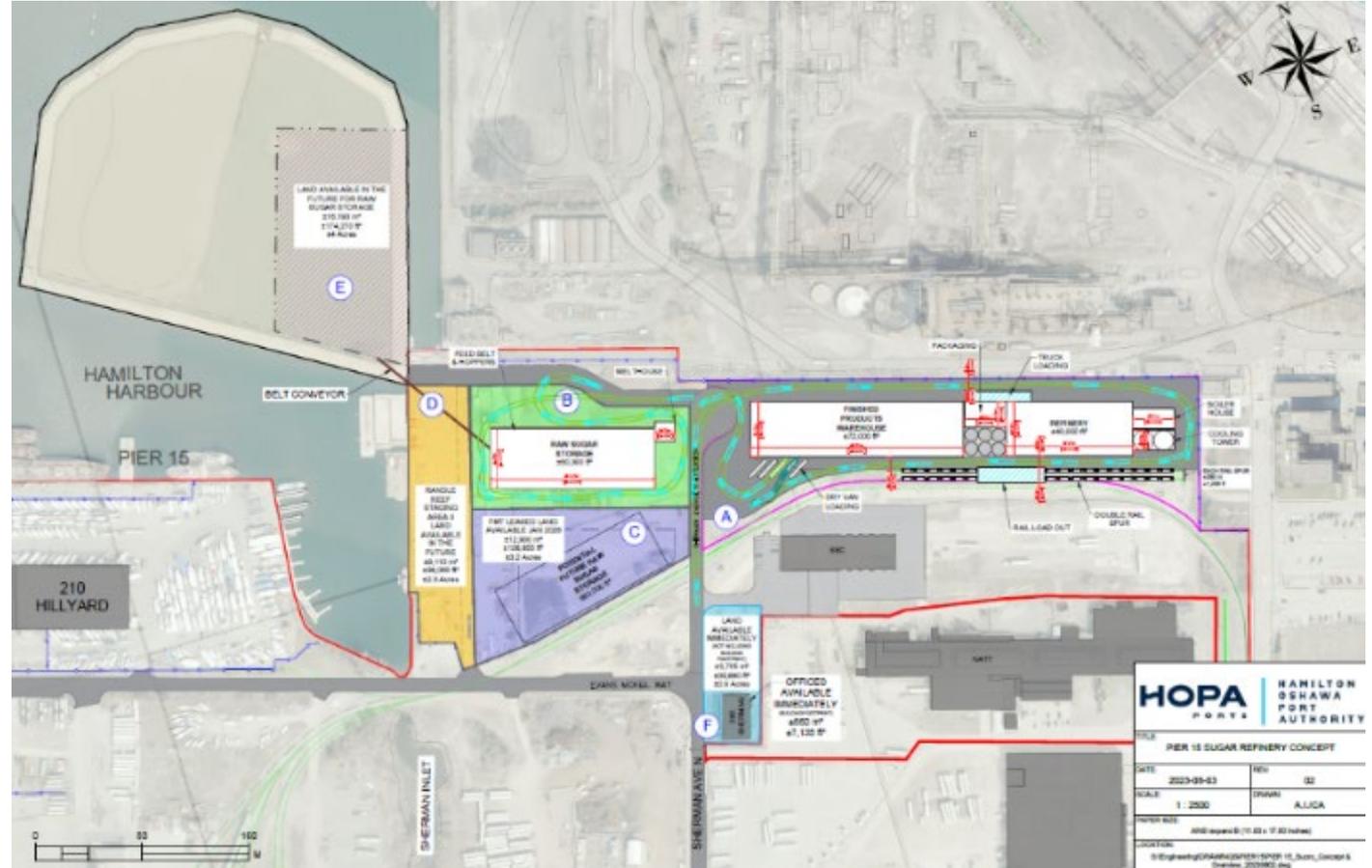
## CAPEX BY ASSET TYPE



**NOTABLE PROJECTS**

# Hamilton Pier 15 Sugar Refinery

- +/- \$135M tenant build commencing 2024
- Canada's Largest Sugar Refinery with output capacity of 1M MT/year



AG AT THE PORT



- Agri-food is now Hamilton’s largest manufacturing sector outside of steel
- Ag is driving cargo trends and infrastructure investment at the Ports of Hamilton and Oshawa

INVESTMENTS INCLUDE

THE FIRST NEW-BUILD  
**FLOUR MILL**  
IN ONTARIO IN 75 YEARS

THE FIRST NEW  
**SUGAR REFINERY**  
IN ONTARIO SINCE THE 1950S

THE FASTEST GROWING MID-SIZE  
**BREWERY**  
NATIONALLY



NOTABLE PROJECTS

# TTL Rail



NOTABLE PROJECTS

AMALGAMATED TRADING



NOTABLE PROJECTS

# RANDLE REEF



NOTABLE PROJECTS

# HAMILTON PIER 18

## New rail transload terminal





COMMUNITY

# BUILDING PORT CITY PRIDE

COMMUNITY

# HARBOUR TOUR 2023



COMMUNITY

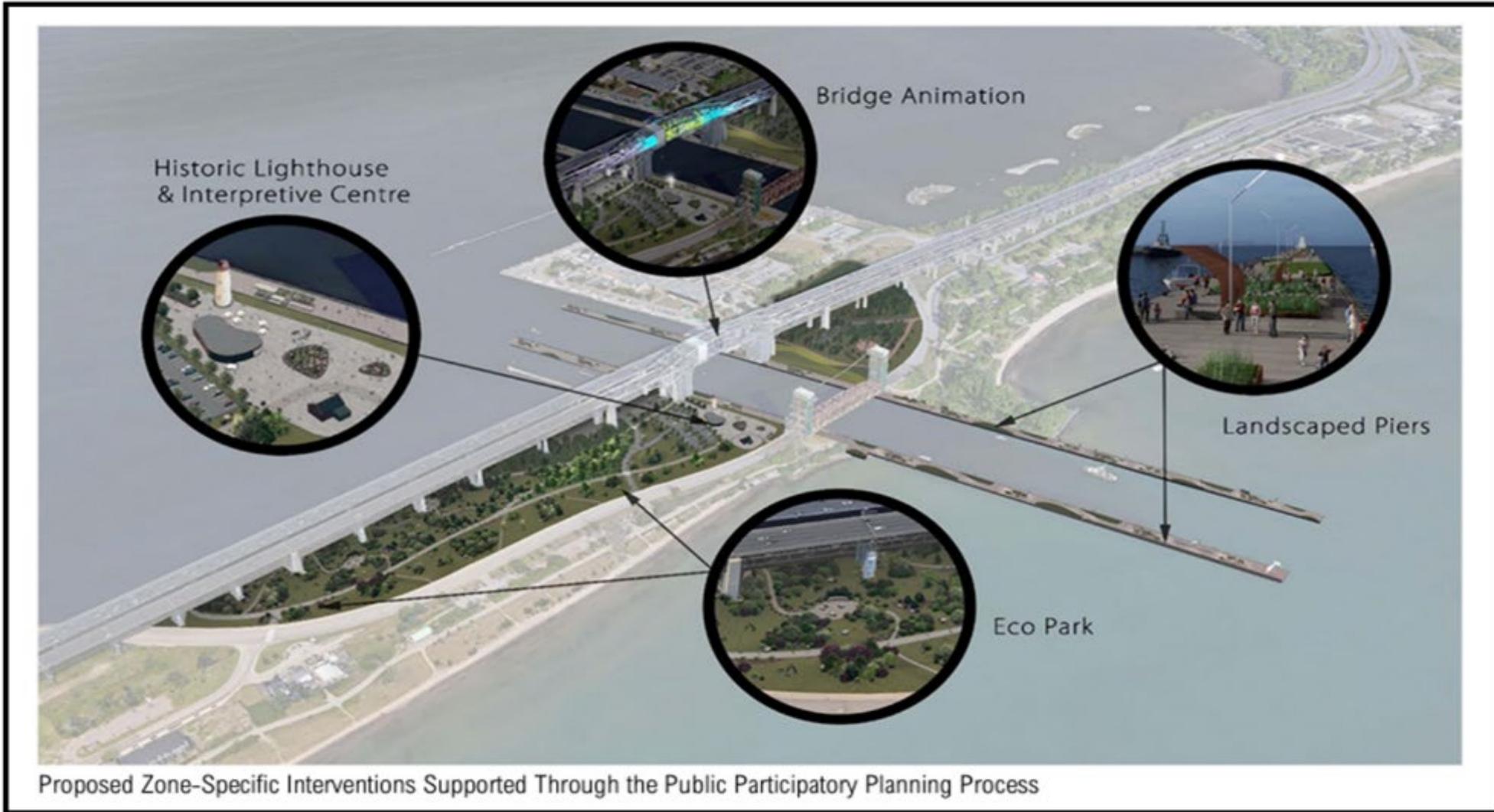
# PARTNERING WITH PORT CITY ORGANIZATIONS

- Supported 30 community organizations including Royal Botanical Gardens, the Hamilton Childrens Water Festival and City Kidz summer camp
- Cash & donations: \$94,000
- \$600,000 in free or subsidized space/dock space



COMMUNITY

# FISHERMAN'S PIER



# Ontario Marine Transportation Strategy

Supporting our marine  
sector

INTERGOVERNMENTAL

## FIRST EVER ONTARIO MARINE STRATEGY

- Hamilton is Ontario's leading port city
- New Ontario Marine Strategy opens door for new infrastructure funding for Hamilton's working waterfront
- Support for Short Sea Shipping





## INTEGRATED NETWORK

- Southern Ontario is heading for a population of 10 million in the next 20 years.

HOPA takes a regional perspective on goods movement.

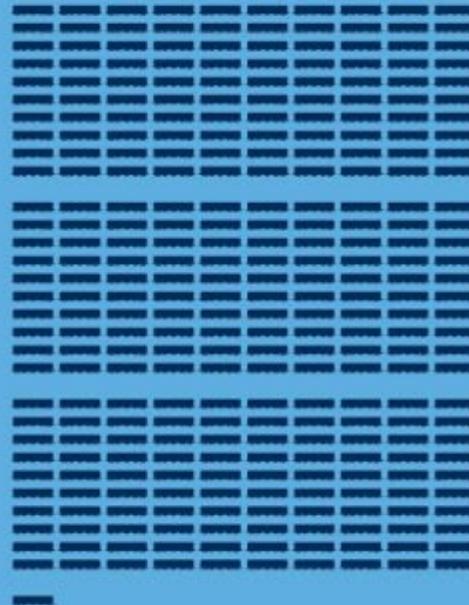
CARBON + CONGESTION

One Great Lakes vessel carries as much cargo as 301 railcars or 963 heavy trucks

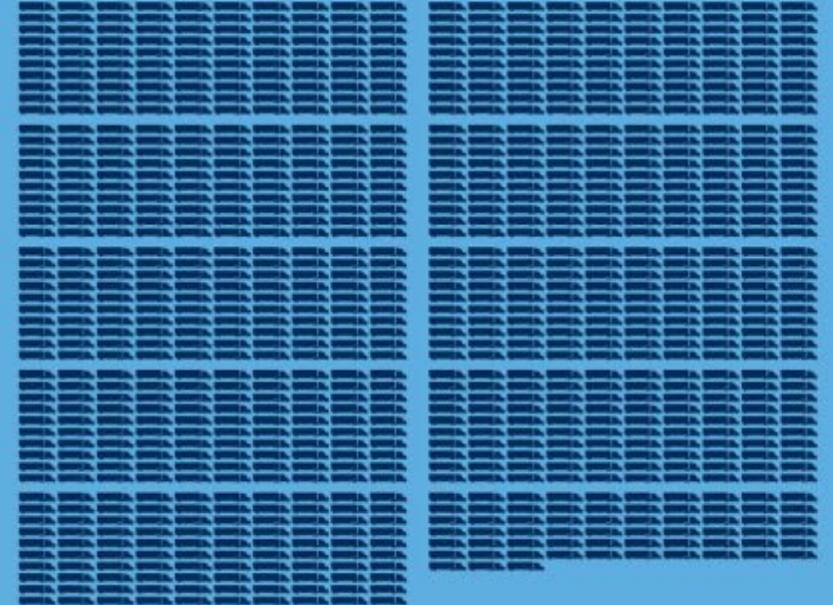
1 Ship



301 Railcars



963 Trucks





9.2



12.1



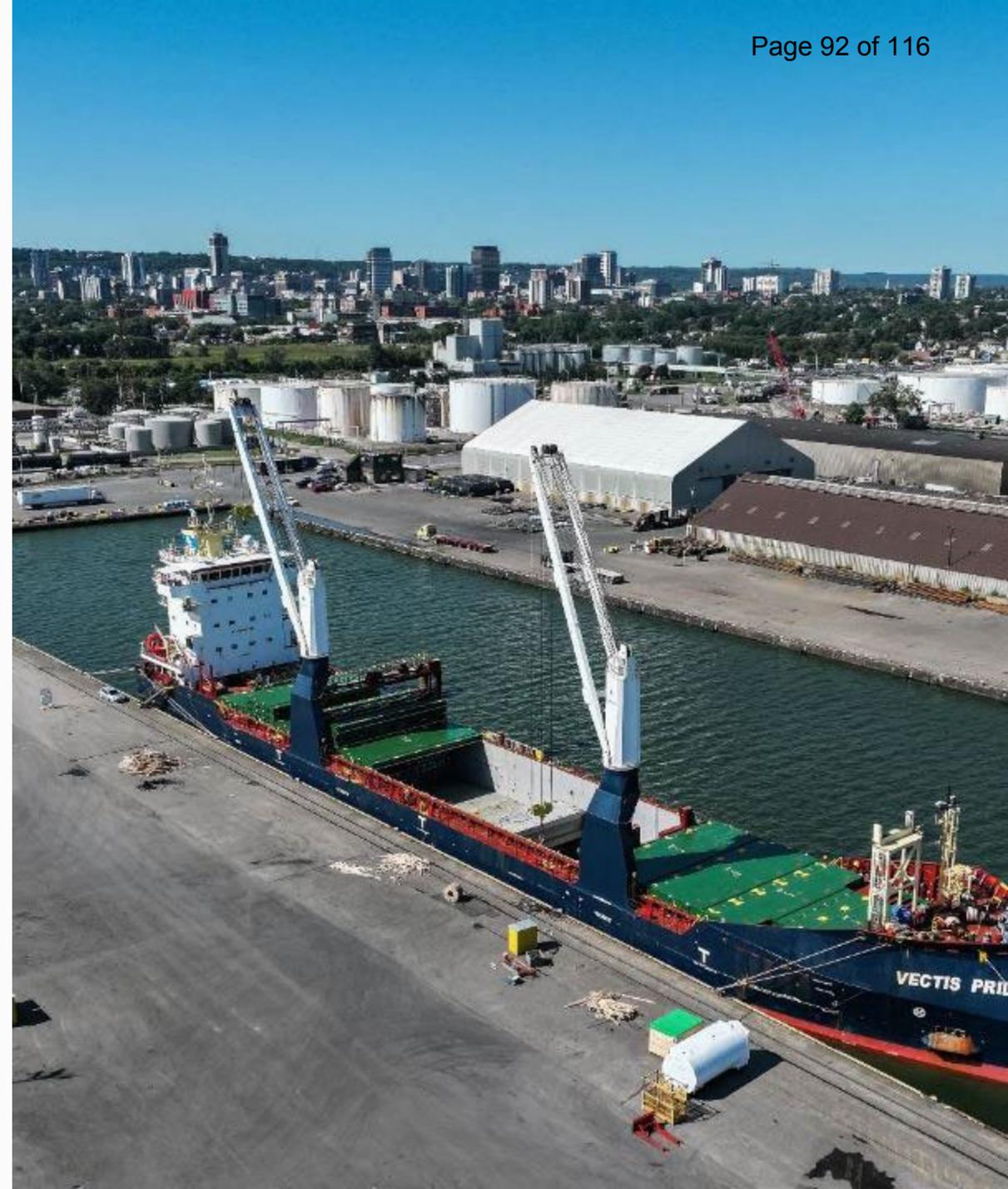
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CO<sub>2</sub> Grams per metric ton/km

INNOVATION

# Using data to optimize modal choice

- Data analysis partnership with McMaster University
- 2.5 million heavy truck trips per year GTHA-US Midwest
- Identifying key commodities as targets for new marine services



# PATH TO NET ZERO

## *Internal*

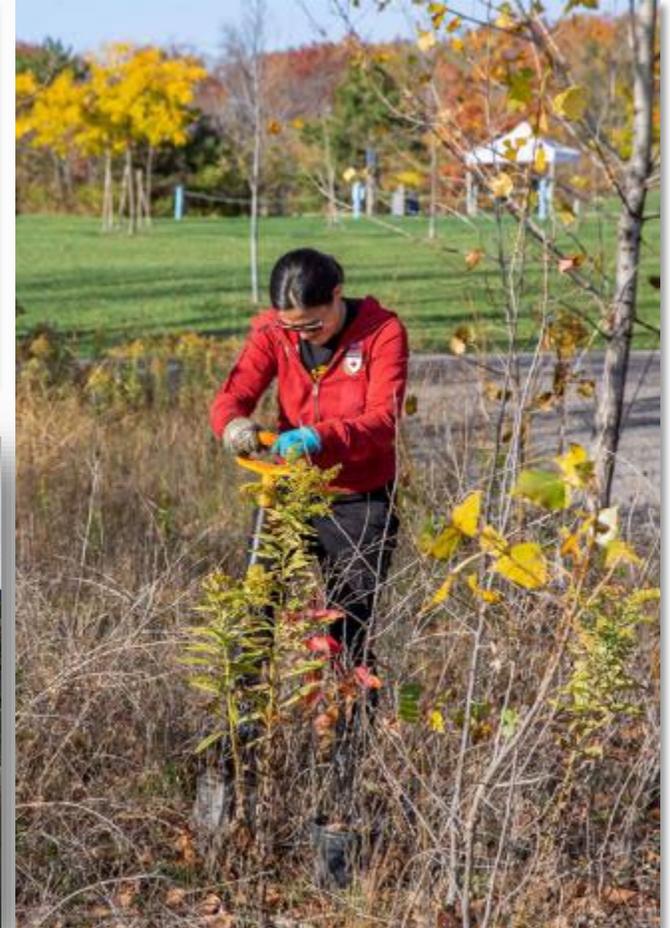
- EV charging stations
- EV Fleet
- Bike racks
- Flexible work arrangement
- Discouraging idling
- Truck management
- Tree planting
- Protecting existing green space
- LED lighting

## *External*

- Efficient supply chains
- LNG bunkering
- Environmental Fund (energy reduction, EVs, tree planting)

## *HCE*

- Solar panels (15 t/yr)
- Waste heat study
- Cogeneration system



INNOVATION

# Incentivizing sustainable choices

- LNG bunkering in Hamilton Port
- Environmental initiatives funding program
- EV charging, solar installations, energy efficiency upgrades





LOOKING AHEAD

## PRIORITIES 2024

- Supply chain sustainability
- Climate & energy
- Digitization



THANK YOU

# STAY IN TOUCH



**@HOPAports**



**@HamiltonOshawaPortAuthority**



**@hopaports**



**Hamilton Oshawa Port Authority**

**[community@hopaports.ca](mailto:community@hopaports.ca)**

Submitted on Tue, 11/21/2023 - 08:52

Submitted by: Anonymous

Submitted values are:

**Committee Requested**

Committee  
General Issues Committee

Will you be delegating in-person or virtually?  
In-person

Will you be delegating via a pre-recorded video?  
No

**Requestor Information**

Requestor Information  
Karl Andrus  
HAMILTON COMMUNITY BENEFITS NETWORK

Preferred Pronoun  
he/him

Reason(s) for delegation request  
Memorandum of Understanding with City and Aeon Studio Group on Barton-Tiffany  
Land (PED19063(e)) (Ward 2) (Outstanding Business List Item) (Item 14.3)

Will you be requesting funds from the City?  
No

Will you be submitting a formal presentation?  
No



# Hamilton

## **BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT AREA SUB-COMMITTEE REPORT 24-001**

**10:30 a.m.**

**Tuesday, January 9, 2024**

**Hamilton City Hall**

**71 Main Street West**

**Room 264**

**Present:** S. Pennie (Vice-Chair) – Waterdown BIA  
Councillor T. Hwang  
Councillor E. Pauls  
T. MacKinnon – Westdale Village BIA and Stoney Creek BIA  
K. Nydam – Dundas BIA  
H. Peter – Ancaster BIA  
E. Walsh – Downtown Hamilton BIA  
B. Wetton – International Village BIA  
N. Ubl – Barton Village BIA

**Absent with  
Regrets:** Councillor M. Wilson – Personal  
A. Chavez – Concession Street BIA  
C. Braley – Ottawa Street BIA  
S. Braithwaite (Chair) – International Village BIA  
B. Schormann – Locke Street BIA

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### **THE BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT AREA SUB-COMMITTEE PRESENTS REPORT 24-001 AND RESPECTFULLY RECOMMENDS:**

- 1. Appointment of Chair and Vice-Chair for 2024 (Item 1)**
  - (i) Appointment of Chair**

That Susie Braithwaite be appointed Chair of the Business Improvement Area (BIA) Sub-Committee for 2024.
  - (i) Appointment of Vice-Chair**

That Susan Pennie be appointed Vice-Chair of the Business Improvement Area (BIA) Sub-Committee for 2024.

**FOR INFORMATION:****(a) CHANGES TO THE AGENDA (Item 2)**

The Committee Clerk advised the following change to the agenda:

**13. GENERAL INFORMATION / OTHER BUSINESS****13.3 Statements by Members**

The agenda for the January 9, 2024 Business Improvement Area Sub-Committee meeting was approved, as amended.

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

There were no declarations of interest.

**(c) APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING (Item 4)****(i) November 14, 2023 (Item 4.1)**

The November 14, 2023 Minutes of the Business Improvement Area Sub-Committee was approved, as presented.

**(d) PRESENTATIONS (Item 8)****(i) 2023 Audit Guidelines for Business Improvement Areas (Item 8.1)**

Rajdeep Dhillon, KPMG, addressed Committee respecting the 2023 Audit Guidelines for Business Improvement Areas.

The presentation from Rajdeep Dhillon, KPMG, respecting the 2023 Audit Guidelines for Business Improvement Areas, was received.

**(ii) Community Clean Ups – Tools and Resources (Item 8.2)**

Whit Chesney, Clean & Green Coordinator, addressed the Committee respecting Community Clean Ups – Tools and Resources.

The presentation from Whit Chesney, Clean & Green Coordinator, respecting Community Clean Ups – Tools and Resources, was received.

**(e) GENERAL INFORMATION/OTHER BUSINESS (Item 13)****(i) Updates from Business Development Office (Item 13.1)**

Judy Lam, Manager, Commercial Districts and Small Business, addressed the Committee respecting Updates from the Business Development Office.

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The verbal update from Judy Lam, Commercial Districts and Small Business, respecting Updates from the Business Development Office, was received.

**(ii) Statements by Members (Added Item 13.2)**

BIA Members used this opportunity to discuss matters of general interest.

The updates from Committee Members, be received.

**(f) ADJOURNMENT (Item 15)**

There being no further business, the Business Improvement Area Sub-Committee was adjourned at 11:31 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Pennie  
Vice-Chair,  
Business Improvement Area Sub-  
Committee

Tamara Bates  
Legislative Coordinator  
Office of the City Clerk



Hamilton

**INTERVIEW SUB-COMMITTEE TO THE  
GENERAL ISSUES COMMITTEE  
REPORT 24-001**

**3:00 p.m.**

**Thursday, January 25, 2024**

**Room 264, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor**

**City Hall**

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**Present:** Councillor N. Nann (Chair)  
Councillor T. Hwang (Vice-Chair)

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**THE INTERVIEW SUB-COMMITTEE TO THE GENERAL ISSUES COMMITTEE  
PRESENTS REPORT 24-001 AND RESPECTFULLY RECOMMENDS:**

- 1. Deliberations for the Climate Change Advisory Committee (Item 4.2)**
  - (a) That the direction provided to Staff in closed session be approved and remain confidential; and,
  - (b) That the details of the Applicants for the Climate Change Advisory Committee remain confidential.

**FOR INFORMATION:**

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

The Committee Clerk advised that there were no changes to the agenda.

The agenda for the January 25, 2024 meeting of the Interview Sub-Committee to the General Issues Committee was approved, as presented.

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

There were no declarations of interest.

**(c) APPROVAL OF THE PREVIOUS MINUTES (Item 3)****(i) December 1, 2023 (Item 3.1)**

The minutes from the December 1, 2023 meeting of the Interview Sub-Committee to the General Issues Committee was approved, as presented.

**(d) PRIVATE & CONFIDENTIAL (Item 4)****(i) Closed Session Minutes – December 1, 2023 (Item 4.1)**

The Closed Session minutes from the December 1, 2023 meeting of the Interview Sub-Committee to the General Issues Committee was approved and remain confidential.

**(ii)** The Committee moved into Closed Session for Item 4.2 pursuant to Section 9.3 sub-section (b) of the City's Procedural By-law 21-021, as amended, and Section 239(2), Sub-section (b) of the *Ontario Municipal Act, 2001*, as amended, as the subject matters pertain to personal matters about identifiable individuals, including municipal or local board employees.

**(iii) Deliberations for the Climate Change Advisory Committee (Item 4.2)**

For further disposition, refer to Item 1.

**(e) ADJOURNMENT (Item 5)**

There being no further business, the Interview Sub-Committee to the General Issues Committee adjourned at 3:32 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Councillor N. Nann, Chair  
Interview Sub-Committee to the  
General Issues Committee

Loren Kolar  
Legislative Coordinator  
Office of the City Clerk



**LIGHT RAIL TRANSIT SUB-COMMITTEE  
REPORT 24-001**

1:00 p.m.

Monday, January 29, 2024

Council Chambers

Hamilton City Hall

71 Main Street West

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**Present:** Mayor A. Horwath, Councillors N. Nann (Chair), C. Kroetsch (Vice-Chair), C. Cassar, J.P. Danko, T. Hwang and M. Wilson

**Absent with  
Regrets:** Councillor M. Francis – City Business

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**THE LIGHT RAIL TRANSIT SUB-COMMITTEE PRESENTS REPORT 24-001 AND  
RESPECTFULLY RECOMMENDS:**

**1. Light Rail Transit Operations Models (PED23166(b)) (City Wide) (Item 8.1)**

That Report (PED23166(b)), respecting Light Rail Transit Operations Models (City Wide), be referred to the March 20, 2024 meeting of the General Issues Committee.

**FOR INFORMATION:**

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

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

**5. COMMUNICATIONS**

**5.1 Correspondence respecting Item 8.1 - Light Rail Transit Operations Models (PED23166(b)) (City Wide), from the following individuals:**

Recommendation: Be received and referred to consideration of 8.1.

(a) Daniella Balasal, CP Planning

(b) Leilani Hana

- (c) Amy Shi
- (d) Rose Janson
- (e) Nate Wallace, National Defence
- (f) Shania Ramharrack-Maharaj
- (g) Stop Sprawl HamOnt Organizers
- (h) Kate Pearson
- (i) Helena Dalrymple

## **6. DELEGATION REQUESTS**

6.5 Delegation requests respecting Item 8.1 - Light Rail Transit Operations Models (PED23166(b)) (City Wide) for today's meeting from the following individuals:

- (a) Ian Borsuk, Environment Hamilton (In-Person)
- (b) James Kemp (Virtually)
- (c) Stewart Klazinga, ACORN Hamilton (Virtually)
- (d) T. H. Ponders (In-Person)
- (e) Caitlin Craven, Hamilton Centre for Civic Inclusion - WITHDRAWN
- (f) Don McLean, Hamilton 350 Committee (Virtually)
- (g) Shelagh Pizey-Allen, TTCriders (Virtually)
- (h) Christie McNabb, Council of Canadians - Hamilton Chapter (Virtually)
- (i) Evan Ubene (In-Person)
- (j) Anthony Marco, Hamilton and District Labour Council (In-Person)

(k) Theresa Cardey, Transit Matters (Virtually)

(l) Mason Fitzpatrick, CUPE Local 3906 (In-Person)

6.6 Clint Crabtree, ATU Local 279 Ottawa respecting LRT in Ottawa (Virtually)

## **8.1 STAFF PRESENTATIONS**

(a) Light Rail Transit Operations Models (PED23166(b)) (City Wide) - Presentation – FURTHER REVISED

### **CHANGE TO THE ORDER OF ITEMS:**

That the delegation from Councillor Josh Matlow, City of Toronto, respecting the Hamilton LRT, be heard as the first delegation (Item 7.1).

The agenda for the January 29, 2024, Light Rail Transit Sub-Committee meeting was approved, as amended.

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

There were no declarations of interest.

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

#### **(i) December 11, 2023 (Item 4.1)**

The Minutes of the December 11, 2023, meeting of the Light Rail Transit Sub-Committee were approved, as presented.

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

(i) The Correspondence Items 5.1(a) to 5.1(i) respecting Item 8.1 - Light Rail Transit Operations Models (PED23166(b)) (City Wide), as follows, was received:

(a) Daniella Balasal, CP Planning (Added Item 5.1(a))

(b) Leilani Hana (Added Item 5.1(b))

(c) Amy Shi (Added Item 5.1(c))

- (d) Rose Janson (Added Item 5.1(d))
- (e) Nate Wallace, Environmental Defence (Added Item 5.1(e))
- (f) Shania Ramharrack-Maharaj (Added Item 5.1(f))
- (g) Stop Sprawl HamOnt Organizers (Added Item 5.1(g))
- (h) Kate Pearson (Added Item 5.1(h))
- (i) Helena Dalrymple (Added Item 5.1(f))

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

The Delegation Requests for today's meeting were approved, as follows:

- (i) Eric Tuck, Amalgamated Transit Union Local 107, respecting LRT Options Report (In-Person) (Item 6.1)
- (ii) Vic Wojciechowska, CUPE 3906, respecting Keep Transit Public campaign (In-Person) (Item 6.2)
- (iii) Councillor Josh Matlow, City of Toronto, respecting the Hamilton LRT (Virtually) (Item 6.3)
- (iv) John Di Nino, ATU Canada, respecting operation and maintenance of Hamilton LRT (Virtually) (Item 6.4)
- (v) Delegation requests respecting Item 8.1 - Light Rail Transit Operations Models (PED23166(b)) (City Wide) for today's meeting from the following individuals:
  - (a) Ian Borsuk, Environment Hamilton (In-Person) (Added Item 6.5(a))
  - (b) James Kemp (Virtually) (Added Item 6.5(b))
  - (c) Stewart Klazinga, ACORN Hamilton (Virtually) (Added Item 6.5(c))
  - (d) T. H. Ponders (In-Person) (Added Item 6.5(d))
  - (e) Don McLean, Hamilton 350 Committee (Virtually) (Added Item 6.5(e))

- (f) Shelagh Pizey-Allen, TTCriders (Virtually) (Added Item 6.5(f))
- (g) Christie McNabb, Council of Canadians - Hamilton Chapter (Virtually) (Added Item 6.5(g))
- (h) Evan Ubene (In-Person) (Added Item 6.5(h))
- (i) Anthony Marco, Hamilton and District Labour Council (In-Person) (Added Item 6.5(i))
- (j) Theresa Cardey, Transit Matters (Virtually) (Added Item 6.5(j))
- (k) Mason Fitzpatrick, CUPE Local 3906 (In-Person) (Added Item 6.5(k))
- (vi) Clint Crabtree, ATU Local 279 Ottawa respecting LRT in Ottawa (Virtually) (Added Item 6.6)

**(f) DELEGATIONS (Item 7)**

The following delegations addressed the Committee:

- (i) Councillor Josh Matlow, City of Toronto, respecting the Hamilton LRT (Virtually) (Item 7.1)
- (ii) Eric Tuck, Amalgamated Transit Union Local 107, respecting LRT Options Report (In-Person) (Item 7.2)
- (iii) Vic Wojciechowska, CUPE 3906, respecting Keep Transit Public campaign (In-Person) (Item 7.3)
- (iv) John Di Nino, ATU Canada, respecting operation and maintenance of Hamilton LRT (Virtually) (Item 7.4)
- (v) Delegation requests respecting Item 8.1 - Light Rail Transit Operations Models (PED23166(b)) (City Wide) for today's meeting from the following individuals:
  - (a) Ian Borsuk, Environment Hamilton (In-Person) (Added Item 7.5(a))
  - (b) James Kemp (Virtually) (Added Item 7.5(b))

- (c) Stewart Klazinga, ACORN Hamilton (Virtually) (Added Item 7.5(c))
- (d) T. H. Ponders (In-Person) (Added Item 7.5(d))
- (e) Shelagh Pizey-Allen, TTCriders (Virtually) (Added Item 7.5(f))
- (f) Christie McNabb, Council of Canadians - Hamilton Chapter (Virtually) (Added Item 7.5(g))
- (g) Evan Ubene (In-Person) (Added Item 7.5(h))
- (h) Anthony Marco, Hamilton and District Labour Council (In-Person) (Added Item 7.5(i))
- (i) Theresa Cardey, Transit Matters (Virtually) (Added Item 7.5(j))
- (j) Mason Fitzpatrick, CUPE Local 3906 (In-Person) (Added Item 7.5(k))

The following Delegations were not in attendance when called upon:

- (i) Don McLean, Hamilton 350 Committee (Virtually) (Added Item 7.5(e))
- (ii) Clint Crabtree, ATU Local 279 Ottawa respecting LRT in Ottawa (Virtually) (Added Item 7.6)

The following Delegations, were received:

- (i) Councillor Josh Matlow, City of Toronto, respecting the Hamilton LRT (Virtually) (Item 7.1)
- (ii) Eric Tuck, Amalgamated Transit Union Local 107, respecting LRT Options Report (In-Person) (Item 7.2)
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  - (g) Evan Ubene (In-Person) (Added Item 7.5(h))
  - (h) Anthony Marco, Hamilton and District Labour Council (In-Person) (Added Item 7.5(i))
  - (i) Theresa Cardey, Transit Matters (Virtually) (Added Item 7.5(j))
  - (j) Mason Fitzpatrick, CUPE Local 3906 (In-Person) (Added Item 7.5(k))

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

**(i) Light Rail Transit Operations Models (PED23166(b)) (City Wide) (Item 8.1)**

Abdul Shaikh, Director LRT Project Office, addressed the Committee respecting Report PED23166(b), Light Rail Transit Operations Models, with the aid of a PowerPoint presentation.

The presentation by Abdul Shaikh, Director LRT Project Office, respecting Report PED23166(b), Light Rail Transit Operations Models, was received.

- (ii)** That the City endorse Operations Model 2 (*Municipality performs passenger interface activities*) to be selected as the City's preferred Light Rail Transit operations model with the right to opt-in (transition) to

Operations Model 4 (*Municipality performs all aspects of Operational activities except facility operations*) after an initial 10-year term.

For disposition of this matter, refer to Item 1.

**(h) MOTIONS (Item 12)**

**(i) Applying a Climate Justice Lens to the Light Rail Transit Recommendations (Item 12.1)**

The Committee requested that the motion respecting Applying a Climate Justice Lens to the Light Rail Transit Recommendations, be considered at the March 25, 2024, Light Rail Transit Sub-Committee meeting.

**(i) ADJOURNMENT (Item 16)**

There being no further business, the Light Rail Transit Sub-Committee adjourned at 4:53 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Councillor N. Nann, Chair,  
Light Rail Transit Sub-Committee

Carrie McIntosh  
Legislative Coordinator  
Office of the City Clerk

# CITY OF HAMILTON

## MOTION

General Issues Committee: February 7, 2024

**MOVED BY COUNCILLOR C. KROETSCH.....**

**SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR.....**

**Arts and Cultural Performance Space and Potential Future Multi-Purpose Community Hub - REVISED**

HEREAS the repurposing of the former Centenary Methodist Church (now known as the New Vision Church) built in 1868 would preserve an architecturally significant space in downtown Hamilton, provide a solution to the lack of a mid-sized music and performance venue in Hamilton and create a possible future opportunity for an affordable accessible and safe community hub space;

WHEREAS the financial viability of the New Vision Church property is in jeopardy due to a shrinking congregation and the need for structural and restorative work;

WHEREAS a Not-for Profit named The Music Hall Alliance has been incorporated to lease the property from the Trustees of the New Vision Church to transform this historic space into an arts and cultural performance space in a multi-phase project;

WHEREAS the City of Hamilton’s Music Strategy (2014) identified a need for a mid-sized venue within the downtown core;

WHEREAS Hamilton’s Economic Development Action Plan (2016-2020) identified the need for a mid-sized venue in downtown Hamilton;

WHEREAS Downtown Hamilton has a distinct economic role as the entertainment and cultural centre of the City supported through various City policies and plans;

WHEREAS Phase 1 of the project will transform the existing New Vision Church into a mid-sized arts and cultural performance space venue;

WHEREAS a future Phase 2 could further transform the building into a Multi-Purpose Community Hub which could include programming and services for equity deserving communities, and the possibility of a EarlyON Child and Family Centre focused on meeting the needs of equity deserving families and children.

WHEREAS EarlyON Child and Family Centres provide free, high-quality programs for families and children from prenatal to 6 years old, where families can learn and play with their child and get advice from early childhood professionals;

WHEREAS the Early Years Community Plan has identified Equity, Diversity, Inclusion and Belonging as a priority for the early years system;

WHEREAS the development of a Multi-Purpose Community Hub aligns with the City's Community Safety & Well-being Plan which aims to ensure that all residents are safe, have a sense of belonging, and have access to services.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED

- (a) That the City enter into a conditional grant agreement with The Trustees of The New Vision Congregation of the United Church of Canada (the "Trustees") in order to provide a grant not to exceed Nine hundred thousand dollars (\$900,000)(the "Grant") in respect of the property municipally known as 24 Main Street West, Hamilton (the "Property") to be funded 100% from Economic Development Initiatives Capital Project (3621708900) in a form acceptable to the City Solicitor and subject to the following terms and conditions:
- (i) that the Grant be used only for the payment of structural repairs to the existing sanctuary floor and supporting structure as well as hazardous abatement works and related works that are necessary for the conversion of the auditorium space of the former 1868 heritage-designated Centenary Church on the Property into a 1,000 occupant performance, event and community space,
  - (ii) prior to the payment of the Grant, the Trustees be required to provide the following to the satisfaction of the General Manager of Healthy and Safe Communities and the General Manager of Planning and Economic Development:
    - (1) confirmation of The New Vision Congregation of the United Church of Canada's not-for-profit status, governance and organizational structure;
    - (2) an operating plan for how the space will be utilized and managed, and that demonstrates a sustainable business model for the facility;
    - (3) a confirmed scope, budget and timing for the works to be funded; and

- (4) a Community Use Plan that would allow periodic use of the venue at reduced or nominal cost for the City of Hamilton and for local not-for profit arts and culture organizations and equity-deserving groups and organizations;
  - (5) confirmation of a lease and approval from the facility owner for use of Centenary Church into a 1,000 occupant performance, event and community space; and
- (iii) such additional terms and conditions as determined by the General Manager of Planning and Economic Development; and
  - (iv) the Church provide an annual report to the City of Hamilton itemizing how they have met the commitments contained within the Community Use Plan; and,
  - (v) that the General Manager of Planning and Economic Development be authorized to execute the grant agreement and any ancillary documentation.
- (b) That The Trustees of The New Vision Congregation of the United Church of Canada be invited to submit a capital plan, operating plan, and business plan to the City for the full transformation of the former 1868 heritage-designated Centenary Church into a state-of-the-art 1,000 occupant performance, event and community space, including but not limited to accessible gender neutral washrooms, lobby restoration, ventilation and electrical service upgrades, production elevator, and related works, and a proposed funding model for the implementation of the plan, including a potential City contribution not to exceed \$3 million, and that staff be directed to review and report back to Council with recommendations regarding the City's potential support for the proposed plan as part of the 2025 Budget process;
- (c) That any funding provided for the works identified in Recommendation (b) be contingent upon The Trustees of The New Vision Congregation of the United Church of Canada entering into an agreement with the City that gives the City the option to lease, at reduced or nominal cost, some or all of the portion of the building excluding the sanctuary space and lobby space, for the purpose of establishing a Community Hub which addresses safer space, programming and services needs and gaps for equity deserving communities, such as counselling, mental health supports, safe space for connecting and building relationships, employment services, legal support, settlement and newcomer supports, and child minding, including the possibility of locating an EarlyON Child and Family Centre with a specific focus on meeting the needs of equity deserving families and children;

- (d) That the Healthy and Safe Communities Department be directed to secure contract staff or external resources to lead an engagement with community stakeholders to determine an operating and program plan for a Community Hub envisioned within the space, to be funded from the Early Years System Reserve (112218) up to \$100,000; or a Reserve deemed appropriate by the General Manager of Finance/Corporate Services; and,
- (e) That the Healthy and Safe Communities Department be directed to report back to Council prior to the 2025 Budget process with a recommended operating and program plan for the Community Hub including any required City costs and/or contributions.

# CITY OF HAMILTON

## NOTICE OF MOTION

General Issues Committee: February 7, 2024

**MOVED BY COUNCILLOR M. WILSON.....**

**City of Hamilton advocacy at the Federation of Canadian Municipalities Board of Directors Meeting in Prince George, BC in March 2024**

WHEREAS the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) represents the interests of municipalities on policy and program matters that fall within federal jurisdiction;

WHEREAS the City of Hamilton has a robust government relations strategy and as part of that process, advocacy at the federal level is integral to economic prosperity and success;

WHEREAS FCM’s Board of Directors is comprised of elected municipal officials from all regions and sizes of communities to form a broad base of support and provide FCM with the prestige required to carry the municipal message to the federal government; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

- (a) That Councillor N. Nann be selected as the City of Hamilton’s representative at the Federation of Canadian Municipalities meeting in Prince George, British Columbia from March 5-7, 2024; and,
- (b) That Council assumes all costs associated with Councillor N. Nann’s attendance at the Federation of Canadian Municipalities meeting in Prince George, British Columbia from the General Legislative Budget (300100).