



**City of Hamilton**  
**HAMILTON-WENTWORTHDISTRICT**  
**SCHOOL BOARD**  
**LIAISON COMMITTEE**  
**AGENDA**

**Meeting #:** 24-001

**Date:** May 27, 2024

**Time:** 2:00 p.m.

**Location:** Room 264, 2nd Floor, City Hall (hybrid) (RM)  
71 Main Street West

Loren Kolar, Legislative Coordinator (905) 546-2424 ext. 2604

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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 July 18, 2023
5. COMMUNICATIONS
6. DELEGATION REQUESTS
7. DELEGATIONS
8. STAFF PRESENTATIONS
9. CONSENT ITEMS
10. DISCUSSION ITEMS

- 10.1 Housing Sustainability and Investment Roadmap Work Program: City Property Review and Property Disposition Strategies

Motion referred from the General Issues Committee, February 21, 2024

- 10.2 Bernie Custis Secondary School Access to Tim Horton's Field Update (no copy)

**11. MOTIONS**

**12. NOTICES OF MOTION**

**13. GENERAL INFORMATION / OTHER BUSINESS**

**14. PRIVATE AND CONFIDENTIAL**

**15. ADJOURNMENT**



**Hamilton-Wentworth District School Board (HWDSB)  
Liaison Committee  
MINUTES 23-001  
Tuesday, July 18, 2023  
10:00 a.m.  
City Hall  
Room 264, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, 71 Main Street West, Hamilton**

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**Present:** D. Danko, Chair, HWDSB (Co-Chair)  
Councillors J. Beattie and M. Tadeson  
Trustee P. Tut, HWDSB

**Also Present:** Councillors T. McMeekin and M. Wilson

**Absent with regrets:** Mayor A. Horwath (Co-Chair) – City Business

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**THE FOLLOWING ITEMS WERE REFERRED TO THE GENERAL ISSUES COMMITTEE FOR CONSIDERATION:**

**1. Correspondence to the Minister of Education in Support of Funding for the Construction of a New School in Southeast Waterdown (Added Item 11.1)**

That the Mayor send Correspondence to the Minister of Education in support of funding for the construction of a new school in Southeast Waterdown, to correspond with the HWDSB's next round of Capital Priorities Submissions.

**CARRIED**

**FOR INFORMATION:**

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

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

**(Tut/Beattie)**

The agenda for the September 12, 2022 meeting of the Hamilton-Wentworth District School Board Liaison Committee be approved, as amended.

**CARRIED**

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

There were no declarations of interest.

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

**(i) September 12, 2022 (Item 4.1)**

**(Tadeson/Tut)**

That the Minutes of the September 12, 2022 meeting of the Hamilton-Wentworth District School Board Liaison Committee be approved, as presented.

**CARRIED**

**(d) NOTICE OF MOTION (Added Item 12)**

**(i) Correspondence to the Minister of Education in Support of Funding for the Construction of a New School in Southeast Waterdown (Added 12.1)**

**(Tut/Beattie)**

That the Rules of Order be waived to allow for the introduction of a Motion respecting Correspondence to the Minister of Education respecting a Request for Funding for the Construction of a New School in Southeast Waterdown.

**CARRIED**

For further disposition of this matter, refer to Item 1

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

**(Beattie/Tadeson)**

That the following Items be received:

**(i) Bernie Custis Secondary Access to Tim Horton's Field Verbal Update (deferred from the September 12, 2022 meeting) (Item 13.1)**

Rob Gatto, Manager of Sports & Entertainment Facilities addressed Committee with an overview of the access schedule for Bernie Custis Secondary School, to the Tim Horton's Field.

**(ii) Active and Sustainable School Transportation Program Update by Public Health Staff (Item 13.2)**

Heather Harvey, Manager, Chronic Disease Prevention, addressed Committee with an overview of the Active and Sustainable Transportation Program.

**(Tut/Beattie)**

That staff be directed to provide the HWDSB Liaison Committee a bi-annual update on the Active and Sustainable School Transportation Program.

**CARRIED**

**(iii) City of Hamilton Update on Agreements with the Hamilton-Wentworth District School Board for Shared Use of Properties (Item 13.3)**

Chris Herstek, Director of Recreation, addressed Committee with an overview of the Agreements with the Hamilton-Wentworth District School Board for Shared Use of Properties.

**CARRIED**

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

**(Tadeson/Tut)**

That there being no further business, the Hamilton-Wentworth District School Board Liaison Committee meeting be adjourned at 11:21 a.m.

**CARRIED**

Respectfully submitted,

Dawn Danko, Co-Chair  
Hamilton Wentworth District School  
Board Liaison Committee

Loren Kolar  
Legislative Coordinator  
Office of the City Clerk

General Issues Committee Meeting 24-004

February 21, 2024

**Housing Sustainability and Investment Roadmap Work Program: City Property Review and Property Disposition Strategies (PED23099(a) / HSC23028(a)) (City Wide) (Item 10.1)**

That the following Motion, ***as amended***, be REFERRED to the Hamilton-Wentworth District School Board Liaison Committee for consideration:

WHEREAS, Dominic Agostino Riverdale Recreation Centre has demonstrated its commitment to supporting families in Hamilton through partnerships with Licensed Child Care Services with full funding agreements with the City, catering to the developmental and learning needs of 49 children aged 0 to 4 years, that contributes significantly to the community's access to high-quality, affordable child care;

WHEREAS, Dominic Agostino Riverdale Recreation Centre has effectively collaborated with an EarlyON Child and Family Centre Operator, who has a funding agreement with the City, to successfully provide access to 10,848 free, high-quality visits for Hamilton parents and caregivers with children aged prenatal to 6 years old in 2023. This collaboration plays a vital role with enhancing children's learning and development, providing support to parents and caregivers, and connecting thousands of families annually to crucial community services;

WHEREAS, Mayor Horwath on April 12, 2023, through a unanimous motion of City Council, formally issued three separate declarations of emergency, in the areas of homelessness, mental health and opioid overdoses/poisoning;

WHEREAS, Hamilton has over 1600 unhoused individuals across the homelessness system and close to 50,000 at risk of homelessness – including seniors;

WHEREAS, the Access to Housing waitlist as of December 31, 2022, was at 6,110, 15% of which are seniors;

WHEREAS, the expansion of the Dominic Agostino Riverdale Recreation Centre and Community Hub is scheduled as part of the City's 10-year capital budget plan;

WHEREAS, the construction of new affordable housing units on publicly owned land saves substantial resources for affordable housing providers;

WHEREAS, the construction of affordable housing units above a recreation facility provides tremendous health benefits to those residing in such a building; and,

WHEREAS, the construction of new affordable housing units above a City of Hamilton recreation centre is a compact form of sustainable development;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

- (a) That City of Hamilton Recreation and Facilities staff be directed to reconvene meetings with the Hamilton is Home Coalition, Childcare staff and Housing Services staff, Hamilton Wentworth District School Board Chair and Hamilton Wentworth District School Board Ward 5 Trustee to discuss the challenges faced regarding the proposed construction of new affordable housing units for seniors, as part of the Dominic Agostino Riverdale Recreation Centre and Community Hub expansion project; and
- (b) ***That City of Hamilton Recreation and Facilities staff be directed to develop a plan to work in partnership with the Hamilton Wentworth School Board, to convince the Province of Ontario to reverse their decision that denied a plan to build affordable housing for seniors on public property around the existing Dominic Agostino Riverdale Recreation Centre;***
- (c) That an information report identifying the opportunities, alternatives, dependencies, ***the steps taken to convince the Province of Ontario to reverse their decision with the outcome*** and proposed next steps required to construct a Community Hub with a social housing component at the Dominic Agostino Riverdale Recreation Centre site be brought to the General Issues Committee by Q3 of 2024;
- (d) ***That the motion be forwarded to the Hamilton Wentworth School Board for their consideration; and***
- (e) ***That the motion be forwarded to the local Hamilton MPPs for a response.***