



EMERGENCY & COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE REPORT 11-012

1:30 p.m.

Wednesday, October 19, 2011

Hamilton City Hall

Council Chambers

71 Main Street West

Hamilton, Ontario

Present: Councillor S. Merulla, Chair
Councillor, J. Partridge, Vice-Chair
Councillors S. Duvall, J. Farr, T. Jackson, B. McHattie, B. Morelli and
T. Whitehead

Also Present: Councillor B. Johnson
T. Quinn, Director of Strategic Services
J. Brown, Director of Benefit Eligibility
K. Lubrick, Director, Employment & Income Support Division
J. Kaye, Manager, Arts and Culture
B. Browett, Director, EMS
F. Biancucci, Chief Fire Prevention Officer
M. Hazel, Senior Director, Parking and By-law Services
B. Young, Director, Municipal Law Enforcement
E. Filippone, Solicitor, Legal Services
I. Bedioui, Legislative Assistant, City Clerk's Office

THE EMERGENCY AND COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE PRESENTS REPORT 11-012 AND RESPECTFULLY RECOMMENDS:

1. New 100% Funded Positions at Macassa & Wentworth Lodges (CS11077) (City Wide) (Item 5.2)

That an increase of staff complement of 11.85 Full-Time Equivalents, funded 100% through the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care, to provide additional nursing and supportive services care at Macassa and Wentworth Lodges, be approved.

2. Hamilton Immigration Partnership Council Update (CS 11001(a)) (City Wide) (Item 5.3)

That Report CS11001(a) respecting Hamilton Immigration Partnership Council Update (City Wide) be received.

3. Homelessness Partnering Strategy (HPS) Update (CS11083) (City Wide) (Item 5.4)

That Report CS10083 respecting Homelessness Partnering Strategy (HPS) Update, be received.

4. Special Diet Allowance Update (CS11084) (City Wide) (Item 5.5)

That Report CS11084 respecting Special Diet Allowance Update, be received.

5. EMS Response Performance Monthly Report – January 1, 2011 to August 31, 2011 (HES11016) (City Wide) (Item 5.6)

That Report HES11016 respecting EMS Response Performance Monthly Report – January 1, 2011 to August 31, 2011, be received.

6. Written submission from Nancy Kenny, to give a personal impact statement in regards to the Affordable Transit Pass Program. (Item 6.1)

That the written submission from Nancy Kenny, a copy of which is hereto attached as Appendix A, be received.

7. Tenant Advisory Committee Annual Presentation respecting achievements to-date. (Item 7.1)

That the presentation from Chair John Hawker respecting the achievements to date of the Tenant Advisory Committee, be received.

8. Hamilton Veterans Committee Annual Presentation respecting achievements to-date. (Item 7.2)

That the presentation from Chair John Clarke respecting the achievements to date of the Hamilton Veterans Committee, be received.

9. Affordable Transit Pass Pilot Program Extension (CS11071) (City Wide) (Outstanding Business List Item) (Item 8.1)

That the Affordable Transit Pass (ATP) pilot program be continued to April 30, 2012 at a cost of \$64,062 (net) to be funded from the Social Services Initiatives Fund #112214.

10. Report 11-002 of the Joint Plaquing Sub-Committee of the Hamilton Historical Board (Added Item 8.3)

That the wording for the Mills of Ancaster commemorative plaque, hereto attached and as Appendix B, be approved.

FOR THE INFORMATION OF COUNCIL:

(a) CHANGES TO THE AGENDA (Item 1)

The Clerk advised of the following changes to the agenda:

- (i) Item 4.1 on today's agenda, the delegation request from Mr. Shane Coleman respecting the use of advertising funds to provide a free shuttle bus service to the Market will be considered after Committee considers Item 9.1, which is Councillor Farr's motion respecting the same issue;
- (ii) Item 6.1 which is Ms. Nancy Kenny's delegation regarding the Affordable Transit Pass program is removed from the agenda as she is ill and unable to attend today's meeting. Copies of her written submission have been distributed;
- (iii) Added Item 8.3, Report 11-002 from the Joint Plaquing Sub-Committee of the Hamilton Historical Board respecting Mills of Ancaster Commemorative Plaque;
- (iv) The Proposed new due date for General Information Item 11.1 (a) (i) was inadvertently omitted from the agenda. It is February 2012.
- (v) Added Private and Confidential Item pursuant to Section 8.1(b) of the Procedural By-law and Section 239 of the Municipal Act to deal with personal matters about identifiable individuals, including City employees.

The agenda for the October 19, 2011 Emergency & Community Services Committee meeting was approved, as amended.

(b) DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (Item 2)

There were none declared.

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

The Minutes of the September 21, 2011 meeting were approved as presented.

(d) DELEGATION REQUESTS (Item 4)

The following delegation request was received as Committee TABLED Item 9.1 respecting the same issue:

- (i) Shane Coleman, President of the Hamilton Farmers' Market Stallholders' Association respecting the use of advertising funds to provide a free shuttle bus service to the Market. (See Item 9.1)

(e) VOLUNTEER COMMITTEE MINUTES (Item 5.1)

The following Volunteer Committee Minutes were received:

- (i) Tenant Advisory Committee Minutes, August 19, 2011 (Item 5.1)

(f) PUBLIC HEARING/DELEGATIONS (Item 6)

- (i) **Nancy Kenny, to give a personal impact statement in regards to the Affordable Transit Pass Program. (No copy.) (See Item 8.1) (Approved June 8, 2011)**

Nancy Kenny was unable to attend due to illness.

On a motion, Committee received Ms. Kenny's written submissions.

- (ii) **Kate Crerar Bell, to present research regarding value-for-money assessment of social services in Hamilton and suggest a means of improving those systems as a whole to reduce poverty while improving infrastructure. (No copy.) (Approved June 22, 2011)**

Kate Bell was not in attendance.

On a motion, Committee deferred the delegation to a future meeting.

(g) STAFF PRESENTATIONS (Item 7)

(i) Tenant Advisory Committee Annual Presentation respecting achievements to-date. (Item 7.1)

Chair John Hawker addressed Committee with the aid of a PowerPoint presentation. A copy of the hand-out was included in the agenda. His comments included but were not limited to the following:

- Mandate
- Objectives
- Membership
- 2011 Work Plan
- Renters as Voters
- Helpful websites for voters
- Monitoring the Official Plan Targets
- Rooming Houses
- Landlord Registry Pilot

On a motion, Committee received the presentation.

(ii) Hamilton Veterans Committee Annual Presentation respecting achievements to-date. (Item 7.2)

Chair John Clarke addressed Committee with the aid of a PowerPoint presentation. A copy of the hand-out was included in the agenda. His comments included but were not limited to the following:

- 2011 – 2014 Committee Membership
- Mandate
- Remembrance Day & Memorial Services
- Assistance to Other Veterans Events
- Previous and Ongoing Projects
- 2011 Initiatives
- Future Goals

On a motion, Committee received the presentation.

(h) DISCUSSION ITEMS

(i) Villages of Glancaster Signage (verbal update – no copy) (Item 8.2)

Marty Hazell addressed Committee and indicated that staff have come to a compromise with the residents of the Villages of Glancaster with respect to the placement of the requisite fire route signage.

On a motion Committee received the verbal update.

(i) MOTIONS

Committee TABLED the following motion for two weeks until the next meeting in order for staff to work out all of the details:

Shuttle Bus Service for the Patrons of the Hamilton Farmers' Market (Item 9.1)

- (a) That staff be directed to develop a free customer shuttle bus program, in consultation with the Hamilton Farmers' Market Stallholder Association, to provide transportation for Hamilton Farmers' Market patrons within the boundaries of downtown Hamilton;
- (b) That this pilot project be operated for a period of three months at which time a report on the results of the program be submitted to the Emergency and Community Services Committee;
- (c) That the cost of this pilot program not exceed \$14,000 to be funded from the Hamilton Farmers' Market advertising budget;
- (d) That staff be directed to follow the City of Hamilton Purchasing Policy in the procurement of this service.

(j) GENERAL INFORMATION (Item 11)

Outstanding Business List (Item 11.1)

(i) Proposed New Due Date:

The due date of Item "D" of the Outstanding Business list was amended as follows:

- 1. Item "D" – Investigation of Lands Suitable for the Development of Recreation Facilities and Seniors Centres
New Due Date: February, 2012

(ii) The following Outstanding Business List items were removed:

- 1. Item "P", respecting the Affordable Transit Pass (ATP) Pilot Program, which has now been completed;
- 2. Item "J" Residential Fire Sprinkler Resolution (private members bill was never approved)

(k) PRIVATE AND CONFIDENTIAL (Added Item)

Committee moved into Closed Session at 2:50 p.m. pursuant to Section 8.1(b) of the Procedural By-law and Section 239 of the Municipal Act to receive a verbal update respecting personal matters about identifiable individuals, including City employees.

Committee reconvened in open session at 3:15 p.m.

Committee was verbally updated in closed session respecting a personal matter about an identifiable individual with nothing to report in open session.

(l) ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the Emergency & Community Services Committee meeting, adjourned at 3:17 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Councillor S. Merulla, Chair
Emergency & Community Services Committee

Ida Bedioui
Legislative Assistant
October 19, 2011