



Hamilton

**GAMING FACILITY PROPOSAL SUB-COMMITTEE
REPORT 12-002**

2:00 p.m.

Thursday, November 1, 2012

Council Chambers

Hamilton City Hall

71 Main Street West

Present: Mayor R. Bratina
Councillors S. Merulla, R. Pasuta, J. Partridge, T. Whitehead

Also Present: Councillors C. Collins, L. Ferguson

**THE GAMING FACILITY SUB-COMMITTEE PRESENTS REPORT 12-002 AND
RESPECTFULLY RECOMMENDS:**

1. Public Input – Next Steps (Item 4.1)

- (a) That staff be directed to logistically establish two public education forums, one to be located at City Hall and one in Flamborough, related to the casino input process;
- (b) That the questions proposed for polling be drafted and provided to Council for perusal and approval;
- (c) That the cost be charged to the 2012 Non-Departmental Operating Budget.

FOR THE INFORMATION OF THE COMMITTEE:

(a) CHANGES TO THE AGENDA (Item 1)

None.

(b) DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (Item 2)

None.

(c) PREVIOUS MINUTES (Item 3)

On a motion, the Minutes of the Gaming Facility Sub-Committee meeting of October 9, 2012 were approved, as presented.

(d) DISCUSSION ITEMS (Item 4)

(i) Public Input – Next Steps (Item 4.1)

The Sub-Committee engaged in discussion with respect to next steps relative to the methodology to be used to obtain public input.

The Sub-Committee expressed their desire to ensure that a multi-faceted approach is undertaken to reach as many citizens in the community as possible through a public education forum, while recognizing the significant logistics required to co-ordinate any sort of forum.

With respect to the polling that will be conducted, the Sub-Committee requested that staff prepare draft questions, and that they have an opportunity to review and approve the questions.

See Item 1 for the disposition of this item.

The Motion **CARRIED** on the following recorded vote:

Yeas: Merulla, Partridge, Pasuta
Total Yeas: 3
Nays: Bratina, Whitehead
Total Nays: 2

(ii) Casino Location Options for Consideration (Item 4.2)

Mayor Bratina reported that the OLG will be in attendance at the November 9 meeting of the Sub-Committee, at which time the OLG will respond to possible outcomes of options presented by the Sub-Committee. Those options include:

- No Casino anywhere;
- Casino only in Flamborough;
- Casino anywhere in the City;
- Casino anywhere in the City, but not in the downtown; or
- Casino only in the downtown.

(e) GENERAL INFORMATION/OTHER BUSINESS

Correspondence from Chief Glenn De Caire, Hamilton Police Service

On a motion, the correspondence from Chief Glenn De Caire, Hamilton Police Service, respecting research related to the potential impact of a casino as it relates to policing, attached hereto as Appendix "A", was received.

(f) ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the Sub-Committee adjourned at 3:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted

Mayor R. Bratina, Chair
Gaming Facility Proposal Sub-Committee

Carolyn Biggs
Legislative Co-ordinator
Office of the City Clerk

Appendix "A" to Information Item (e) of
Gaming Facility Proposal Sub-Committee Report 12-002

From: Glenn De Caire [GDeCaire@hamiltonpolice.on.ca]
Sent: Thursday, November 01, 2012 1:06 PM
To: Biggs, Carolyn
Cc: Bratina, Bob; Merulla, Sam; Partridge, Judi; Pasuta, Robert; Whitehead, Terry; Kenneth J. Leenderse
Subject: Gaming Facility Proposal Sub-Cte - Meeting with OLG

The Hamilton Police Service has reviewed the minutes of the last meeting and the agenda for today. To assist the committee in deliberations, the Hamilton Police Service has commenced research related to the potential impact of a casino as it relates to policing. We are reviewing the reports from the Toronto and Niagara Police Service's as well as our previously completed assessment of Flamborough. Deputy Chief Leenderse is conducting this research and will be able to present to the committee when requested. At the current time, this work is not complete nor ready for presentation.

The Hamilton Police will not take any position in support or opposition. This is a decision of the committee. We simply wish to inform the committee of the potential impact to policing.

Please let us know when the committee may wish to hear from the Service.

Glenn

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