



GENERAL ISSUES COMMITTEE

REPORT 12-027

2:00 p.m.

Tuesday, September 25, 2012

Council Chambers

Hamilton City Hall

71 Main Street West

Present: Deputy Mayor J. Partridge (Chair)
Mayor R. Bratina
Councillors C. Collins, S. Duvall, J. Farr, L. Ferguson,
T. Jackson, B. Johnson, B. McHattie, S. Merulla, B. Morelli,
M. Pearson, R. Powers, R. Pasuta, T. Whitehead

Absent with Regrets: Councillor B. Clark – Illness

THE GENERAL ISSUES COMMITTEE PRESENTS REPORT 12-027 AND RESPECTFULLY RECOMMENDS:

1. **Independent External Review of HECFI Operations - Phase II (Request for Proposals) - Staff Report (CM11013(d)) (City Wide)**
 - (a) That the City Manager be directed to negotiate an Operating Agreement with Global Spectrum/Live Nation for the operation of Copps Coliseum and Hamilton Place;
 - (b) That the City Manager be directed to negotiate an Operating Agreement with The Carmen's Group for the operation of the Hamilton Convention Centre;
 - (c) That the Operating agreements negotiated in Recommendations (a) and (b) of Report CM11013d be in a form acceptable to the City Solicitor and be subject to Council approval;
 - (d) That all transitional costs incurred for the transfer of management of the HECFI facilities be charged to the Corporate Contingency Account to be funded from future Operating Surpluses or Tax Stabilization Reserve;
 - (e) That the City Manager prepare a HECFI Facilities transition plan for Council approval;

- (f) That the budget reductions outlined in Report CM11013(d) be forwarded to the 2013 Budget process for consideration.

FOR THE INFORMATION OF COUNCIL:

(a) CHANGES TO THE AGENDA (Item 1)

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

On a motion, the agenda was approved, as presented.

(b) DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (Item 2)

None.

(c) PRESENTATIONS

Tony Tollis prefaced his presentation by introducing the members of the Staff Advisory Team, representatives from KPMG, Gary Graham from Gowling Lafleur Henderson LLP, John Hertel, CEO of HECFI and the HECFI Management Team.

With the assistance of a power point presentation, Mr. Tollis spoke to the following:

- Background/History
- Project costs to date
- Options: Status Quo (Baseline); City Managed Solution; One Private; Multiple Private and City/Private
- Total five-year costs
- Total five-year savings from baseline
- Summary rankings
- Other significant considerations
- Five-year annualized budget impacts
- Year One annualized budget impact
- Basic Operating Agreement Terms
- Estimated timelines
- Review of recommendations

Copies of the presentation were distributed and is available for viewing on the City of Hamilton website.

On a motion, the staff presentation respecting Independent External Review of HECFI Operations – Phase II (Request for Proposals) Staff Report, was received.

(d) PRIVATE & CONFIDENTIAL

On a motion, the Committee move into Closed Session pursuant to sub-sections (b) and (d) of the City's Procedural By-law and Sections 239.2(b) and (d) of the Municipal Act as the subject matter pertains to: (b) personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees and (d) labour relations or employee negotiations, respecting the Independent External Review of HECFI Operations – Phase II (Request for Proposals) Staff Report.

The Committee reconvened in Open Session at 4:04 p.m.

No action to report.

(e) Independent External Review of HECFI Operations - Phase II (Request For Proposals) - Staff Report (CM11013(d)) (City Wide)

The Motion **CARRIED** on the following Standing Recorded Vote:

Yeas:	Bratina, Partridge, McHattie, Farr, Morelli, Merulla, Collins, Duvall, Jackson, Whitehead, Pasuta, Power, Ferguson, Johnson, Pearson
Total Yeas:	15
Total Nays:	0
Absent:	Clark
Total Absent:	1

(f) ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the Committee adjourned at 4:08 p.m.

Respectfully submitted

Councillor J. Partridge
Deputy Mayor

Carolyn Biggs
Legislative Co-ordinator
Office of the City Clerk