



GENERAL ISSUES COMMITTEE
MINUTES 13-015
10:00 a.m.
Thursday, July 11, 2013
Council Chambers
Hamilton City Hall
71 Main Street West

Present: Deputy Mayor C. Collins (Chair)
Mayor R. Bratina
Councillors B. Clark, S. Duvall, J. Farr, T. Jackson,
B. Johnson, S. Merulla, M. Pearson, R. Powers

Absent with Regrets: Councillor B. Morelli – Sick Leave
Councillors B. McHattie, T. Whitehead – Vacation
Councillors L. Ferguson, J. Partridge, R. Pasuta – Personal

THE FOLLOWING ITEMS WERE REPORTED TO COUNCIL FOR CONSIDERATION:

1. Copps Coliseum “Power Ring” Installation – Additional Information (FCS13058) (Ward 2)

(Merulla/Jackson)

That Report FCS13058 respecting Copps Coliseum “Power Ring” Installation – Additional Information be received. **CARRIED**

2. Property Acquisition in Ward 3 (CM13014) (Item 5.1)

(Pearson/Powers)

(a) That Report CM13014 respecting Property Acquisition in Ward 3 be received;

(b) That the contents of Report CM13014 remain confidential. **CARRIED**

3. Financing Strategy for the Acquisition of School Board Property at 16 Broughton Avenue (Ward 6) (FCS13057) (Item 5.2)

(Pearson/Powers)

- (a) That Report FCS13057 respecting Financing Strategy for the Acquisition of School Board Property at 16 Broughton Avenue (Ward 6) be received;
- (b) That the contents of Report CM13014 remain confidential. **CARRIED**

4. Request for Extension of Public Comment Period – Newalta Corporation

(Clark/Pearson)

That the City Solicitor be directed to write to Newalta Corporation to request an extension of the public comment period from August 5, 2013 to September 30, 2013, on their proposed changes to the height of the landfill, given that the City does not have sufficient time to provide a full response. **CARRIED**

FOR THE INFORMATION OF COUNCIL:

(a) CHANGES TO THE AGENDA (Item 1)

The Clerk advised of the following change:

ADDED NOTICE OF MOTION

- (i) Request for Extension of Comment Period – Newalta Corporation (Added New Business Item #1)

(Johnson/Pearson)

That the agenda, be approved as amended.

CARRIED

(b) DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (Item 2)

None.

(c) PRESENTATIONS

(i) Memorandum of Agreement - City of Hamilton and Hamilton-Wentworth District School Board for a New Secondary School and Community Centre in the Pan Am Stadium Precinct - Update (CM13006(a)) (Ward 3) (Item 3.1)

Chris Murray provided a power point presentation to the Committee with respect to the HWDSB/City of Hamilton on Memorandum of Agreement in the Stadium Precinct and spoke to the following issues:

- Background
- HWDSB – Scott Park Site
- Why this project is important
- Proposed project components
- Funding options
- Funding recommendations
- Funding options for \$7.55 million gap
- Review of recommendations contained in staff report
- Outdoor recreation space

A copy of the PowerPoint presentation was submitted to the Clerk for the public record and can be viewed on the City of Hamilton web site.

Tim Simmons, Chair of the Hamilton Wentworth District School Board, and Daniel Del Bianco, Senior Facilities Officer, HWDSB, were in attendance to respond to questions of the Committee.

(Powers/Clark)

- (a) That the presentation respecting Memorandum of Agreement - City of Hamilton and Hamilton-Wentworth District School Board for a New Secondary School and Community Centre in the Pan Am Stadium Precinct – Update be received;
- (b) That Report CM13006(a) respecting Memorandum of Agreement - City of Hamilton and Hamilton-Wentworth District School Board for a New Secondary School and Community Centre in the Pan Am Stadium Precinct – Update be tabled;
- (c) That staff be directed to prepare a report, in conjunction with the Hamilton-Wentworth District School Board, to be presented to the next appropriate meeting of the General Issues Committee, taking into consideration the comments and questions raised by the members of the Committee;

- (d) That a meeting of the Joint City of Hamilton and Hamilton-Wentworth District School Board Liaison Committee be convened in advance of the report referenced in sub-section (c). **CARRIED**

(d) DISCUSSION ITEMS

- (i) Copps Coliseum “Power Ring” Installation for 2013/14 Hockey Season (Item 4.2)**

(Merulla/Jackson)

That the motion respecting Copps Coliseum “Power Ring” Installation for 2013/14 Hockey Season, tabled by the General Issues Committee at their meeting on July 8, 2013, be lifted from the table. **CARRIED**

(Merulla/Jackson)

That Item 4.2 respecting Copps Coliseum “Power Ring” Installation for 2013/14 Hockey Season be withdrawn. **CARRIED**

(e) NOTICE OF MOTION

Councillor B. Clark introduced the following Notice of Motion:

Request for Extension of Public Comment Period – Newalta Corporation

That the City Solicitor be directed to write to Newalta Corporation to request an extension of the public comment period from August 5, 2013 to September 30, 2013, on their proposed changes to the height of the landfill, given that the City does not have sufficient time to provide a full response.

(Clark/Pearson)

That the rules of order be waived in order to allow for the introduction of a motion respecting Request for Extension of Public Comment Period – Newalta Corporation. **CARRIED**

See Item 4 for the disposition of this item.

(f) PRIVATE & CONFIDENTIAL

(Jackson/Clark)

That the Committee move into closed session at 12:25 p.m. pursuant to sub-section 8.1(c) of the City’s Procedural By-law and Section 239.2 of the Municipal Act as the subject matters pertain to the proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local board respecting Property Acquisition in Ward 3 (Item 5.1) and Financing Strategy for the Acquisition of School Board Property at 16 Broughton Avenue (Ward 6) (Item 5.2). **CARRIED**

The Committee reconvened in Open Session at 1:11 p.m.

(i) Property Acquisition in Ward 3 (CM13014) (Item 5.1)

Direction provided to staff in Closed Session.

**(ii) Financing Strategy for the Acquisition of School Board Property at
16 Broughton Avenue (Ward 6) (FCS13057) (Item 5.2)**

Direction provided to staff in Closed Session.

(f) ADJOURNMENT

(Pearson/Powers)

There being no further business, the Committee adjourned at 1:14 p.m.

CARRIED

Respectfully submitted

Councillor C. Collins
Deputy Mayor

Carolyn Biggs
Legislative Co-ordinator
Office of the City Clerk