



Hamilton

REPORT 13-002

HAMILTON FARMERS' MARKET SUB-COMMITTEE

Monday, November 11, 2013

2:00 p.m.

Room 264

Hamilton City Hall

Present: Councillor J. Farr, Chair
Councillors C. Collins and R. Pasuta

THE HAMILTON FARMERS' MARKET SUB-COMMITTEE PRESENTS REPORT 13-002 TO THE EMERGENCY AND COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE AND RESPECTFULLY RECOMMENDS:

1. Hamilton Farmers' Market By-law Amendment (CS13054) (Ward 2)

- (a) That Subsections 6(5), 6(5a), 6(5b), 6(5c) and 6(6) of the Market By-law be amended to remove any limit to:
 - (i) the number of stalls the Market Supervisor may allocate to any one stallholder; and
 - (ii) the size of stalls that may be allocated by the Market Supervisor to stallholders;
- (b) That the necessary by-law be passed to reflect the resolution in Subsection (a), in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor.

FOR INFORMATION:

(a) CHANGES TO THE AGENDA

The Committee Clerk advised there were no changes to the agenda.

The Agenda for the November 11, 2013 Hamilton Farmers Market Sub-Committee meeting was approved as presented.

(b) DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were none declared.

(c) APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The Minutes of the April 24, 2013 meeting were approved as presented.

(d) DISCUSSION ITEMS

(i) Hamilton Farmers' Market By-law Amendment (CS13054) (Ward 2) (Item 4.1)

Staff provided an overview of the report and responded to questions from the Sub-Committee.

A discussion ensued which included but was not limited to the following:

- The current situation at the Market – two (2) stalls are empty 6 new vendors have expressed interest;
- The status of the outdoor market;
- The feasibility of putting a sampler court of vendors in the foyer area near the glass entrance doors;
- How to make the outside of the market visually attractive;
- Three (3) representative selected by the Stallholders' Association to be their spokes persons with City staff;
- The downturn in business since the opening of Nations Fresh Foods in the mall;
- Concerns with lack of free parking for patrons and the proposed stall rental increases.

Committee approved the staff recommendations as outlined in Item 1 of this Report.

(e) PRIVATE AND CONFIDENTIAL

The Sub-Committee approved the Closed Session Minutes of the April 24, 2013 meeting and directed that they remain Private and Confidential and restricted from public disclosure.

(f) ADJOURNMENT

The Hamilton Farmers' Market Sub-Committee meeting adjourned at 3:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

**Councillor J. Farr, Chair
Hamilton Farmers' Market Sub-committee**

**Ida Bedioui, Legislative Co-ordinator,
City Clerk's Office**