



GENERAL ISSUES COMMITTEE

MINUTES 12-024(b)

9:30 a.m.

Tuesday, December 11, 2012

Council Chambers

Hamilton City Hall

71 Main Street West

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

THE FOLLOWING ITEMS WERE REPORTED TO COUNCIL FOR CONSIDERATION:

1. 2013 Tax Supported Capital Budget (FCS12096) (City Wide)

(Powers/Jackson)

- (a) That the 2013 Tax Supported Capital Levy in the amount of \$90,177,000, be approved;
- (b) That the 2013 Tax Capital Budget & Financing Plan in the amount of \$252,235,000 attached as Appendix "A" to Report FCS12096, be approved;
- (c) That the Tax Supported Discretionary Net Capital Funding Forecast 2013 – 2022 attached as Appendix "B" to Report FCS12096, which assumes a 0.5% levy increase in each year from 2013 to 2022, be approved, in principle, and re-visited by Council each budget year;
- (d) That the operating and FTE impacts of the 2013 capital budget, estimated to be \$1,343,700 and 4.1 FTE's, attached as Appendix "C" to Report FCS12096, be incorporated into the 2014 Tax Supported base Operating Budget;
- (e) That staff investigate options to mitigate the financial impact identified in Recommendation (d) during the 2014 tax supported operating budget process;

- (f) That the Chedoke Clubhouse Design Project in the amount of \$200,000 be parked pending further direction from Council in regard to efficiency and effectiveness opportunities through future Service Delivery Review deliberations;
- (g) That \$200,000 be allocated for the Chedoke Clubhouse Maintenance Project, to be funded from the Golf Course Reserve;
- (h) That the \$500,000 funding for the Gage Park Aviary and Tropical House Capital Project be re-allocated to the following unfunded Forestry Capital:
 - (i) Traffic Island Reinstatement
Project No. 4451349000 \$375,000
 - (ii) Forestry Mechanical and Storage Facility Upgrade
Project No. 4451351008 \$125,000
- (i) That Council receive the Hamilton Waterfront Trust capital forecast for consideration (Appendix D). **CARRIED as amended**

**2. Community Infrastructure Improvement Fund Program Intake
(FCS12061(a)) (City Wide)(Outstanding Business List Item)**

(Ferguson/Duvall)

- (a) That the Ancaster Senior Achievement Centre expansion project (7101354104) be approved, and that it be funded from the following sources:
 - (i) \$500,000 Ancaster Senior Achievement Centre Advisory Board;
 - (ii) \$500,000 Federal Grant;
 - (iii) \$250,000 Development Charges;
 - (iv) \$150,000 from Project 7101241706 – Recreation Centre Retrofits;
 - (v) \$100,000 Ancaster Capital Reserve;
- (b) That the upset limit of \$100,000 for the use of the Consultant Roster (Purchasing Policy #9) be waived for the design of the Ancaster Senior Achievement Centre Expansion Project;
- (c) That Thier + Curran Architects Inc. be approved as a single source design consultant for the Ancaster Senior Achievement Centre Expansion Project to ensure the project is completed by the March 31, 2014 Community Infrastructure Improvement Fund deadline;
- (d) That subject to the approval of Recommendation (a), the annual operating impact of \$12,600, be approved and incorporated into the 2014 Tax Supported Operating Budget;

- (e) That the Sackville Senior Centre – Life Cycle Renewal project (7101341212) be approved, and that it be funded from the following sources:
 - (i) \$650,000 Federal Grant;
 - (ii) \$150,000 Ward 7 Area Rating Special Capital Re-Investment Reserve;
 - (iii) \$300,000 from Project 7101241706 – Recreation Centre Retrofits;
 - (iv) \$200,000 from Project 3541241409 – Code & Legislative Compliance;

- (f) That the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized and directed to execute, on behalf of the City of Hamilton, all necessary documentation, including the Contribution Agreement for funding under the Community Infrastructure Improvement Fund, in order to implement projects C1767, Expansion and Upgrades to the Ancaster Senior Achievement Centre and C1787, Rehabilitation and Upgrade of Sackville Senior Centre, with content acceptable to the General Manager of Finance and Corporate Services, and in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor;

- (g) That the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized and directed to execute, on behalf of the City of Hamilton, a funding agreement with the Ancaster Senior Achievement Centre Advisory Board for their \$500,000 contribution toward the Ancaster Senior Achievement Centre Expansion project, with content acceptable to the General Manager of Finance and Corporate Services, and in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor.

CARRIED as amended

3. Municipal Infrastructure Investment Initiative Capital Program Intake (FCS12110)

(Clark/Ferguson)

- (a) That staff be directed to submit the expression of interest for the Claremont Access Escarpment Stabilization project, with an estimated cost of \$2,250,000, attached as Appendix “A” to Report FCS12110, requesting funding in the amount of \$2,000,000 under the Municipal Infrastructure Investment Initiative (MIII) Capital Program;

- (b) That the Province of Ontario be advised that:
 - (i) The information in the Expression of Interest is factually accurate;

 - (ii) The City Of Hamilton has a comprehensive asset management plan that includes all of the information and analysis described in Building Together: Guide for Municipal Asset Management Plans in place;

- (c) That the Mayor be authorized and directed to execute the documentation associated with applications under the MIII capital program, including the expression of interest and any related future application forms;
- (d) That should the application under the MIII program be approved for funding, the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized and directed to execute, on behalf of the City of Hamilton, all necessary documentation to implement the Claremont Access Escarpment Stabilization project, all with content acceptable to the General Manager of Finance and Corporate Services, and in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor;
- (e) That should the application under the MIII program be approved for funding, the City share of funding in the amount of \$250,000 be re-appropriated from the Escarpment Slope Stabilization Project 4031310004. **CARRIED**

FOR THE INFORMATION OF COUNCIL:

(a) CHANGES TO THE AGENDA (Item 1)

The Committee Clerk advised of the following changes to the agenda:

ADDED DISCUSSION ITEMS

- (i) Community Infrastructure Improvement Fund Program Intake (FCS12061(a)) (City Wide) (New Business #1)
- (ii) Municipal Infrastructure Investment Initiative Capital Program Intake (FCS12110) (City Wide) (New Business #2)

(Jackson/Merulla)

That the agenda be approved, as amended.

CARRIED

(b) DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (Item 2)

None

(c) PUBLIC HEARINGS/DELEGATIONS

- (i) **David Adames, President and CEO, Hamilton Chamber of Commerce, respecting the City's 2013 Capital Budget (Item 4.1)**

David Adames, President and CEO of the Hamilton Chamber of Commerce, appeared before the Committee on behalf of the Chamber and specifically, the Light Rail Transit (LRT) Task Force, to recommend that capital funding for rapid transit improvements be considered as part of the City's 2014 Capital Budget and its 10-year capital forecast.

A copy of Mr. Adames' comments were submitted to the Clerk for the public record.

(Pearson/Clark)

That the presentation from David Adames, President and CEO, Hamilton Chamber of Commerce, respecting the City's 2013 Capital Budget, be received. **CARRIED**

(d) STAFF PRESENTATIONS

(i) 2013 Tax Supported Capital Budget (FCS12096) (City Wide)

Mike Zegarac provided a power point presentation respecting the 2013 Tax Supported Capital Budget and spoke to the following:

- 2013 Tax Capital Process and Objectives
- 2013-2022 Tax Capital Objectives
- Tax Capital History
- Capital Funding compared to September Budget Workshops
- Gross Tax Capital Funding Sources
- 2013 Capital Budget by Program
- 2013 Capital Highlights
- 2013 Proposed Capital Budget
- 2013 Roads Capital Program
- Discretionary Funding
- Future Unfunded Projects (not included in Financing Plan)
- 2013 Capital Funding
- 2013-2022 Capital Forecast by Program
- 2013-2022 Capital Funding Forecast
- Tax Capital Forecast 2013-2022
- Discretionary Funding Forecast
- Capital Funding Sources (2013-2022)
- Debt Forecast 2013-2022
- Consolidated Outstanding Debt Forecast 2013-2022
- Annual Repayment Limit
- Unallocated Capital Reserve -2010-2016 Balances
- Central Fleet Reserve – 2010-2017 Balances
- Fire Equipment, Fire Vehicle and EMS Equipment Reserves – 2010-2016 Balances

(Powers/Jackson)

That the presentation respecting the 2013 Tax Supported Capital Budget, be received. **CARRIED**

2013 Tax Supported Capital Budget (FCS12096) (City Wide)

(Powers/Jackson)

(a) That sub-section (f) of Report FCS12096 respecting the 2013 Tax Supported Capital Budget be deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following in lieu thereof:

“(f) That the Chedoke Clubhouse Design Project in the amount of \$400,000 be parked pending further direction from Council in regard to efficiency and effectiveness opportunities through future Service Delivery Review deliberations.”

(b) That the following be added as sub-section (g) and the balance of the sections re-numbered accordingly:

“(g) That the \$500,000 funding for the Gage Park Aviary and Tropical House Capital Project be re-allocated to the following unfunded Forestry Capital:

(i) Traffic Island Reinstatement
Project No. 4451349000 \$375,000

(ii) Forestry Mechanical and Storage Facility Upgrade
Project No. 4451351008 \$125,000

Amendment CARRIED

(McHattie/Farr)

(a) That sub-section (f) be amended by reducing the \$400,000 to \$200,000, and that \$200,000 be allocated to the Chedoke Clubhouse Maintenance Project, to be funded from the Golf Course Reserve;

(b) That the balance of the sections be renumbered accordingly.

Amendment CARRIED

Motion as amended CARRIED

Staff Direction resulting from Discussions respecting the 2013 Tax Supported Capital Budget

(Merulla/Collins)

(a) That staff be directed to explore joint municipal opportunities for bulk purchases of capital equipment and vehicles such as fire trucks and land ambulances, and report back to the General Issues Committee on progress. **CARRIED**

(Collins/Merulla)

- (b) That staff report to the General Issues Committee with a five-year plan regarding two-way street conversions, and that the report identify those projects that can be implemented with existing departmental budgets, and those that are currently unfunded.

CARRIED

(e) NEW BUSINESS

**(i) Ancaster Senior Achievement Centre Expansion Project
(FCS12061(a)) (Ward 12)**

(Ferguson/Duvall)

That the following be added as sub-sections (b) and (c) and the balance of the sections re-numbered accordingly:

- (b) That the upset limit of \$100,000 for the use of the Consultant Roster (Purchasing Policy #9) be waived for the design of the Ancaster Senior Achievement Centre Expansion Project;
- (c) That Thier + Curran Architects Inc. be approved as a single source design consultant for the Ancaster Senior Achievement Centre Expansion Project to ensure the project is completed by the March 31, 2014 Community Infrastructure Improvement Fund deadline.

Amendment CARRIED

Motion as amended CARRIED

(f) ADJOURNMENT

(Powers/Partridge)

There being no further business, the Committee adjourned at 12:37 p.m.

CARRIED

Respectfully submitted

Councillor B. Morelli
Deputy Mayor

Carolyn Biggs
Legislative Co-ordinator
Office of the City Clerk