



Hamilton

GAMING FACILITY PROPOSAL SUB-COMMITTEE MINUTES 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

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)

(Pasuta/Partridge)

That the Minutes of the Gaming Facility Sub-Committee meeting of October 9, 2012 be approved, as presented. **CARRIED**

(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.

(Merulla/Partridge)

- (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.

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

(Partridge/Pasuta)

That 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, be received. **CARRIED**

(f) ADJOURNMENT

(Merulla/Partridge)

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

CARRIED

Respectfully submitted

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

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