



# Hamilton

## Report 13-001

### Accountability and Transparency Sub-Committee

Tuesday, March 5, 2013

2:00 p.m.

Room 264

Hamilton City Hall

71 Main Street West

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**Present:** Councillors L. Ferguson (Chair), J. Partridge (Vice-Chair),  
J. Chapman, D. Arbuckle and D. Broom

**Absent with Regrets:** Mayor B. Bratina  
Councillor T. Whitehead  
Citizen Member L. Ryan

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**THE ACCOUNTABILITY AND TRANSPARENCY SUB-COMMITTEE  
PRESENTS REPORT 13-001 TO THE GENERAL ISSUES COMMITTEE AND  
RESPECTFULLY RECOMMENDS:**

**1. Amendment to the Limitation Period for Complaints made under the  
Integrity Commissioner By-law No. 08-154 / LS13001(a) (City Wide)**

That the by-law attached as Appendix A to Report LS13001(a), amending the limitation period for complaints made under the Integrity Commissioner By-law No. 08-154, be enacted.

**2. Lobbyist Registry (FCS13029 / LS13006) City Wide)**

That Report FCS13029/LS13006 respecting Lobbyist Registry, be received.

**FOR THE INFORMATION OF COMMITTEE:**

**(a) CHANGES TO THE AGENDA (Item 1)**

None.

**(b) DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (Item 2)**

None.

**(c) APPROVAL OF MINUTES (Item 3)**

The Minutes of the January 22, 2013 Accountability and Transparency Sub-Committee, were approved.

**(d) DISCUSSION (Item 6)**

**6.2 Lobbyist Registry (FCS13029 / LS13006) City Wide)**

Rose Caterini, City Clerk, and Lisa Pasternak, Senior Solicitor, provided an overview of the report.

Discussion involved, but was not limited to: IT related software; online lobbyist registration and identification; governance models; awareness of a lobbyist registry; costs and the 2014 budget process.

Staff direction was provided as follows:

- (a) That staff draft a by-law by reviewing current by-laws from other Cities that includes specific definitions for who is a lobbyist, who is not a lobbyist, what is lobbying, what is not lobbying, who enforces the registry, and what are the penalties for contraventions;
- (b) That staff develop a code of conduct for lobbyists;
- (c) That staff develop recommendations for the cost of software development and maintenance including capital budget requirements and recommendations on how to fund the registry;

- (d) That staff provide options on a governance model, including administration of the Registry by the Clerks Division, maintenance of an online Registry by IS staff and duties that can be undertaken by the Integrity Commissioner or contracted out service;
- (e) That delegations be invited to attend an appropriate General Issues Committee to speak to the lobbyist registry model once approved by Committee;

For disposition, refer to item 2.

**(e) ADJOURNMENT (Item 8)**

There being no further business, the Accountability and Transparency Sub-Committee adjourned at 3:04 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Councillor L. Ferguson  
Chair, Accountability and  
Transparency Sub-Committee

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