

BOARD OF HEALTH REPORT 14-003 1:30 p.m. Tuesday, April 22, 2014 Council Chambers Hamilton City Hall

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

Absent with regrets: Councillor B. McHattie – City Business

THE BOARD OF HEALTH PRESENTS REPORT 14-003 AND RESPECTFULLY RECOMMENDS:

- 1. Epinephrine Auto Injector Pilot Project Update (BOH13040(a)) (City Wide) (Item 8.3)
 - (a) That the development, implementation, research and evaluation of the Stock Epinephrine Auto-injector Pilot Project be overseen by the City of Hamilton, through Public Health Services;
 - (b) That as an exception to the Corporate Purchasing Policy, that Public Health Services be given the authority to negotiate, through Memorandum of Understandings as acceptable to the City Solicitor, the undertaking of components of the Epinephrine Auto Injector Pilot Project with McMaster University, Anaphylaxis Canada, or other agents as identified, including but not limited to related research, evaluation, training, and project management related to the Epinephrine project and with shopping mall operators, food outlet businesses and other related agencies as locations for the carrying out of the Epinephrine Pilot Project; and if acceptable agreements cannot be reached, Hamilton Public Health Services itself will conduct the necessary work or report back;
 - (c) That staff be directed to use up to \$82,000 from the Tax Stabilization Reserve Number 11046 to fund the components necessary to complete the Stock Epinephrine Auto Injector Pilot Project;

(d) That Appendix A to the Report BOH13040(a) remain confidential.

2. Board of Health Self-Evaluation Results (BOH14011) (City Wide) (Item 8.4)

- (a) That the newly-elected Board of Health be advised to initiate a review of governance models within the first year of term to decide on the appropriate Board of Health governance structure to implement;
- (b) That staff be directed to improve the Board of Health orientation program with the long term goal to develop an education strategy for the Board.

3. Ottawa Street Mobile Farmers' Market 2-Year Pilot Program (Item 9.1)

Whereas low consumption of vegetables and fruit is associated with a poor diet and increased risk of obesity, heart disease, Type 2 diabetes, and some cancers; and

Whereas the majority of Hamiltonians do not eat the recommended daily servings of vegetables and fruit, with less than half reporting they eat vegetables and fruit five or more times a day; and

Whereas in 2011-12, 11.6% of households in the City of Hamilton reported food insecurity due to income, which impacts their ability to consume fresh vegetables and fruit, and increases the risk of preventable chronic diseases; and

Whereas some Hamilton neighbourhoods have limited physical access to healthy food retail, but are surrounded by many unhealthy food retail outlets; and

Whereas the City of Hamilton has endorsed the Golden Horseshoe Agriculture & Agri-Food Strategy: Food & Farming Action Plan 2021, which includes goals for public health to increase local food literacy and promote and improve consumers' access to local produce, and

Whereas a mobile farmers' market could result in multiple benefits, including improved access to fresh produce in Hamilton neighbourhoods with limited access to healthy food retail, increased support for the economic livelihood of local farmers, and building community resilience.

Therefore be it resolved:

(a) That Public Health Services assist the Ottawa Street BIA to apply for funding from the Ontario Ministry of Agriculture and Food's Local Food Fund for the proposed 2-year pilot mobile farmers' market project and that any shortfall be funded from the Newalta Landfill Royalty Reserve (117036) created to fund projects for the benefit of the former City of Stoney Creek for up to \$100,000 and the remainder be funded from third party sources;

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- (b) That within By-Law No. 07-170, Food Service Vehicles (Schedule 6), Planning and Economic Development explore options, when funding is obtained, to implement the 2-year pilot mobile farmers' market on sites identified by Planning and Economic Development and Public Health Services beginning in 2015;
- (c) That the sites include 2 locations in Stoney Creek, to be determined;
- (d) That Public Health Services and Planning and Economic Development work in collaboration with the Ottawa Street BIA on the operation of the proposed 2-year pilot mobile farmers' market project.

4. East Hamilton Air Monitoring Stations (Item 10.1)

Whereas the expansion of Hamilton's local air monitoring network will assist in identifying air pollution 'hot spots', and ultimately enhance our knowledge of local air emission sources and their impacts; and

Whereas air monitoring allows for the collection of outdoor air quality data that can be used to identify local sources of air emissions and to evaluate the potential health impacts on humans due to these exposures; and

Whereas the City of Hamilton has a limited network of fixed air monitors at present where areas of the City and a number of emissions sources are not adequately monitored, creating gaps in local knowledge of air quality and air emissions; and

Whereas over the course of Summer 2012, Sam Manson Park Air Pointer Pilot project approved by Board of Health on September 27, 2010 describes the benefits of continued operation of an Air Pointer in Sam Manson Park and other locations.

Therefore, be it resolved:

- (a) That the funding for the purchase of one reconditioned Air Pointer and one new Air Pointer as well as the first year operating costs be funded by the Ward 5 Area Rating Fund;
- (b) That staff investigate the following City parks & open space properties as potential host sites: Sam Manson Park, Glen Castle Park, Father Sean O'Sullivan Park, Confederation Park, Rosedale Arena/Kings Forest Golf Course, Oakland Park and 2650 Barton St. E. (old HSR transformer station);
- (c) That an amount of \$225,305.00 be set aside to purchase and operate the Air Pointers, to be disbursed as follows:

- (i) \$211,655.00 immediately upon Council Approval;
- (ii) \$3,650.00 to be paid on the 1st of each month to a total of \$43,800.00;
- (iii) \$9,000.00 immediately to a Purchase Order for the use of Electrical Connections;
- (iv) \$1,000.00 immediately upon Council Approval.
- (d) That the amounts in (c)(i) and (c)(ii) be paid directly to Rotek Environmental Inc.;
- (e) That the amounts in (c)(iii) be paid to the selected City of Hamilton Vendor for Electrical work;
- (f) That the amounts in (c)(iv) be paid directly to Hamilton Air Monitoring Network;
- (g) That the operating costs of \$44,800 be funded by Ward 5 Area Rating Fund during the first year and then referred to the 2015 Budget process for subsequent years.
- (h) That when mutually agreed upon, the Air Pointers can be used in other locations/wards.
- (i) That the Ministry of Environment be contacted to seek funding and support.

5. Physician Recruitment Specialist Employment Contract (FCS14032) (City Wide) (Item 8.1)

Contract Renewal – Physician Recruitment Specialist

- (a) That the Physician Recruitment Specialist contract be extended for three years, commencing March, 2013 and expiring March, 2016.;
- (b) That the contents of the contract remain confidential.

6. Item to be Transferred to another Standing Committee (Item 11.3)

That the Item on the Board of Health Outstanding Business List respecting "Cardiac Safe City" (Item C) be transferred to the Emergency and Community Services Committee.

FOR THE INFORMATION OF COUNCIL:

(a) CHANGES TO THE AGENDA (Item 1)

There were no changes to the agenda.

The agenda was approved, as presented

(b) DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (Item 2)

There were no declarations of interest.

(c) APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING (Item 3)

(i) March 17, 2014 (Item 3.1)

The Minutes from the March 17, 2014 meeting of the Board of Health were approved, as presented.

(d) DISCUSSION ITEMS (Item 8)

(i) Physician Recruitment Specialist Employment Contract (FCS14032) (City Wide) (Item 8.1)

For disposition of this matter, refer to Item 5.

(ii) Physician Recruitment & Retention Steering Committee Report 13-002 (TABLED on January 13, 2014) (Item 8.1(I))

The Physician Recruitment & Retention Steering Committee Report 13-002 was lifted from the table.

The dates respecting the contract were amended to reflect a start of March 2013 and expiration of March 2016 in the contract and report.

Councillor Ferguson reviewed the Key Performance Indicators. The Board had a general discussion respecting the Key Performance Indicators.

(iii) Epinephrine Auto Injector Pilot Project Update (BOH13040(a)) (City Wide) (Item 8.3)

Councillor Ferguson advised he was approached by the Rotary Club of Ancaster with regard to this matter and thanked everyone for their work. Councillor Collins expressed thanks to Councillor Ferguson for the time and energy put into this matter.

For disposition of this matter, refer to Item 1.

(e) MOTIONS (Item 9)

(i) Ottawa Street Mobile Farmers' Market 2-Year Pilot Program (Item 9.1)

Item 9.1, Ottawa Street Mobile Famers' Market 2-Year Pilot Program was amended as follows:

- (aa) That the words "Local Food Grant" be replaced with "Ontario Ministry of Agriculture and Food's Local Food Fund" in subsection
 (a) of the recommendation; and
- (bb) That the words "through the City's Tax Stabilization Reserve" be replaced with the words "from the Newalta Landfill Royalty Reserve (117036) created to fund projects for the benefit of the former City of Stoney Creek for up to \$100,000 and the remainder be funded from third party sources" to read as follows:
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- (cc) That the words "beginning in 2015" be added to the end of subsection (b) of the recommendation to read as follows:
 - (b) That within By-law No. 07-170, Food Service Vehicles (Schedule 6), Planning and Economic Development explore options, when funding is obtained, to implement the 2-year pilot mobile farmers' market on sites identified by Planning and Economic Development and Public Health Services **beginning in 2015.**
- (dd) That the following subsection (c) be inserted and the subsequent subsection be re-lettered.
 - (c) That the sites include 2 locations in Stoney Creek, to be determined.

For disposition of this matter, refer to Item 3.

(f) NOTICES OF MOTION (Item 10)

(i) East Hamilton Air Monitoring Stations (Item 10.1)

Councillor Collins introduced the following Notice of Motion:

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The rules of order were waived in order to allow for the introduction of a motion respecting "East Hamilton Air Monitoring Stations".

Councillor Collins advised there has been a request from his ward residents to reinstate the Air Monitoring Stations and also concerns with air quality. He also thanked staff and residents who have helped with this matter.

For disposition of this matter, refer to Item 3.

(ii) Gasification Process Operation in Hamilton (Added Item)

Councillor Morrow introduced a Notice of Motion respecting the gasification process operation in Hamilton as follows:

That the City of Hamilton formally oppose the gasification process operation planned for the Sherman Avenue and Burlington Street area.

(g) GENERAL INFORMATION/OTHER BUSINESS (Item 11)

(i) Revised Due Dates on the Outstanding Business List (Item 11.1)

The due dates for the following items on the Outstanding Business List were amended accordingly, as follows:

- Item "A" Review of the City of Hamilton Streets By-law Due Date: December 2, 2013 Revised Due Date: To Be Determined
- (b) Item "E" Request for the LIHN to Present to the Board of Health Due Date: February 3, 2014 Revised Due Date: July 10, 2014

(ii) Items to be Removed from the Outstanding Business List (Item 11.2)

The following items were deemed complete and removed from the Outstanding Business List:

- (a) Item "D" Improving Gambling Prevention Activities
- (b) Item "F" Accreditation Moving Forward
- (c) Item "G" Epinephrine Auto-Injector & Food Service Outlets (See Item 8.3)

(h) **PRIVATE AND CONFIDENTIAL (Item 12)**

(i) Supplemental Information to Item 8.2 (Physician Recruitment & Retention Steering Committee Report 13-002)(Item 12.1)

The supplemental information to Item 8.2 was amended to include revisions to the duration of the contract.

See Item 5 for the disposition of this item.

(ii) Supplemental Information to Item 8.3 (Epinephrine Auto Injector Pilot Project Update (BOH13040(a)) (City Wide (Item 12.2)

The supplemental information to Item 8.3 was received and will remain confidential.

See Item 1 for the disposition of this item.

(iii) Verbal Update Respecting Personnel Matter regarding Item 8.4 (Board of Health Self Evaluation Results (BOH14011) (City Wide)) (Item 12.3)

The Committee moved into Closed Session at 3:05 p.m. pursuant to Subsections 8.1(b) of the City's Procedural By-law and Section 239(2) of the Ontario Municipal Act, 2001, as the subject matters pertains to personal matters about identifiable individuals, including municipal or local board employees.

The Board reconvened in open session.

No action to be reported.

(i) ADJOURNMENT (Item 13)

There being no further business, the Board of Health adjourned at 3:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mayor R. Bratina Chair, Board of Health

Jasmine Branton Legislative Coordinator Office of the City Clerk