

EMERGENCY & COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE MINUTES

1:30 p.m. Monday, March 24, 2014 Council Chambers Hamilton City Hall 71 Main Street West

Present: Councillor, J. Farr, Chair

Councillor S. Merulla, Vice-Chair

Councillors S. Duvall, T. Jackson, B. McHattie, R. Morrow, and

T. Whitehead

Also present: Councillor C. Collins

Absent with

Regrets: Councillor J. Partridge, personal

THE FOLLOWING ITEMS WERE REPORTED FOR THE CONSIDERATION OF COUNCIL:

1. Letter of Resignation from the Food and Shelter Advisory Committee submitted by Thayra Marting (Item 5.1)

(McHattie/Duvall)

That the Letter of Resignation from the Food and Shelter Advisory Committee submitted by Thayra Marting be received.

CARRIED

2. Social Housing Reserve Fund - McGivney Community Homes Inc. (CES14018) (City Wide) (Item 5.3)

(McHattie/Duvall)

That Report CES14018 respecting Social Housing Reserve Fund - McGivney Community Homes Inc. be received.

3. Social Housing Reserve Funds for Waterdown Rotary Garden Court Inc. (CES14019) (Ward 15) (Item 5.4)

(McHattie/Duvall)

That the General Manager of the Community and Emergency Services Department be authorized and directed to fund Waterdown Rotary Garden Court Inc. at 30 John Street, Waterdown up to a total of \$150,000 for emergency capital repairs from the Social Housing Reserve Fund (#112248).

CARRIED

4. 2014 Provincial Child Care Funding Allocation for the City of Hamilton (CES14007) (City Wide) (Item 5.5)

(McHattie/Duvall)

- (a) That the City of Hamilton accept the additional 2014 Child Care base funding in the amount of \$ 2,802,537 (100% Provincial) from the Ministry of Education;
- (b) That the General Manager of the Community and Emergency Services Department be authorized to execute the 2014 Child Care Service Agreement with the Ministry of Education in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor.

CARRIED

5. Older Adult Plan (CES14012) (City Wide) (Item 5.6)

(McHattie/Duvall)

That Report CES14012 respecting Older Adult Plan be received.

CARRIED

6. Renewal of Funding from Citizenship and Immigration Canada for the Immigration Strategy (CS10043(d)) (City Wide) (Item 5.7)

(McHattie/Duvall)

- (a) That the City of Hamilton accept \$493,636 from Citizenship and Immigration Canada for the purpose of supporting the Hamilton Immigration Partnership Council and the continued implementation of the Immigration Strategy over the next two fiscal years from April 1, 2014 to March 31, 2016;
- (b) That the General Manager of Community and Emergency Services be authorized to execute the renewed Contribution Agreement between the City of Hamilton and Citizenship and Immigration Canada, subject to any amendments approved by the General Manager of Community and Emergency Services and in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor.

7. Resident Petition of St. Thomas More Secondary School Artificial Turf Surface (CES14011) (Ward 8) (Outstanding Business List Item) (Item 5.8)

(McHattie/Duvall)

That Report CES14011 respecting Resident Petition of St. Thomas More Secondary School Artificial Turf Surface be received.

CARRIED

8. Expenditures from Social Housing Reserve Fund (Account #112248) (CS13004(a)) (Wards 2,3,4,6,7,12 & 15) (Item 8.1)

(McHattie/Jackson)

- (a) That the General Manager of the Community and Emergency Services Department or her designate, be authorized and directed to enter into a funding agreement, in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor, with the Sons of Italy (Hamilton) Housing Corporation for a total of \$590,000, (\$500,000 in 2013 capital funding and \$90,000 from the Social Housing Reserve Fund (#112248)) for repairs and renovations to six properties at 31 & 44 Steven Street, 38 East Avenue North, 2 & 40 Madison Avenue, and 32 Ashley Street;
- (b) That the General Manager of the Community and Emergency Services Department or her designate, be authorized and directed to enter into a funding agreement, in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor, with the Hamilton East Kiwanis Non-Profit Homes Inc. for a total of \$73,950, for repairs and renovations to one property at 30 Kensington Avenue North from the Social Housing Reserve Fund (#112248);
- (c) That the General Manager of the Community and Emergency Services Department or her designate, be authorized and directed to enter into a funding agreement, in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor, with CityHousing Hamilton for a total of \$847,400 for repairs and renovations to 12 properties at 740 Brittania Avenue, 85 Bellingham Drive, 37 Bernard Street, 893 Fennell Avenue East, 19, 26 & 30 Sumach Street, 20 Eaton Place, 20 Armstrong Avenue, 19 Thorley Street, and 5 & 7 Seeley Avenue, from the Social Housing Reserve Fund (#112248).

CARRIED

9. Capital Projects' Status Report as of December 31, 2013 (CS13036(b)) (City Wide) (Item 8.2)

(Jackson/McHattie)

That Report CS13036(b) respecting Capital Projects' Status Report as of December 31, 2013, be received.

10. Recreation Concessions at City Operated Facilities (CES14014) (City Wide) (Item 8.3)

(Merulla/Whitehead)

- (a) That staff consult with volunteer user groups in City operated arenas to determine the level of interest in participating in a pilot project for the operation of City arena concessions;
- (b) That staff undertake a pilot project from September 2014 to March 2015 at a maximum of six City-operated arena concessions to test the feasibility of transferring the operation of arena concessions to volunteer organizations and associations;
- (c) That the Director of Recreation be authorized to select the pilot location sites after consulting with the volunteer user groups;
- (d) That a Request for Proposal (RFP) be issued to select the volunteer user groups that will operate the concessions in the selected pilot sites.

CARRIED

FOR INFORMATION:

(a) CHANGES TO THE AGENDA (Item 1)

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

(Duvall/Jackson)

That the agenda be approved as presented.

CARRIED

(b) DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (Item 2)

There were none declared.

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

(Morrow/Merulla)

That the Minutes of the February 10, 2014 meeting be approved as presented.

(d) DELEGATION REQUESTS (Item 4)

(i) Matt Jelly respecting proposal of a series of reforms to the City of Hamilton's Zero Tolerance Policy for Violence in Recreational Properties & Facilities.

(Whitehead/Duvall)

That the delegation request from Matt Jelly respecting proposal of a series of reforms to the City of Hamilton's Zero Tolerance Policy for Violence in Recreational Properties & Facilities be approved.

CARRIED

(e) CONSENT ITEMS (Item 5.1)

(McHattie/Duvall)

That the following Advisory Committee Minutes be received:

- (i) Senior Advisory Committee Minutes, November 1, 2013.
- (ii) Senior Advisory Committee Minutes, December 6, 2013.
- (iii) Hamilton Youth Advisory Committee Minutes, February 19, 2013
- (iv) Hamilton Youth Advisory Committee Minutes, March 19, 2013
- (v) Hamilton Youth Advisory Committee Minutes, April 16, 2013
- (vi) Hamilton Youth Advisory Committee Minutes, May 21, 2013
- (vii) Hamilton Youth Advisory Committee Minutes, June 18, 2013
- (viii) Hamilton Youth Advisory Committee Minutes, September 17, 2013
- (ix) Hamilton Youth Advisory Committee Minutes, October 15, 2013
- (x) Hamilton Youth Advisory Committee Minutes, November 19, 2013
- (xi) Hamilton Youth Advisory Committee Minutes, December 17, 2013
- (xii) Hamilton Veterans Committee Minutes, November 12, 2013
- (xiii) Hamilton Veterans Committee Minutes, December 10, 2013
- (xiv) Hamilton Veterans Committee Minutes, January 14, 2014

(f) DISCUSSION ITEMS (Item 8)

(i) Recreation Concessions at City Operated Facilities (CES14014) (City Wide) (Item 8.3)

Committee approved the staff report respecting Recreation Concessions at City Operated Facilities including subsection (e) as follows:

(Merulla/Whitehead)

(e) That staff report back to the Emergency and Community Services Committee upon completion of the pilot project with an evaluation of the pilot and recommendation(s) for future management and operations of City-operated arena concessions.

CARRIED

(g) NOTICES OF MOTION (Item 10)

Councillor Merulla presented the following Notice of Motion:

Re: First Urban Fitness Trail

Whereas, the City of Hamilton has a significant parcel of land dormant in the McQuesten Neighbourhood; and

Whereas, the McQuesten Neighbourhood is in the process of developing the first urban farm which conforms to better Public Health, Community Services and Neighbourhood Strategies to be the best place in Canada to raise a child, promote innovation, engage citizens and provide diverse economic opportunities; and

Whereas, the obesity issue as it pertains to Public Health is of concern;

Therefore be it resolved:

That staff be directed to undertake an assessment to develop the first urban fitness trail in that parcel of land that would connect to the Redhill Valley Trail, the Bruce Trail and the Hamilton-Brantford Rail Trail thereby providing an expansion on the City's existing trail system which is second to none.

(h) GENERAL INFORMATION (Item 11)

(i) Outstanding Business List

(Whitehead/Morrow)

That the following changes to the Outstanding Business list be approved:

(1) The due dates of the following Items were amended as indicated:

Item "B"- Report back annually re: CPR training for members of the community and the frequency of CPR performance.

New Due Date: September 8, 2014

Item "D" - (a) Report back re: Food4Kids Program

Item "D" - (b) Report back re: Universal School Nutrition Program.

New Due Date: June 9, 2014

Item "G" - Staff to undertake feasibility study of constructing and operating indoor recreation facilities at the Mohawk 4 Ice Centre and report back.

New Due Date: June 9, 2014

Item "H" (a) - Report back re: wage status of part-time staff in comparison to the Hamilton Living Wage

Item "H" (b) - Report back re: how to use purchasing policy to promote community social and economic well being.

New Due Date: September 8, 2014

Item "L" (a) - Fire Chief to report re: letter regarding transportation of Hazardous materials by Rail through Dundas, Ontario New Due Date: September 8, 2014

(2) The following items were removed from the outstanding business list:

Item "F" (a) - Report back re: proposal for a not-for-profit group to operate an identified City facility

Item "F" (b) - Report back re: transferring the operation of concession stands in City facilities to volunteer organizations.

Item "J" - petition from residents of the St. Thomas More Precinct re: rental of sports fields to outside groups.

CARRIED

(i) ADJOURNMENT (Item 13)

(Whitehead/McHattie)

There being no further business, that the Emergency & Community Services Committee meeting be adjourned at 2:17 p.m. CARRIED

Respectfully submitted,

Councillor J. Farr, Chair Emergency & Community Services Committee

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