

# GENERAL ISSUES COMMITTEE 2015 BUDGET MINUTES 15-004(f)

9:30 a.m.
Friday, February 27, 2015
Council Chambers
Hamilton City Hall
71 Main Street West

Present:

Mayor F. Eisenberger, Deputy Mayor S. Duvall, Councillors A. Johnson, J. Farr, M. Green, S. Merulla, C. Collins, T. Jackson, T. Whitehead, D. Conley, M. Pearson, B. Johnson, L. Ferguson, A. VanderBeek, R. Pasuta, J. Partridge

## 1. Niagara Peninsula Conservation Authority's Levy Apportionment (Item 9.1)

- (a) That the City maintain its position that an agreement continues to subsist, among the Niagara Peninsula Conservation Authority, City of Hamilton, Niagara Region and Haldimand County regarding the levy apportionment pursuant to Ontario Regulation 670/00 under the *Conservation Authorities Act*; and make its levy payment accordingly;
- (b) That staff be directed to prepare and move forward with the appeal process to the Commissioner of Mining and Lands with respect to the Niagara Peninsula Conservation Authority's levy apportionment;
- (c) That a Councillor Brenda Johnson and staff be directed to continue to engage the Niagara Peninsula Conservation Authority, Niagara Region and Haldimand County for the purposes of exploring a resolution to the levy apportionment dispute, which (i) honours the subsistence of the agreement for 2015, (ii) acknowledges the need for a new agreement beyond 2015, and (iii) reflects a fair representation on the Niagara Peninsula Conservation Authority Board;
- (d) That the Niagara Peninsula Conservation Authority be required to provide detailed documentation of actual capital spending including, but not limited to, Binbrook Conservation Authority and Binbrook Tract supporting the special benefitting amounts levied against the City of Hamilton from 2005 to 2014, inclusive; and,

(e) That the City request the Province of Ontario to use any and all available powers pursuant to legislation, contract or otherwise, to intervene in and assume control over the administration of the Niagara Peninsula Conservation Authority.

CARRIED

#### FOR THE INFORMATION OF COMMITTEE:

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

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

- (i) Added as Item 7.2 2015 Niagara Peninsula Conservation Authority Levy Apportionment Presentation. Staff has requested that Item 7.2 be moved up on the agenda to be presented before Item 7.1.
- (ii) Added as Item 9.1 a Motion respecting the Niagara Peninsula Conservation Authority's Levy Apportionment (*Tabled at the January 21, 2015 GIC budget meeting.*) To keep all the items respecting this matter together, staff has also requested that Item 9.1 be addressed immediately following Item 7.2.
- (iii) Added as Item 11.1 Correspondence from the Niagara Peninsula Conservation Authority, dated February 26, 2015, respecting Municipal Levy Apportionments

Recommendation: Be received.

#### (Collins/Farr)

That the agenda for the February 27, 2015 General Issues Committee Budget meeting be approved, as amended.

CARRIED

# (b) DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (Item 2)

There were no declarations of interest.

#### (c) STAFF PRESENTATIONS (Item 7)

#### (i) 2015 Tax Budget Enhancements (Item 7.1)

Mike Zegarac, General Manager of Finance & Corporate Services, provided a PowerPoint presentation respecting the 2015 Tax Budget

Enhancements. The presentation included, but was not limited to, the following:

- Process
- Recommended Enhancements
- Three Categories:
  - Legislated required as a result of provincial legislation and for which the City has limited discretion.
  - Fully Funded fully funded from sources other than the tax levy, resulting in a net zero impact corporate-wide.
  - Economic Growth focused on stimulating, supporting or contributing to the City's economic growth. This creates nonresidential tax base and employment for the City.
- Other Priorities and Enhancements

# (Farr/Green)

That the presentation, respecting the 2015 Tax Budget Enhancements, be received.

- (a) That the following items be referred to the March 10, 2015 GIC Budget meeting for further consideration:
  - (i) A01 Compliance with changes in Provincial requirements for regulatory testing, monitoring, and repairing of well systems in the City's rural areas. (O. Reg. 319/08) (Book 1 pg. 33) (Farr/Whitehead)
  - (ii) A02 Continue Eligibility and Registration Program AODA (Council Referred PW03128(c)) (Book 1 pg. 34) (REVISED) (Jackson/Whitehead)
  - (iii) A03 Animal Services to provide Flamborough Community with animal control services at par with the rest of the City. (Book 1 pg. 37) (Whitehead/Jackson)

- (iv) A04 Youth Business Development Officer within Small Business Development Center partially funded by Ministry of Economic Development and savings built into the budget. (Book 1 pg. 38) (Jackson/Merulla)
- (v) A05 Public Health Inspector Trainees increased funding from Ministry of Health and Long Term Care. (NEW) (Whitehead/Jackson)
- (vi) A06 For engineering services, replace external contractors with City Staff. (Book 1 pg. 39) (Whitehead/B. Johnson)
- (vii) A07 HVAC maintenance for new facility Tim Horton's field. (Book 1 pg. 40) (Whitehead/B. Johnson)
- (viii) A08 Support increased demand for engineering services in the traffic corridor to address inspection issues associated with road cut permit/restoration work; funding from permit revenues. (Book 1 pg. 41) (Jackson/B. Johnson)
- (ix) A09 Support work load increase for engineering services resulting from Special Infrastructure area rated project requirements. (Book 1 pg. 42) (Ferguson/Merulla)
- (x) A10 Additional Administrative Clerk due to increasing POA workload. (Book 1 pg. 43 (Eisenberger/Farr)
- (xi) A11 Additional Court Reporter due to increasing POA workload. (Book 1 pg. 44) (Eisenberger/Farr)
- (xii) A12 Media buyer to consolidate City wide media purchase to be funded from efficiencies. (Book 1 pg. 45) (Eisenberger/Farr)
- (xiii) A13 Provide legal administrative support for Water & Waste Water environmental upgrades. (Book 1 pg. 46) (Eisenberger/Farr)
- (xiv) A14 Provide legal services for Water & Waste Water environmental upgrades. (Book 1 pg. 47) (Eisenberger/Farr)

- (xv) A15 To support the technology infrastructure for the City's new Tim Horton's Field. (Book 1 pg. 48)

  (B. Johnson/Conley)
- (xvi) A16 Provide two new tax collection reminder notices immediately after the first due dates. (Book 1 pg. 49) **(B. Johnson/Conley)**
- (xvii) A17 Engineering approval staff increase to enhance the ability to respond to and process applications for Site Plans and Plans of Subdivisions. (Book 1 pg. 53) (Farr/Partridge)
- (xviii) A18 Open for Business Coordinator to ensure ongoing implementation of recommendations and coordinate high profile and Council initiated issues. (Book 1 pg. 54) (Farr/Partridge)
- (xix) A19 Permanent Waterfront Office to manage implementation of Corporate Waterfront and West Harbour plan related to items other than infrastructure and construction. (Book 1 pg. 55) (Jackson/Eisenberger)
- (xx) A20 Global Hamilton Office Project Lead to support the "Global Hamilton Office" and the "Immigrant Attraction Action Plan". (Book 1 pg. 56) (Whitehead/Eisenberger)
- (xxi) A21 Business Facilitators in Planning Division to promote City strategy for attracting and retaining businesses, promote residential, commercial, rural and greenfield developments. (Book 1 pg. 57) (Eisenberger/Collins)
- (xxii) A23 Long Range Planning Office. (Book 1 pg. 59) (Eisenberger/Collins)
- (xxiii) A26 Bed Bug/Pest Infestation Investigations investigation, support and legislation enforcement of increasing number of bed bug, cockroach and rat complaints. (Book 1 pg. 62) (Green/Jackson)
- (xxiv) A27 Promote Air Quality through collection, analysis and communication of air quality data to support positive air quality and decision making. (Book 1 pg. 63) (Merulla/Farr)

- (xxv) A29 Affordable Transit Pass Program to Permanent Funding (Council Referred CES14040(a)). (NEW) (Merulla/B. Johnson)
- (xxvi) A31 Road Network growth from Development to maintain service levels for additional 90km of roads introduced since 2009. (Book 1 pg. 66) (Eisenberger/Jackson)
- (xxvii) A32 Contract Lawyer position supporting Planning and Growth Management project. (Book 1 pg. 67) (Jackson/Farr)
- (xxviii) B04 Provide permanent funding source and resources for Vital Services Program Council Referred (PED10049(n)). (Book 1 pg. 76) (Merulla/Partridge)
- (xxix) B08 Licensing and Permit Officers (Mobile Response). (Book 1 pg. 80) (Jackson/Green)
- (xxx) B10 Collections Supervisor, Hamilton Municipal Parking System. (Book 1 pg. 82) (Jackson/Eisenberger)
- (xxxi) B15 Licensing By-law review and consolidation (Temp 2 years). (Book 1 pg. 87) (Pearson/Farr)
- (xxxii) B18 Age Friendly City Hamilton Municipal Senior of the Year Award ceremony. Council referred-CS13023(b). (Book 1 pg. 90) (Jackson/Pasuta)
- (xxxiii) B19 Age Friendly City development and implementation of Age-Friendly City plan. This resource is in conjunction with Seniors Award event. (Book 1 pg. 91) (Jackson/Green)
- (xxxiv) B20 Establish regular transfers to capital reserves to sustain infrastructure for Lodges. (Book 1 pg. 92) (Jackson/Collins)
- (xxxv) B21 Recreation Support Staff support 1:1 staffing for children and adults with special needs. (Book 1 pg. 93) (Farr/Collins)

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- (xxxvii) B23 Housing Administration Officer continuance of existing position to meet *Housing Services Act* obligations. (Book 1 pg. 95) **(Collins/Jackson)**
- (xxxviii) B24 Additional Ambulances to manage response volumes and improve response times. Additional supervisor to assist in managing hospital offload delays and front line supervision. (Book 1 pg. 96) (Duvall/Eisenberger)
- (xxxix) B25 Provide recreational programming for the Winona community. (Book 1 pg. 97) (Johnson/Pearson)
- (xl) B26 Provide recreational programs at Tim Horton's field. (Book 1 pg. 98) (Green/Collins)
- (xli) B31 Operating costs for new acquisition: 255 Winona Road Council Referred GIC 14-016. (Book 1 pg. 103) (REVISED) (B. Johnson/Pearson)
- (xlii) B33 Fund the Arts Program category created within the City Enrichment Fund for "Strategic Municipal Investment in the Arts" Council Referred (FCS14024(b)). (Book 1 pg. 105) (Farr/Whitehead)
- (xliii) B34 To fund the annual shortfall for the Event Road Closure Services for special event programs Council Referred (FCS14024(b)). (Book 1 pg. 106) (Farr/VanderBeek)
- (xliv) B36 Provide ongoing funding source for 91st Highlanders Athletic Association Indoor Games Council Referred (FCS14024(b)). (Book 1 pg. 108) (Farr/VanderBeek)
- (vlv) B37 Adequately fund the Communities, Culture & Heritage, Community Services, Sports & Active Lifestyles and Agriculture & Environment programs Council Referred (FCS14024(b)). (Book 1 pg. 109) (B. Johnson/Pearson)

- (b) That the following items be removed from consideration during the 2015 budget process:
  - i. A22 Human Resources to promote workforce planning and talent management. (Book 1 pg. 58) \*2016 additional net impact of \$50,000. (REVISED) (Collins/Green)
  - ii. A24 Festival Inspections funding has not been provided as expectations for number and approach to festivals has increased significantly over past several years. (Book 1 pg. 60) \*2016 additional net impact of \$22,990. (Whitehead/Ferguson)
  - iii. A25 Develop action plan to address impact of climate change and extreme weather. (Book 1 pg. 61)
    \*2016 additional net impact of \$96,200.
    (Jackson/Collins)
  - iv. A28 Community Health Educator/Navigator Team (CHEN) empowering vulnerable individuals to make healthier living choices. (Book 1 pg. 64) \*2016 additional net impact of \$48,460. (Jackson/Collins)
  - v. B01 Additional resources required to sustain current service levels for One Stop Business Centre at City Hall and MLE counter at City Centre. Council Referred (PED14136). (Book 1 pg. 73) (Jackson/Merulla)
  - vi. B02 Enforcement of new Woodlot Conservation bylaw. Council Referred (PED02229(e)). (Book 1 pg. 74) \*2016 additional net impact of \$30,400. (Collins/Merulla)
  - vii. B05 Municipal Law Enforcement Policy Advisor. (Book 1 pg. 77) \*2016 additional net impact of \$28,100 (Whitehead/Ferguson)
  - viii. B06 Head Curator Supervisory position.
    (Book 1 pg. 78) \*2016 additional net impact of \$27,200 (Collins/Whitehead)
  - ix. B07 License Facilitator One Stop. (Book 1 pg. 79)
    (Jackson/Collins)

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B09 Public Art Program Coordinator. (Book 1 pg. 81) Χ. of \$22,200 \*2016 additional impact net (Jackson/Conley) χi. B11 Additional part-time hours for programming and visitor services. (Book 1 pg. 83) (Jackson/B. Johnson) B12 Supervisor One Stop. (Book 1 pg. 84) \*2016 xii. additional net impact of \$30,750 (B. Johnson/Jackson) xiii. B13 Culture Projects Specialist. (Book 1 pg. 85) \*2016 additional net impact of \$22,800 (Partridge/Conley) xiv. B14 Councillor Contact. (Book 1 pg. 86) \*2016 additional net impact of \$27,300 (Farr/Conley) B16 Parking Analyst/Advisor. (Book 1 pg. 88) \*2016 XV. additional net impact of \$26,135 (B. Johnson/Collins) B27 Tim Horton's Field Capital Renewal Program xvi. Council Referred. (Book 1 pg. 99) (Farr/Green) B29 Sidewalk Snow Clearing - clear snow from all City xvii. sidewalks and apply de-icing materials to achieve bare pavement - Council Referred. (Book 1 pg. 101) (Partridge/Pearson) xviii. B30 Sidewalk Windrow Removal - clear windrows at all sidewalk ramps at all City intersections - Council Referred. (Book 1 pg. 102) (Partridge/Pearson) xix. B32 Binbrook TransCab - Continue TransCab service to Binbrook on an ongoing basis after the pilot project concludes in June 2015 - Council Referred (PW13058(a)). (Book 1 pg. 104) (B. Johnson/Pearson) B35 External hosting services and support of City XX.

website. (Book 1 pg. 107) (Green/Collins)

B38 External hosting services and support of City

website. (Book 1 pg. 107) (Pearson/Partridge)

#### (Farr/Collins)

That the following item be referred to the March 6, 2015 General Issues Committee for further consideration:

A30 10 Year Local Transit Strategy - budgets to be determined. (Book 1 pg. 65)

**CARRIED** 

## (Whitehead/Merulla)

- (a) That the following item be removed from consideration during the 2015 budget process:
  - B03 Provide new enforcement service for noise complaints at nights Thursday to Saturday. Council Referred (PED14254). (Book 1 pg. 75) \*2016 additional net impact of \$47,400
- (b) That staff be directed to continue with the pilot project, respecting new enforcement service for noise complaints on Thursday to Saturday nights, and report back with the results of that pilot project to the Planning Committee in December 2016.

**CARRIED** 

## (B. Johnson/Collins)

- (a) That the following item be removed from consideration during the 2015 budget process:
  - B17 Animal Services Project Manager (Temp 2 Years). (Book 1 pg. 89)\*2016 additional net impact of \$27,300
- (b) That staff be directed to report back to the General Issues Committee with an alternate funding source for the Animal Services Project Manager.

CARRIED

#### (Partridge/Farr)

- (a) That the following item be removed from consideration during the 2015 budget process:
  - B28 Continue Travel Training Pilot Project as originally outlined in PW11025 and information update TRN1307a. (Book 1 pg. 100) (Partridge/Farr)

(b) That staff be directed to report back to the General Issues Committee respecting an alternate funding source for the continuation of the Travel Training Pilot Project.

CARRIED

Councillors B. Johnson and L. Ferguson wish to be recorded as OPPOSED to the following item being referred to the March 10, 2015 GIC Budget meeting for further consideration:

A21 Business Facilitators in Planning Division to promote City strategy for attracting and retaining businesses, promote residential, commercial, rural and greenfield developments. (Book 1 pg. 57)

Councillors L. Ferguson, B. Johnson and T. Whitehead wished to be recorded as OPPOSED to the following item being referred to the March 10, 2015 GIC Budget meeting for further consideration:

A23 Long Range Planning Office. (Book 1 pg. 59)

Mayor F. Eisenberger and Councillors M. Green, A. VanderBeek and S. Merulla wished to be recorded as OPPOSED to the following item being removed from consideration during the 2015 budget process:

A25 Develop action plan to address impact of climate change and extreme weather. (Book 1 pg. 61)
\*2016 additional net impact of \$96,200.

Councillor B. Johnson wished to be recorded as OPPOSED to the following item being removed from consideration during the 2015 budget process:

A27 Promote Air Quality through collection, analysis and communication of air quality data to support positive air quality and decision making. (Book 1 pg. 63) (Merulla/Farr)

Councillor T. Whitehead wished to be recorded as OPPOSED to the following item being removed from consideration during the 2015 budget process:

B01 Additional resources required to sustain current service levels for One Stop Business Centre at City Hall and MLE counter at City Centre. Council Referred (PED14136). (Book 1 pg. 73)

Councillors J. Farr, M. Green and M. Pearson wished to be recorded as OPPOSED to the following item being removed from consideration during the 2015 budget process:

B07 License Facilitator - One Stop. (Book 1 pg. 79)

Councillor J. Farr wished to be recorded as OPPOSED to the following item being removed from consideration during the 2015 budget process:

B13 Culture Projects Specialist. (Book 1 pg. 85) \*2016 additional net impact of \$22,800

Councillors C. Collins and J. Partridge wished to be recorded as OPPOSED to the following item being referred to the March 10, 2015 GIC Budget meeting for further consideration:

B37 Adequately fund the Communities, Culture & Heritage, Community Services, Sports & Active Lifestyles and Agriculture & Environment programs - Council Referred (FCS14024(b)). (Book 1 pg. 109)

Councillors B. Johnson and T. Jackson wished to be recorded as OPPOSED to the following item being removed from consideration during the 2015 budget process:

B38 Inventory of condominium sites, sites plans and asset conditions – Council Referred (NEW)

# (ii) 2015 Niagara Peninsula Conservation Authority Levy Apportionment Presentation (Item 7.2)

Mike Zegarac, General Manager of Finance & Corporate Services, provided a PowerPoint presentation respecting the 2015 Niagara Peninsula Conservation Authority's (NPCA) Levy Apportionment. The presentation included, but was not limited to, the following:

#### Background:

- On January 23, 2015, staff provided Council with a report and presentation highlighting a significant apportionment issue related to the NPCA.
- The NPCA had advised that it was not recognizing the apportionment agreement approved by the NPCA Board in 2004 and in use up until 2014.
- In the absence of a new agreement between NPCA, Hamilton, Region of Niagara and Haldimand, the NPCA would use the provincial formula resulting in a significant shift to the City of Hamilton.
- Staff focused discussions with Region of Niagara staff to try and resolve the issue; however, little progress has been made to date. Key is Hamilton's assertion that the existing agreement should be used for 2015.

# **2015 Niagara Peninsula Conservation Authority's Apportionment:**

- On February 19, 2015, the NPCA Board approved their levies for 2015.
- On February 25, 2015, the City received official notice of the 2015 levy.
- NPCA staff have confirmed that the apportionment is based on the provincial formula and increases Hamilton's apportionment share from about 4% to about 20%.
- The change in apportionment method increases the City of Hamilton's levy by about \$945,000.
- In total, accounting for other changes made by the NPCA, the City of Hamilton's levy is increasing from \$513,470 in 2014 to \$1,317,020 in 2015. An increase of \$803,550 (pending official notification from NPCA).

#### **Next Steps:**

- City's position is that the 2004 agreement is valid and the City should appeal the apportionment.
- City staff recognizes that the agreement is due for review and recommends that this occur for the 2016 apportionments.
- The review must include all four conservation authorities.
- The conservation authorities and municipalities should lobby the Province for an update to Regulation 670/00 to ensure that the apportionment formula uses assessments that reflect properties within the watershed of a conservation authority.

#### **Appeal Process:**

- The City has 30 days from receiving notice of the levy to commence an appeal to the Commissioner of Mining and Lands.
- The NPCA and participating municipalities may engage in a mediation led by the office of the Commissioner.
- Failing a resolution, a hearing will be held before the Commissioner.
- The decision of the Commissioner is final.
- The Conservation Authorities Act requires a municipality to comply with the levy pending the appeal.

#### (Farr/B. Johnson)

That the presentation, respecting the Niagara Peninsula Conservation Authority's 2015 Levy Apportionment, be received.

CARRIED

# (d) MOTIONS (Item 9)

#### (Collins/Merulla)

That the motion, respecting the Niagara Peninsula Conservation Authority's Levy Apportionment, be lifted from the TABLE.

## (Collins/Merulla)

That the motion respecting the Niagara Peninsula Conservation Authority's Levy Apportionment, be deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following in lieu thereof:

#### Niagara Peninsula Conservation Authority's Levy Apportionment (Item 9.1)

That staff be directed to prepare and move forward with the appeal process to the Commissioner of Mining and lands with respect to the Niagara Peninsula Conservation Authority's Levy Apportionment, in the event that the Niagara Peninsula Conservation Authority approves a 2015 Levy Apportionment in excess of the one from 2014.

WHEREAS, since 2004, the Conservation Authorities of Hamilton, Halton, Grand River and Niagara Peninsula and their respective participating municipalities have operated under an agreed upon levy apportionment;

AND WHEREAS, the City of Hamilton had no prior warning during its budget deliberations that the Niagara Peninsula Conservation Authority was planning to change the levy apportionment among its participating municipalities;

AND WHEREAS, the City of Hamilton attempted to resolve its dispute with the Niagara Peninsula Conservation Authority and the participating municipalities prior to the finalization of its budget without success;

AND WHEREAS, the Niagara Peninsula Conservation Authority has approved a 2015 levy apportionment in excess of the one from 2014;

AND WHEREAS, a payment of \$1.2M to the Niagara Peninsula Conservation Authority constitutes an onerous amount on the municipal levy and does not comply with the levy apportionment which had been agreed to by the parties;

AND WHEREAS Council favours fair and rational funding for conservation (A. Johnson/Farr);

#### THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

- (a) That the City maintain its position that an agreement continues to subsist, among the Niagara Peninsula Conservation Authority, City of Hamilton, Niagara Region and Haldimand County regarding the levy apportionment pursuant to Ontario Regulation 670/00 under the *Conservation Authorities Act*; and make its levy payment accordingly. (Eisenberger/B. Johnson)
- (b) That staff be directed to prepare and move forward with the appeal process to the Commissioner of Mining and Lands with respect to the Niagara Peninsula Conservation Authority's levy apportionment;

- (c) That any levy payment which the City is required to make pursuant to the Conservation Authorities Act pending the appeal shall be made under protest; (Eisenberger/B. Johnson)
- (c) That a Councillor Brenda Johnson and staff be directed to continue to engage the Niagara Peninsula Conservation Authority, Niagara Region and Haldimand County for the purposes of exploring a resolution to the levy apportionment dispute, which (i) honours the subsistence of the agreement for 2015, (ii) acknowledges the need for a new agreement beyond 2015, and (iii) reflects a fair representation on the Niagara Peninsula Conservation Authority board; (B. Johnson/Ferguson)
- (d) That the Niagara Peninsula Conservation Authority be required to provide detailed documentation of actual capital spending including, but not limited to, Binbrook Conservation Authority and Binbrook Tract supporting the special benefitting amounts levied against the City of Hamilton from 2005 to 2014, inclusive; and, (B. Johnson/Ferguson)
- (e) That the City request the Province of Ontario to use any and all available powers pursuant to legislation, contract or otherwise, to intervene in and assume control over the administration of the Niagara Peninsula Conservation Authority.

The above motion CARRIED, as amended, on the following Standing Recorded Vote:

Yeas: F. Eisenberger, S. Duvall, T. Jackson, C. Collins, S. Merulla, M. Green,

J. Farr, A. Johnson, D. Conley, M. Pearson, B. Johnson, L. Ferguson,

A. VanderBeek, R. Pasuta, J. Partridge

Total: 15

Absent: T. Whitehead

Total: 1

(e) Correspondence from the Niagara Peninsula Conservation Authority, dated February 26, 2015 respecting Municipal Levy Apportionments (Item 11.1)

#### (Pearson/B. Johnson)

That the correspondence from the Niagara Peninsula Conservation Authority, dated February 26, 2015, respecting Municipal Levy Apportionments, be received.

# (f) ADJOURNMENT (Item 13)

# (Pearson/B. Johnson)

That, there being no further business, the General Issues Committee, be adjourned at 5:08 p.m.

CARRIED

Respectfully submitted,

Deputy Mayor S. Duvall Chair, General Issues Committee

Stephanie Paparella Legislative Coordinator Office of the City Clerk