



## **GENERAL ISSUES COMMITTEE REPORT 15-014**

9:30 a.m.

Monday, July 6, 2015

Council Chambers

Hamilton City Hall

71 Main Street West

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

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### **THE GENERAL ISSUES COMMITTEE PRESENTS REPORT 15-014 AND RESPECTFULLY RECOMMENDS:**

**1. Hamilton Police Services Board Operating Budget Surplus / Deficits Policy (PSB15-059) (City Wide) (Item 5.1)**

That Report PSB15-059, respecting the Hamilton Police Services Board Operating Budget Surplus / Deficits Policy, be received.

**2. Hamilton Police Services Board Report – Hamilton Police Service Monthly Report (PSB15-069) (Item 5.2)**

That Report PSB15-069, respecting the Hamilton Police Services Board Report – Hamilton Police Service Monthly Report, be received.

**3. Capital Project Closing Report as of December 31, 2014 (FCS14058(b)) (City Wide) (Item 5.3)**

(a) That the matter respecting the SCUBE Stage 2 Subwatershed Study (Stormwater Rate Budget) be deleted from the Capital Projects Closing Schedule (attached as Appendix “A” to Report 15-014) and remain open on the Capital Projects list;

- (b) That the General Manager of Finance & Corporate Services be directed to close the completed and/or cancelled capital projects listed in Appendix “A” to Report 15-014, in accordance with the Capital Closing Policy, as amended;
- (c) That Appendix “B” to Report FCS14058(b) detailing the Capital Projects’ Budget Appropriations for the period covering October 1, 2014 through December 31, 2014, be received for information; and,
- (d) That the General Manager of Finance & Corporate Services be authorized to transfer \$983,497 to the “Unallocated Capital Levy Reserve (108020)” from capital projects, as outlined in Appendix “B” to Report 15-014.

**4. McMaster University’s Application to the Province of Ontario’s Call for University Proposals for Major City Expansion (CM14015(a)) (City Wide) (Item 5.4)**

That Report CM14015(a), respecting McMaster University’s Application to the Province of Ontario’s Call for University Proposals for Major City Expansion, be received.

**5. Progress Report on the Cultural Plan (PED15088) (City Wide) (Item 5.5)**

That Report PED15088, respecting the Progress Report on the Cultural Plan, be received.

**6. The Peoples Platform, respecting the first Semi-Annual Monitoring Report (Item 6.1)**

That the Semi-Annual Monitoring Report from The People’s Platform, be referred to the Civic Engagement process for discussion.

**7. Hamilton Future Fund Board of Governors Report 15-001, June 18, 2015 (Item 8.1)**

**(a) Selection of Chair and Vice Chair (Item A)**

- (i) That Tom Weisz be appointed as Chair of the Hamilton Future Fund Board of Governors for the 2014-2018 term of Council; and,
- (ii) That Councillor Judi Partridge be appointed as Vice Chair of the Hamilton Future Fund Board of Governors for the 2014-2018 term of Council.

**(b) Hamilton Realty Capital Corporation (HRCC) (PED15097) (Ward 2) (Item 5.1)**

That Report PED15097, respecting the Hamilton Realty Capital Corporation (HRCC), be received.

**(c) Treasurer's Investment Report 2014 Fiscal Year by Aon Hewitt (FCS15036) (City Wide) (Item 5.2)**

That Report FCS15036, attached as Appendix "F" to the Hamilton Future Fund Board of Governors Report 15-001, respecting the Treasurer's Investment Report 2014 Fiscal Year by Aon Hewitt, be received.

**(d) Hamilton Future Fund Reserve Status and Project Funding as of December 31, 2014 (FCS15050) (City Wide) (Item 7.1)**

That Report FCS15050, attached as Appendix "G" to the Hamilton Future Fund Board of Governors Report 15-001, respecting Hamilton Future Fund Reserve Status and Project Funding as of December 31, 2014, be received.

**(e) Consideration to Open the Hamilton Future Fund for Funding Applications in 2015 (Item 8.1)**

- (i) That a Working Group of the Hamilton Future Fund Board of Governors be established for the purpose of reviewing the current application process;
- (ii) That the Working Group be comprised of the following individuals: Councillor D. Conley, Krista Boyer, Tara Crugnale, Megan Dickson, John Kirkpatrick, Anthony Macaluso, Sergio Manchia, Kathy Wakeman, and Tom Weisz; and,
- (iii) That the Working Group report to the Hamilton Future Fund Board of Governors at a future meeting with their recommendations respecting the application process.

**(f) Request from the Hamilton Victory Gardens for Modification to Spending their Future Fund Grant (Item 8.2)**

That the request from the Hamilton Victory Gardens for modification to spending their 2014 Future Fund Grant for the purpose of constructing a fence at the Cancord garden site, be approved.

**(g) Financial Details on Accessibility Upgrades respecting the Salvation Army Lawson Ministries Hamilton Renovation of 33 King Street East (Item 8.3)**

- (i) That the financial details submitted by the Salvation Army Lawson Ministries, respecting Accessibility Upgrades for the Renovation of 33 King Street East, be received; and,
- (ii) That, per the conditions of the 2013 Future Fund Grant having been met, staff be directed to process the approved funding for the Salvation Army Lawson Ministries.

**8. Governance Review Sub-Committee Report 15-001, June 8, 2015 (Item 8.2)**

**(a) Selection of Chair and Vice-Chair (Item A)**

- (i) That Councillor M. Pearson be appointed Chair of the Governance Review Sub-Committee for the 2014-2018 term of Hamilton City Council; and,
- (ii) That Councillor M. Green be appointed Vice-Chair of the Governance Review Sub-Committee for the 2014-2018 term of Hamilton City Council.

**(b) 2016 Committee/Council Calendar (Item 6.1)**

That the 2016 Committee/Council Calendar, attached as Appendix "C" to Report 15-014, be approved.

**(c) Amendments to the Terms of Reference of the Cleanliness and Security in the Downtown Core Task Force (Referred from the General Issues Committee meeting of September 17, 2014) (Item 6.2)**

That the Amendments to the Terms of Reference of the Cleanliness and Security in the Downtown Core Task Force, attached as Appendix "D" to Report 15-014, be approved.

**(d) Correspondence from John Bolognone, City Clerk, City of Kingston, respecting Municipal Electoral Reform within the Province of Ontario (Item 6.3)**

That the correspondence from John Bolognone, City Clerk, City of Kingston, respecting Municipal Reform within the Province of Ontario, be received.

**9. Business Improvement Area Advisory Committee Report 15-006, June 9, 2015 (Item 8.3)**

**(a) Business Improvement Area Advisory Committee (BIAAC) Branding Exercise (Item 7.1)**

- (i) That a maximum of \$10,000 be provided by the Urban Renewal Division to conduct a Branding Exercise for the Business Improvement Area Advisory Committee (BIAAC); and,
- (ii) That a Working Group of the BIAAC be formed, and with support from Urban Renewal staff, the Working Group be responsible for coordinating and carrying out the work to be done including:
  - 1. Writing a Request for Proposals that would outline the issues to be examined;
  - 2. Evaluating the proposals and making a decision on hiring a consultant;
  - 3. Working with the retained consultant over the course of the work being done until completion; and,
  - 4. Any other activities as deemed necessary.

**(b) City of Hamilton Parking Revenue Sharing Program and the Contribution to BIA Operating Budget Program - Approval of Proposed BIA Expenditures (Item 9.1)**

- (i) That the request from the Locke Street BIA to spend \$13,529.02 from the Parking Revenue Sharing Program for Marketing and Special Events, be approved;
- (ii) That the request from the Downtown Hamilton BIA to spend \$13,408.65 from the Parking Revenue Sharing Program on the Gore Park Summer Promenade and Christmas Decorations, be approved;
- (iii) That the request from the Downtown Hamilton BIA to spend \$5,257.60 from the BIA Operating Budget on Beautification Efforts and the Clean Streets Summer Graffiti Program, be approved;
- (iv) That the request from the Waterdown BIA to spend \$5,414.85 from the BIA Operating Budget on Hanging Baskets and Street Planter Programs, be approved;

- (v) That the request from the International Village BIA to spend \$13,890.53 from the Parking Revenue Sharing Program for Events and Marketing, be approved; and,
- (vi) That the request from the International Village BIA to spend \$7,858.10 from the BIA Operating Budget on Beautification, Maintenance and Office Upgrades, be approved.

**10. Capital Projects Work-in-Progress Sub-Committee Report 15-002, June 8, 2015 (Item 8.4)**

**Amendments to the City's Capital Projects' Monitoring Policy (Item 8.1)**

- (a) That Capital Projects' Status Reports, previously submitted to Standing Committees three times a year as of June 30<sup>th</sup>, September 30<sup>th</sup>, and December 31<sup>st</sup>, be submitted to the Capital Projects Work-in-Progress Sub-Committee; and,
- (b) That Capital Projects' Closing Reports, previously submitted to Standing Committees three times a year as of June 30<sup>th</sup>, September 30<sup>th</sup>, and December 31<sup>st</sup>, be submitted to the Capital Projects Work-in-Progress Sub-Committee.

**11. Facility Naming Sub-Committee Report 15-001, June 9, 2015 (Item 8.5)**

**(a) Appointment of Chair and Vice Chair (Item 1)**

- (i) That Councillor M. Pearson be appointed Chair of the Facility Naming Sub-Committee for the 2014-2018 term of Council; and,
- (ii) That Councillor L. Ferguson be appointed Vice Chair of Facility Naming Sub-Committee for the 2014-2018 term of Council.

**(b) Naming of "Rotary Creekside Parkette" (PW15041) (Ward 13) (Item 4.1)**

That the request to rename 2555 Creekside Drive (informally known as Creekside Drive Park) to Rotary Creekside Parkette, be approved, as this request meets the guidelines set out in the City of Hamilton Municipal Property and Building Naming Policy.

**(c) Corporal Nathan Cirillo Leash Free Area (Item 4.3)**

- (a) That the renaming of 799 Golf Links Road, known as “Cinema” leash free area, after Corporal Nathan Cirillo of the Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders of Canada, be approved; and,
- (b) That staff be directed to report back to the Facility Naming Sub-Committee with options on how to recognize Corporal Nathan Cirillo at the Corporal Nathan Cirillo Leash Free Area.

**12. Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities Report 15-004, June 9, 2015 (Item 8.6)**

**(a) Investigation of Partnership Opportunities and Utilization of Chedoke Campus to Support Provincial Long-term Housing Strategy (Item 7.1)**

That the City of Hamilton and Hamilton Health Sciences investigate and consider partnership opportunities respecting Chedoke Campus, in support of the Provincial Long Term Housing Strategy and needed assisted-living accommodations in the current buildings to provide housing for people on wait lists for accessible and affordable units.

- (b) That Item 2 to Report 15-004 of the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities, respecting the installation of the Urban Braille system for new and renovated sidewalks, be referred to the General Manager of Public Works for a report to the Public Works Committee, which advises if the following Urban Braille system for new and renovated sidewalks city wide is required under the AODA legislation or would be considered in addition to the requirements of the AODA; and, the costs associated with the completion of Urban Braille on all sidewalks, as outlined below:

**2. Installation of Urban Braille System for New and Renovated Sidewalks (Item 8.1)**

*That the Urban Braille system be installed when all new and significantly renovated sidewalks are being replaced.*

- (c) That Item 3 to Report 15-004 of the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities, respecting Adherence to City of Hamilton Pedestrian Sidewalk Policy for Mountain Brow road reconstruction and city wide road reconstruction/construction, be referred to the General Manager of Public Works for a report to the Public Works Committee, which advises of the costs associated with the completion of those sidewalks, as outlined below:

**3. Adherence to City of Hamilton Pedestrian Sidewalk Policy – Mountain Brow Road Reconstruction and City Wide (Item 8.2)**

- (i) That the City of Hamilton adhere to the City of Hamilton “Sidewalk Policy” that there be pedestrian sidewalks built on both sides of the street; and,
- (ii) That Mountain Brow Road Reconstruction be built with sidewalks on both sides of the street for public safety and accessibility.

**13. Government Relations Sub-Committee Report 15-002, June 23, 2015 (Item 8.7)**

**(a) Government Relations Update Report (CM15010) (Item 4.1)**

That Report CM15010, respecting a Government Relations Update (attached hereto as Appendix “A” of the Government Relations Sub-Committee Report 15-002), be received.

**(b) Government Relations Update Report (CM15010) (City Wide) (Item 4.1)**

- (i) That participation in “Hamilton Day” at the Ontario Legislature include the Official Advisors to the Government Relations Sub-Committee; and,
- (ii) That participation in “Hamilton Day” should also be extended to Educational, post-secondary, healthcare, other institutional sectors and private businesses.

**(c) Amendments to Government Relations Priority Areas and Approval of a Government Relations Strategy (CM15009) (City Wide) (Item 7.1)**

That the Amendments to the Government Relations Priority Areas and the Government Relations Strategy, attached as Appendix “E” to Report 15-014, be approved.

**14. Declaration of Surplus and Sale of 150 Longwood Road, Hamilton (PED15104) (Ward 1) (Item 8.8)**

- (a) That the land municipally known as 150 Longwood Road, legally described as Part of Lot 6, Registrar’s Compiled Plan 1479, and further identified as all of PIN 17591-0015(LT) as shown on Appendix “A”



attached to Report PED15104, be declared surplus to the requirements of the City of Hamilton in accordance with the “Procedural By-law for the Sale of Land”, being By-law No. 14-204;

- (b) That the Real Estate Section of the Economic Development Division of the Planning and Economic Development Department be authorized and directed to sell the subject lands, save and except any lands required for future road or utility requirements, at fair market value, on terms and conditions deemed appropriate by the General Manager, Planning and Economic Development Department, and in a form acceptable to the City Solicitor;
- (c) That the net proceeds of the sale be deposited in Account No. 47702-3560150200 (Civic Property Purchases and Sales), and that all associated Legal, Real Estate and property maintenance costs related to the sale and closing of this property be sourced from this account; and,
- (d) That as a condition of sale, easements be retained by the City to protect existing municipal infrastructure.

**15. Innovation Factory Request for Funding Renewal Option - 2015 (PED15090) (City Wide) (Item 8.9)**

That the request by the Innovation Factory to exercise their renewal option of the City’s 2015 annual community partnership contribution of \$50,000, to be funded from the Economic Development Investment Reserve Account No. 362098900, be approved.

**16. Commercial Façade Property Improvement Grant Program – Amendment to Program Description and Terms (PED15095) (Wards 1, 2 and 3) (Item 8.10)**

That Appendix “H” to the Downtown and Community Renewal Community Improvement Plan, being the Program Description and Terms of the Commercial Façade Property Improvement Grant Program, be deleted and replaced with the Program Description and Terms, attached as Appendix “F” to Report 15-014.

**17. Parking Fee Exemption for all Ontario Veteran Licence Plate Holders (PED06157(c)) (City Wide) (Tabled at the June 17, 2015 GIC meeting.) (Item 8.11)**

- (a) That staff be directed to provide free parking to all veterans who have been issued Ontario Veteran Licence Plates, pursuant to the criteria outlined by the Royal Canadian Legion Ontario Provincial Command, for a 12 month pilot period; and,

- (b) That staff be directed to prepare the appropriate amendments to the By-law to Regulate Municipal Parking Facilities and the By-law to Regulate On-Street Parking, required to implement the free veteran parking, pursuant to the criteria outlined by the Royal Canadian legion Ontario Provincial Command and the Ontario Provincial Government, in a form satisfactory to the City solicitor.

**18. Review of the City of Hamilton's Advisory Committees (CM15007) (City Wide) (Item 8.12)**

- (a) That the following Advisory Committees with their existing mandates be established for the 2014-2018 term of Council:
  - (i) Arts Advisory Commission
  - (ii) Committee Against Racism
  - (iii) Hamilton Aboriginal Advisory Committee
  - (iv) Hamilton Cycling Committee
  - (v) Hamilton Mundialization Committee
  - (vi) Hamilton Status of Women Committee
  - (vii) Hamilton Veterans Committee
  - (viii) Advisory Committee for Immigrants and Refugees
  - (ix) Keep Hamilton Clean and Green Committee
  - (x) Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender and Queer Advisory Committee
  - (xi) Seniors Advisory Committee
- (b) That Neighbourhood and Community Initiatives Division (NCI) staff report back to the Emergency & Community Services Committee in the Fall 2015, following an internal review of the Hamilton Youth Advisory Committee to determine how to improve youth engagement and the work of Hamilton Youth Advisory Committee;
- (c) That Housing Services Division staff report back to the Emergency & Community Services Committee in the Fall 2015, reallocating the roles and responsibilities respecting emergency shelter and tenant matters of the Food and Shelter Advisory Committee and the Tenant Advisory Committee to a newly formed citizen group with a mandate to more broadly address housing and homelessness issues;
- (d) That Public Health Services staff report back to the Board of Health in the Fall 2015, reallocating the roles and responsibilities respecting emergency

food of the Food and Shelter Advisory Committee and the food continuum of the Community Food Security Stakeholder Committee to a newly formed food advisory committee with a mandate to support and inform the Food Strategy, and address food related issues;

- (e) That Tourism and Culture Division staff report back to the Planning Committee in the Fall 2015, on the creation of a working group consisting of current and former members of the Hamilton Historical Board and other heritage groups to develop a strategy to contribute to heritage presentation in the city;
- (f) That two (2) members of City Council be appointed as representatives to each of the Advisory Committees, with a requirement for each member to attend at least one (1) meeting per year;
- (g) That all established Advisory Committees prepare, prior to the end of each term of Council, a detailed Roles, Responsibilities and Expectations of New Members, to be available to potential applicants during the recruitment process;
- (h) That all established Advisory Committees review their Committee's Terms of Reference and Mandate, on an annual basis, recommending necessary amendments to their respective Standing Committees;
- (i) That the City of Hamilton continue to promote and develop more diverse methods of advertising and outreach to attract a diverse applicant base for the City's Advisory Committees;
- (j) That the City of Hamilton develop an online application process for the upcoming recruitment opportunities;
- (k) That the City Clerk's Office develop and host a mandatory training session for the Advisory Committee Staff Liaisons at the beginning of each new term of Council to review the role of staff liaisons, the role of their committees, the processes for making recommendations to Standing Committees, and other procedural practices;
- (l) That the Staff Liaisons prepare an orientation session for the members of their Advisory Committee at the beginning of each term, tailored to their Advisory Committee's mandate; roles and responsibilities;
- (m) That the current Selection Process for Advisory Committees be revised to include the following:
  - (i) That the local Hamilton Aboriginal Community leadership, recommend to Council the appointment of residents from the Hamilton Aboriginal community, to sit on the Hamilton Aboriginal Advisory Committee;

- (n) That should any Advisory Committee not meet a minimum of three times during a Council term, the Advisory Committee be automatically disbanded at the end of the Council Term;
- (o) That any new Advisory Committee established during the term of Council be subject to the City's Procedural By-law 14-300, Appendix I, "Criteria for the creation of Advisory Committee or Task Forces"; and,
- (p) That Advisory Committees be directed to submit annual progress reports of the Committee's activities to their respective Standing Committee for review by November of each calendar year, in support of their budget request and consider various options (annual report; electronic newsletter from all Advisory Committees quarterly or biannually; etc.) for keeping Council up to date on their committee's activities; and,
- (q) That the matter respecting term limits for citizen appointees to City of Hamilton Advisory Committees be referred to the Governance Sub-Committee for discussion.

**19. City Enrichment Fund – Implementation Phase 2 (FCS14024(c)) (City Wide) (Item 8.13)**

- (a) That the revised Guidelines for the amended and expanded City Enrichment Fund program areas, as outlined in the attached Appendix "G" to Report 15-014, be approved;
- (b) That the revised Application Forms for the amended and expanded City Enrichment Fund, attached as Appendix "H" to Report 15-014, be approved;

Due to bulk, Appendix "H" is not attached hereto, but is available on the City's website at [www.hamilton.ca](http://www.hamilton.ca).

- (c) That, in accordance with the "Budget Control Policy", the 2015 budget restatements, transferring budget from one department/division to another with no impact on the levy, as outlined in Appendix "I" to Report 15-014, be approved;
- (d) That the online application be the primary medium for submission to the City Enrichment Fund in all program areas effective for the 2016 intake period;
- (e) That increased funding for the City Enrichment Fund grants program, in the amount of \$450,000, to offset the following categories, be referred to the 2016 budget deliberations (GIC) for consideration:

- (i) Arts Program Area – \$300,000; and,
- (ii) Communities Culture & Heritage, Community Services, Sport & Active Lifestyles, Agriculture and Environment Program Areas– \$150,000.

**20. 2014 Post Election (CL15003) (City Wide) (Item 8.14)**

- (a) That the Mayor correspond with the Hamilton-Wentworth District School Board, the Hamilton-Wentworth Catholic District School Board, the Conseil scolaire de district Catholique Centre-Sud, and the Conseil scolaire Viamonde to request that a Professional Activity Day (P.A. Day) be scheduled on October 22, 2018, which is Municipal Election Day; and,
- (b) That Mayor correspond with the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing requesting that the Ministry review the Compliance Audit Committee process to ensure that consistency is maintained in the decisions rendered by each Committee throughout the Province of Ontario.

**21. Canadian Football Hall of Fame Relocation (CM15011) (City Wide) (Item 8.15)**

- (a) That the City of Hamilton accept the proposal, attached as Appendix “J” to Report 15-014, by the Canadian Football League to end the current lease at 58 Jackson Street West, Hamilton;
- (b) That a one-time \$250,000 capital funding contribution be made to the cost of a new structure at Tim Horton’s Field that will house the Canadian Football Hall of Fame memorabilia, to be funded from Project Account No. 3621154100 Pan Am Games – Ivor Wynne;
- (c) That the contingency for the receipt of a fully executed Memorandum of Understanding between the Canadian Football Hall of Fame and the City of Hamilton for the release of the \$50,000 unissued balance of the original \$100,000 grant (refer to Appendix “C” to Report CM15011), be deleted in its entirety;
- (d) That staff be directed to pay out up to \$25,000, of the remaining unissued \$50,000 of the original \$100,000 grant, as approved by Council on June 11, 2014 (attached as Appendix “C” to Report CM15011), to the Canadian Football Hall of Fame to be applied to their operating costs for the remainder of 2015, contingent upon:
  - (i) The Canadian Football League matching that amount of up to \$25,000 dollar-for-dollar; and,

- (ii) Receipt of the Canadian Football Hall of Fame's 2013 Financial Statements, as required in the original Agreement (refer to details in Appendix "C" attached to Report CM15011); and,
- (e) That the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized and directed to execute a Contribution Agreement between the Canadian Football League and the City of Hamilton to give effect to the terms and conditions (core elements), as outlined in Appendix "J" attached to Report 15-014, to replace the existing Agreement, in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor.

**22. Extension of Service Contract for Management of the Hamilton Farmers' Market (FCS14046(a)) (City Wide) (Item 12.2)**

That staff be directed to renew the current employment contract for management of the Hamilton Farmers' Market, from the current expiry date of June 30, 2015, through to March 31, 2016 or until such time that the new Board is fully constituted and in a position to address the management of the Hamilton Farmer's Market.

**23. Lease Renewal – Hutch's on the Beach, Hamilton (PED15098) (Ward 5) (Item 12.3)**

- (a) That a Lease Renewal Agreement with Hutch's Dingley Dell Limited (the "Tenant") for the space occupied by Hutch's On The Beach, being 280 Van Wagner's Beach Road, Hamilton, as shown on Appendix "A" attached to Report PED15098, substantially based on the terms and conditions contained in Appendix "B" attached to Report PED15098, and such other terms and conditions deemed appropriate by the General Manager, Planning and Economic Development, be approved;
- (b) That the Lease revenue is credited to the Confederation Park budget administered by Hamilton Conservation Authority (HCA) on behalf of the City under a management agreement, and the Real Estate and Legal Fees (\$15,125 to be credited to Account No. 45408-3560150200) be netted from the rental revenue;
- (c) That Report PED15098, respecting the Lease Renewal for Hutch's on the Beach, Hamilton, and its appendices remain confidential and not be released as a public document; and,
- (d) That the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized and directed to execute all necessary documents, respecting the Lease Renewal for Hutch's on the Beach, Hamilton, in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor.

**FOR THE INFORMATION OF COUNCIL:**

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

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

- (i) Items 12.2 and 12.3 – the reasons for moving into Closed Session are reversed on the agenda:
  - 1. Discussion of Item 12.2 – Report FCS14046(c), respecting the Extension of Service Contract for Management of the Hamilton Farmers' Market, would be pursuant Section 8.1, Sub-section (b) the City's Procedural By-law 14-300, and Section 239(2), Sub-section (b) of the *Municipal Act*, 2001, as amended, as the subject matter pertains to personal matters about an identifiable individual, including City employees; and,
  - 2. Discussion of Item 12.3 – Report PED15098, respecting the Lease Renewal – Hutch's on the Beach, Hamilton would be pursuant to Section 8.1, Sub-section (c) the City's Procedural By-law 14-300, and Section 239(2), Sub-section (c) of the *Municipal Act*, 2001, as amended, as the subject matter pertains to a proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land for City purposes.

As well, after review of Item 12.2, the Clerk's Office is unable to determine any justifiable reasons under the *Municipal Act* for the report to remain confidential. However, should the Committee wish to discuss the details of the contract, it would be appropriate to do so in Closed Session, pursuant to sub-section (b) as previously noted.

- (ii) Added as Item 12.5 – a Private and Confidential verbal update respecting the Red Hill Valley Parkway Litigation, pursuant to Section 8.1, Sub-sections (e) and (f) of the City's Procedural By-law 14-300, and Section 239(2), Sub-sections (e) and (f) of the *Municipal Act*, 2001, as amended, as the subject matter pertains to litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the City; and, the receiving of advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose.

The agenda for the July 6, 2015 General Issues Committee meeting was approved, as amended.

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

Councillor M. Green declared a interest to Item 8.10, respecting Report PED15095 – Commercial Façade Property Improvement Grant Program – Amendment to Program Description and Terms, as he owns and operates a business on Ottawa Street, Hamilton.

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

**(i) June 17, 2015 (Item 3.1)**

The Minutes of the June 17, 2015 meeting of the General Issues Committee were approved, as presented.

**(d) DELEGATIONS (Item 6)**

**(i) Norman Kearney, The Peoples Platform, respecting the first Semi-Annual Monitoring Report (Item 6.1)**

Mr. Kearney addressed Committee respecting the first Semi-Annual Monitoring Report from The People's Platform. Mr. Kearney's comments include, but were not limited to, the following:

- The Platform represents the combined input of many Hamiltonians and ten not-for-profit organizations, noting a wide range of social, political concerns among residents and contains suggestions for public policy.
- Asking that Council, through its various Standing Committees, review the Platform and consider actions to advance the suggestions contained within that Platform.

The presentation, respecting The People's Platform Semi-Annual Monitoring Report, was received.

A full copy of The People's Platform Semi-Annual Monitoring Report is available on the City's website at [www.hamilton.ca](http://www.hamilton.ca) or through the Office of the City Clerk.

Councillor T. Whitehead requested to be recorded as OPPOSED to The People's Platform Semi-Annual Monitoring Report being referred to the Civic Engagement process for discussion, shown as Item 6.



**(e) DISCUSSION ITEMS (Item 8)**

**(i) Hamilton Future Fund Board of Governors Report 15-001, June 18, 2015 (Item 8.1)**

(Due to bulk, Appendices A, B, C, D and E to Report PED15097 have not been attached to this report, but are available for viewing on the City's website at [www.hamilton.ca](http://www.hamilton.ca) or through the Office of the City Clerk.

For disposition of this matter, refer to Item 7.

**(ii) Facility Naming Sub-Committee Report 15-001, June 9, 2015 (Item 8.5)**

Item (d)(ii), respecting the Corporal Nathan Cirillo Leash Free Area, was lifted from the Information Section and added as Item 3 to the Facility Naming Sub-Committee Report 15-001.

For disposition of this matter, refer to Item 11.

**(iii) Innovation Factory Request for Funding Renewal Option - 2015 (PED15090) (City Wide) (Item 8.9)**

Staff was directed to report to the General Issues Committee with a five-year review of the Municipal funding program, prior to the approval of a renewal option for 2016 and subject to satisfactory KPI results of the previous years.

**(iv) Parking Fee Exemption for all Ontario Veteran Licence Plate Holders (PED06157(c)) (City Wide) (Tabled at the June 17, 2015 GIC meeting.) (Item 8.11)**

(a) That staff be directed to report back to the General Issues Committee, after completion of the 12 month pilot program for free veteran parking, pursuant to the criteria outlined by the Royal Canadian Legion Ontario Provincial Command, to advise on the use of the program and any costs associated with the implementation and administration of the program; and,

(b) That staff be directed to report back to the General Issues Committee respecting the feasibility of free veteran's parking with the use of an Ontario Veteran's Plate in the City of Hamilton and costs associated with the implementation and administration a program that would include the following criteria:

- (i) The plate holder must be a resident of the city of Hamilton;
- (ii) The plate holder must be over 60 years of age;
- (iii) The plate would be valid in Hamilton municipal parking lots only; and,
- (iv) There would be a two (2) hour parking limit.

**(v) Terms of Reference for a Community Stakeholder Working Group – Hamilton’s Bicentennial Celebration (Item 9.1)**

That staff be directed to prepare a Terms of Reference for the establishment of a community stakeholder working group to plan and prepare for a celebration of the City of Hamilton’s Bicentennial and report to the General Issues Committee.

The General Issues Committee recessed in order to proceed with the Horizon Utilities Corporation Annual General Meeting.

The General Issues Committee reconvened.

**(vi) Canadian Football Hall of Fame Relocation (CM15011) (City Wide) (Item 8.15)**

- (a) That staff be directed to investigate creative alternative uses for the current Canadian Football Hall of Fame location (on Main Street West, Hamilton), while maintaining the building as a City facility, and report back to the General Issues Committee; and,
- (b) That staff be directed to provide the General Issues Committee with a rendition of the proposed new Canadian Football Hall of Fame location at Tim Horton Field.

The main motion CARRIED unanimously on the following Standing Recorded Voted:

Yeas: Eisenberger, Whitehead, Duvall, Jackson, Collins, Merulla, Green, A. Johnson, Farr, Conley, Pearson, B. Johnson, Ferguson, VanderBeek, Pasuta, Partridge

Total: 16

For disposition of this matter, refer to Item 21.

**(vii) Implications of the AODA Legislation (Item 9.3)**

That the Legislative Coordinator be directed to arrange a Special meeting of the General Issues Committee respecting the implications associated with the AODA legislation, as it relates to the City of Hamilton's day-to-day operations including, but not limited to, matters such as sidewalks, the installation of super mailboxes, the Building Code, etc. and what it means to the private sector.

**(f) GENERAL INFORMATION / OTHER BUSINESS (Item 11)**

**11.1 Amendments to the Outstanding Business List**

The following amendments to the General Issues Committee's Outstanding Business List were approved.

**(a) Items to be removed:**

- (i) Item "G" – Hamilton Harbour Remedial Action Plan**
- (ii) Item "T" – Temporary Delegated Authority  
(Addressed as Item 3, GIC Report 14-015 (PED14131))**
- (iii) Item "W" - McMaster University's Application to the Province of Ontario's Call for University Proposals for Major City Expansion (Item 5.4 on this agenda (CM14015(a)))**
- (iv) Item "CC" - Comprehensive Review of the 2014 Municipal Election (Item 8.14 on this agenda (CL15003))**
- (v) Item "OO" - Improvements to the Voters List  
(Addressed with Item 8.14 on this agenda (CL15003))**
- (vi) Item "X" – Establishment of the City of Hamilton's Advisory/Sub-Committees/Volunteer Committees and the Citizen Engagement Process (CM15007)**

**(b) Proposed New Due Dates:**

- (i) Item "I" - Hamilton's Engagement Committee  
Current Due Date: August 10, 2015  
Proposed New Due Date: November 18, 2015**

**(g) MOTIONS (Item 9)**

Councillor J. Farr introduced the following Motion:

**(i) Terms of Reference for a Community Stakeholder Working Group – Hamilton’s Bicentennial Celebration (Item 9.1)**

Whereas, 2016 will mark the bicentennial of the founding of Hamilton;

Therefore Be It Resolved:

That staff be directed to prepare a Terms of Reference for the establishment of a community stakeholder working group to plan and prepare for a celebration of the City of Hamilton’s Bicentennial and report to the General Issues Committee.

For disposition of this matter, refer to Item 22.

**(ii) Possible Disposal and Sale of 178 Hixon Road, Hamilton (Item 9.2)**

This item was withdrawn from the agenda.

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

**(i) Closed Session Minutes – June 17, 2015 (Item 12.1)**

As the General Issues Committee determined that no discussion, respecting the Closed Session Minutes of June 17, 2015, meeting of the General Issues Committee was required, the Minutes were approved in Open Session, as shown below:

(a) The Closed Session Minutes of the June 17, 2015, meeting of the General Issues Committee were approved, as presented.

(b) The Closed Session Minutes of the June 17, 2015 meeting of the General Issues Committee, will remain confidential and restricted from public disclosure.

Committee moved into Closed Session, respecting Item 12.2 – Report FCS14046(a), Extension of Service Contract for Management of the Hamilton Farmers' Market; Item 12.3 – Report PED15098, Lease Renewal – Hutch’s on the Beach, Hamilton; Item 12.4, the Niagara Peninsula Conservation Authority Appeal; and, Item 12.5, Red Hill Valley Parkway Litigation Update, pursuant to Section 8.1, Sub-sections (b), (c), (e) and (f) of the City’s Procedural By-law 14-300, and Section 239(2), Sub-sections (b), (c), (e) and (f) of the *Ontario*

*Municipal Act, 2001*, as amended, as the subject matters pertain to personal matters about an identifiable individual, including City employees; a proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land for City purposes; litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the City; and, the receiving of advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose.

**(ii) Niagara Peninsula Conservation Authority Appeal (no copy) (Item 12.4)**

Staff was provided with direction in Closed Session. There was nothing further to report in Open Session.

**(iii) Red Hill Valley Parkway Litigation Update (no copy) (Item 12.5)**

Staff was provided with direction in Closed Session. There was nothing further to report in Open Session.

**(i) ADJOURNMENT (Item 13)**

There being no further business, the General Issues Committee adjourned at 5:31p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A. Johnson, Deputy Mayor  
Chair, General Issues Committee

Stephanie Paparella  
Legislative Coordinator  
Office of the City Clerk