



## **EMERGENCY & COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE REPORT 15-007**

1:30 p.m.

Wednesday, August 12, 2015

Council Chambers

Hamilton City Hall

71 Main Street West

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**Present:** Councillor T. Whitehead, Chair  
Councillors J. Farr, T. Jackson, A. Johnson, J. Partridge

**Regrets:** Councillor M. Green, Vice-Chair  
Councillor S. Duvall  
Councillor S. Merulla

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### **THE EMERGENCY AND COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE PRESENTS REPORT 15-007 AND RESPECTFULLY RECOMMENDS:**

**1. Stoney Creek Rugby Club – Construction of New Athletic Field at Heritage Green Sports Park (CES15038) (Ward 9) (Item 5.1)**

That the information report CES15038 regarding the Stoney Creek Rugby Club – Construction of New Athletic Field at Heritage Green Sports Park be received.

**2. Occupational Health Exposure Program Service Provider (CES15027) (City Wide) (Item 5.2)**

That the contract with Occupational Health Care-A-Van Inc., the existing service provider of occupational health and exposure screening for the Hamilton Fire Department, be renewed for a seven (7) year period, commencing November 30, 2015.

**3. Transportation of Hazardous Materials by Rail through Dundas, Ontario (CES15040) (City Wide) (Item 8.1)**

That the information report CES15040 regarding the Transportation of Hazardous Materials by Rail through Dundas, Ontario be received.

**4. New 100% Funded Positions at Macassa and Wentworth Lodges (CES15041) (Wards 6 &13) (Item 8.2)**

- a) That an increase in staff complement of 7.0 Full-Time Equivalent (FTE) Personal Support Workers (PSWs), to provide additional nursing care at Macassa and Wentworth Lodges, funded 100% through the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care in the amount of \$474,983, be approved; and
- b) That the Lodges complement be adjusted by decreasing vacant Registered Practical Nurse (RPN) positions by 2.58 FTEs and increasing the PSW positions by 3.0 FTEs with no additional levy impact.

**5. Nurse Call System and Lighting Levels – Macassa Lodge (CES15042) (Ward 6) (Item 8.3)**

- a) That the nurse call system for Macassa Lodge, at an estimated cost of \$1.2 million, be funded as follows:
  - i) \$500,000 from the Lodges Infrastructure Reserve; and
  - ii) \$700,000 from the City's Unallocated Capital Levy Reserve (two-year repayable loan)
- b) That the Macassa Lodge lighting project funding requirements be referred to the 2016 Capital budget.

**6. Lodges – Long Term Care Quality Inspection Program (CES15043) (Wards 6 & 13) (Item 8.4)**

That the information report CES15043 regarding Lodges – Long Term Care Quality Inspection Program be received.

**7. Skate the Dream Program Funding for the 2015/2016 Season (Item 9.1)**

That a onetime funding grant of \$32,040 be allocated to the Boys and Girls Club of Hamilton from City Tax Stabilization Reserve account # 110046 for the operation of the Skate the Dream program for the 2015/16 season.

**8. Hockey Tournament – Affiliated Rates (Item 9.2)**

- (a) That City recreation staff be directed to provide the lower affiliated booking rate for the Chedoke Twin Pad arena for September 25 – 27<sup>th</sup>, 2015 as opposed to the standard special events rate; and
- (b) That City recreation staff be directed to provide the lower affiliated booking rate for the Chedoke Twin Pad arena for April 7 – 10<sup>th</sup>, 2016 as opposed to the standard special events rate.

**FOR THE INFORMATION OF THE COUNCIL:**

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

The Clerk indicated that there were 5 changes to the agenda:

- (i) Added as Item 7.3 – A verbal update by Grace Mater regarding '*Best Start Funding*'.
- (ii) Correspondence received from Jordan Hill respecting Item 8.1 '*Transportation of Hazardous Materials by Rail through Dundas, Ontario*' (CES15040).
- (iii) Correction- Item 8.4 regarding '*Lodges – Long Term Care Quality Inspection Program*' – REVISED Appendix C.
- (iv) Added as Item 9.1 - Motion by Councillor Farr respecting Skate the Dream Program Funding for the 2015/2016 Season.
- (v) Added as Item 9.2 - Motion by Councillor Whitehead respecting Hockey Tournament – Affiliated Rates.

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

There were no declarations of interest.

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

**(i) June 22, 2015 (Item 3.1)**

The Minutes of the June 22, 2015 meeting were approved, as presented.

**(d) DELEGATION REQUESTS (Item 4)**

- (i) Request from Dave Barnett, Abuse Prevention and Awareness Campaign, regarding highlighting the issues that lead to homelessness and mental disorders. (Item 4.1)**

The delegation request from Dave Barnett, Abuse Prevention and Awareness Campaign, regarding highlighting the issues that lead to homelessness and mental disorders was approved, for a future meeting.

**(e) CONSENT ITEMS (Item 5)**

- (i) Minutes of the Hamilton Youth Advisory Committee (Item 5.3 (a) and (b))**

The minutes of the Hamilton Youth Advisory Committee dated May 19, 2015 and June 18, 2015 were received.

- (ii) Minutes of the Food and Shelter Advisory Committee (Item 5.4 (a-d))**

The minutes of the Food and Shelter Advisory Committee dated March 12, 2015, April 9, 2015, May 14, 2015, and June 17, 2015 were received.

- (iii) Minutes of the Hamilton Veterans Committee (Item 5.5 (a))**

The minutes of the Hamilton Veterans Committee dated May 12, 2015 were received.

**(f) DELEGATIONS (Item 6)**

- (i) Delegation from Alfredine Plourde, respecting the protection of children while in foster care (Item 6.1)**

Ms. Alfredine Plourde addressed the Committee respecting the protection of children while in foster care noting (and not limited to) the following comments:

- The organization 'Protecting Canadian Children' works tirelessly to ensure the safety and security of Canadian children in foster care;
- Some statistics include:
  - 156 soldiers died in the Afghanistan in a war zone

- 719 children die while in foster care in Ontario
- 2, 595 children dying in five provinces across Canada under child protective services
- In 2012, 107 children died while under the supervision of the Ontario CAS
- Protecting Canadian Children was launched in 2007 and has communicated with many organizations.

The presentation from Alfredine Plourde, respecting the protection of children while in foster care was received.

**(g) PRESENTATIONS (Item 7)**

**(i) Jesse Williamson provided a presentation regarding the ‘Fun, Organized, Recreational Enjoyment’ (F.O.R.E.) Golf Program (CES15039) (City Wide) (Item 7.1)**

Mr. Jesse Williamson provided a presentation regarding the ‘Fun, Organized, Recreational Enjoyment’ (F.O.R.E.) Golf Program and noted:

- Some history of the program including its initiated date of 2014 as well as its goals and purpose;
- The components of the program such as its duration of 9 weeks with all equipment provided, and staffed by certified city golf professionals;
- A summarized analysis of year by year actions:
  - Year 1 – the F.O.R.E. program broke down barriers of start up costs, equipment costs, green fees, and the tradition that it is not a youth friendly sport.
  - Year 2 – partnerships with Canadian Tire Jump Start and Nevada Bob’s at Sportcheck were initiated alongside other partnerships with local schools and with Big Brothers and Big Sisters;
- Today the program is expanding to 60 children and youth for 2016 and new ways to introduce children and youth to the sport of golf are being identified.

The presentation and the information report respecting the F.O.R.E. Golf Program update (CES15039) was received.

**(ii) Liz Speed introduced by Trisha Montgomery provided a presentation regarding Helping Hands (CES15044) (City Wide) (Item 7.2)**

Ms. Speed provided a presentation regarding the benefits of the Helping Hands program noting that:

- The Helping Hands program provided many benefits to her personally and enabled her to learn about such things as personal development, city resources, and community resources;
- The Helping Hands program also enabled her to create and open her business called 'Liz's Speed Cleaning' which is a success story in Hamilton because of the Helping Hands program.

The presentation regarding Helping Hands and Liz's Speed Cleaning was received.

The information report regarding Helping Hands (CES15044), was received.

**(iii) Best Start Funding Update (Item 7.3)**

The update regarding Best Start Funding was received.

**(h) CORRESPONDENCE ITEM**

**Correspondence received from Jordan Hill regarding Transportation of Hazardous Materials by Rail through Dundas, Ontario (CES15040) (City Wide) (Item 8.1)**

The correspondence received from Jordan Hill regarding Transportation of Hazardous Materials by Rail through Dundas, Ontario was received.

**(i) MOTIONS (Item 9)**

**Skate the Dream Program Funding for the 2015/2016 Season (Item 9.1)**

WHEREAS, the Skate the Dream program has been a successful youth program providing accessible, affordable play for all;

WHEREAS, the Skate the Dream program annually provides the opportunity for 200 youth from local communities the opportunity to learn to skate and receive the benefit of organized and structured play;

WHEREAS, the City of Hamilton Recreation Division wants to continue the partnership with the Boys and Girls Club of Hamilton for the delivery of this grassroots program;

WHEREAS, the Skate the Dream program was funded the past two seasons with a grant from the Ontario Sport and Recreation Communities Fund;

WHEREAS, the grant funding for support of the Skate the Dream program ended at the completion of the 2015 Winter session;

WHEREAS, the requirement of \$32,040 in funding is required for the 2015/16 season for the operation of the Skate the Dream program;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

That a onetime funding grant of \$32,040 be allocated to the Boys and Girls Club of Hamilton from City Tax Stabilization Reserve account # 110046 for the operation of the Skate the Dream program for the 2015/16 season.

For disposition of this matter, refer to Item 7.

**MOTIONS (Item 9)**

**Hockey Tournament – Affiliated Rates (Item 9.2)**

WHEREAS Amateur sport in Hamilton involves people of all ages and backgrounds;

WHEREAS Sporting events and tournaments bring economic uplift to the City of Hamilton and its businesses through increased hotel bookings and restaurant business;

WHEREAS The City of Hamilton encourages organizations that promote physical fitness and activity through preferred booking rates in our recreational facilities;

WHEREAS Hamilton will play host to the Alliance Bantam AAA Showcase which will bring 12 teams and their families to Hamilton for the weekend of September 25 – 27<sup>th</sup>;

WHEREAS Hamilton will play host to the 2016 Ontario Hockey Federation Provincial Championships for Atom AAA and AA players April 7 – 10<sup>th</sup> 2016; and

WHEREAS The City of Hamilton wishes to support our local amateur sports associations wherever possible;

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:**

- (b) THAT City recreation staff be directed to provide the lower affiliated booking rate for the Chedoke Twin Pad arena for September 25 – 27<sup>th</sup>, 2015 as opposed to the standard special events rate; and
- (b) THAT City recreation staff be directed to provide the lower affiliated booking rate for the Chedoke Twin Pad arena for April 7 – 10<sup>th</sup>, 2016 as opposed to the standard special events rate.

For disposition of this matter, refer to Item 8.



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

There being no further business, the Emergency & Community Services Committee meeting adjourned at 3:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

T. Whitehead, Chair  
Emergency & Community Services Committee

Nancy Fiorentino  
Legislative Coordinator  
Office of the City Clerk