

Economic Development and Planning Committee MINUTES 09-023

Tuesday, November 3, 2009 9:30 a.m. Albion Room, Hamilton Convention Centre 1 Summer's Lane, Hamilton

Present: Chair M. Pearson

Vice Chairs, Councillors: B. Bratina, L. Ferguson, Councillors: B. Clark, B. McHattie D. Mitchell, R. Pasuta,

T. Whitehead, S. Merulla

Absent With Regrets: Councillor S. Duvall – Personal Business

Staff Present: T. McCabe, General Manager – Planning and Economic

Development

T. Sergi, M. Hazell, S. Robichaud, J. Spolnik, B. Janssen,

P. Mallard, T. Rosa, D. Drmanac, M. Blevins,

B. Montgomery, V. Ormond, C. Plosz - Planning and

Economic Development

M. Kovacevic L. Pasternak – Legal Services

A. Rawlings – City Clerk's Office

THE FOLLOWING ITEMS WERE REPORTED TO COUNCIL:

- Amendments to the Property Standards By-law 03-117 to Reflect Current Waste Management Principles (PED09165(a)) (City Wide) (Item 5.1) (Ferguson/McHattie)
- (a) In accordance with the August 13, 2009 City Council direction the draft by-law attached as Appendix "A" to Report PED09165(a), which has been prepared in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor, be enacted.
- (b) That the public consultation process for the proposed Property Standards By-Law amendments relating to the operation of garbage chutes in multi-residential buildings consist of:
 - a survey made available to the general public on the City's Website and through hard copy at all Municipal Service Centres and various Community Centres.

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 Changes to Licensing Code (By-law 07-170) relating to Taxi Cabs requirement for on-board cameras-Taxi Reform Sub Committee Report 09-002 (Item 6.3)

(McHattie/Whitehead)

- (a) That the requirement for on-board cameras in taxis be restored to the Licensing By-law, and that this requirement become effective May 1, 2010.
- (b) That taxi shields not be considered a prohibited device, but may be used at the discretion of a taxi owner/operator, provided that the shield in no way interferes with any required safety feature or the safe operation of the taxicab and complies with the general requirements of the Licensing By-law.
- (c) That the amending By-law to Licensing Code By-law 07-170, attached as Appendix 'A' to Report 09-002, to restore the requirement for on-board camera's in taxis, be passed and enacted.
- (d) That the City of Hamilton support, in principle, the installation of shields in taxi cabs, upon approval of the Federal and Provincial governments' Health & Safety requirements, and approval of standards for Taxi Shields by the Canadian Standards Association.
- Changes to Licensing Code (By-law 07-170) relating to Taxi Cabs requirement respecting the Holding of a Taxicab Driver's Licence and taking Service and Skills Training - Taxi Reform Sub Committee-Report 09-002 (Item 6.3)

(McHattie/Mitchell)

- (a) That Taxi Cab Plate Owners not be required to hold a Taxi Cab Driver's Licence.
- (b) That the requirement for Taxi Cab Owners to complete the Service and Skills Training remain in the Licensing Code By-law 07-170.
- Proposed Natural Areas Acquisition Fund Strategy (PED09007(a)) (City Wide) (Item 7.1)

(McHattie/Ferguson)

- (a) That the Natural Areas Acquisition Fund Strategy, attached as Appendix "A" to Report PED09007(a), and as amended by Committee on November 3, 2009, to specify that there will be no added FTE associated with this strategy, be approved, but implementation of the Strategy be held in abeyance pending the outcome of Recommendation (b). -
- (b) That the Capital requests (\$100,000 annually for 2011, 2012, 2013, and \$300,000 annually afterwards in perpetuity) be submitted annually through the Capital Budget process.

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(c) That the subject item be identified as completed and removed from the Outstanding Business List

Hamilton Air Pollutants and Greenhouse Gas Emissions Inventory (PED09287) (City Wide) (Item 7.2)

(Whitehead/McHattie)

That the Report "City of Hamilton: Air Pollutant and GHG Inventory Project" attached as Appendix "A" to Report PED09287 be received for information and be referred to staff for actions as part of the Corporate Air Quality and Climate Change Strategic Plan (PED06336(a)) and as evaluation updates to the City's Corporate Strategic Plan.

Temporary Turning Circles - Request for Reduction in Radius and Change in Standard (City Wide) (PED09284) (Item 8.2) (Clark/Ferguson)

- (a) That Council approve the following changes in the standard for temporary turning circles and direct the General Manager of Planning and Economic Development to incorporate the changes within the City's Engineering Guidelines for Development:
 - (i) That the City maintain its current standard of 13 metres for temporary turning circles, but permit a reduction in size of the paved portion of the turnaround from a 13m radius to a 12m radius if it makes a material difference to the number of lots that would otherwise need to be sterilized if the 13m radius was used.
 - (ii) That a reduced setback from the back of curb from 3m to 2m be permitted if no utilities are to be located within the area behind the curb and if it makes a material difference to the number of lots that would otherwise need to be sterilized if a 3m setback was used.
 - (iii) That a hammerhead design be included as an option for a temporary turning circle.
- (b) That the item respecting "Carlson Street temporary turnaround request for reduction in radius" on the Economic Development and Planning Committee's Outstanding Business List be identified as completed and removed from the List.

Citizen Appointment to the Task Force on Cleanliness and Security in the Downtown Core.(Added Item 9.1)

(McHattie/Whitehead)

That Brian Goodman be appointed to the Task Force on Cleanliness and Security in the Downtown Core for the balance of the 2006-2010 term of Council or until such time as a successor is appointed by Council