

HAMILTON FUTURE FUND BOARD OF GOVERNORS

Report 16-001 Thursday, January 14, 2016 Room 816, City Hall

71 Main Street West

Present: Mayor F. Eisenberger

Councillors T. Whitehead, D. Conley and J. Partridge (Vice Chair) T. Weisz (Chair), R. Bagdonas, I. Brisbin, K. Boyer, J. Bozzo, M. Dickson, J. Kirkpatrick, A. Macaluso, M. Scime, K. Wakeman

Absent with Regrets:

C. Chesebrough, T. Crugnale and S. Manchia

THE FUTURE FUND BOARD OF GOVERNORS PRESENTS REPORT 16-001 AND RESPECTFULLY RECOMMENDS:

1. Correspondence from Christine Chesebrough respecting her resignation from the Hamilton Future Fund Board of Governors (Added Item 5.1)

That Correspondence from Christine Chesebrough respecting her resignation from the Hamilton Future Fund Board of Governors be received and referred to the Selection Committee.

FOR THE INFORMATION OF COMMITTEE:

(a) CHANGES TO THE AGENDA (Item 1)

The Committee Clerk advised of the following Change to the Agenda.

(i) Added as Item 5.1 – Correspondence from Christine Chesebrough respecting her resignation from the Hamilton Future Fund Board of Governors.

That the agenda for the January 14, 2016 meeting of the Hamilton Future Fund Board of Governors WAS approved, as amended.

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(b) DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (Item 2)

There were no declarations of interest.

(c) MINUTES (ITEM 3)

(i) Approval of Minutes of October 29, 2015 (Item 3.1)

The Minutes of the October 29, 2015 meeting of the Hamilton Future Fund Board of Governors were approved, as presented.

(d) DISCUSSION ITEMS (Item 8)

- (i) Verbal Updates respecting Unexpended Funds (Item 8.1)
 - (i) Anna Bradford, Director, Tourism and Culture, respecting Auchmar and Nash Jackson House (Item 8.1(a))

Ms. Anna Bradford, Director, Tourism and Culture, addressed the Board of Governors respecting Auchmar and Nash Jackson House with the aid of a PowerPoint presentation. A copy of the presentation has been retained for the official record.

Ms. Bradford began her presentation by thanking the Board for funding various projects in the Tourism and Culture Department.

Ms. Bradford's presentation included "before and after" photos of various projects in the City that have used money made available from the Hamilton Future Fund. The projects included:

- Artifact Storage Upgrades
- Repair of Stone Walls at Auchmar
- Cenotaph at Gore Park
- Sir John A. MacDonald Statue
- Gore Park Fountain
- Stoney Creek Cenotaph
- Battlefield Monument
- Nash Jackson House
- Hamilton Museum of Steam and Technology

Ms. Bradford explained that the unexpended funds in the approximate amount of \$10,000 will be used for vegetation changes on and around the stone walls at Auchmar. These changes will be completed in the spring.

The presentation from Ms. Anna Bradford, Director, Tourism and Culture, respecting Auchmar and Nash Jackson House, was received.

(ii) Glen Norton, Manager, Urban Renewal, respecting the Hamilton Realty Capital Corporation (Item 8.1(b))

Mr. Glen Norton, Manager, Urban Renewal, addressed the Board of Governors respecting the Hamilton Realty Capital Corporation (HRCC).

Mr. Norton reported that the HRCC has unexpended funds provided it to it by Hamilton Future Fund in the amount of \$1.6 million.

Mr. Norton explained that there is a 10-year agreement in place between the City and a private sector developer for a real estate project. The agreement expires in July of 2016. Both parties can negate the agreement at any time.

If the funds for the project are not expended they will be returned to Hamilton Future Fund "B".

The presentation from Glen Norton, Manager, Urban Renewal, respecting the Hamilton Realty Capital Corporation, was received.

(iii) Robyn Ellis, Acting Manager, Capital and Compliance, Facilities Management and Capital Programs, respecting the Waterdown Memorial Hall Project (Item 8.1(c))

Ms. Robyn Ellis, Acting Manager, Capital and Compliance, Facilities Management and Capital Programs, addressed the Board of Governors respecting the Waterdown Memorial Hall Project.

Ms. Ellis reported that significant progress is being made on renovations to the Hall. Some delays in the areas of site services, the site survey and electrical safety code issues have lead to delays. An occupancy date of February 2016 was anticipated however this will now most likely take place in late May.

The City continues to work with the contractor to address outstanding items in parallel so that the work schedule can be expedited.

The presentation from Robyn Ellis, Acting Manager, Capital and Compliance, Facilities Management and Capital Programs, respecting the Waterdown Memorial Hall Project, was received.

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(iv) Hamilton Public Library respecting the "Love Your City" Project (Item 8.1(d))

Ms. Laura Lukasik, Manager, Communications and Partnerships and Ms. Melanie Southern, Director, Public Service and Communications, with the Hamilton Public Library (HPL) addressed the Board of Governors respecting the "Love Your City" project.

Ms. Lukasik thanked the Board for their support of the Library's "Love Your City" project. Ms. Lukasik stated that it will be a legacy project for the City and have many benefits for years to come.

Ms. Lukasik and Ms. Southern reported that the HPL is working with McMaster University on the project to set the parameters for people to tell their stories. A database is being created and archival items are being transferred to digital format. As well, McMaster is using a grant they have received to further leverage the "Love Your City" project funding received from the Board.

The "Love Your City" project is focusing on four areas for people to share their stories: Libraries, Music, Tim Hortons and Gore Park. A multi-media approach is being used so that as many people as possible are reached. Eye beacons are also being used. Eye beacons are small hardware devices that transmit messages or prompts to mobile phone or table users based on their location.

Ms. Lukasik and Ms. Southern reported that there is approximately \$30,000 in unexpended funds for the "Love Your City" project. This money will be used to recruit people to share their stories and reach out to the community so more individuals can participate in the project.

The presentation from the Hamilton Public Library respecting the "Love Your City" Project, was received.

(e) ADJOURNMENT (Item 12)

There being no further business, the Committee adjourned at 2:41 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

T. Weisz, Chair Hamilton Future Fund Board of Governors

Lauri Leduc Legislative Coordinator Office of the City Clerk