



GENERAL ISSUES COMMITTEE MINUTES 16-013

9:30 a.m.

Wednesday, May 18, 2016

Council Chambers

Hamilton City Hall

71 Main Street West

Present: Mayor F. Eisenberger, Deputy Mayor A. Johnson (Chair)
Councillors T. Whitehead, D. Skelly, C. Collins, S. Merulla,
M. Green, J. Farr, M. Pearson, B. Johnson, A. VanderBeek, J. Partridge

Regrets: Councillors T. Jackson, D. Conley, L. Ferguson and R. Pasuta – Personal

THE FOLLOWING ITEMS WERE REPORTED TO COUNCIL FOR CONSIDERATION:

1. Events Strategy Progress Update (PED13038(b)) (City Wide) (Item 5.2)

(Farr/Collins)

That Report PED13038(b) respecting an Events Strategy Progress Update, be received.

CARRIED

2. Hamilton Police Services Board Report PSB 16-058, April 29, 2016 (Item 5.3)

(Pearson/VanderBeek)

That the Hamilton Police Services Board Report PSB 16-058, dated April 29, 2016, be received.

CARRIED

3. Stoney Creek Business Improvement Area (BIA) Revised Board of Management (PED16110) (Ward 9) (Item 5.4)

(B. Johnson/Skelly)

That the following individual be appointed to the Stoney Creek Business Improvement Area (BIA) Board of Management: Sharon Richards

CARRIED

4. Hamilton Anchor Institution Leadership (CM16007) (City Wide) (Item 5.5)

(Farr/Pearson)

That Report CM16007 respecting Hamilton Anchor Institution Leadership, be received.

CARRIED

5. Single-Source Address Information Management System Implementation (FCS16043 / PED16120/PW16038) (City Wide) (Item 8.1)

(Partridge/B. Johnson)

(a) That the General Manager of Finance and Corporate Services be authorized to approve the single-source procurement, pursuant to Procurement Policy #11 – Non-competitive Procurements, for the initial implementation of the Address Information Management System (AIMS) to Angus Geosolutions Inc. (AGSI) for the estimated contract amount of \$1,204,000;

(b) That the General Manager of Finance and Corporate Services be authorized to negotiate and enter into a contract and any ancillary documents required to give effect thereto with AGSI, in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor;

(c) That costs associated to implement the remaining functionality required for the Address Information Management System (AIMS) be incorporated into the 2017 and 2018 Capital Budget cycles.

CARRIED

6. Hamilton Downtown Multi-Residential Property Investment Program (HDMRPIP) – 220 Cannon Street East, Hamilton (PED16114) (Ward 2) (Item 8.2)

(Pearson/Skelly)

(a) That a conditional loan commitment totalling \$4,811,225 for 2452849 Ontario Inc. (Darko Vranich), the registered owner of the property at 220 Cannon Street East, Hamilton, be authorized and approved with the proviso that no more than \$18 M is outstanding at one-time for all of the loans approved for Darko Vranich under the Hamilton Downtown Multi-Residential Property Investment Program (HDMRPIP) in accordance with the Program's terms and conditions;

(b) That the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized and directed to execute a loan agreement together with any ancillary documentation required, to effect recommendation (a) of Report PED16114, in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor;

- (c) That the General Manager of the Planning and Economic Development Department be authorized to approve and execute any loan amending agreements, together with any ancillary amending documentation, if required, provided that the terms and conditions of the Hamilton Downtown Multi-Residential Property Investment Program (HDMRPIP), as approved by City Council, are maintained.

CARRIED

7. Light Rail Transit Sub-Committee Report 16-003 (Added Item 8.3)

(Skelly/Collins)

(i) Light Rail Transit (LRT) Property Acquisitions – Real Estate Services Protocol (PED16113/LS16011) (Item 8.1)

- (a) That the City of Hamilton enter into the Real Estate Services Protocol with Metrolinx, setting out the services to be provided by the City to Metrolinx to acquire real property required for the Hamilton Light Rail Transit (LRT) project, all funded by Metrolinx substantially in the form attached as Appendix A to the Light Rail Transit Sub-Committee Report 16-003; and,
- (b) That the Mayor and Clerk be authorized and directed to execute the Real Estate Services Protocol, and any other ancillary documents, with content approved by the General Manager of Planning and Economic Development, in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor.

(ii) Light Rail Transit (LRT) Alignment (PED16121) (Item 8.2)

That Report PED16121 respecting Light Rail Transit (LRT) Alignment, be received.

(iii) Light Rail Transit (LRT) Alignment (PED16121) (Item 8.2)

That the appropriate staff from Metrolinx and the City of Hamilton, in consultation with Steer Davies Gleave (the LRT consultant), investigate the feasibility of maintaining an International Village LRT stop, as was always contemplated, and report back to the LRT Sub-Committee.

(iv) Adoption of the Principles from the Citizens' Jury on Transit Report (Item 9.2)

That the LRT Sub-Committee endorse the seven Guiding Principles as outlined in the Report on the Proceedings and Recommendations from the Citizens' Jury on Transit, and attached hereto.

CARRIED

8. Opportunities to Celebrate Pride Month (Item 9.1)

(A. Johnson/Green)

WHEREAS, Pride is synonymous with the positive stance against discrimination and violence toward Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, and Queer (LGBTQ) citizens to promote their self-affirmation, dignity, equality rights, increase their visibility as a social group, build community, and celebrate sexual diversity and gender variance;

WHEREAS, the month of June is traditionally LGBTQ Pride Month when many pride events are held to recognize the impact LGBTQ people have had in the world; and,

WHEREAS, Hamilton-based Pride events can provide an opportunity to boost tourism, while providing both positive economic and social benefits;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

That Tourism & Culture staff be directed to convene a meeting with representatives of the LGBTQ community with a goal of discussing opportunities to celebrate, through Hamilton Pride Week, and provide an information report back to GIC summarizing the outcomes of the discussion.

CARRIED

9. Reimbursement Request Planning Application Fees paid by Hamilton Habitat for Humanity (Added Item 9.3)

(A. Johnson/Green)

That the planning application fees paid by Hamilton Habitat for Humanity for Formal Consultation, re-zoning and Official Plan Amendment applications for the property located at 149 ½ Sherman Avenue in the City of Hamilton, be reimbursed in full.

CARRIED

10. Proposed Settlement of Personal Injury Litigation (LS16006/FCS16047) (City Wide) (Item 12.1)

(Collins/ Mayor)

(a) That direction provided to staff in closed session with respect to Report LS16006/FCS16047 be approved;

(b) That Report LS16006/FCS16047 and recommendations remain confidential.

CARRIED

FOR THE INFORMATION OF COMMITTEE:

(a) CHANGES TO THE AGENDA (Item 1)

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

1. ADDED CONSENT ITEMS (Item 5.6)

- 5.6(a) Correspondence from Anne van Dyk respecting the LRT Project
- 5.6(b) Correspondence from the Lakewood Beach Community Council respecting the LRT Project
- 5.6(c) Correspondence from Annette MacDonald respecting the LRT Project
- 5.6(d) Correspondence from John and Tordis Coakley respecting the LRT Project
- 5.6(e) Correspondence from Frances Murray, President, Durand Neighbourhood Association respecting the LRT Project
- 5.6(f) Correspondence from the Kirkendall Neighbourhood Association respecting the LRT Project
- 5.6(g) Correspondence from Nadia Coakley respecting the LRT Project
- 5.6(h) Correspondence from Daniel and Wendy Coleman respecting the LRT Project

2. ADDED PRESENTATION (Item 7)

- 7.1 Paul Johnson, Director, LRT Project Coordination, respecting Project Update – LRT Alignment

3. ADDED DISCUSSION ITEM (Item 8)

- 8.3 Light Rail Transit Sub-Committee Report 16-003

4. REFERRED MOTION (Item 9)

- 9.2 Reaffirming the Acceptance of the One Billion Dollar Investment in Infrastructure and Public Transit Investment from the Province of Ontario (Item 7.3 referred from the May 11, 2016 Council meeting)

5. ADDED NOTICE OF MOTION (Item 10)

- 10.1 Public Transit Area Rating Elimination

6. PRIVATE & CONFIDENTIAL (Item 12)

12.1 Closed Session Minutes - General Issues Committee, April 20, 2016
(omitted from the May 18th Agenda)

12.2 Proposed Settlement of Personal Injury Litigation (LS16006/FCS16047)
(City Wide)

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 *Ontario Municipal Act*, 2001, as amended, as the subject matters pertain 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.

12.3 CUPE Local 1041 – Collective Bargaining Update

Pursuant to Section 8.1, Sub-section (d) of the City's Procedural By-law 14-300, and Section 239(2), Sub-section (d) of the *Ontario Municipal Act*, 2001, as amended, as the subject matter pertains to labour relations or employee negotiations.

(Pearson/B. Johnson)

That the agenda for the May 18, 2016 General Issues Committee meeting be approved, as amended.

CARRIED

(b) DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (Item 2)

There were no declarations of interest.

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

(i) May 4, 2016 (Item 3.1)

(VanderBeek/Pearson)

That the Minutes of the May 4, 2016 General Issues Committee meeting be approved, as presented.

CARRIED

(d) CONSENT ITEMS (Item 5)

(i) Advisory/Sub-Committee Minutes (Item 5.1)

(Partridge/Eisenberger)

That the following Sub-Committee meeting minutes, be received:

- (a) Hamilton-Wentworth District School Board Liaison Committee, October 1, 2015
- (b) Light Rail Transit Sub-Committee, March 29, 2016

CARRIED

(ii) Correspondence respecting the LRT Project (Added Item 5.6)

(Pearson/Merulla)

That Item 5.6(a) through (h), which reads as follows, be received:

- 5.6(a) Correspondence from Anne van Dyk respecting the LRT Project
- 5.6(b) Correspondence from the Lakewood Beach Community Council respecting the LRT Project
- 5.6(c) Correspondence from Annette MacDonald respecting the LRT Project
- 5.6(d) Correspondence from John and Tordis Coakley respecting the LRT Project
- 5.6(e) Correspondence from Frances Murray, President, Durand Neighbourhood Association respecting the LRT Project
- 5.6(f) Correspondence from the Kirkendall Neighbourhood Association respecting the LRT Project
- 5.6(g) Correspondence from Nadia Coakley respecting the LRT Project
- 5.6(h) Correspondence from Daniel and Wendy Coleman respecting the LRT Project

CARRIED

(e) PUBLIC HEARINGS / DELEGATIONS (Item 6)

- (i) Keanin Loomis, President & CEO, Hamilton Chamber of Commerce, to provide Updates regarding: the Bay Area Economic Summit; Magnet Job Board Initiative; Other Advocacy Priorities; and, to Present the New Mission and Vision Statement for the Chamber (Item 6.1)**

Mr. Keanin Loomis, President and CEO of the Hamilton Chamber of Commerce addressed the Committee respecting various issues related to the Hamilton Chamber of Commerce with the aid of a PowerPoint presentation. A copy of the presentation has been retained for the official record. Mr. Loomis's presentation included, but was not limited to, the following information:

- Organizational Structure and Board Membership
- Mission and Vision Statement
- Goals of the Chamber
- Services Provided to their Members
- Contribution to Hamilton
- Measures to support inclusiveness
- Connecting Hamilton to the Region and the World
- Information on the upcoming Bay Area Economic Summit taking place on June 21, 2016

(Farr/Green)

That the delegation from Keanin Loomis, President & CEO, Hamilton Chamber of Commerce, be received.

CARRIED

(f) PRESENTATIONS (Item 7)

(i) Paul Johnson, Director of LRT Project Coordination, respecting a Project Update – LRT Alignment (Added Item 7.1)

Paul Johnson, Director of LRT Project Coordination, addressed Committee respecting a Project Update – LRT Alignment with the aid of a PowerPoint presentation. The presentation included, but was not limited to, the following:

- Project Schedule
- Long-Term Rapid Transit Strategy
- LRT Route Map
- Alignment Overview
 - McMaster University to Highway 403
 - Highway 403 to Downtown
 - A-Line Spur – James Street North
 - Wellington Street to Queenston Circle
- Ongoing Work
- Factors that could affect Alignment
- Next Steps
 - Engagement and Outreach
 - Environmental Assessment Addendum

Mr. Johnson along with other City staff and representatives from Metrolinx answered questions from the Committee.

(Eisenberger/B. Johnson)

That the presentation from Paul Johnson, Director of LRT Project Coordination, respecting a Project Update – LRT Alignment, be received.

CARRIED

(g) MOTIONS (Item 9)

(i) Opportunities to Celebrate Pride Month (Item 9.1)

Deputy Mayor A. Johnson relinquished the chair to Mayor Eisenberger in order to introduce his motion respecting Opportunities to Celebrate Pride Month.

After Deputy Mayor A. Johnson's motion was introduced he then assumed the chair.

For disposition on this matter, refer to Item 8.

(ii) Reaffirming the Acceptance of the One Billion Dollar Investment in Infrastructure and Public Transit Investment from the Province of Ontario (Added Item 9.2)

(Eisenberger/Merulla)

That the motion respecting Reaffirming the Acceptance of the One Billion Dollar Investment in Infrastructure and Public Transit Investment from the Province of Ontario be deferred to the June 15, 2016 meeting of the General Issues Committee.

CARRIED

(h) NOTICES OF MOTION (Item 10)

(i) Public Transit Area Rating Elimination (Added Item 10.1)

Councillor Merulla withdrew his Notice of Motion respecting Public Transit Area Rating Elimination.

Councillor Green introduced the following Notice of Motion:

(ii) Reimbursement Request Planning Application fees paid by Hamilton Habitat for Humanity (Added Item 10.2)

WHEREAS, the City's Strategic Plan and 10-year Housing & Homelessness Action Plan references the need to explore new incentive and funding programs to increase the supply of affordable housing;

WHEREAS, charitable organizations and affordable housing providers provide a public benefit to the broader community; and,

WHEREAS, Planning and Economic Development report entitled 'Tariff of Fees -Exempting Charitable and Non-Profit Organizations from Planning Application Fees Relating to Affordable Housing (PED16098)' was approved by Planning Committee on May 17, 2016 to support the exemption of planning application fees, but is not yet in effect;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

That the planning application fees paid by Hamilton Habitat for Humanity for Formal Consultation, re-zoning and Official Plan Amendment applications for the property located at 149 ½ Sherman Avenue in the City of Hamilton, be reimbursed in full.

(Green/Collins)

That the Rules of Order be waived to allow for the introduction of a Motion respecting the Reimbursement Request Planning Application fees paid by Hamilton Habitat for Humanity.

CARRIED

For disposition of this matter, see Item 9.

(Collins/Farr)

That the General Issue Committee move into Closed Session, respecting Item 12.1 – Closed Session Minutes dated April 20, 2016; Item 12.1 – Proposed Settlement of Personal Injury Litigation (LS16006/FCS16047) and Item 12.2 – CUPE Local 1041 – Collective Bargaining Update, pursuant to Section 8.1, Sub-sections (b), (d), (e) and (f) of the City's Procedural By-law 14-300, and Section 239(2), Sub-sections (b), (d), (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; labour relations or employee negotiations; 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.

CARRIED

(i) PRIVATE & CONFIDENTIAL (Item 12)

(i) Closed Session Minutes – April 20, 20216 (Item 12.1)

(Collins/Skelly)

That the Closed Session Minutes of the General Issues Committee dated April 20, 2016, be approved.

CARRIED

**(ii) Proposed Settlement of Personal Injury Litigation (LS16006/FCS16047)
(City Wide) (Item 12.2)**

For disposition of this matter, refer to Item 10.

(iii) CUPE Local 1041 – Collective Bargaining Update (Added Item 12.3)

Direction was provided to staff in Closed Session with nothing to report in Open Session.

(j) ADJOURNMENT (Item 13)

(Skelly/Eisenberger)

That, there being no further business, the General Issues Committee, be adjourned at 4:22 p.m.

CARRIED

Respectfully submitted,

A. Johnson, Deputy Mayor
Chair, General Issues Committee

Lauri Leduc
Legislative Coordinator
Office of the City Clerk