



GENERAL ISSUES COMMITTEE MINUTES 16-020

9:30 a.m.

Wednesday, September 7, 2016

Council Chambers

Hamilton City Hall

71 Main Street West

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

**Absent with
Regrets:** Councillor A. VanderBeek – Personal

THE FOLLOWING ITEMS WERE REFERRED TO COUNCIL FOR CONSIDERATION:

- 1. Relocation of the Canadian Football Hall of Fame (PW16075) (Ward 3) (Item 5.1)**

(Green/Pearson)

That Report PW16075, respecting the Relocation of the Canadian Football Hall of Fame, be received.

CARRIED

- 2. Concession Street Business Improvement Area (BIA) Revised Board of Management (PED14242(b)) (Wards 6 and 7) (Item 5.2)**

(Skelly/Collins)

That the following individual be appointed to the Concession Street Business Improvement Area (BIA) Board of Management:

- Angelo Kirkopoulos

- 3. Feasibility of the Community Hosting a Picnic on the T.B. McQuesten High-Level Bridge (PED16189) (Ward 1) (Item 8.1)**

(A. Johnson/Ferguson)

That Report PED16189, respecting the Feasibility of the Community Hosting a Picnic on the T.B. McQuesten High-Level Bridge, be received.

CARRIED

**4. West Harbour Development Sub-Committee Report 16-003, August 4, 2016
(Item 8.2)**

(Partridge/B. Johnson)

**(a) Preliminary Plan for Implementation of the West Harbour Waterfront
Recreation Master Plan (Item 7.2)**

- (i) That staff be directed to formalize an operating protocol with the Hamilton Waterfront Trust (HWT), for the planning, design, and implementation of the City of Hamilton's public realm projects on Piers 5 to 7, based on the Terms and Conditions of the existing Project Management Agreement dated January 7, 2015, between the City of Hamilton and the HWT;
- (ii) That staff be directed to report back to the next West Harbour Development Sub-committee meeting respecting an operating protocol with the Hamilton Waterfront Trust, as detailed in sub-section (a); and,
- (iii) That staff be directed to update the 2017 Capital Budget submission and the future budget forecast as required to reflect the accelerated cash-flow requirements of the Piers 5 to 7 and Pier 8 public realm projects.

**(b) Live Streaming of Committee Meetings and Posting of the Agendas
and Minutes on the City Website (Added Item 10.1)**

WHEREAS the development of the West Harbour is deemed to be of great importance to the community and the City's future; and,

WHEREAS the communication of the progress of the development of the West Harbour should be open and transparent;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

- (i) That the meetings of the West Harbour Development Sub-committee be live streamed on the City website; and,
- (ii) That the agendas and minutes of the West Harbour Development Sub-committee be posted on the City website.

CARRIED

5. **Business Improvement Area Advisory Committee Report 16-007, August 9, 2016 (Item 8.3)**

(a) **Verbal Update from Peter Wobschall, Supervisor, Policy and Programs, respecting Service Level Equalization Initiative (no copy) (Item 6.1)**

(Collins/Pasuta)

WHEREAS, the Business Improvement Areas (BIA) represent Commercial Retail Corridors throughout the City of Hamilton and across nine wards;

WHEREAS, all BIAs contribute to the BIA Tax Levy; and,

WHEREAS, there remain opportunities to equalize Public Works Service Levels throughout the BIAs;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

(i) That staff be directed to include the following enhancement in the 2017 Public Works Department Operating budget for consideration during the 2017 Operating Budget (GIC) process:

- \$137,000 to be distributed between all BIAs for Horticulture Services (Planters, Hanging Baskets, and Watering Services); and,

(ii) That staff be directed to include in that report, respecting the enhanced Horticultural Services for the BIAs, any additional FTEs and associated costs that will be required to facilitate the equalization of Horticulture Services amongst the BIAs.

CARRIED

(b) **Proposed Expenditure from the Barton Village BIA respecting the City of Hamilton's Contribution to BIA Operating Budget Program (Item 7.1)**

(Partridge/Pearson)

That the expenditure request from the Barton Village BIA in the amount of \$6,352 from the Contribution to BIA Operating Budget Program, to be spent on the purchasing and installation of banners, be approved.

CARRIED

(c) Proposed Expenditure from the Barton Village BIA respecting the City of Hamilton's Shared Parking Revenue Program (Item 7.2)

(Whitehead/Skelly)

That the expenditure request from the Barton Village BIA in the amount of \$8,700.82 from the Shared Parking Revenue Program, to be spent on the promotional activities, be approved.

CARRIED

6. Ontario's 150th Anniversary Funding Programs (FCS16066) (City Wide) (Item 8.5)

(Pearson/Partridge)

- (a) That the Ancaster Aquatic Centre Renovation Project, as listed in Appendix "A" of Report FCS16066, be approved as the City of Hamilton's submission to the Ontario Trillium Foundation (OTF) for the requested funding amount of \$500,000, in accordance with the terms and conditions associated with the Ontario150 Community Capital Program (Capital Program);
- (b) That the Hamilton Celebrates Sesqui Project and the Through Young Eyes Project, as listed in Appendix "B" of Report FCS16066, be endorsed as the City of Hamilton's submissions to the Ministry of Tourism, Culture and Sport (Ministry) for the total requested funding amount of \$140,000, in accordance with the terms and conditions associated with the Ontario150 Community Celebration Program (Celebration Program);
- (c) That the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to execute all necessary documentation, including Grant Contracts and Funding Agreements for funding under the Ontario150 Capital and Celebration Programs, in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor; and,
- (d) That copies of Report FCS16066 be forwarded to local Members of Provincial Parliament.

CARRIED

7. Hamilton Port Authority – City of Hamilton Liaison Committee Report 16-001, August 11, 2016 (Item 8.6)

(B. Johnson/Green)

(a) Election of Co-Chairs (Added Item)

That Mayor Eisenberger and Board Chair E. Munich be appointed Co-Chairs of the Hamilton Port Authority – City of Hamilton Liaison Committee on a rotating basis; and,

(b) Review of the Hamilton Port Authority – City of Hamilton Liaison Committee - Terms of Reference (Item 4.1)

That the Terms of Reference of the Hamilton Port Authority – City of Hamilton, Liaison Committee, attached as Appendix “A” to Report 16-001, be approved, as amended.

CARRIED

8. Proposed Extension of Outdoor Swimming Pool Hours and Free Admission to All Public Swims during the Summer (Item 9.3)

(Merulla/A. Johnson)

WHEREAS, hot weather can contribute to the development of heat related illness to the general population and public health issues;

WHEREAS, some residents, including seniors, young children and people with pre-existing medical conditions, may be less able to cope and acclimatize to hot weather conditions, and are considered as having an increased risk of developing a heat-related illness;

WHEREAS, the City of Hamilton, in consultation with Public Health Services, have developed a Community Heat Response Plan to help residents cope with heat events;

WHEREAS, the City of Hamilton’s ten outdoor swimming pools play a vital role in the Community Heat Response Plan providing residents with the ability to cool off;

WHEREAS, the residents of the City of Hamilton would benefit to greater access to the ten outdoor swimming pools during the summer;

WHEREAS, providing free public swimming at all ten outdoor swimming pools all summer would provide the residents of the City of Hamilton greater access to recreation opportunities; and,

WHEREAS, Councillor Aidan Johnson moved a motion at City Council on July 8, 2016, to keep Coronation outdoor swimming pool open between the hours of 4:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m. as a pilot for the remainder of the 2016 season;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

That staff be directed to report back to the **Board of Health** with options of extending the operating hours of the outdoor swimming pools and providing free admission to all public swims during the summer season.

MOTION, AS AMENDED, CARRIED

9. Opportunity to Host the Rendez-Vous 2017 Canadian Waters Tall Ship Regatta - Ten Tall Ships on Canada Day 2017 (Item 9.4)

(Collins/Eisenberger)

WHEREAS, Hamilton hosted a successful Tall Ship event in 2013; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Hamilton has received an offer to participate in Rendez-Vous 2017 Canadian Waters Tall Ship Regatta, a Sesquicentennial-related opportunity, supported by Canadian Heritage, on July 1, 2017;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

- (a) That the City of Hamilton accept the invitation to host the Rendez-Vous 2017 Canadian Waters Tall Ship Regatta - Ten Tall Ships on Canada Day 2017, at a cost of \$400,000, to be funded from the Tax Stabilization Reserve (110046);
- (b) That the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized and directed to execute a Guest Port Contract and any ancillary documents, as required, to allow the City of Hamilton to host the Rendez-Vous 2017 Canadian Waters Tall Ship Regatta as part of the City of Hamilton 2017 Canada Sesquicentennial celebration programming, with the content to be approved by the General Manager, of the Planning and Economic Development, in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor;
- (c) That two (2) temporary contract staff positions be approved to manage the Rendez-Vous 2017 Canadian Waters Tall Ship Regatta program, which would include one (1) Senior Event Planner; and one (1) Event Support and Marketing Coordinator at the cost of up to \$180,000, to be funded from the Tax Stabilization Reserve (110046);
- (d) That staff be directed to investigate any and all grants, other revenue sources and sponsorship opportunities; through either cash or in-kind contributions, to reduce the \$580,000 budget requirement to reduce the City of Hamilton's costs of hosting the Rendez-Vous 2017 Canadian Waters Tall Ship Regatta.

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. DELEGATION REQUESTS

- 4.7 Jeff Vallentin, United Way Burlington & Greater Hamilton, respecting the City of Hamilton United Way Kick Off on September 22, 2016 (for September 21, 2016)

2. NOTICES OF MOTION

- 10.1 Proposed Extension of Outdoor Swimming Pool Hours and Free Admission to All Public Swims during the Summer Season
- 10.2 Opportunity to Host the Rendez-Vous 2017 Canadian Waters Tall Ship Regatta - Ten Tall Ships on Canada Day 2017

(Pearson/Pasuta)

That the agenda for the September 7, 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 MEETINGS (Item 3)

(i) August 8, 2016 (Item 3.1)

(Collins/Skelly)

That the Minutes of the August 8, 2016 General Issues Committee meeting be approved, as presented.

CARRIED

(ii) August 23, 2016 – Special (Item 3.2)

(Green/Conley)

That the Minutes of the August 23, 2016 Special General Issues Committee meeting be approved, as presented.

CARRIED

(d) DELEGATION REQUESTS (Item 4)

- (i) Laura Ryan, Social Planning and Research Council, respecting the Kiwanis Boys and Girls Club Participatory Research Program: Photovoice (For the September 21, 2016 GIC) (Item 4.1)**

(Merulla/Green)

That the delegation request, submitted by Laura Ryan, Social Planning and Research Council, respecting the Kiwanis Boys and Girls Club Participatory Research Program: Photovoice, be approved to appear before the General Issues Committee on September 21, 2016.

CARRIED

- (ii) Stephanie Vegh and Lita Barrie, Hamilton Arts Council, to present the Outcomes of the 2016 Hamilton Arts Week (For the September 21, 2016 GIC) (Item 4.2)**

(Skelly/Farr)

That the delegation request, submitted by Stephanie Vegh and Lita Barrie, Hamilton Arts Council, to present the Outcomes of the 2016 Hamilton Arts Week, be approved to appear before the General Issues Committee on September 21, 2016.

CARRIED

- (iii) Patrick Bermingham, Bermingham Solutions, respecting Item 8.1 on today's agenda: Report PED16189 – Feasibility of the Community Hosting a on the T. B. McQuesten High-Level Bridge (For the September 7, 2016 GIC) (Item 4.3)**

(Collins/Green)

That the delegation request, submitted by Patrick Bermingham, Bermingham Solutions, respecting Item 8.1 on today's agenda: Report PED16189 – Feasibility of the Community Hosting a Picnic on the T. B. McQuesten High-Level Bridge, be approved to appear before the General Issues Committee on September 7, 2016.

CARRIED

- (iv) Glen Grunwald, Local Organizing Chair; and, Graham Brown, CIS Vanier Cup CEO, respecting Hosting of the Vanier Cup at Tim Horton's Field on November 26, 2016 (For the October 5th or 19th GIC – TBD) (Item 4.4)**

(Farr/Green)

That the delegation request, submitted by Glen Grunwald, Local Organizing Chair; and, Graham Brown, CIS Vanier Cup CEO, respecting Hosting of the Vanier Cup at Tim Horton's Field on November 26, 2016, be approved to attend at a future General Issues Committee meeting.

CARRIED

- (v) **Elizabeth McGuire, Basic Income Hamilton, to request a representative of the General Issues Committee sit on Basic Income Hamilton and to request support in the form of promotion and attendance at Basic Income Hamilton Events (For the September 21, 2016 GIC) (Item 4.5)**

(Green/Pasuta)

That the delegation request, submitted by Elizabeth McGuire, Basic Income Hamilton, to request a representative of the General Issues Committee sit on Basic Income Hamilton and to request support in the form of promotion and attendance at Basic Income Hamilton Events, be approved to appear before the General Issues Committee on September 21, 2016.

CARRIED

- (vi) **John Hall, Coordinator, Hamilton Harbour Remedial Action Plan, Bay Area Implementation Team, to present a report with Recommendations from the Hamilton Harbour Remedial Action Plan, Urban Runoff Task Group – Hamilton (For the November 16, 2016 GIC) (Item 4.6)**

(Green/B. Johnson)

That the delegation request, submitted by John Hall, Coordinator, Hamilton Harbour Remedial Action Plan, Bay Area Implementation Team, to present a report with Recommendations from the Hamilton Harbour Remedial Action Plan, Urban Runoff Task Group – Hamilton, be approved to appear before the General Issues Committee on November 16, 2016.

CARRIED

- (vii) **Jeff Vallentin, CEO of United Way Burlington & Greater Hamilton, respecting the City of Hamilton United Way Kick Off on September 22, 2016 (for September 21, 2016) (Item 4.7)**

(Pearson/Conley)

That the delegation request, submitted by Jeff Vallentin, CEO of United Way Burlington & Greater Hamilton, respecting the City of Hamilton United Way Kick Off on September 22, 2016, be approved to appear before the General Issues Committee on September 21, 2016.

CARRIED

(e) PUBLIC HEARINGS / DELEGATIONS (Item 6)

- (i) **Dale Mugford, Filmworks Lofts, Board of Directors, respecting the John/Rebecca Park (Item 6.1)**

Mr. Mugford, Chair of the Board of Directors for 80 King William Street – Filmworks Lofts, addressed Committee respecting the proposed

John/Rebecca Park. Mr. Mugford's comments included, but were not limited to, the following:

- I am joined here today with Linda Milner, and Jackie Attard.
- On the early morning of May 13, 2016, many lives changed as one life was lost. Vincent Lofaro was shot and killed in the street outside his work, Club 77.
- Our neighbourhood was taped off. Residents couldn't leave for work in their vehicles. Everyone was terrified.
- Today I wish to contrast two timelines for you.
- The following crimes were reported publicly by police and press:
 1. In the fall of 2006, Ryan Milner was killed outside Club 77. What started as a brawl turned into murder after he was stabbed three times; twice in the heart. A friend was also seriously injured.
 2. In 2010, the head injuries three Club 77 bouncers inflicted on McMaster engineering student, Chuck Ezeh, outside the club were so severe his neurosurgeon initially rejected surgery because he felt Chuck was dying. "He is permanently disabled as a result of this" he said.
 3. In 2015, Hamilton police and ambulance found a 24-year-old man with a stab wound to his chest lying on the ground on the corner of Catherine and King William. The victim was taken to Hamilton General Hospital with life-threatening injuries.
 4. Vincent Lazaro was shot and killed outside Club 77 after a concert which included a fight inside that took place an hour before the shooting according to Hamilton Police Detective Dave Oleniuk. A woman was also injured and taken to hospital with a gunshot wound to her arm.

After his death, our residents organized and exchanged stories of the many years of dealing with violence, property damage and intoxicated patrons loitering on our property. They brought a petition to our Condominium Board, and asked that we submit it to Councillor Farr, which we did.

They requested the City finally address the long history of violence at Club 77 with concrete action.

- In 2008, planning began for John Rebecca Park, a park which would reside on the land currently a parking lot and where Club 77 is located.

The area is zoned for a park. Throughout the years of 2008 - 2012 thorough planning was finalized for the building of the park. The 2012 Beasley Neighbourhood Newsletter stated:

“Beasley is getting an all new park! The City of Hamilton is currently moving forward with this project to help revitalize Hamilton’s Downtown Area.”

Then nothing happened. The project has been stalled with no clear commitment to complete the project. Councillor Farr has said that the current “plans” call for the park to be built by 2022, 14 years after its original planning began.

- The City so heavily advertises slogans to lure people here. They include "it's happening here", "Hamilton is changing", that it's "a great place to raise a family."
- In our building we have 100 residents, a combined \$300,000 a year in taxes paid to the City, who were sold on the promise of a changing downtown. There are doctors, teachers, students, entrepreneurs, firefighters, families with children — all living here sold on a vision for the city and neighbourhood 6 years ago that was never delivered. Instead, it's been a decade of violent crime, steps from Police.
- So what's clear to us is this: one of these timelines is going to continue, which one is up to you.
- We want the park to be built. We want clear communication that the City will do so, and we want the park built soon. A commitment to put a shovel in the ground in 2019. No later.
- Three weeks after the murder of Mr. Lofaro there was a brawl outside the club witnessed and filmed by a resident. It shows club staff punching a patron in the street, and throwing a woman to the ground on the sidewalk.
- The club has been given opportunities to collaborate with the Community and work to make us safer. At the community meeting held on June 21st, at which over 100 concerned community members attended, the Club was invited to attend and speak. They initially requested to speak then declined when we sent over the

program for the evening. Though they did attend, and sat silently take notes. During Q&A they were asked by Councillor Farr to answer a question.

- Expecting violence around this venue to cease on its own is wishful thinking. Without real change, it is our belief the violence will continue. On behalf of the Milner family, the Lofaro family, and members of our community, we request that we do not have to stand here again, with a new family joining us. Build John/Rebecca Park and choose a safer Hamilton.

(Farr/Skelly)

That the presentation, respecting the proposed John/Rebecca Park, be received.

CARRIED

(Farr/Green)

That staff be directed to prepare an Information Report with respect to the evolution of the John/Rebecca Master Plan, budget and timelines, and report back to the General Issues Committee.

CARRIED

A copy of the presentation is available on the City's website or through the Office of the City Clerk.

(ii) Patrick Bermingham, Bermingham Solutions, respecting Item 8.1 on today's agenda: Report PED16189 – Feasibility of the Community Hosting a Picnic on the T. B. McQuesten High-Level Bridge (For the September 7, 2016 GIC) (Item 6.2)

Mr. Bermingham, of Bermingham Solutions, addressed Committee respecting Item 8.1 on today's agenda: Report PED16189 – Feasibility of the Community Hosting a Picnic on the T. B. McQuesten High-Level Bridge. Mr. Bermingham's comments included, but were not limited to, the following:

- o Mission:
 - To celebrate the clean, green and beautiful city that we love.
 - Create awareness of the value of conservation and give a voice to nature.
 - Attract families, business and visionaries to become part of our future community.

- Have fun and meet your neighbours at this once-in-a-life time event.
 - Raise money for Cootes to Escarpment (C2E) for land acquisition \$1,000,000+.
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- o It's not a new idea; it's a great idea being done in Paris, France; Sacramento, California; Columbia, South Carolina; and, Ottawa, Canada.
 - o The high level bridge is situated at the head of the lake (Fond du Lac).
 - o For centuries this has been an important meeting place for First Nations, French explorers and fur traders.
 - o You can arrive by canoe, boat, bike, foot, bus, train and car.
 - o The bridge will be open to everyone, visitors are invited to bring their own picnic, or choose a catered meal, which will showcase the best of our regions culinary experts and local wineries.
 - o A team of chefs from the region will collaborate to produce a night to remember.
 - o Dinner for 650 Guests (\$300 per ticket)
 - o Estimated Revenue from Ticket Sales \$195,000
 - o Estimated Sponsorships \$155,000
 - o Total Revenue \$350,000
 - o Estimated Costs \$200,000
 - o Net \$150,000
 - o Fund Raising \$1,000,000
 - o Press Release will go out on September 15th
 - o Advertising Campaign – September 25th
 - o Tickets go on Sale – September 30th
 - o Dinner on the Bridge will be on Sunday, June 11, 2017

- o Our Supporters:
 - The City of Hamilton
 - Official Endorsement from the Cootes to Escarpment Initiative
 - Letter of Support from the Ministry of Transportation
 - Joint Stewardship Council (Six Nations)
 - Pop Up Hamilton
 - Muse Marketing
 - CBC Canada

(Pearson/B. Johnson)

That the presentation provided by Patrick Bermingham, Bermingham Solutions, respecting Report PED16189 – Feasibility of the Community Hosting a Picnic on the T. B. McQuesten High-Level Bridge, be received.

CARRIED

A copy of the presentation is available on the City's website or through the Office of the City Clerk.

(f) DISCUSSION ITEMS (Item 8)

(i) Hamilton Walk of Fame (PED16188) (City Wide) (Item 8.4)

(Merulla/Whitehead)

That Tourism and Culture Division staff undertake a survey of businesses, community groups and individuals in the arts, entertainment and community building sectors in the City of Hamilton to determine their level of interest in contributing to a Hamilton Walk of Fame through taking the leadership of the program, funding, sponsorship and/or in-kind services and report back to the General Issues Committee on the viability of a community-led Hamilton Walk of Fame Program.

CARRIED

(g) MOTIONS (Item 9)

(i) Digital Inclusion – Feasibility of Public Wi-Fi in Gage Park (Item 9.1)

(Partridge/Conley)

That the Motion respecting Digital inclusion – Feasibility of Public Wi-Fi in Gage Park, be amended by adding a new sub-section (b) to read as follows:

- (b) *That staff be directed to review the feasibility of installing public Wi-Fi, within parks and rural areas, city-wide and report back to the General Issues Committee with any opportunities and challenges associated with offering city-wide Wi-Fi.***

Amendment CARRIED

Councillor Merulla wished to be recorded as OPPOSED to the amendment above.

(Green/Merulla)

WHEREAS, wild Pikachus have been spotted in Gage Park;

WHEREAS, Pokémon trainers from far and wide have been gathering in Gage Park in their quest to catch 'em all while enjoying one of Southern Ontario's best green spaces;

WHEREAS, our vision is to be the best place to raise a child and age successfully, and our priorities are community engagement and participation; healthy and safe communities; built environment and infrastructure in order to provide innovative and well-maintained public spaces that serve as places for community activity;

WHEREAS, Hamilton was ranked in the top 21 in the world by the Intelligent Communities Forum of which digital inclusion, including access to public Wi-Fi, is noted as an area necessary to reduce the digital divide; and,

WHEREAS, the Hamilton Wentworth District School Board has introduced iPads in classrooms as a part of a broader initiative to introduce Wi-Fi in public schools;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

- (a) That staff be directed to review the feasibility of installing public Wi-Fi as a 12 month pilot program in Gage Park, to be funded directly from ward specific, non-property tax revenues in the Ward 3 Account #3301609603 (Bell Mobility cell tower revenues), and report back to the General Issues Committee; and,

- (b) *That staff be directed to review the feasibility, opportunities and challenges of installing public Wi-Fi, within parks and rural areas, on a city-wide basis and report back to the General Issues Committee.*

MOTION, AS AMENDED, CARRIED

- (ii) **Cootes to Escarpment EcoPark System – City of Hamilton’s Funding Contribution (Item 9.2)**

(A. Johnson/Partridge)

That the Motion respecting the Cootes to Escarpment EcoPark System – City of Hamilton’s Funding Contribution, be TABLED to the September 21, 2016 General Issues Committee in order that the Ward 13 Councillor may be in attendance to speak to the matter.

CARRIED

(h) NOTICES OF MOTION (Item 10)

Councillor Merulla introduced the following Notice of Motion:

- (i) **Proposed Extension of Outdoor Swimming Pool Hours and Free Admission to All Public Swims during the Summer Season (Item 10.1)**

WHEREAS, hot weather can contribute to the development of heat related illness to the general population and public health issues;

WHEREAS, some residents, including seniors, young children and people with pre-existing medical conditions, may be less able to cope and acclimatize to hot weather conditions, and are considered as having an increased risk of developing a heat-related illness;

WHEREAS, the City of Hamilton, in consultation with Public Health Services, have developed a Community Heat Response Plan to help residents cope with heat events;

WHEREAS, the City of Hamilton’s ten outdoor swimming pools play a vital role in the Community Heat Response Plan providing residents with the ability to cool off;

WHEREAS, the residents of the City of Hamilton would benefit to greater access to the ten outdoor swimming pools during the summer;

WHEREAS, providing free public swimming at all ten outdoor swimming pools all summer would provide the residents of the City of Hamilton greater access to recreation opportunities; and,

WHEREAS, Councillor Aidan Johnson moved a motion at City Council on July 8, 2016, to keep Coronation outdoor swimming pool open between the hours of 4:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m. as a pilot for the remainder of the 2016 season.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

That staff be directed to report back to Emergency and Community Services Committee with options of extending the operating hours of the outdoor swimming pools and providing free admission to all public swims during the summer season.

(Merulla/A. Johnson)

That the Rules of Order be waived to allow for the introduction of a motion respecting the Proposed Extension of Outdoor Swimming Pool Hours and Free Admission to All Public Swims During the Summer Season.

CARRIED

(Merulla/Partridge)

That the Motion respecting the Proposed Extension of Outdoor Swimming Pool Hours and Free Admission to All Public Swims during the Summer Season, be amended by deleting the words "Emergency & Community Services Committee" and replacing them with the words "Board of Health", to read as follows:

That staff be directed to report back to the **Board of Health** with options of extending the operating hours of the outdoor swimming pools and providing free admission to all public swims during the summer season.

CARRIED

For disposition of this matter, please refer to Item 10.

Councillor Collins introduced the following Notice of Motion:

(ii) Opportunity to Host the Rendez-Vous 2017 Canadian Waters Tall Ship Regatta - Ten Tall Ships on Canada Day 2017 (Item 10.2)

WHEREAS, Hamilton hosted a successful Tall Ship event in 2013; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Hamilton has received an offer to participate in Rendez-Vous 2017 Canadian Waters Tall Ship Regatta, a Sesquicentennial-related opportunity, supported by Canadian Heritage, on July 1, 2017;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

- (a) That the City of Hamilton accept the invitation to host the Rendez-Vous 2017 Canadian Waters Tall Ship Regatta - Ten Tall Ships on Canada Day 2017, at a cost of \$400,000, to be funded from the Tax Stabilization Reserve (110046);
- (b) That the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized and directed to execute a Guest Port Contract and any ancillary documents, as required, to allow the City of Hamilton to host the Rendez-Vous 2017 Canadian Waters Tall Ship Regatta as part of the City of Hamilton 2017 Canada Sesquicentennial celebration programming, with the content to be approved by the General Manager, of the Planning and Economic Development, in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor;
- (c) That two (2) temporary contract staff positions be approved to manage the Rendez-Vous 2017 Canadian Waters Tall Ship Regatta program, which would include one (1) Senior Event Planner; and one (1) Event Support and Marketing Coordinator at the cost of up to \$180,000, to be funded from the Tax Stabilization Reserve (110046);
- (d) That staff be directed to investigate any and all grants, other revenue sources and sponsorship opportunities; through either cash or in-kind contributions, to reduce the \$580,000 budget requirement to reduce the City of Hamilton's costs of hosting the Rendez-Vous 2017 Canadian Waters Tall Ship Regatta.

(Collins/Whitehead)

That the Rules of Order be waived to allow for the introduction of a motion respecting an Opportunity to Host the Rendez-Vous 2017 Canadian Waters Tall Ship Regatta - Ten Tall Ships on Canada Day 2017.

CARRIED

For disposition of this matter, please refer to Item 11.

(i) GENERAL INFORMATION / OTHER BUSINESS (Item 11)

(i) Amendments to the Outstanding Business List (Item 11.1)

(Whitehead/Farr)

That the following amendments to the General Issues Committee's Outstanding Business List, as amended, be approved:

(a) Proposed New Due Dates:

- (i) Item “II” – Feasibility of a Sports Dome (Bubble) at Tim Horton’s Field
Current Due Date: September 7, 2016
Proposed New Due Date: November 16, 2016

(b) Items to be removed:

- (i) Item “F” – Corporate Organizational Changes
- (ii) Item “O” - Canadian Football Hall of Fame Relocation
(Addressed as Item 5.1 on today’s Agenda (PW16075))
- (iii) Item “W” – Hamilton Walk of Fame
(Addressed as Item 8.4 on today’s Agenda (PED16188))
- (iv) Item “KKK” – Picnic on the T. B. McQuesten High-Level Bridge
(Addressed as Item 8.1 on today’s Agenda (PED16189))

CARRIED

(j) PRIVATE & CONFIDENTIAL (Item 12)

(i) Closed Session Minutes, August 8, 2016 (Item 12.1)

As the General Issues Committee determined that no discussion of the Closed Session Minutes of August 8, 2016 was required, the Minutes were approved in Open Session as shown below:

(Partridge/B. Johnson)

- (a) That the Closed Session Minutes of the August 8, 2016 General Issues Committee meeting be approved, as presented; and,
- (b) That the Closed Session Minutes of the August 8, 2016 General Issues Committee remain confidential.

CARRIED

(k) ADJOURNMENT (Item 13)

(Ferguson/Conley)

That, there being no further business, the General Issues Committee, be adjourned at 12:24 p.m.

CARRIED

Respectfully submitted,

T. Jackson, Deputy Mayor
Chair, General Issues Committee

Stephanie Paparella
Legislative Coordinator
Office of the City Clerk