



## AUDIT, FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE REPORT 16-015

9:30 am  
Monday, October 24, 2016  
Council Chambers  
Hamilton City Hall  
71 Main Street West

**Present:** Councillor A. Johnson (Chair), Councillors D. Skelly (Vice-Chair)  
C. Collins, M. Pearson B. Johnson, and L. Ferguson

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

### THE AUDIT, FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE PRESENTS REPORT 16-015 AND RESPECTFULLY RECOMMENDS:

1. **Treasurer's Apportionment of Land Taxes (FCS16005)(c)) (Wards 1, 5, 7, 8, 9, 10, and 11) (Item 5.1)**
  - (a) That the 2015 land taxes in the amount of \$8,337 for 42-44 Seabreeze Crescent, Stoney Creek (Roll #2518 003 020 26000 0000) be apportioned and split amongst the two newly created parcels as set out in Appendix "A" to Report FCS16005(c);
  - (b) That the 2016 land taxes in the amount of \$2,199 for 138-140 Millen Rd., Stoney Creek (Roll #2518 003 310 19800 0000) be apportioned and split amongst the two newly created parcels as set out in Appendix "A" to Report FCS16005(c);
  - (c) That the 2016 land taxes in the amount of \$3,229 for 20-30 Crafter Crescent, Stoney Creek (Roll #2518 003 510 80253 0000) be apportioned and split amongst the six newly created parcels as set out in Appendix "A" to Report FCS16005(c);
  - (d) That the 2016 builder's payment in the amount of \$1,053 for 20-30 Crafter Crescent, Stoney Creek (Roll #2518 003 510 80253 0000) be apportioned and split amongst the six newly created parcels as set out in Appendix "A" to Report FCS16005(c);

- (e) That the 2016 land taxes in the amount of \$16,742 for 4-80 Sherway St., Stoney Creek (Roll #2518 003 510 80374 0000) be apportioned and split amongst the thirty-four newly created parcels as set out in Appendix "A" to Report FCS16005(c);
- (f) That the 2016 land taxes in the amount of \$16,945 for 3-81 Sherway St., Stoney Creek (Roll #2518 003 510 80375 0000) be apportioned and split amongst the thirty-four newly created parcels as set out in Appendix "A" to Report FCS16005(c);
- (g) That the 2016 builder's payment in the amount of \$1,226 for 3-81 Sherway St., Stoney Creek (Roll #2518 003 510 80375 0000) be apportioned and split amongst the twenty newly created parcels as set out in Appendix "A" to Report FCS16005(c);
- (h) That the 2016 land taxes in the amount of \$3,171 for 196-198 Broadway Ave., Hamilton (Roll #2518 010 043 07490 0000) be apportioned and split amongst the two newly created parcels as set out in Appendix "A" to Report FCS16005(c);
- (i) That the 2016 land taxes in the amount of \$636 for 293-315B Aberdeen Ave., Hamilton (Roll #2518 010 083 06310 0000) be apportioned and split amongst the two newly created parcels as set out in Appendix "A" to Report FCS16005(c);
- (j) That the 2016 land taxes in the amount of \$1,845 for 16-18 Hixon Rd., Hamilton (Roll #2518 050 362 00640 0000) be apportioned and split amongst the two newly created parcels as set out in Appendix "A" to Report FCS16005(c);
- (k) That the 2016 land taxes in the amount of \$286,836 for 1489-1515 Upper James St., Hamilton (Roll #2518 070 861 02600 0000) be apportioned and split amongst the two newly created parcels as set out in Appendix "A" to Report FCS16005(c);
- (l) That the 2016 land taxes in the amount of \$6,506 for 667-0 Rymal Rd. W., Hamilton (Roll #2518 081 101 09190 0000) be apportioned and split amongst the two newly created parcels as set out in Appendix "A" to Report FCS16005(c);
- (m) That the 2016 land taxes in the amount of \$2,787 for 156-166 Kinsman Dr., Stoney Creek (Roll #2518 901 340 34780 0000) be apportioned and split amongst the six newly created parcels as set out in Appendix "A" to Report FCS16005(c);
- (n) That the 2016 builder's payment in the amount of \$43 for 156-166 Kinsman Dr., Stoney Creek (Roll #2518 901 340 34780 0000) be apportioned and split amongst the two newly created parcels as set out in Appendix "A" to Report FCS16005(c);

- (o) That the 2016 land taxes in the amount of \$2,787 for 144-154 Kinsman Dr., Stoney Creek (Roll #2518 901 340 34781 0000) be apportioned and split amongst the six newly created parcels as set out in Appendix "A" to Report FCS16005(c);
- (p) That the 2016 builder's payment in the amount of \$119 for 144-154 Kinsman Dr., Stoney Creek (Roll #2518 901 340 34781 0000) be apportioned and split amongst the four newly created parcels as set out in Appendix "A" to Report FCS16005(c);
- (q) That the 2016 land taxes in the amount of \$4,239 for 21 Binhaven Blvd., Binbrook (Roll #2518 901 410 62116 0000) be apportioned and split amongst the two newly created parcels as set out in Appendix "A" to Report FCS16005(c);
- (r) That the 2016 land taxes in the amount of \$4,610 for 163-175 Whitwell Way, Binbrook (Roll #2518 901 410 62552 0000) be apportioned and split amongst the eight newly created parcels as set out in Appendix "A" to Report FCS16005(c);

**2. Development Charges Reserves Status Report as of December 31, 2015 (FCS16080) (City Wide) (Item 5.2)**

- (a) That Report FCS16080 respecting "Development Charges Reserves Status Report as of December 31, 2015" be received and made available to the public;
- (b) That Report FCS16080 respecting "Development Charges Reserves Status Report as of December 31, 2015" be forwarded, if requested, to the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing.

**3. Freedom of Information Quarterly Report (April 1 to June 30) (CL16003(a)) (City Wide) (Item 5.3)**

That Report CL16003(a) respecting Freedom of Information Quarterly Report (April 1 to June 30, 2016), be received.

**4. Governance Review Sub-Committee Report 16-003, September 15, 2016 (Added Item 5.4)**

- (a) **Disclosure of Council Expense Details (FCS16041) (City Wide) (Outstanding Business List "P") (AF&A Report 16-010 – Item #3) (Item 8.1)**

That the reporting of Council expense balances be expanded to include nine new expense accounts as outlined in Appendix "A" to Report FCS16041.

**(b) Review of all Ward Budgets (FCS16074) (City Wide) (AF&A Report 16-005 – Item 8(c)) (Item 8.2)**

That the Information Report respecting the Review of all Ward Budgets (FCS16074), be received.

**5. Legal Implications of a Municipal Referendum (LS16025) (City Wide) (Item 8.1)**

That Report LS16025 respecting Legal Implications of a Municipal Referendum, be received.

**6. Development Charges Credits Extension Kenilworth Avenue Investments Inc. Centre on Barton Development Request (FCS16084) (City Wide) (Item 8.2)**

- (a) That the City Development Charges (DC) demolition credits for the Centre on Barton (1147 & 1227 Barton Street East) be extended for a final period of three years until June 3, 2019 (43,108.75 square feet) and October 2, 2019 (43,023 square feet);
- (b) That any foregone DC revenue related to the extension of DC demolition credits on the Centre on Barton redevelopment, currently estimated at \$1.67 M total, be funded through the Waterworks Capital Reserve (108015), the Sanitary Sewer Reserve (108005), the Storm Sewer Reserve (108010) and the Tax Stabilization Reserve (110046), currently estimated at \$211 K, \$423 K, \$115 K, and \$921 K respectively.

**FOR THE INFORMATION OF COMMITTEE:**

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

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

**ADDED CONSENT ITEMS**

5.4 Governance Review Sub-Committee Report 16-003, September 15, 2016

The Agenda for the October 24, 2016 meeting of the Audit, Finance & Administration Committee was approved, as amended.

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

There were none declared.

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

**October 6, 2016 (Item 3.1)**

The Minutes of the October 6, 2016 Audit, Finance & Administration Committee meeting were approved, as presented.

**(d) PUBLIC HEARINGS/DELEGATIONS (Added Item 6)**

**(i) Soheila Askari, Personal Property Tax Concern (Item 6.1)**

Hujjat Askari, addressed the Committee of behalf of Soheila Askari respecting a concern with their personal property tax. Soheila Askari was also present at the meeting. Mr. Askari's comments included, but were not limited to the following:

- 1400 Highway 6 North, Waterdown is a commercial property that we own
- Taxes have not been paid since 2012
- The City lost contact with us when we moved, and we forgot about the property taxes owed on the property
- Why did it take five years for the City to find us?
- Why were we given only two weeks to make the payments before a power of sale?
- We are here to discuss the removal of penalty charges

Larry Friday, Director of Taxation, advised the Committee that the bill for Commercial Tax Billing is sent out in February, which includes February and April tax installments; a reminder notice is sent out in May and a final bill is sent in June, which includes the June and September tax installments. A final notice is sent out each October.

The delegation from Hujjat and Soheila Askari respecting a Personal Property Tax Concern, was received.

**(e) GENERAL INFORMATION / OTHER BUSINESS (Item 11)**

**(ii) Outstanding Business List (Item 11.1)**

The following Item was removed:

Item Z - Development Charge credits Extension - Kenilworth Ave Investments Inc. Centre - Barton Development (1147 & 1227 Barton St. East)

**(f) ADJOURNMENT (Item 13)**

There being no further business, the Audit, Finance & Administration Committee adjourned at 10:16 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Councillor A. Johnson,  
Chair, Audit, Finance & Administration  
Committee

Loren Kolar, on behalf of Judy Sheppard  
Legislative Coordinator  
Office of the City Clerk