



## **GENERAL ISSUES COMMITTEE MINUTES 17-002(g)**

9:30 a.m.

February 17, 2017  
Council Chambers  
Hamilton City Hall  
71 Main Street West

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

**Absent  
with Regrets:** Councillors R. Pasuta – Sick Leave

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**1. Living Wage (CM16020) (City Wide) (Item 5.2)**

**(Eisenberger/Collins)**

That Report CM16020, respecting Living Wage, be received.

**CARRIED**

**2. Living Wage (CM16020(a)) (City Wide) (Item 5.3)**

**(Eisenberger/Whitehead)**

That Report CM16020(a), respecting Living Wage, be received.

**CARRIED**

**FOR THE INFORMATION OF COMMITTEE:**

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

There were no changes to the agenda:

**(Farr/Green)**

That the agenda for the February 17, 2017 General Issues Committee (Budget) meeting be approved, as presented.

**CARRIED**

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

There were no declarations of interest.

**(c) PRESENTATIONS (Item 4)**

**(i) Public Health Services 2017 Operating Budget Overview (Item 4.1)**

Dr. Elizabeth Richardson, Medical Officer of Health, addressed Committee and provided a PowerPoint presentation respecting the Public Health Services 2017 Operating Budget Overview.

**(Conley/Green)**

That the presentation, respecting the Public Health Services 2017 Operating Budget Overview, be received.

**CARRIED**

The presentation is available on the City's website at [www.hamilton.ca](http://www.hamilton.ca) or through the Office of the City Clerk.

**(d) DISCUSSION ITEMS (Item 5)**

**(i) Naloxone Expansion Feasibility (BOH16036) (City Wide) (Item 5.1)**

**(Merulla/Eisenberger)**

(a) That sub-section (a) to Report BOH16036, respecting Naloxone Expansion Feasibility, which reads as follows, be TABLED, as amended, for consideration during the 2017 Operating Budget process:

(a) That an additional 0.2 FTE (Van Outreach staff), at a total cost of \$12,261, be approved in order to increase the Public Health Services' needle syringe van by four hours per week, with the addition of a new four hour shift on Sundays (8:00 p.m. to midnight); and,

(b) That an additional 0.5 FTE (Public Health Nurse), at a total cost of \$56,813, be approved to provide an increase of 17.5 hours per week for a Public Health Nurse to respond client calls respecting opioid overdose and the provision of Naloxone.

- (c) That, as subsections (b) and (c) to Report BOH16036, respecting Naloxone Expansion Feasibility, which read as follows, were approved by Council on September 28, 2017 and completed, be deleted in their entirety:
  - (b) That Council send a letter to the Ontario Minister of Health and Long-Term Care with copies to the Chief Medical Officer of Health and all Ontario Boards of Health to request adequate financial resources to support the distribution of Naloxone, including distribution through provincial detention centres; and,
  - (c) That this report fulfils the request of the motion made at the Board of Health meeting on June 13, 2016 that “Public Health Services report back to the Board of Health on the feasibility of expanding the City of Hamilton’s existing Take Home Naloxone Program”; and be removed from the Board of Health’s outstanding business list.

**CARRIED**

Councillor Green wished to be recorded as OPPOSED to the Tabling Motion above.

**(e) PRIVATE & CONFIDENTIAL (ITEM 9)**

**(i) Living Wage (CM16020(a)) (Item 9.1/5.3)**

**(Ferguson/Whitehead)**

That Committee move into Closed Session to discuss the specifics of Appendix “B” to Report CM16020(a), pursuant to Section 8.1, Sub-section (b) of the City’s Procedural By-law 14-300, and Section 239(2), Sub-section (b) of the *Ontario Municipal Act*, 2001, as amended, as the subject matter pertains to personal matters about an identifiable individual, including City employees.

**CARRIED**

Staff was provided with direction in Closed Session.

**(f) ADJOURNMENT (Item 10)**

**(Green/Partridge)**

That, there being no further business, the General Issues Committee, be adjourned at 12:53 p.m.

**CARRIED**

Respectfully submitted,

M. Pearson, Deputy Mayor  
Chair, General Issues Committee

Stephanie Paparella  
Legislative Coordinator  
Office of the City Clerk