



**GENERAL ISSUES COMMITTEE (BUDGET)
CONTINUATION OF THE MARCH 23, 2017 MEETING
MINUTES 17-002(n)**

9:30 a.m.
March 24, 2017
Council Chambers
Hamilton City Hall
71 Main Street West

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

**Absent
with Regrets:** Councillors R. Pasuta – Sick Leave
Mayor Eisenberger, J. Partridge – Other City Business
Councillor Ferguson – Bereavement

1. Council Referred and Staff Enhancements – Recommendations (Item 7.2)

(a) PED: Tourism & Culture: Tourism Strategy

(Jackson/Pearson)

That Item 2, as shown below, be amended by deleting the dollar amount of “\$200,000” and replacing it with the dollar amount of “**\$100,000**”, to read as follows:

Item	Initiative	2017 Gross Impact	2017 Net Impact	Annualized FTE
2	PED: Tourism & Culture: Tourism Strategy	\$100,000	\$100,000	0.00

CARRIED

(b) PED: Annual Arts Week Implementation

(Merulla/Farr)

That Item 3, as shown below, respecting PED: Annual Arts Week Implementation, be approved:

Item	Initiative	2017 Gross Impact	2017 Net Impact	Annualized FTE
3	PED: Annual Arts Week Implementation	\$25,000	\$25,000	0.00

CARRIED

(c) CES: Hamilton Roundtable for Poverty Reduction

(Jackson/Pearson)

That Item 6, as shown below, respecting the CES: Hamilton Roundtable for Poverty Reduction, be received:

Item	Initiative	2017 Gross Impact	2017 Net Impact	Annualized FTE
6	CES: Hamilton Roundtable for Poverty Reduction (Net impact of \$30K to be absorbed in budget)	\$0	\$0	0.00

CARRIED

(d) Clerks: Election Funding

(Collins/B. Johnson)

That Item 8, as shown below, respecting Clerks: Election Funding, be approved:

Item	Initiative	2017 Gross Impact	2017 Net Impact	Annualized FTE
8	Clerks: Election Funding	\$125,000	\$125,000	0.00

CARRIED

(e) PW: Fallen Fire Fighters Memorial (funded from unallocated capital)

(Merulla/Collins)

That Item 9, as shown below, respecting the PW: Fallen Fire Fighters Memorial, which is to be funded from unallocated capital, be approved:

Item	Initiative	2017 Gross Impact	2017 Net Impact	Annualized FTE
9	Fallen Fire Fighters Memorial	\$125,000	\$0	0.00

CARRIED

(f) CES: Hamilton's Plan for an Age-Friendly City

(Jackson/Collins)

That Item 10, as shown below, respecting CES: Hamilton's Plan for an Age-Friendly City, be received:

Item	Initiative	2017 Gross Impact	2017 Net Impact	Annualized FTE
10	CES: Hamilton's Plan for an Age-Friendly City (\$30 K to be absorbed in budget)	\$0	\$0	0.00

CARRIED

(g) CMO: Living Wage

(Collins/Jackson)

That Item 11, as shown below, respecting CMO: Living Wage, be received:

Item	Initiative	2017 Gross Impact	2017 Net Impact	Annualized FTE
11	CMO: Living Wage	\$1,032,000	\$1,032,000	0.00

CARRIED

2. Offset the Ward Budget Indexing (Item 9.1)

(Pearson/Conley)

That staff be directed to offset the Ward budget indexing by (\$23,990), with a reduction in Legislative General budget.

CARRIED

3. HSR School Extra Service (Item 9.2)

(Jackson/B. Johnson)

That the General Manager of Public Works be directed to determine an alternative funding source for the \$200,000 required in order to maintain the existing HSR School Extra Service.

CARRIED

4. Ward by Ward Update (Item 11.1)

(Merulla/Collins)

That the Ward by Ward Update, as of March 24, 2017, be received.

CARRIED

5. Potential Impacts of Service Reductions – Community and Emergency Services (CES17017) (City Wide) (Item 12.2)

(Merulla/Green)

(a) That Report CES17017, respecting the Potential Impacts of Service Reductions – Community and Emergency Services, be received; and,

(b) That Report CES17017, respecting the Potential Impacts of Service Reductions – Community and Emergency Services, remain confidential.

CARRIED

6. Options for 8 Community Halls (CES17018) (Wards 4, 11, 12, 14, 15) (Item 12.4)

(Merulla/Conley)

(a) That the direction to staff provided in Closed Session respecting Report CES17018 – Options for 8 Community Halls, be approved;

(b) That the two City-owned Community Halls to be declared surplus to the requirements of the City of Hamilton, in accordance with the Procedural By-law for the Sale of Land being By-law 14-204, as outlined in Private & Confidential Appendix “B” to Report CES17018, be approved;

(c) That the matter of the 6 remaining Community Halls, outlined in Report CES17018 – Options for 8 Community Halls, be referred back to staff for a presentation during the 2018 budget process;

(d) That Appendix “B”, which lists the two City-owned Community Halls recommended to be declared surplus, remain confidential until approved by Council; and,

(e) That Report CES17018 and its appendices, respecting Options for 8 Community Halls, remain confidential.

CARRIED

FOR THE INFORMATION OF COMMITTEE:

(a) CHANGES TO THE AGENDA (Item 1)

There were no changes to the agenda.

(Pearson/B. Johnson)

That the agenda for the March 24, 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 7)

(i) Council Referred and Staff Enhancements – Recommendations (Item 7.2)

(1) PED: Police Services Costs to Support Specialized By-law Enforcement Unit

(Merulla/Farr)

That Item 1, respecting the PED: Police Services Costs to Support Specialized By-law Enforcement Unit, as shown below, be TABLED pending discussions with the Hamilton Police Services Board:

Item	Initiative	2017 Gross Impact	2017 Net Impact	Annualized FTE
1	PED: Police Services Costs to Support Specialized By-law Enforcement Unit	\$83,000	\$83,000	0.00

CARRIED

(2) PED: Tourism & Culture: Tourism Strategy

(Merulla/Green)

That Item 2, respecting PED: Tourism & Culture: Tourism Strategy, be removed from consideration during the 2017 Operating Budget process:

Item	Initiative	2017 Gross Impact	2017 Net Impact	Annualized FTE
2	PED: Tourism & Culture: Tourism Strategy	\$200,000	\$200,000	0.00

The above Motion was DEFEATED on the following Standing Recorded Vote:

Yeas: B. Johnson, Collins, Merulla, Green, A. Johnson
 Total: 5
 Nays: Conley, Pearson, Jackson, Whitehead, VanderBeek, Skelly, Farr
 Total: 7
 Absent: Eisenberger, Ferguson, Pasuta, Partridge
 Total: 4

(3) PED: Tourism & Culture: Tourism Strategy

(Jackson/Pearson)

That Item 2, as shown below, be amended by deleting the dollar amount of “\$200,000” and replacing it with the dollar amount of “\$100,000”, to read as follows:

Item	Initiative	2017 Gross Impact	2017 Net Impact	Annualized FTE
2	PED: Tourism & Culture: Tourism Strategy	\$100,000	\$100,000	0.00

The above Motion, as amended, CARRIED on the following Standing Recorded Vote:

Yeas: Conley, Pearson, Jackson, Whitehead, VanderBeek, Skelly, Farr, A. Johnson
 Total: 8
 Nays: B. Johnson, Collins, Merulla, Green
 Total: 4
 Absent: Eisenberger, Ferguson, Pasuta, Partridge
 Total: 4

For disposition of the matter above, please refer to Item 1.

(4) PED: Annual Arts Week Implementation

That Item 3, as shown below, respecting PED: Annual Arts Week Implementation, be approved:

Item	Initiative	2017 Gross Impact	2017 Net Impact	Annualized FTE
3	PED: Annual Arts Week Implementation	\$25,000	\$25,000	0.00

The above Motion, as amended, CARRIED on the following Standing Recorded Vote:

Yeas: Pearson, Jackson, Whitehead, VanderBeek, Collins, Merulla, Green, Farr, A. Johnson
 Total: 9
 Nays: Conley, B. Johnson, Skelly
 Total: 3
 Absent: Eisenberger, Ferguson, Pasuta, Partridge
 Total: 4

For disposition of the matter above, please refer to Item 1.

(5) PW: Spray Pad Operating Season Review

(Collins/Pearson)

That no further action be taken, respecting Item 7, as shown below, regarding the PW: Spray Pad Operating Season Review during the 2017 Operating Budget process:

Item	Initiative	2017 Gross Impact	2017 Net Impact	Annualized FTE
7	PW: Spray Pad Operating Season Review	\$87,300	\$87,300	0.00

CARRIED

Councillors B. Johnson, Jackson and Whitehead requested to be recorded as OPPOSED to the motion above.

(6) PW: Fallen Fire Fighters Memorial

That Item 9, as shown below, respecting the PW: Fallen Fire Fighters Memorial, which is to be funded from unallocated capital, be approved:

Item	Initiative	2017 Gross Impact	2017 Net Impact	Annualized FTE
9	Fallen Fire Fighters Memorial	\$125,000	\$0	0.00

The above Motion CARRIED o the following Standing Recorded Vote:

Yeas: Conley, Pearson, Jackson, Whitehead, VanderBeek, Skelly, Collins, Merulla, Farr, A. Johnson
 Total: 10
 Nays: B. Johnson, Green
 Total: 2
 Absent: Eisenberger, Ferguson, Pasuta, Partridge
 Total: 4

For disposition of the matter above, please refer to Item 1.

(7) CMO: Living Wage

(Green/Whitehead)

That Option 2 of Report CM16020, respecting Living Wage, which reads as follows, be approved:

That all part-time casual staff be moved to the probationary rates detailed in Appendix "A" to Report CM16020(a) effective January 1, 2018, and to a Living Wage rate effective July 1, 2018:

Option 2	January 1, 2018 Cost Impact	July 1, 2018 Cost Impact	Total 2018 Cost Impact
City of Hamilton	\$223,187	\$304,178	\$527,365
HPL	\$69,674	\$195,962	\$265,636
Total Costs	\$292,861	\$500,140	*\$793,001

The above Motion was DEFEATED on the following Standing Recorded Vote:

Yeas: A. Johnson, Farr, Green
Total: 3
Nays: Collins, Pearson, A. Johnson, Jackson, Whitehead, Collins, VanderBeek, Skelly, Merulla
Total: 9
Absent: Eisenberger, Ferguson, Pasuta, Partridge
Total: 4

That Option 2 of Report CM16020, respecting Living Wage, which reads as follows, to be phased in over a 4 year period, be approved:

That all part-time casual staff be moved to the probationary rates detailed in Appendix "A" to Report CM16020(a) effective January 1, 2018, and to a Living Wage rate effective July 1, 2018.

The above Motion was DEFEATED on the following Standing Recorded Vote:

Yeas: Green, Farr, A. Johnson, Whitehead
Total: 4
Nays: Conley, Pearson, B. Johnson, Jackson, Collins, VanderBeek, Skelly, Merulla
Total: 8
Absent: Eisenberger, Ferguson, Pasuta, Partridge
Total: 4

Councillor Green wished to be recorded to the Main Motion, shown as Item 1 above.

For disposition of this matter, please refer to Item 1

The presentation is available on the City's website at www.hamilton.ca or through the Office of the City Clerk.

(d) DISCUSSION ITEMS (ITEM 8)

(i) Tax Supported Operating Budget – Recommendations (FCS17001) (City Wide) (Item 8.10)

(Jackson/B. Johnson)

That Report FCS17001, respecting the Tax Supported Operating Budget – Recommendations, be TABLED to the April 6, 2017 GIC Budget meeting.

CARRIED

(e) PRIVATE & CONFIDENTIAL (Item 12)

(Collins/Merulla)

That Committee move into Closed Session respecting Item 12.2 , 12.3 and 12.4, pursuant to Section 8.1, Sub-sections (b) and (c) of the City's Procedural By-law 14-300, and Section 239(2), Sub-sections (b) and (c) of the *Ontario Municipal Act*, 2001, as amended, as the subject matters pertain to personal matters about an identifiable individual, including City employees; and, a proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land for City purposes.

CARRIED

(i) Potential Impacts of Service Reductions – Community and Emergency Services (CES17017) (City Wide) (Item 12.2)

For disposition of this matter, please refer to Item 5.

(ii) 2017 Tax Supported Operating Budget Reduction Plan (FCS17001(a)) (City Wide) (Item 12.3)

(B. Johnson/Merulla)

That Report FCS17001(a), respecting the 2017 Tax Supported Operating Budget Reduction Plan, be TABLED to the April 6, 2017 GIC Budget meeting.

CARRIED

(iii) Options for 8 Community Hall (CES17018) (Wards 4, 11, 12, 14, 15) (Item 12.4)

For disposition of this matter, please refer to Item 6.

(f) ADJOURNMENT (Item 13)

(Green/Pearson)

That, there being no further business, the General Issues Committee, be adjourned at 3:05 p.m.

CARRIED

Respectfully submitted,

A. VanderBeek, Deputy Mayor
Chair, General Issues Committee

Stephanie Paparella
Legislative Coordinator,
Office of the City Clerk