



Hamilton

**BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT AREA ADVISORY COMMITTEE
REPORT 17-005**

8:00 a.m.

Tuesday, June 13, 2017

Room 264

Hamilton City Hall

71 Main Street West

Present: Rachel Braithwaite – Barton Village BIA
Lisa Anderson – Dundas BIA
Cristina Geissler – Concession Street BIA
Lia Hess – King West BIA
Kerry Jarvi – Downtown Hamilton BIA
Jennifer Mattern – Ancaster BIA (Acting Vice-Chair)
Tony Greco – Locke Street BIA
Adam Law – Main West Esplanade BIA
Susan Pennie – Waterdown BIA

Absent:
with regrets: Councillor Matthew Green (Chair) – City Business
Doug Sutherland – Stoney Creek BIA
Anne Campagana - Westdale Village BIA

Absent: Sandra Clarke – Ottawa Street BIA
Susie Braithwaite – International Village BIA

THE BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE PRESENTS REPORT 17-005 AND RESPECTFULLY RECOMMENDS:

1. Verbal Update, respecting the consideration of equalization of horticulture services in the 2017 Public Works Budget (no copy) (Item 8.1)

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

WHEREAS, all contribute through 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 2018 Public Works Department Operating budget for consideration during the 2018 Operating Budget (GIC) process:
 - \$137,000 to be distributed between all BIAs for Horticultural 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 Horticultural Services amongst the BIAs.

FOR THE INFORMATION OF COMMITTEE:

(a) UPDATES FROM COMMITTEE MEMBERS (Item A)

Committee members used this time to provide updates on various activities and initiatives in their respective BIAs.

(b) APPROVAL OF AGENDA (Item 1)

The Committee Clerk advised there were no changes to the agenda.

The agenda for the June 13, 2017 Business Improvement Area Advisory Committee meeting was approved, as presented.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (Item 2)

There were no declarations of interest.

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

(i) May 9, 2017 (Item 3.1)

The May 9, 2017 Minutes of the Business Improvement Area Advisory Committee were approved, as presented.

PRESENTATION (Item 7)

(i) Filming in Hamilton (Item 7.1)

Julia Davis, Film Operations Specialist, provided an overview of Filming in Hamilton. Ms. Davis' update included, but was not limited to the following:

- Hamilton film highlights
- How filming works in Hamilton
- Business and community opportunities
- Film Office's LEAN Six Sigma review
- Next steps for collaboration between the Film Office and the BIAs

The presentation from Julia Davis respecting Filming in Hamilton, was received.

(f) DISCUSSION ITEMS (Item 8)

(i) Consideration of equalization of horticulture services in the 2017 Public Works Budget (Item 8.1)

Peter Wobschall, Supervisor, Program Development – Policy & Programs, Public Works, provided the Committee with an update respecting the consideration of equalization of horticulture services in the 2017 Public Works Budget. Mr. Wobschall indicated the enhancement funding for horticultural services was not approved in the 2017 budget.

The verbal update, respecting the consideration of equalization of horticulture services in the 2017 Public Works Budget, was received.

For disposition of this matter, please refer to Item 1.

(g) GENERAL INFORMATION/OTHER BUSINESS (Item 10)

(i) Update respecting Planning Department initiatives (Item 10.1)

Judy Lam, Manager of Urban Renewal, provided the Committee with a verbal update. The update included, but was not limited to, the following:

- The Planning Department will be scheduling travelling workshops for the BIAs to present information about some of their program changes from 2016, as well as possibly including other City departments i.e. Building & the Film Office
- BIA Members who are interested in having a workshop done in their area are to contact Carlo Gorni, who will then coordinate with Planning

The verbal update respecting Planning Department initiatives, was received.

(h) ADJOURNMENT (Item 12)

There being no further business, the Business Improvement Area Advisory Committee was adjourned at 8:51 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer Mattern, Acting Vice-Chair
Business Improvement Area
Advisory Committee

Kirsten Stevenson
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Office of the City Clerk