GENERAL ISSUES COMMITTEE
MINUTES 18-008
9:30 a.m.
Wednesday, April 4, 2018
Council Chambers
Hamilton City Hall
71 Main Street West

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

Absent with
Regrets: Councillor B. Johnson – Medical

THE FOLLOWING ITEMS WERE REFERRED TO COUNCIL FOR CONSIDERATION:

1. Greater Bay Area Sub-Committee Clerk’s Report 17-002, November 21, 2017
   (Item 5.1)

   (Green/Merulla)
   That the Greater Bay Area Sub-Committee Clerk’s Report 17-002, November 21,
   2017, be received.

   CARRIED

2. Smart Cities Challenge Proposal (CM18008) (City Wide) (Item 7.2)

   (Jackson/Eisenberger)
   That the City Manager submit an application, with the support of Hamilton’s
   major institutional partners, to the infrastructure Canada Smart Cities Challenge
   by April 24, 2018.

   CARRIED

3. Bill 139, Building Better Communities and Conserving Watersheds Act, 2017 and the new
   Local Planning Appeal Tribunal (LS16027(d)) (City Wide) (Item 7.3)

   (Merulla/Jackson)
   That Report LS16027(d), respecting Bill 139, Building Better Communities and
   Conserving Watersheds Act, 2017 and the new Local Planning Appeal Tribunal,
   be received.

   CARRIED
4. Locke Street Business Improvement Area (BIA) Proposed 2018 Operating Budget and Schedule of Payment (PED16055(b)) (Ward 1) (Item 8.1)

(A. Johnson/Conley)
(a) That the 2018 Operating Budget for the Locke Street Business Improvement Area, attached as Appendix “A” to Report PED16055(b), be approved in the amount of $93,500;

(b) That the levy portion of the Operating Budget for the Locke Street Business Improvement Area in the amount of $30,000 be approved;

(c) That the General Manager of Finance and Corporate Services be hereby authorized and directed to prepare the requisite By-law, pursuant to Section 208, of the Municipal Act, 2001, to levy the 2018 Budget as referenced in Recommendation (b) of Report PED16055(b); and,

(d) That the following schedule of payments for 2018, be approved:

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CARRIED

5. Business Improvement Area Advisory Committee Report 18-003, March 13, 2018 (Item 8.2)

(VanderBeek/Ferguson)
(a) Community Policing in the Business Improvement Areas (Added Item 8.4)

(i) That more community policing be implemented in the Business Improvement Areas, including beat officers, satellite police offices, and foot patrol; and,

(ii) That these be included in the 2018 Police Budget and Policy Plan.

CARRIED

6. Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities Report 18-003, March 13, 2018 (Item 8.3)

(Whitehead/Merulla)
(a) Resignation – Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities (Item 5.1)

(i) That the letter of resignation from Clare Cruickshank from the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities, be received; and
(ii) That the membership number of the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities be adjusted accordingly to obtain quorum.

(b) Outreach Working Group Roundtable Discussion (Item 5.4)

(i) That a roundtable discussion event with service providers to discuss how the City of Hamilton can improve the quality of life for persons with disabilities, be approved; and,

(ii) That the draft letter of invitation to the Outreach Working Group Roundtable Discussion, attached hereto as Appendix “B”, be approved.

CARRIED

7. Update Respecting Multi Residential Taxation (FCS18002) (City Wide) (Item 8.5)

(Jackson/Eisenberger)  
That Report FCS18002, regarding an Update Respecting Multi Residential Taxation, be received.

CARRIED

8. 2017 Downtown Urban Growth Centre Employment Survey and Vacancy Update (PED18073) (Wards 1, 2 and 3) (Item 8.6)

(A. Johnson/Conley)  
That Report PED18073 respecting the 2017 Downtown Urban Growth Centre Employment Survey and Vacancy Update, be received.

CARRIED

9. Potential Class Action Litigation (LS15012(a)) (City Wide) (Item 12.1)

(Merulla/Whitehead)  
That Report LS15012(a), respecting a Potential Class Action Litigation matter, be received and remain confidential.

CARRIED
FOR INFORMATION:

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

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

1. **STAFF PRESENTATIONS (Item 7)**

   7.1 2017 Downtown Urban Growth Centre Employment Survey and Vacancy Update (PED18073) (Wards 1, 2 and 3)

   Staff have advised that there will not be a presentation to accompany this report. Therefore, the matter has been moved to Item 8.6.

   7.3 Bill 139, *Building Better Communities and Conserving Watersheds Act, 2017* and the new Local Planning Appeal Tribunal (LS16027(d)) (City Wide) *(Referred by Council on March 28, 2018 from the Planning Committee to the General Issues Committee)*

2. **DISCUSSION ITEMS (Item 8)**

   8.4 Smart Cities Challenge Proposal (CM18008) (City Wide)

   Staff have advised that there is a presentation to accompany this report. Therefore, the matter has been moved to Item 7.2.

(Conley/A. Johnson)

That the agenda for the April 4, 2018 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 THE PREVIOUS MEETINGS (Item 3)**

(i) **March 21, 2018 (Item 3.1)**

(Skelly/Pasuta)

That the Minutes of the March 21, 2018 meeting of the General Issues Committee be approved, as presented.

CARRIED
(d) DELEGATION REQUESTS (Item 4)

(i) Brian G. Buckle, 13th Battalion Auchmar Heritage Trust, to present and read an open letter to the City on behalf of the Auchmar Trust regarding Auchmar House and Clairmont Park (For April 18, 2018)

(Jackson/Farr)
That the delegation request submitted by Brian G. Buckle, 13th Battalion Auchmar Heritage Trust, to present and read an open letter to the City on behalf of the Auchmar Trust regarding Auchmar House and Clairmont Park, be approved to appear before the General Issues Committee on April 4, 2018.

CARRIED

(e) CONSENT ITEMS (Item 5)

(i) Various Sub-Committee / Advisory Committee Minutes (Item 5.2)

(Green/Merulla)
That the following advisory Committee minutes, be received:

(1) Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities 17-011, December 12, 2017 (Item 5.2(a))

(2) Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities 18-001, January 16, 2018 (Item 5.2(b))

(3) Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities 18-002, February 13, 2018 (Item 5.2(c))

(4) Business Improvement Area Advisory Committee 18-002, February 13, 2018 (Item 5.2(d))

CARRIED

(f) STAFF PRESENTATIONS (Item 7)

(i) Smart Cities Challenge Proposal (CM18008) (City Wide) (Item 7.2)

Andrea McKinney, Chief Digital Officer, addressed Committee and provided a PowerPoint presentation respecting Report CM18008 – the Smart Cities Challenge proposal.

(Pearson/Conley)
That the presentation, respecting Report CM18008 – the Smart Cities Challenge proposal, be received.

CARRIED
A copy of the presentation is available on the City’s website at www.hamilton.ca or through the Office of the City Clerk.

For disposition of this matter, please refer to Item 2.

(ii) **Bill 139, Building Better Communities and Conserving Watersheds Act, 2017 and the new Local Planning Appeal Tribunal (LS16027(d)) (City Wide) (Item 7.3)**

Joanna Wice, Solicitor, addressed Committee and provided a PowerPoint presentation respecting Report LS16027(d) - Bill 139, *Building Better Communities and Conserving Watersheds Act, 2017* and the new Local Planning Appeal Tribunal.

**(Pearson/Merulla)**

That the presentation respecting Report LS16027(d) - Bill 139, *Building Better Communities and Conserving Watersheds Act, 2017* and the new Local Planning Appeal Tribunal, be received.

CARRIED

A copy of the presentation is available on the City’s website at www.hamilton.ca or through the Office of the City Clerk.

For disposition of this matter, please refer to Item 3.

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

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

**(Pasuta/Jackson)**

That the following amendment to the General Issues Committee’s Outstanding Business List, be approved:

(a) Items to be Removed:

   (i) Update respecting Multi-Residential Property Taxation (Addressed as Item 8.5 on today’s agenda – FCS18002)

CARRIED
(h) PRIVATE & CONFIDENTIAL (Item 12)

As Committee determined that discussion of Item 12.1 was not required in Closed Session, the matter was approved in Open Session.

(i) Potential Class Action Litigation (LS15012(a)) (City Wide) (Item 12.1)

For disposition of this matter, please refer to Item 9.

(i) ADJOURNMENT (Item 13)

(Pearson/Green)
That, there being no further business, the General Issues Committee be adjourned at 11:42 a.m.

CARRIED

Respectfully submitted,

J. Partridge, Deputy Mayor
Chair, General Issues Committee

Stephanie Paparella
Legislative Coordinator
Office of the City Clerk