



## GENERAL ISSUES COMMITTEE REPORT 18-011

9:30 a.m.

Wednesday, May 16, 2018  
Council Chambers  
Hamilton City Hall  
71 Main Street West

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

**Absent with**

**Regrets:** Councillor M. Green – Other City Business  
Councillor L. Ferguson, J. Partridge, D. Skelly, R. Pasuta – Personal

### THE GENERAL ISSUES COMMITTEE PRESENTS REPORT 18-011 AND RESPECTFULLY RECOMMENDS:

**1. Barton Village Business Improvement Area (BIA) Revised Board of Management (PED16081(d)) (Wards 2 and 3) (Item 5.1)**

That the following individual be appointed to the Barton Village Business Improvement Area (BIA) Board of Management:

- (i) Meir Dick

**2. Transfer of Funds from the Tourism Reserve (PED18106) (City Wide) (Item 8.1)**

That \$50,000 be transferred from the Tourism Convention Sports Events Reserve (112231) to Capital Project ID 7201758702 to fund expenses related to the 2018 Canadian Country Music Awards being hosted in Hamilton September 6 to 9, 2018.

**3. Opportunities for the Development of Affordable Housing in the West Harbour Area (HSC18021) (Wards 1 & 2) (Outstanding Business List Item) (Item 8.2)**

That Report HSC18021, respecting Opportunities for the Development of Affordable Housing in the West Harbour Area, be received.

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**4. A & B Line Amenities - Funds Reallocation (PW18042) (City Wide) (Outstanding Business List Item) (Item 8.3)**

That staff be directed to install an enhanced transit shelter at the A-Line Waterfront terminus, in conjunction with proposed internal road works expected to commence in 2018, to be located in the vicinity of the existing Williams Coffee Pub at an estimated cost of \$50,000 for the shelter structure and associated concrete works, to be funded through the Quick Wins Reserve.

**5. Tourism Advisory Committee (PED15026(b)) (City Wide) (Outstanding Business List) (Item 8.4(a))**

That Report PED15026(b), respecting the Tourism Advisory Committee, be received.

**6. Tourism Advisory Committee (PED15026(a)) (City Wide) (Outstanding Business List) (Item 8.4(b))**

That the Tourism Advisory Committee, an Advisory Committee of Council, be disbanded.

**7. Hamilton Summit Summary (CM18015) (City Wide) (Outstanding Business List Item) (Item 8.5)**

That Report CM18015, respecting the Hamilton Summit Summary, be received.

**8. Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities Report 18-004, April 10, 2018 (Item 8.6)**

**Resignation – Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities (Added Item 11.4)**

- (a) That the letter of resignation from Sylvia Soto from the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities, be received; and,
- (b) That the membership number of the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities be adjusted accordingly to obtain quorum.

**9. Facility Naming Sub-Committee Report 18-001, May 3, 2018 (Item 8.7)**

**(a) Naming of the "Margaret Koropatnicki Softball Complex" at Rosedale Park (PW18035/HSC18022) (Ward 5) (Item 8.1)**

That the request to name the softball diamonds at Rosedale Park the "Margaret Koropatnicki Softball Complex" be approved, as this request meets the guidelines set out in the City of Hamilton Municipal Property and Building Naming Policy.

**(b) Municipal Property & Building Naming Application - Mohawk Sports Park Outdoor Track & Field Complex (Item 8.2)**

- (i) That staff be directed to work with the Hamilton Olympic Club to consider their request to rename the track area of the Mohawk Sports Park Outdoor Track & Field Complex, as outlined in the application, with a report back to the Facility Naming Sub-Committee; and,
- (ii) That the Municipal Property & Building Naming Application - Mohawk Sports Park Outdoor Track & Field Complex, be received.

**10. Airport Sub-Committee Report 18-001, May 3, 2018 (Item 8.8)**

**(a) 2017 Annual Auditor's Report on the Annual Schedule of Percentage Rent Computation Regarding the John C. Munro Hamilton International Airport (PED18109) (City Wide) (Item 5.1)**

That Report PED18109 respecting the 2017 Annual Auditor's Report on the Annual Schedule of Percentage Rent Computation Regarding the John C. Munro Hamilton International Airport, be received for information.

**(b) 2017 Year in Review Report respecting the John C. Munro Hamilton International Airport (Item 7.1)**

That the 2017 Year in Review Report respecting the John C. Munro Hamilton International Airport, be received for information.

**(c) 2018 - 2019 John C. Munro Hamilton International Airport - City of Hamilton Joint Marketing Initiatives (PED18110) (City Wide) (Item 8.1)**

That the City of Hamilton allocate \$160,000 from the Airport Joint Marketing Reserve Fund No. 112217, as the City's contribution to the 2018-2019 John

C. Munro Hamilton International Airport – City of Hamilton Joint Marketing Initiatives.

**(d) 2018 - 2019 Capital Expenditure Request for John C. Munro Hamilton International Airport Update (PED18111) (City Wide) (Item 8.2)**

That the City of Hamilton approve and allocate \$266,000 from the Municipal Capital Expenditures Reserve Fund No. 108043 for the 2018 - 2019 Capital Expenditure Request for John C. Munro Hamilton International Airport.

**11. Facility Naming Sub-Committee Report 18-002, May 15, 2018 (Item 8.9)**

**Serafini Family Ice and Splash Pad Naming at Bernie Morelli Recreation Centre, 876 Cannon Street East (PW18038) (Ward 3) (Item 8.1)**

- (a) That the outdoor ice/splash pad located at 876 Cannon Street East (Bernie Morelli Recreation Centre), Hamilton, be named after the Serafini Family for a period of twenty-five (25) years;
- (b) That the City of Hamilton enter into a Contribution Agreement with Mr. Lou Serafini Jr. for Naming Rights of the outdoor ice/splash pad located at 876 Cannon Street East, Hamilton, ON, subject to the following terms:
  - (i) Within thirty (30) days of the Substantial Completion Date, the Contributor shall pay \$300,000 CAD to the City by certified cheque to be deposited to the “Scott Park Precinct Ice & Spray Pad Capital Project” (Account # 7101649602) and that the funds be used as a capital contribution towards the cost of constructing the Ice/splash pad at the Bernie Morelli Recreation Centre and for the associated naming rights of the ice/splash pad including mutually agreed upon signage;
  - (ii) Within twenty-four (24) months of the Substantial Completion Date, the Contributor shall have completed payment of an additional \$700,000.00 CAD to Hamilton Community Foundation (HCF) to be dispersed, over 10 years, as grants by the HCF to the City and/or other charitable community groups to support access to sport and recreational activities as well as community engagement in or about the general area around the Bernie Morelli Recreation Centre. The Contributor shall direct HCF to report to the City at least annually, the recipients of these grants by amounts received;
  - (iii) The City will supply and install, at its cost, a commemorative Sign naming the ice/splash pad in honour of the “Serafini Family” and leave it in place for twenty-five (25) years from the Substantial Completion

Date unless this Agreement is terminated beforehand at which time the Sign may be removed by the City; and,

- (c) That the General Manager, Public Works, be authorized and directed to execute all necessary documents relating to the Contribution Agreement with Mr. Lou Serafini Jr. for Naming Rights of the ice/splash pad at 876 Cannon Street East, Hamilton, in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor.

**12. Repair and Resurfacing of the Tennis Courts at the Stoney Creek Tennis Club (Item 9.1)**

WHEREAS, the Stoney Creek Tennis Club (the “Club”) originated in 1964 and is located in Optimist Park over the bridge just down from the Little League Ball Park, and is a vital part of the Stoney Creek community that provides services that are available for all Hamilton residents;

WHEREAS, the wheelchair accessible Club services nearly 600 people including seniors, children and adults as well as local schools and the McMaster University tennis team;

WHEREAS, the Club has an excellent Junior academy, with over 110 registered juniors, an excellent summer day camp program and, has many programs for its adult members, including Men’s and Ladies’ Leagues, multiple Round Robins, a Singles Ladder, and SCTC Cardio;

WHEREAS, the Club contains 7 lit courts that are between 14 and 20 years old that have deteriorated and are in need of repair and resurfacing to be playable; and, at this point, can be repaired and resurfaced at a cost of \$10,000 for each court;

WHEREAS, failure to repair the courts in the near future would result in further deterioration, resulting in a need to completely replace the courts at a cost of \$25,000 each; and,

WHEREAS, the Club is requesting funding in the amount of \$70,000 to repair and resurface the courts to continue to serve its members and the community;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

That \$70,000 for the Stoney Creek Tennis Club to repair and resurface its 7 tennis courts, to be funded from the Terrapure Reserve account (#117036), be approved.

**13. Tree and Shrub Planting and a Pollinator Garden at the Eramosa Karst (Item 9.2)**

WHEREAS, the Friends of the Eramosa Karst continue to plant trees and shrubs at the north end of the Eramosa Karst; and,

WHEREAS, the Friends of the Eramosa Karst are also creating a pollinator garden in the Karst,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

That \$20,000 for the Friends of the Eramosa Karst for tree and shrub planting as well as the creation of a pollinator garden at the Karst, to be funded from the Terrapure Reserve account (#117036), be approved.

**14. Request to Reactivate the “Who Does What” Working Group (Item 9.3)**

WHEREAS, the City of Hamilton hosted a very successful Hamilton Summit 2018 event on April 13, 2018 in Council Chambers;

WHEREAS, the objective of the Summit was to educate, build awareness, and solicit solutions for four major growing priorities as related to provincial downloading and its impact on the City of Hamilton: local healthcare and the impact on emergency medical services, preserving the existing infrastructure and increasing the supply of social and affordable housing, increased financial support for existing and new infrastructure, and changes to municipal financial tools such as levy restrictions, taxation changes and more support for provincially-shared programs;

WHEREAS, only 52% or \$2,039 of the total average residential tax bill of \$3,928 in 2017 was contributing directly to City controlled services;

WHEREAS, many of the provincially shared services and Boards and Agency costs are increasing well beyond the rate of inflation;

WHEREAS, some of the provincially shared services are in dire service and financial circumstances including Paramedics, where code zero instances continue to occur; and, social housing, where wait lists continue to grow and capital requirements far exceed funding capabilities; and,

WHEREAS, existing Federal and Provincial funding initiatives do not adequately address the aforementioned concerns;

WHEREAS, municipal governments own most public infrastructure and deliver critical services that we all depend on every day, and they do it with the smallest share of tax dollars. Municipal governments own almost two-thirds of all public infrastructure and also have a growing list of responsibilities;

WHEREAS, province-wide, municipal governments collect less than 9% of each household tax dollar, Cities should have a greater local say in how services are delivered and paid for and receive a greater local share of revenue; and,

WHEREAS, the City's overall 'ask' from the Province is a combination of policy changes to municipal financial tools such as levy restrictions, taxation changes and more support for provincially downloaded and shared programs in the range of \$169 million to \$215 million annually;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

- (a) That the Mayor be directed to send the Hamilton Summit Policy Brochure to all of the newly appointed Provincial Ministers after the June 7, 2018 Provincial Election;
- (b) That the Mayor be directed to send the Hamilton Summit Policy Brochure to all of the newly elected Hamilton Members of Provincial Parliament after the June 7, 2018 Provincial Election;
- (c) That the Mayor meet with all of the newly elected Hamilton Members of Provincial Parliament after the June 7, 2018 Provincial Election; and,
- (d) That the Mayor be directed to forward a request to the Premier and Minister of Municipal Affairs to work with the municipal sector on untangling current provincial-municipal governments' responsibilities, with this work include looking at revenue tools that can better support municipal government functions as well as removing regulatory and other barriers so that municipal governments can better deliver local services going forward.

**15. Climate Change Reserve and Adaptation Plan (Item 10.4)**

WHEREAS, our citizens are dependent on transportation, telecommunication services, energy and water infrastructure; all of which are at risk in the face of more intense extreme weather events driven by a changing climate;

WHEREAS, municipal governments are responsible to implement mitigation and adaptation strategies to protect its citizens, and address significant climate related challenges;

WHEREAS, the City of Hamilton Healthy and Safe Communities, Public Works, and Planning and Economic Development Departments are examining the potential risks of significant climate related challenges on citizens, the environment and City infrastructure and related programs;

WHEREAS, each year the City and its citizens are affected by climate related challenges, including flood, erosion, extreme heat, ice storms, higher lake levels (and storm surges), etc.;

WHEREAS, the National Roundtable on the Environment and the Economy suggested that the economic impact of climate change on Canada could reach \$5 billion per year by 2020 and between \$21 and \$43 billion per year by 2050;

WHEREAS, limited funding is available from senior levels of government to assist municipalities with the effects of Green House Gases (GHG) emissions and the effects of climate change;

WHEREAS, predictable, long-term and stable funding from governments to address climate change impacts and ensure infrastructure resiliency is a priority and could save Canadians billions of dollars through climate change adaptation;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED;

- (a) That Finance staff be directed to establish a Climate Change Reserve with a stated purpose, through the next Reserve Report;
- (b) That Finance staff be directed to identify a funding strategy for a Climate Change Reserve; and
- (c) That staff be directed to investigate funding opportunities with higher levels of government to address the local impact of climate change events, and report back to the General Issues Committee; and,
- (d) That Hamilton's Senior Leadership Team be directed to work with all City Departments to develop climate change adaptation plans that may be eligible for funding from a Climate Change Reserve and funding from the Provincial and Federal Governments, and report back to the General Issues Committee.

**16. Outdoor WiFi Implementation at Waterdown Memorial Park (Item 10.5)**

- (a) That staff be directed to implement outdoor WiFi at Waterdown Memorial Park at a capital cost of \$13,741.25, to be funded from the Flamborough Reserve account #108032; and,
- (b) That the licensing and hardware support for the outdoor WiFi at Waterdown Memorial Park, in the approximate amount of \$650 annually, be funded from the Public Works Department operating budget, commencing in 2019.



**17. Installation of 3 Conventional Transit Shelters (Item 9.6)**

That staff be directed to install three conventional transit shelters at the following A-Line stops; Upper James at Twenty Road (NE), Airport Road opposite Canadian Warplane Heritage Museum (south side); and, Upper James at Rymal (NW), at an estimated cost for shelter structures and associated concrete works of approximately \$45,000, to be funded through the Gas Tax Reserve and/or the Quick Wins Reserve.

**18. Six Year Event Partnership with Golf Canada (PED18100(a)) (City Wide) (Item 12.2)**

That Report PED18100(a), as amended, respecting a Six Year Event Partnership with Golf Canada, remain confidential.

**FOR INFORMATION:**

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

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

**1. DELEGATION REQUESTS (Item 4)**

- 4.2 David Carter, Innovation Factory, respecting an Update to the Innovation Factory Request for Funding Report (for a future GIC)

**2. NOTICES OF MOTION (Item 10)**

- 10.1 Repair and Resurfacing of the Tennis Courts at the Stoney Creek Tennis Club
- 10.2 Tree and Shrub Planting and a Pollinator Garden at the Eramosa Karst
- 10.3 Request to Reactivate the “Who Does What” Working Group
- 10.4 Climate Change Reserve and Adaptation Plan
- 10.5 Outdoor WiFi Implementation at Waterdown Memorial Park

**3. PRIVATE & CONFIDENTIAL (Item 12)**

**12.2 Six Year Event Partnership with Golf Canada (PED18100(a)) (City Wide)**

Pursuant to Section 239(2), Sub-sections (i) and (k) of the *Ontario Municipal Act*, 2001, as amended, as the subject matter pertains to a trade secret or scientific, technical, commercial, financial or labour relations information, supplied in confidence to the municipality or local board, which, if disclosed, could reasonably be expected to prejudice significantly the competitive position or interfere significantly with the contractual or other negotiations of a person, group of persons, or organization; and, a position, plan, procedure, criteria or instruction to be applied to any negotiations carried on or to be carried on by or on behalf of the municipality or local board.

The agenda for the May 16, 2018 General Issues Committee meeting was approved, as amended.

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

There were no declarations of interest.

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

**(i) May 2, 2018 (Item 3.1)**

The Minutes of the May 2, 2018 meeting of the General Issues Committee were approved, as presented.

**(d) DELEGATION REQUESTS (Item 4)**

**(i) Lorna Zaremba, Theatre Aquarius, respecting an Update regarding Theatre Aquarius (For a future GIC) (Item 4.1)**

The delegation request submitted by Lorna Zaremba, Theatre Aquarius, respecting an update regarding Theatre Aquarius, was approved to appear at a future meeting of the General Issues Committee.

- (ii) David Carter, Innovation Factory, respecting an Update to the Innovation Factory Request for Funding Report (for a future GIC) (Item 4.2)**

The delegation request submitted by David Carter, Innovation Factory, respecting an update to the Innovation Factory Request for Funding Report, was approved to appear at a future meeting of the General Issues Committee.

**(e) DISCUSSION ITEMS (Item 8)**

- (i) A & B Line Amenities - Funds Reallocation (PW18042) (City Wide) (Outstanding Business List Item) (Item 8.3)**

Mayor Eisenberger and Councillors Conley, B. Johnson, and Whitehead wished to be recorded as OPPOSED to this item.

For disposition of this matter, please refer to Item 4.

**(f) NOTICES OF MOTION (Item 10)**

- (i) Repair and Resurfacing of the Tennis Courts at the Stoney Creek Tennis Club (Item 10.1)**

Councillor D. Conley introduced a Notice of Motion respecting the repair and resurfacing of the tennis courts at the Stoney Creek Tennis Club.

The Rules of Order were waived to allow for the introduction of a Motion respecting the repair and resurfacing of the tennis courts at the Stoney Creek Tennis Club.

For disposition of this matter, please refer to Item 12.

- (ii) Tree and Shrub Planting and a Pollinator Garden at the Eramosa Karst (Item 10.2)**

Councillor D. Conley introduced a Notice of Motion respecting tree and shrub planting and a pollinator garden at the Eramosa Karst.

The rules of Order were waived to allow for the introduction of a motion respecting tree and shrub planting and a pollinator garden at the Eramosa Karst.

For disposition of this matter, please refer to Item 13.

**(iii) Request to Reactivate the “Who Does What” Working Group (Item 10.3)**

Councillor S. Merulla introduced a Notice of Motion respecting a request to reactivate the “Who Does What” Working Group.

The Rules of Order were waived to allow for the introduction of a Motion respecting a request to reactivate the “Who Does What” Working Group.

For disposition of this matter, please refer to Item 14.

**(iv) Climate Change Reserve and Adaptation Plan (Item 10.4)**

Councillor C. Collins introduce a Notice of Motion respecting a climate change reserve and adaptation plan.

The Rules of Order were waived to allow for the introduction of a motion respecting a climate change reserve and adaptation plan.

For disposition of this matter, please refer to Item 15.

**(v) Outdoor WiFi Implementation at Waterdown Memorial Park (Item 10.5)**

Mayor Eisenberger introduced a Notice of Motion respecting Outdoor WiFi Implementation at Waterdown Memorial Park.

The rules of Order were waived to allow for the introduction of a motion respecting outdoor WiFi implementation at Waterdown Memorial Park.

For disposition of this matter, please refer to Item 16.

**(vi) Installation of Three (3) Conventional Transit Shelters (Item 9.6)**

Councillor T. Whitehead introduced a Notice of Motion respecting the installation of three (3) conventional transit shelters.

The Rules of Order were waived to allow for the introduction of a Motion respecting the installation of three (3) conventional transit shelters.

For disposition of this matter, please see Item 17.

Councillor Collins wished to be recorded as OPPOSED to this item.

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

**(i) Amendments to the Outstanding Business List (Item 11.1)**

The following amendments to the General Issues Committee's Outstanding Business List were approved:

**(a) Proposed New Due Dates:**

- (i) Mayor's Blue Ribbon Task Force – Semi Annual Update  
Current Due Date: May 16, 2018  
Proposed New Due Date: July 9, 2018
- (ii) Update on Request for Information – Downtown Parking Structure  
Current Due Date: May 16, 2018  
Proposed New Due Date: January 16, 2019
- (iii) Hamilton Urban Fellowship Program  
Current Due Date: May 16, 2018  
Proposed New Due Date: September 19, 2018
- (iv) Recovery of City of Hamilton Costs for the Implementation of Cannabis Legalization  
Current Due Date: May 16, 2018  
Proposed New Due Date: June 20, 2018
- (v) Art in Public Places Policy  
Current Due Date: June 20, 2018  
Proposed New Due Date: March 20, 2019
- (vi) Review of the Downtown and Community Renewal Improvement Program  
Current Due Date: July 9, 2018  
Proposed New Due Date: February 20, 2019
- (vii) Policy to Govern the Process for the Installation of Signage, Art, Statues and Other Such Public Projects that are Donated to the City by the Private Sector  
Current Due Date: June 20, 2018  
Proposed New Due Date: March 20, 2019
- (viii) Hamilton Home Energy Retrofit Opportunity (HERO Program)  
Current Due Date: May 16, 2018  
Proposed New Due Date: September 19, 2018

(b) Items to be removed:

- (i) Provincial Downloading Engagement Strategy (a.k.a. Hamilton Summit)  
(Addressed as Item 8.5 on today's agenda – Report CM18015)
- (ii) Hamilton Summit  
(Addressed as Item 8.5 on today's agenda – Report CM18015)
- (iii) Potential Housing Options and Alternatives for Housing in the West Harbour Setting Sail Area  
(Addressed as Item 8.2 on today's agenda – Report HSC18021)
- (iv) Means of Enhancing the Ridership Experience Along the A-Line, by Utilizing the Quick Wins Funding that is Currently Reserved for Public Art in Bus Shelters  
(Addressed as Item 8.3 on today's agenda – Report PW18042)
- (v) Tourism Industry Panel (PED15026(a))  
(Addressed as Items 8.4(a) and 8.4(b) on today's agenda – Reports PED15026(a) and PED15026(b))

**(h) PRIVATE & CONFIDENTIAL (Item 12)**

**(i) Closed Session Minutes – May 2, 2018 (Item 12.1)**

- (a) The Closed Session Minutes of the May 2, 2018 General Issues Committee meeting were approved, as presented; and,
- (b) The Closed Session Minutes of the May 2, 2018 General Issues Committee meeting shall remain confidential.

Committee moved into Closed Session respecting Item 12.2, pursuant to Section 239(2), Sub-sections (i) and (k) of the *Ontario Municipal Act*, 2001, as amended, as the subject matter pertains to a trade secret or scientific, technical, commercial, financial or labour relations information, supplied in confidence to the municipality or local board, which, if disclosed, could reasonably be expected to prejudice significantly the competitive position or interfere significantly with the contractual or other negotiations of a person, group of persons, or organization; and, a position, plan, procedure, criteria or instruction to be applied to any negotiations carried on or to be carried on by or on behalf of the municipality or local board.

**(ii) Six Year Event Partnership with Golf Canada (PED18100(a)) (City Wide)  
(Item 12.2)**

Staff was provided with direction in Closed Session.

For further disposition of this matter, please refer to Item 18.

**(i) ADJOURNMENT (Item 13)**

There being no further business, the General Issues Committee adjourned at 11:08 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

M. Pearson, Deputy Mayor  
Chair, General Issues Committee

Stephanie Paparella  
Legislative Coordinator  
Office of the City Clerk