



GENERAL ISSUES COMMITTEE MINUTES 18-019

9:30 a.m.

Wednesday, September 19, 2018

Council Chambers

Hamilton City Hall

71 Main Street West

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

**Absent with
Regrets:** Councillors A. Johnson – Personal

THE FOLLOWING ITEMS WERE REFERRED TO COUNCIL FOR CONSIDERATION:

- 1. International Village Business Improvement Area (BIA) Revised Board of Management (PED16011(b)) (Wards 2 and 3) (Item 5.1)**

(Pearson/Farr)

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

- (i) Nadine Ubl

CARRIED

- 2. Open for Business Sub-Committee, Clerk's Report 18-002, September 6, 2018 (Item 5.2)**

(Pearson/Partridge)

That the Open for Business Sub-Committee, Clerk's Report 18-002, September 6, 2018, be received.

CARRIED

3. Pauline Kajiura, Information Hamilton, respecting a Funding Request for Information Hamilton (Item 6.1)

(Green/Partridge)

- (a) That Healthy and Safe Communities staff be directed to prepare a comparative report, in consultation with Information Hamilton, respecting information and referral organizations in other Ontario cities, with that report to include the structure, funding and per capita comparison, and report back to the Healthy & Safe Communities Committee; and,
- (b) That Healthy and Safe Communities staff be directed to meet with Information Hamilton to determine the feasibility of the City utilizing the information and referral software created by Information Hamilton, and report back to the Healthy and Safe Communities Committee, with that report to include the feasibility of a licensing fee for the use of that software.

CARRIED

4. Term of Council Accomplishments (2014-2018) (CM18019) (City Wide) (Item 7.1)

(Pearson/Farr)

That Report CM18019, respecting the Term of Council Accomplishments, be received.

CARRIED

5. Facility Naming Sub-Committee, Report 18-003, August 15, 2018 (Item 8.1)

(Pearson/Partridge)

- (a) **Renaming of A.M. Cunningham Parkette to Crown Point East Parkette (PW18068) (Ward 4) (Item 8.1)**

That the request to rename A.M. Cunningham Parkette, 300 Roxborough Avenue, to Crown Point East Parkette, attached as Appendix "A" to Report PW18068, be approved, as this request meets the guidelines set out in the City of Hamilton Municipal Property and Building Naming Policy.

- (b) **Naming of The Ray Lewis Track & Field Centre at Mohawk Sports Park (PW18069/HSC18039) (Ward 6) (Item 8.2)**

That the request to name the track and field complex at Mohawk Sports Park the Ray Lewis Track & Field Centre, attached as Appendix "B" to Report PW18069/HSC18039, be approved, as this request meets the guidelines set out in the City of Hamilton's Municipal Property and Building Naming Policy.

(c) Renaming of Pier 8 Promenade Park to "Copps Pier" (PW18070) (Ward 2) (Item 8.3)

That the request to rename Pier 8 Promenade Park, 47 Discovery Drive, to "Copps Pier", attached as Appendix "C" to Report PW18070, be approved, as this request meets the guidelines set out in the City of Hamilton Municipal Property and Building Naming Policy.

CARRIED

6. Environmental Remediation and Site Enhancement (ERASE) Redevelopment Grant Application 2192929 Ontario Inc. and 2156600 Ontario Inc. – 133, 135 and 153 King Street West, Dundas (PED10214(a)) (Ward 13) (Item 8.2)

(Merulla/Collins)

- (a) That the maximum amount of the Environmental Remediation and Site Enhancement (ERASE) Redevelopment Grant ERG-10-02 approved for 2142929 Ontario Inc. and 2156600 Ontario Inc. (Steve Pocrnic), owners of the property at 133, 135 and 153 King Street West, Dundas, be increased to \$367,183 from \$140K and be made payable to 2142929 Ontario Inc. and 2156600 Ontario Inc., jointly, over a maximum of ten years, be authorized and approved in accordance with the terms and conditions of the ERASE Redevelopment Grant Program provided for in the approved ERASE Community Improvement Plan;
- (b) That the City enter into an ERASE Redevelopment Grant Agreement and that the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized and directed to execute said Agreement together with any ancillary documentation required, to effect recommendation (a) of Report PED10214, in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor; and,
- (c) That the General Manager of the Planning and Economic Development Department be authorized to approve and execute any grant amending agreements, together with any ancillary amending documentation, if required, provided that the terms and conditions of the ERASE Redevelopment Grant ERG-10-02, as approved by City Council on September 28, 2010 are maintained.

CARRIED

7. Assessment Act Amendments Providing a Property Tax Exemption to Non-Profit Long-Term Care Homes - Update (FCS16076(b)) (City Wide) (Item 8.3)

(Green/Farr)

- (a) That, given the significant impact the change in taxation status for Non-Profit Long-Term Care (LTC) facilities has on the City of Hamilton, the Province be requested to identify a plan to continue with the Transitional Mitigation Payment for a multi-year period;

- (b) That the Mayor correspond with the Honourable Victor Fedeli, Minister of Finance, to request the extension of the Transitional Mitigation Payment; and,
- (c) That the unbudgeted transitional funds provided for 2018, in the amount of \$972,307, be allocated to reducing the impact of 2018 assessment appeals.

CARRIED

8. Attracting Diversity During the Recruitment Process (HUR18017) (City Wide) (Item 8.4)

(Green/Anderson)

That staff be directed to proceed with the 2018 - 2022 Recruitment Process utilizing the expanded Communications Plan, as defined in Appendix "A" attached to Report HUR18017, within the existing budget.

CARRIED

9. Bernie Arbour Stadium - Sponsorship Agreement (CM18018) (City Wide) (Item 8.5)

(Green/Collins)

- (a) That the Director of Strategic Partnerships and Communications be authorized to negotiate a \$50,000/5-year agreement (\$10K/year), with CARSTAR Canada for the naming, advertising and sponsorship rights of Bernie Arbour Memorial Stadium, to commence January 1, 2019; and,
- (a) That the Director of Strategic Partnerships and Revenue Generation or his designate be authorized to execute the \$50,000/5-year agreement (\$10K/year), for the naming, advertising and sponsorship rights at Bernie Arbour Memorial Stadium to CARSTAR Canada to commence January 1, 2019, in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor.

CARRIED

10. Hamilton Waterfront Trust – Revised Deed of Trust (CM18017) (City Wide) (Item 8.6)

(Merulla/Farr)

- (a) That the revisions to the Hamilton Waterfront Trust's original Deed of Trust, as outlined in the attached Appendix "A" to Report CM18017, be approved; and,
- (b) That the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized and directed, to execute the revised Deed of Trust between the City of Hamilton and the Hamilton Waterfront Trust, attached as Appendix "B" to Report CM18017, and any ancillary or related documents, with content acceptable to the City Manager and in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor.

CARRIED

11. Hamilton Urban Fellowship Program (HUR18015(a)) (City Wide) (Item 8.7)

(Merulla/Anderson)

That Report HUR18015(a), respecting the Hamilton Urban Fellowship Program, be received.

CARRIED

12. Hamilton Urban Fellowship Program (HUR18015) (City Wide) (Item 8.8)

(Merulla/Collins)

That Report HUR18015, respecting the Hamilton Urban Fellowship Program, be received.

CARRIED

13. Business Improvement Area Advisory Committee Report 18-008, September 11, 2018 (Item 8.9)

(Green/Anderson)

(a) Downtown Dundas Business Improvement Area Expenditure Request for Cleaning and Maintenance of Public Road Allowances, for the Purchase and Maintenance of Christmas Decorations, and for the Purchase and Maintenance of Flower Baskets (Item 9.1)

That the expenditure requests, from the Downtown Dundas Business Improvement Area, in the amount of \$13,487.08, for the following projects to be funded from the 2018 Community Improvement Plan (CIP) Contribution Program (BIA Payments Account 815010-56905), be approved:

- (i) \$3,000 Public road allowance cleaning and maintenance;
- (ii) \$8,000 Christmas decorations and their maintenance; and,
- (iii) \$2,487.08 Purchase and watering of hanging baskets.

(b) Concession Street Business Improvement Area Expenditure Request for Spring and Summer Flowers and Winter Banners (Item 9.2)

That the expenditure requests, from the Concession Street Business Improvement Area, in the amount of \$13,726.45 for the following projects, to be funded from the Shared Parking Revenue Program (Parking Revenue Account 815010-45559), be approved:

- (i) \$9,982.00 Spring and summer flowers; and,
- (ii) \$3,744.00 New winter banner; be approved.

(c) Downtown Hamilton Business Improvement Area Expenditure Request for Christmas Decorations and Spring Flowers and New Planters (Item 9.3)

- (i) That the expenditure requests from the Downtown Hamilton Business Improvement Area, in the amount of \$13,849.04 for Christmas decorations and removal/storage, to be funded from the Shared Parking Revenue Program (Parking Revenue Account 815010-45559); and,
- (ii) That the expenditure requests from the Downtown Hamilton Business Improvement Area, in the amount of \$5,702.72 for Spring flowers and new planters, to be funded from the Community Improvement Plan (CIP) Contribution Program (BIA Payments Account 815010-56905); be approved.

(d) International Village Business Improvement Area Expenditure Request (Item 9.4)

- (i) That the expenditure request from the Downtown Hamilton Business Improvement Area, in the amount of \$14,941.29 for Victorian Night in the Village and Ferguson Station Movie Night, to be funded from the Shared Parking Revenue Program (Parking Revenue Account 815010-45559), be approved; and,
- (ii) That the expenditure request from the Downtown Hamilton Business Improvement Area, in the amount of \$6,918.32 for Banner Maintenance, Graffiti Removal, and Office Furniture, to be funded from the Community Improvement Plan (CIP) Contribution Program (BIA Payments Account 815010-56905), be approved.

(e) Downtown Dundas Business Improvement Area Expenditure Request (Item 9.5)

That the expenditure request from the Downtown Dundas Business Improvement Area, in the amount of \$25,786.67 for the five week Dickens of a Christmas special event, to be funded from the Shared Parking Revenue Program (Parking Revenue Account 815010-45559), be approved.

(f) Westdale Village Business Improvement Area Expenditure Request (Item 9.6)

- (a) That the expenditure request from Westdale Village Business Improvement Area, in the amount of \$19,133.75 for purchase of 60 planters and maintenance of those planters, and beautification of street and pedestrian areas to be funded from the Shared Parking Revenue Program (Parking Revenue Account 815010-45559), be approved; and,
- (b) That the expenditure request from Westdale Village Business Improvement Area in the amount of \$12,740.98 for flower baskets and maintenance of flower those baskets, to be funded from the Community Improvement Plan (CIP) Contribution Program (BIA Payments Account 815010-56905), be approved.

CARRIED

14. Capital Projects Work-in-Progress Review Sub-Committee, Report 18-005, September 11, 2018 (Item 8.10)

(Collins/Ferguson)

(a) Capital Project Closing Report as of June 30, 2018 (FCS18078) (City Wide) (Item 8.1) (Attached Hereto as Appendix "A")

- (i) That the Acting General Manager of Finance and Corporate Services be authorized to transfer a combined \$127,804.09 from the Unallocated Capital Levy Reserve (108020) and other Program Specific Reserves to the capital projects as outlined in Appendix "A" to Report FCS18078;
- (ii) That the Acting General Manager of Finance and Corporate Services be directed to close the completed and / or cancelled capital projects listed in Appendix "B" to Report FCS18078 in accordance with the Capital Closing Policy;
- (iii) That Appendix "C" to Report FCS18078, Capital Projects Budget Appropriations for the period covering January 1, 2018 through June 30, 2018, be received for information;
- (iv) That Appendix "D" to Report FCS18078, Capital Projects Budget Appropriations above \$250,000 for the period covering January 1, 2018 through June 30, 2018 totalling \$1,452,415.42, be approved;
- (v) That Appendix "E" to Report FCS18078, Capital Projects requiring Federal Gas Tax Reductions as of June 30, 2018 totalling \$2,692,020.00, be approved.

(b) Public Works - Capital Projects Status Report as of June 30, 2018 (FCS18077) (City Wide) (Item 8.2)

- (i) That the Capital Projects Status Report, Public Works Tax Supported Projects, as of June 30, 2018, attached as Appendix "A" to Report FCS18077, be received; and,
- (ii) That the Capital Projects Status Report, Public Works Rate Supported Projects, as of June 30, 2018, attached as Appendix "B" to Report FCS18077, be received.

CARRIED

15. Opportunities and Flexibility of Existing Housing Programs (Item 9.1)

(Collins/Merulla)

That Housing Services staff be directed to investigate and report back to the Healthy and Safe Communities Committee on opportunities and flexibility in existing housing programs, in consultation with the Ministry of Housing, as applicable, that can be utilized or reallocated to specifically assist the householder waiting for housing on the centralized social housing wait-list system.

CARRIED

16. Acquisition of Lands in Stoney Creek for Public Works Operations (PW18089) (Wards 10 and 11) (Item 12.2)

(Conley/Pearson)

- (a) That the direction provided to staff in Closed Session, respecting Report PW18089, Acquisition of Lands in Stoney Creek for Public Works Operations, be approved; and,
- (b) That Report PW18089, respecting the Acquisition of Lands in Stoney Creek for Public Works Operations, remain confidential until completion of the real estate transaction.

CARRIED

17. Disposition of City-owned Industrial Land (PED17206(a)) (Ward 11) (Item 12.3)

(Eisenberger/Merulla)

- (a) That the direction provided to staff in Closed Session, respecting Report PED17206(a), Disposition of City-owned Industrial Land, be approved; and,
- (b) That Report PED17206(a), respecting the Disposition of City-owned Industrial Land, remain confidential until completion of the real estate transaction.

CARRIED

18. Organizational Structure Changes in the Healthy and Safe Communities Department and the Strategic Partnerships and Communications Division, City Manager's Office (CM18021) (City Wide) (Item 12.4)

(Eisenberger/VanderBeek)

- (a) That the direction provided to staff in Closed Session, respecting Report CM18021, Organizational Structure Changes in the Healthy and Safe Communities Department and the Strategic Partnerships and Communications Division, City Manager's Office, be approved; and,
- (b) That the recommendation, Report CM18021 and Appendix "A" to Report CM18021, remain confidential until approved by Council.

CARRIED

FOR INFORMATION:

(a) CHANGES TO THE AGENDA (Item 1)

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

1. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING (Item 3)

3.1 September 5, 2018

Item 13 – there is a typographical error – the references to the “Bell Mobility Access Agreement” should read the Bell “*Municipal*” Access Agreement. All copies of the official record have already been amended to reflect this change

2. CONSENT ITEMS (Item 5)

5.3 Business Improvement Area Advisory Committee Minutes, July 10, 2018

3. PUBLIC HEARINGS/DELEGATIONS (Item 6)

6.2 Clinton Younge, MMJ Canada / LOST Organization, respecting the legalization of cannabis and what's potentially to come with all the new applications and existing retail dispensaries.

Mr. Younge advised that he would not be in attendance (through his agent), but has instead provided correspondence for your consideration.

4. DISCUSSION ITEMS (Item 8)

- 8.5 Bernie Arbour Stadium - Sponsorship Agreement (CM18018) (City Wide)

There is an account number correction to page 2 of the report under the Financial Implications section. The Dept. ID currently reads as the “General Parks Maintenance #792667”, but should read “*Stadium Maintenance and Repairs Dept. ID #792668*”.

- 8.9 Business Improvement Area Advisory Committee Report 18-008, September 11, 2018

- 8.10 Capital Projects Work-in-Progress Review Sub-Committee, Report 18-005, September 11, 2018

5. PRIVATE & CONFIDENTIAL (Item 12)

- 12.1 Closed Session Minutes – September 5, 2018

There is are two typographical errors – the references to the “Bell Mobility Access Agreement” should read the Bell “*Municipal*” Access Agreement. All copies of the official record have already been amended to reflect this change; and the date should be *September 5th* rather than August 13th on the agenda face page.

- 12.4 Organizational Structure Changes in the Healthy and Safe Communities Department and the Strategic Partnerships and Communications Division, City Manager’s Office (CM18021) (City Wide)

Pursuant to Section 8.1, Sub-sections (b) and (d) of the City’s Procedural By-law 18-270, and Section 239(2), Sub-sections (b) and (d) of the *Ontario Municipal Act*, 2001, as amended, as the subject matter pertains to personal matters about an identifiable individual, including City employees; and, labour relations or employee negotiations.

(Pearson/Partridge)

That the agenda for the September 19, 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 MEETING (Item 3)

(i) September 5, 2018 (Item 3.1)

(Anderson/Merulla)

That the Minutes of the September 5, 2018 meeting of the General Issues Committee be approved, as amended.

CARRIED

(ii) September 11, 2018 (Item 3.2)

(Ferguson/Conley)

That the Minutes of the September 11, 2018 meeting of the General Issues Committee be approved, as presented.

CARRIED

(d) CONSENT ITEMS (Items 3)

(i) Business Improvement Area Advisory Committee Minutes, July 10, 2018 (Item 5.3)

As this matter was not addressed at the September 19, 2018 General Issues Committee, it will be placed on the December 12, 2018 agenda to be received.

(e) PUBLIC HEARINGS / DELEGATIONS (Item 6)

(i) Pauline Kajiura, Information Hamilton, respecting a Funding Request for Information Hamilton (Item 6.1)

Pauline Kajiura, Information Hamilton, addressed Committee respecting a funding request for Information Hamilton.

(Partridge/Green)

That the presentation provided by Pauline Kajiura, Information Hamilton, respecting a funding request for Information Hamilton, 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.

- (ii) **Correspondence from Clinton Younge, MMJ Canada / LOST Organization, respecting the legalization of cannabis and what's potentially to come with all the new applications and existing retail dispensaries. (Item 6.2)**

Clinton Younge, MMJ Canada / LOST Organization, advised that he would not be in attendance (through his agent), but provided correspondence respecting the legalization of cannabis and what's potentially to come with all the new applications and existing retail dispensaries in place of his attendance.

(Pearson/Conley)

That the correspondence provided by Clinton Younge, MMJ Canada / LOST Organization, respecting the legalization of cannabis and what's potentially to come with all the new applications and existing retail dispensaries, be received.

CARRIED

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

(f) STAFF PRESENTATIONS (Item 7)

- (i) **Term of Council Accomplishments (2014-2018) (CM18019) (City Wide) (Item 7.1)**

Mike Zegarac, Interim City Manager, addressed Committee and provided a PowerPoint presentation respecting Report CM18019, Term of Council Accomplishments (2014-2018).

(Pearson/Farr)

That the presentation respecting Report CM18019, Term of Council Accomplishments (2014-2018), 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 the above matter, please refer to Item 4.

(g) NOTICES OF MOTION (Item 10)

(i) Opportunities and Flexibility of Existing Housing Programs (Item 10.1)

Councillor C. Collins introduced a Notice of Motion respecting opportunities and flexibility of existing housing programs.

(Collins/Merulla)

That the Rules of Order be waived to allow for the introduction of a motion respecting opportunities and flexibility of existing housing programs.

CARRIED

For disposition of the above matter, please refer to Item 15.

(h) GENERAL INFORMATION / OTHER BUSINESS (Item 11)

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

(Anderson/Ferguson)

That the following amendments to the General Issues Committee's Outstanding Business List, be approved:

(a) Items to be removed:

- (i) Attracting Diversity During the Recruitment Process**
(Addressed as Item 8.4 on today's agenda – Report HUR18017)
- (ii) Hamilton Urban Fellowship Program** (Addressed as Items 8.7 and 8.8 on today's agenda – Reports HUR18015 and HUR18015(a))

CARRIED

(ii) Blue Green Algae at the Hamilton Harbourfront (Item 11.2)

Councillor Farr raised concerns respecting the blue-green algae that is currently present in the water along the Hamilton Harbourfront.

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

(i) **Closed Session Minutes – September 5, 2018 (Item 12.1)**

(Pearson/Green)

- (a) That the Closed Session Minutes of the September 5, 2018 General Issues Committee meeting, *as amended*, be approved; and,
- (b) That the Closed Session Minutes of the September 5, 2018 General Issues Committee meeting, *as amended*, remain confidential.

CARRIED

(Pearson/B. Johnson)

That Committee move into Closed Session respecting Items 12.2 to 12.4, pursuant to Section 8.1, Sub-sections (b), (c) and (d) of the City's Procedural By-law 18-270; and, Section 239(2), Sub-sections (b), (c) and (d) of the *Ontario Municipal Act*, 2001, as amended, as the subject matters pertain to personal matters about an identifiable individual, including City employees; a proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land for City purposes; and, labour relations or employee negotiations.

CARRIED

(ii) **Acquisition of Lands in Stoney Creek for Public Works Operations (PW18089) (Wards 10 and 11) (Item 12.2)**

Staff was provided direction in Closed Session.

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

(iii) **Disposition of City-owned Industrial Land (PED17206(a)) (Ward 11) (Item 12.3)**

Staff was provided direction in Closed Session.

For further disposition of this matter, please refer to Item 17.

(iv) **Organizational Structure Changes in the Healthy and Safe Communities Department and the Strategic Partnerships and Communications Division, City Manager's Office (CM18021) (City Wide) (Item 12.4)**

Staff was provided direction in Closed Session.

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

(j) ADJOURNMENT (Item 13)

(Green/Pearson)

That there being no further business, the General Issues Committee be adjourned at 12:49 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

T. Whitehead, Deputy Mayor
Chair, General Issues Committee

Stephanie Paparella
Legislative Coordinator
Office of the City Clerk