GOVERNMENT RELATIONS SUB-COMMITTEE
REPORT 19-002
Thursday, June 27, 2019
3:00 p.m.
Council Chambers, 2nd Floor, City Hall
71 Main Street West

Present: Mayor F. Eisenberger
Councillors S. Merulla (Vice Chair) and B. Clark (Chair)

Absent: Councillor T. Whitehead – City Business, N. Nann - Personal

Also Present: Lori Dillon, McMaster University
Alexandra Lawson, McMaster University
Aaron Levo, Hamilton Health Sciences
Keanin Loomis, Hamilton Chamber of Commerce
Matteo Patricelli, Flamborough Chamber of Commerce

THE GOVERNMENT RELATIONS SUB-COMMITTEE PRESENTS REPORT 19-001
AND RESPECTFULLY RECOMMENDS:

1. Appointment of Chair and Vice Chair (Item 1)

   (a) That Councillor B. Clark be appointed Chair of the Government Relations Sub-Committee for the 2018-2022 term; and,

   (b) That Councillor S. Merulla be appointed Vice Chair of the Government Relations Sub-Committee for the 2018-2022 term.

2. City of Hamilton Priorities for the 2019 Federal Election (CM19004) (Item 7.1)

   That Report CM19004 respecting City of Hamilton Priorities for the 2019 Federal Election, be received.

3. Bill 108 More Homes, More Choice Act, 2019 (PED19150) (City Wide) (Item 7.2)

   That Report PED19150 respecting Bill 108 More Homes, More Choice Act, 2019, be received.
4. **Response to the Proposed Provincial Restructuring of Local Public Health Agencies (HSC19038) (City Wide) (Item 7.3)**

That Report HSC19038 respecting a Response to the Proposed Provincial restructuring of Local Public Health Agencies, be received.

5. **Reaffirmation of the City of Hamilton’s Concerns respecting Proposed Restructuring of Local Public Health Agencies (Item 7.3)**

(a) That staff be directed to draft correspondence to the Minister of Health to reaffirm the City of Hamilton’s concerns with Public Health Service restructuring, and that the correspondence include the following:

(i) Requesting that the Province focus on Public Health Units that require improvements;

(ii) Information respecting preventative health measures to eliminate “hallway medicine”;

(iii) Information that underscores the broad mandate of Public Health;

(b) That letters of support respecting the Reaffirmation of the City of Hamilton’s Concerns respecting Proposed Restructuring of Local Public Health Agencies be written by the following Official Advisors to the Government Relations Sub-Committee:

(i) McMaster University

(ii) Hamilton Chamber of Commerce

(iii) Flamborough Chamber of Commerce

(iv) Hamilton Health Services

6. **Bill 108 More Homes, More Choice Act, 2019 respecting Development Charges Act Amendments (FCS19061) (City Wide) (Added Item 7.4)**

FOR INFORMATION:

(a)  **CHANGES TO THE AGENDA (Item 2)**

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

The agenda for the June 27, 2019 meeting was approved, as presented.

(b)  **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (Item 3)**

None.

(c)  **APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE PREVIOUS MEETING (Item 4)**

(i)  **June 16, 2016 (Item 4.1)**

The Minutes of the June 16, 2016 meeting were approved, as presented.

(d)  **CONSENT ITEMS (Item 7)**

(i)  **City of Hamilton Priorities for the 2019 Federal Election (CM19004) (Item 7.1)**

Staff were directed to add the following items to the City of Hamilton Priorities for the 2019 Election in line with the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) priorities:

(i) Digital Technology
(ii) Broadband Capacity and Investment in Rural and Urban Areas; and
(iii) Poverty

For further disposition, refer to Item 2.

(ii)  **Bill 108 More Homes, More Choice Act, 2019 respecting Development Charges Act Amendments (FCS19061) (City Wide) (Added Item 7.4)**

Staff were directed to forward the report scheduled to be presented at the August 15, 2019 Audit, Finance and Administration Committee respecting preliminary information on the Environmental Registry to the members of the Government Relations Sub-Committee, once it is made public.

For further disposition, refer to Item 6.
(e) **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 4:06 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Councillor B. Clark, Chair
Government Relations Sub-Committee

Loren Kolar
Legislative Co-ordinator
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