



SPECIAL GENERAL ISSUES COMMITTEE MINUTES 18-018

9:30 a.m.

Tuesday, September 11, 2018

Council Chambers

Hamilton City Hall

71 Main Street West

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

**Absent with
Regrets:** Councillors A. Johnson, R. Pasuta, D. Conley, T. Jackson – Personal
Councillor B. Johnson – Other City Business

THE FOLLOWING ITEMS WERE REFERRED TO COUNCIL FOR CONSIDERATION:

- 1. Implications of Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act (AODA) Legislation (PW18064) (City Wide) (Item 7.1)**

(VanderBeek/Pearson)

That Report PW18064, respecting the Implications of Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act (AODA) Legislation, be received.

CARRIED

- 2. Request for a Pilot Project for a Funding Formula Partnership with Province of Ontario, as it Relates to AODA Infrastructure Renewal Projects (Item 9.1)**

(Merulla/Green)

WHEREAS, the Federal government of Canada has established a 10-year Infrastructure Grant Program;

WHEREAS, the Province of Ontario would be required to identify *Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act* (AODA) infrastructure projects as a priority;

WHEREAS, AODA legislation requirements would cost the City of Hamilton \$157 million;

WHEREAS, the City of Hamilton is committed to implementing the AODA infrastructure renewal;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

- (a) That the City of Hamilton formally request that the Province of Ontario identify the *Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act* Infrastructure renewal as a priority; thereby, opening discussion for a funding partnership;
- (b) That the City of Hamilton be considered for a pilot project with respect to a funding formula partnership with the Province of Ontario, as it relates to AODA infrastructure renewal projects;
- (c) That the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) be copied with this resolution and be requested to formally endorse this resolution; and,
- (d) ***That staff be directed to report back to the General Issues Committee with an outline of the costs for the exclusions listed in Report PW18064, respecting the Implications of the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act (AODA) Legislation.***

MOTION, AS AMENDED, CARRIED

3. Guide to Finding Housing in Hamilton for People with Disabilities (HSC18046) (City Wide) (Item 8.1)

(Ferguson/Green)

- (a) That the Guide to Finding Housing in Hamilton for People with Disabilities attached as Appendix "A" to Report HSC18046, be approved; and,
- (b) That the item respecting "A Guide to Finding Housing for Persons with Disabilities in the City of Hamilton" be removed from the Outstanding Business Item List.

CARRIED

FOR INFORMATION:

(a) CHANGES TO THE AGENDA (Item 1)

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

(Pearson/Green)

That the agenda for the September 11, 2018 Special General Issues Committee meeting be approved, as presented.

CARRIED

(b) DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (Item 2)

There were no declarations of interest.

(c) STAFF PRESENTATIONS (Item 7)

(i) Implications of Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act (AODA) Legislation (PW18064) (City Wide) (Item 7.1)

(VanderBeek/Pearson)

That the presentation respecting Report PW18064, Implications of Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act (AODA) Legislation, be received.

CARRIED

(d) MOTIONS (Item 9)

(i) Request for a Pilot Project for a Funding Formula Partnership with Province of Ontario, as it Relates to AODA Infrastructure Renewal Projects (Item 9.1)

(Green/Anderson)

That the Motion respecting, a request for a pilot project for a funding formula partnership with Province of Ontario, as it Relates to AODA Infrastructure Renewal Projects, be amended by adding a sub-section (d) to read as follows:

(d) *staff be directed to report back to the General Issues Committee with an outline of the costs for the exclusions listed in Report PW18064, respecting the Implications of the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act (AODA) Legislation.*

MOTION, AS AMENDED, CARRIED

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

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

(Pearson/Farr)

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

(1) Items to be removed:

- (aa) Implications of *Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act* (AODA) Legislation (Addressed on today's agenda as Item 7.1 – Report PW18064)

CARRIED

(f) ADJOURNMENT (Item 13)

(Anderson/Collins)

That there being no further business, the Special General Issues Committee be adjourned at 10:44 a.m.

CARRIED

Respectfully submitted,

T. Whitehead, Deputy Mayor
Chair, General Issues Committee

Stephanie Paparella
Legislative Coordinator
Office of the City Clerk