



# **GENERAL ISSUES COMMITTEE (2020 OPERATING BUDGET) MINUTES 20-002(h)**

9:30 a.m.

Monday, February 10, 2020

Council Chambers

Hamilton City Hall

71 Main Street West

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**Present:** Mayor F. Eisenberger, Deputy Mayor J. P. Danko (Chair)  
Councillors M. Wilson, N. Nann, J. Farr, S. Merulla, C. Collins,  
T. Jackson, E. Pauls, B. Clark, M. Pearson, B. Johnson,  
L. Ferguson, A. VanderBeek, J. Partridge

**Absent:** Councillor T. Whitehead – Personal

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## **THE FOLLOWING ITEMS WERE REFERRED TO COUNCIL FOR INFORMATION:**

### **(a) APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA (Item 1)**

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

#### **1. CORRESPONDENCE**

- 4.1 Correspondence from Kevin MacDonald respecting Sidewalk Snow Removal

#### **2. DELEGATION REQUESTS**

The following Delegation Requests have been withdrawn from today's agenda:

- 5.8 Craig Burley, Barrister and Solicitor, respecting Report PW19022(a) - Sidewalk Snow Removal
- 5.11 Paula Kilburn respecting Report PW19022(a) - Sidewalk Snow Removal
- 5.27 Janice Folk-Dawson, Ontario Federation of Labour, respecting Student Living Wage

- 5.28 Bobby Barnett, City of Hamilton, respecting Living Wage for Students Employed with the City of Hamilton

Added Delegations Requests:

- 5.14 Kojo Dampitey, Hamilton Centre for Civic Inclusion, respecting the 2020 Operating Budget
- 5.15 Leo Dragtoe, Disability Justice Network of Ontario, respecting Sidewalk Snow Removal
- 5.16 Arthur Gallant, respecting Sidewalk Snow Removal
- 5.17 Cameron Kroetsch, respecting Report PW19022(a) – Sidewalk Snow Removal
- 5.18 Violetta Nikolskaya, YWCA, respecting the 2020-02-10 GIC Budget meeting, pertaining the need for a GBA+ (gender-based analysis plus) analysis on the City of Hamilton's budget priorities and process, and inclusive open governance practices.
- 5.19 Shelbi De Sliva, Moms Hamilton Speaking to council on behalf of Moms in the city who are negatively impacted by the lack of snow removal that happens on major pedestrian sidewalks in Hamilton after a heavy snow fall. I have a large community of moms who have expressed frustrations and experienced injury due to residential and commercial properties not following current snow removal by law. We believe more has to be done by the city to ensure snow is removed in a timely manner in the best interest of all citizens.
- 5.20 Mike Wood, ACORN, respecting the 2020 Operating Budget
- 5.21 Alex Murphy, Beasley Neighbourhood Association, respecting Sidewalk Snow Removal
- 5.22 Ian Borsuk, Environment Hamilton, respecting the 2020 Operating Budget
- 5.23 Jason Beharriell, respecting Sidewalk Snow Removal
- 5.24 Michelle Xu, Disability Justice Network of Ontario, respecting Snow Removal
- 5.25 Barry Conway, CUPE 5167, respecting Living Wage

- 5.26 Margie Goold, Disability Justice Network of Ontario
- 5.27 Janice Folk-Dawson, Ontario Federation of Labour, respecting Student Living Wage
- 5.28 Bobby Barnett, City of Hamilton, respecting Living Wage for Students Employed with the City of Hamilton
- 5.29 Terri Wallis, Disability Justice Network of Ontario, respecting Snow Removal
- 5.30 Tania Kerr, ETFO, respecting Living Wage for Students
- 5.31 James Watson, CUPE 3906, respecting Student Living Wage
- 5.32 Miriam Sager, respecting the Climate Emergency
- 5.33 Geraldine McMullen, respecting Sidewalk Snow Removal

**(Eisenberger/Pearson)**

That the agenda for the February 10, 2020 General Issues Committee (Budget) meeting be approved, as amended.

**Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 11 to 0, as follows:**

YES – Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson  
YES – Ward 2 Councillor Jason Farr  
YES – Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann  
YES – Ward 4 Councillor Sam Merulla  
NOT PRESENT – Ward 5 Councillor Chad Collins  
NOT PRESENT – Ward 6 Councillor Tom Jackson  
NOT PRESENT – Ward 7 Councillor Esther Pauls  
YES – Deputy Mayor – Ward 8 Councillor John-Paul Danko  
YES – Mayor Fred Eisenberger  
YES – Ward 15 Councillor Judi Partridge  
NOT PRESENT – Ward 14 Councillor Terry Whitehead  
NOT PRESENT – Ward 13 Councillor Arlene VanderBeek  
YES – Ward 12 Councillor Lloyd Ferguson  
YES – Ward 11 Councillor Brenda Johnson  
YES – Ward 10 Councillor Maria Pearson  
YES – Ward 9 Councillor Brad Clark

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

There were no declarations of interest.

**(c) COMMUNICATIONS (Item 4)**

**(i) Correspondence from Kevin MacDonald respecting Sidewalk Snow Removal (Item 4.1)**

**(Farr/Wilson)**

That the correspondence from Kevin MacDonald respecting Sidewalk Snow Removal, be received.

**CARRIED**

**(d) DELEGATION REQUESTS (Item 5)**

**(Partridge/VanderBeek)**

That the following Delegation Requests be approved, as follows:

- (i) Ryan Tse, AVP Municipal Affairs, McMaster Students Union, respecting the 2020 Operating Budget (Item 5.1)
- (ii) Gabriella Christopher in Support of Cycling Related Initiatives and Developments in Hamilton (Item 5.2)
- (iii) Jennifer Vermeer, S.V.N. Stop Violence Now, respecting the Need for More Police Liaison Officers to Assist with Rising School Violence (Item 5.3)
- (iv) Nicole Smith, Kumon Hamilton West, respecting the Need for all Budget Items and Council Decisions to be Considered through a Climate Change Lens (Item 5.4)
- (v) Karl Andrus respecting Report PW19022(a) - Sidewalk Snow Removal (Item 5.5)
- (vi) Sarah Jama, Disability Justice Network of Ontario, respecting Report PW19022(a) - Sidewalk Snow Removal (Item 5.6)
- (vii) Tajseem Hussain, Hamilton Centre for Civic Inclusion, respecting Report PW19022(a) - Sidewalk Snow Removal (Item 5.7)
- (viii) Stewart Klazinga, respecting Report PW19022(a) - Sidewalk Snow Removal (Item 5.9)

- (ix) Thomas Manzuk, respecting Report PW19022(a) - Sidewalk Snow Removal (Item 5.10)
- (x) James Kemp, respecting Report PW19022(a) - Sidewalk Snow Removal (Item 5.12)
- (xi) Anthony Marco, Hamilton and District Labour Council, respecting the Living Wage Report for City Employees (Item 5.13)
- (xii) Kojo Dampsey, Hamilton Centre for Civic Inclusion, respecting the 2020 Operating Budget (Item 5.14)
- (xiii) Leo Dragtoe, Disability Justice Network of Ontario, respecting Sidewalk Snow Removal (Item 5.15)
- (xiv) Arthur Gallant, respecting Sidewalk Snow Removal (Item 5.16)
- (xv) Cameron Kroetsch, respecting Report PW19022(a) – Sidewalk Snow Removal (Item 5.17)
- (xvi) Violetta Nikolskaya, YWCA, respecting the 2020-02-10 GIC Budget meeting, pertaining the need for a GBA+ (gender-based analysis plus) analysis on the City of Hamilton's budget priorities and process, and inclusive open governance practices (Item 5.18)
- (xvii) Shelbi De Sliva, Moms Hamilton Speaking to council on behalf of Moms in the city who are negatively impacted by the lack of snow removal that happens on major pedestrian sidewalks in Hamilton after a heavy snow fall. I have a large community of moms who have expressed frustrations and experienced injury due to residential and commercial properties not following current snow removal by law. We believe more has to be done by the city to ensure snow is removed in a timely manner in the best interest of all citizens (Item 5.19)
- (xviii) Mike Wood, ACORN, respecting the 2020 Operating Budget (Item 5.20)
- (xix) Alex Murphy, Beasley Neighbourhood Association, respecting Sidewalk Snow Removal (Item 5.21)
- (xx) Ian Borsuk, Environment Hamilton, respecting the 2020 Operating Budget (Item 5.22)
- (xxi) Jason Beharriell, respecting Sidewalk Snow Removal (Item 5.23)
- (xxii) Michelle Xu, Disability Justice Network of Ontario, respecting Snow Removal (Item 5.24)

- (xxiii) Barry Conway, CUPE 5167, respecting Living Wage (Item 5.25)
- (xxiv) Margie Goold, Disability Justice Network of Ontario (Item 5.26)
- (xxv) Janice Folk-Dawson, Ontario Federation of Labour, respecting Student Living Wage (Item 5.27)
- (xxvi) Bobby Barnett, City of Hamilton, respecting Living Wage for Students Employed with the City of Hamilton (Item 5.28)
- (xxvii) Terri Wallis, Disability Justice Network of Ontario, respecting Snow Removal (Item 5.29)
- (xxviii) Tania Kerr, ETFO, respecting Living Wage for Students (Item 5.30)
- (xxix) James Watson, CUPE 3906, respecting Student Living Wage (Item 5.31)
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**(d) DELEGATIONS (Item 6)**

**(Partridge/Nann)**

That the presentations from the following delegates, be received:

- (i) Ryan Tse, AVP Municipal Affairs, McMaster Students Union, respecting the 2020 Operating Budget (Item 6.1)
- (ii) Gabriella Christopher in Support of Cycling Related Initiatives and Developments in Hamilton (Item 6.2)
- (iii) Jennifer Vermeer, S.V.N. Stop Violence Now, respecting the Need for More Police Liaison Officers to Assist with Rising School Violence (Item 6.3)
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**CARRIED**

**(e) ADJOURNMENT (Item 9)**

**(Pearson/Pauls)**

That, there being no further business, the General Issues Committee (Budget),  
be adjourned at 6:39 p.m.

**CARRIED**

Respectfully submitted,

Deputy Mayor J. P. Danko  
Chair, General Issues Committee

Stephanie Paparella  
Legislative Coordinator  
Office of the City Clerk