

CLEANLINESS & SECURITY IN THE DOWNTOWN CORE TASK FORCE MINUTES 19-002

Tuesday, October 29, 2019 1:00 p.m. Rooms 192 & 193, Hamilton City Hall 71 Main Street West

Present: Councillor J. Farr (Chair)

S. Braithwaite (Vice-Chair), International Village BIA

K. Jarvi, Downtown BIA

C. Topp, James Street South Business District

S. Laurie, Community Representative A. Stajrer, Community Representative S. Sutherland, Community Representative

Absent

With Regrets: Councillor N. Nann – Personal

T. Potocic, James Street North Business Merchants

P. Trainor, Community Representative

Also Present: Sgt. M. Fletcher, Division 10 Crime Manager

K. Barnett, Manager, Service Delivery, Licensing & By-Law Services J. McCormick, Manager, Waste Collections, Environmental Services

FOR INFORMATION:

(a) APPROVAL OF AGENDA (Item 1)

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

Items 10.4 and 10.5 were moved up on the agenda to be considered immediately following Item 4.1 to accommodate staff schedules:

10. DISCUSSION ITEMS (Item 10)

10.4 Cigarette Litter Enforcement Update

10.5 Graffiti Updates (Item 10.5)

(Topp/Braithwaite)

That the agenda for the October 29, 2019 meeting of the Cleanliness & Security in the Downtown Core Task Force be approved, as amended.

CARRIED

(b) DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (Item 3)

There were no declarations of interest.

(c) APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING (Item 4)

(i) May 30, 2019 (Item 4.1)

(Sutherland/Jarvi)

That the Minutes of the May 30, 2019 meeting of the Cleanliness & Security in the Downtown Core Task Force be approved, as presented.

CARRIED

(e) DISCUSSION ITEMS (Item 10)

(i) Cigarette Litter Enforcement Update (Item 10.4)

Kelly Barnett, Manager, Service Delivery, Licensing & By-Law Services, and addressed the Committee respecting a Cigarette Litter Enforcement Update.

The City of Hamilton launched a cigarette litter prevention program to remind smokers that cigarette butts should be disposed of safely in an ashtray or receptacle, and never on the ground. Many of the garbage containers in Hamilton's downtown core have been wrapped in a new design to encourage smokers to butt out in the best place.

(Laurie/Braithwaite)

That the verbal update, respecting Cigarette Litter Enforcement, be received.

CARRIED

(ii) Graffiti Updates (Item 10.5)

Kelly Barnett, Manager, Service Delivery, Licensing & By-Law Services, addressed the Committee respecting Graffiti Updates.

Two new co-op students were hired under the Municipal Law Enforcement Division for proactive graffiti enforcement, victim assurance, victim education, and community engagement. The City of Hamilton also launched its first legal wall for street art on September 21, 2019 at Woodlands Park (501 Barton Street East).

(Laurie/Sutherland)

That the verbal update, respecting Graffiti Updates, be received.

CARRIED

(iii) Hamilton's Truck Route Network in the Downtown Core (Item 10.1)

S. Laurie advised that the amount of truck traffic traversing the downtown core along Cannon Street is excessive. The Truck Route Master Plan was then discussed.

(Sutherland/Jarvi)

That the discussion, respecting Hamilton's Truck Route Network in the Downtown Core, be received.

CARRIED

(iv) Abandoned Garbage and Illegal Dumping (Item 10.2)

Joel McCormick, Manager, Waste Collections, addressed the Committee respecting Abandoned Garbage and Illegal Dumping.

(Braithwaite/Laurie)

That the verbal update, respecting Abandoned Garbage and Illegal Dumping, be received.

CARRIED

(v) Fake Film Scout Scam (Item 10.3)

Kim Adrovez, Senior Project Manager of Film, addressed the Committee respecting a Fake Film Scout Scam.

(Laurie/Jarvi)

That the verbal update, respecting a Fake Film Scout Scam, be received.

CARRIED

(f) GENERAL INFORMATION/OTHER BUSINESS (Item 13)

(i) Ferguson Station, Hamilton (Added Item 13.1)

S. Braithwaite reported that Ferguson Station, Hamilton, is experiencing an increase in drug-related activities. The Committee discussed various options to mitigate this issue, including, but not limited to, a third party vendor assuming management of the space and better promotion of the location as an event space.

(Jarvi/Laurie)

That the discussion, respecting Ferguson Station, Hamilton, be received.

CARRIED

(g) ADJOURNMENT (Item 15)

(Laurie/Sutherland)

That there being no further business, the Cleanliness & Security in the Downtown Core Task Force be adjourned at 2:03 p.m.

CARRIED

Respectfully submitted,

Councillor J. Farr Chair, Cleanliness & Security in the Downtown Core Task Force

Alicia Davenport Legislative Coordinator Office of the City Clerk