



**GENERAL ISSUES COMMITTEE  
(TAX CAPITAL BUDGET)  
MINUTES 20-021(a)**

9:30 a.m.

Thursday, December 3, 2020

Due to COVID-19 and the Closure of City Hall, this meeting was held virtually.

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

**Absent:** Councillors T. Whitehead, S. Merulla – Personal

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**THE FOLLOWING ITEMS WERE REFERRED TO COUNCIL FOR CONSIDERATION:**

**1. 2021 Tax Supported Capital Budget (FCS20101) (City Wide) (Item 6.1)**

**(Eisenberger/Partridge)**

That the 2021 Tax Supported Capital Levy in the amount of \$127,365,000 be approved, inclusive of:

- (i) a net levy increase of \$1,654,000 (0.18%) in 2021 for associated debt financing for the Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program – Public Transit Stream that was previously approved; and,
- (ii) a net levy increase of \$2,000,000 (0.22%) in 2021 to fund an increase in the recovery of exemptions of tax services provided through the City's Development Charge exemption programs;

**Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 13 to 0, as follows:**

Yes	-	Mayor Fred Eisenberger
Yes	-	Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 2 Councillor Jason Farr
Yes	-	Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
Absent	-	Ward 4 Councillor Sam Merulla
Yes	-	Ward 5 Councillor Chad Collins
Yes	-	Ward 6 Councillor Tom Jackson
Yes	-	Ward 7 Councillor Esther Pauls
Yes	-	Ward 8 Councillor J. P. Danko

Yes	-	Ward 9	Councillor Brad Clark, Deputy Mayor
Yes	-	Ward 10	Councillor Maria Pearson
Absent	-	Ward 11	Councillor Brenda Johnson
Yes	-	Ward 12	Councillor Lloyd Ferguson
Yes	-	Ward 13	Councillor Arlene VanderBeek
Absent	-	Ward 14	Councillor Terry Whitehead
Yes	-	Ward 15	Councillor Judi Partridge

**2. 2021 Tax Supported Capital Budget Update (FCS20101(a)) (City Wide) (Item 6.1(a))**

**(Pearson/VanderBeek)**

That Report FCS20101(a), respecting the 2021 Tax Supported Capital Budget Update, be received.

**Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 13 to 0, as follows:**

Yes	-	Mayor Fred Eisenberger
Yes	-	Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 2 Councillor Jason Farr
Yes	-	Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
Absent	-	Ward 4 Councillor Sam Merulla
Yes	-	Ward 5 Councillor Chad Collins
Yes	-	Ward 6 Councillor Tom Jackson
Yes	-	Ward 7 Councillor Esther Pauls
Yes	-	Ward 8 Councillor J. P. Danko
Yes	-	Ward 9 Councillor Brad Clark, Deputy Mayor
Yes	-	Ward 10 Councillor Maria Pearson
Absent	-	Ward 11 Councillor Brenda Johnson
Yes	-	Ward 12 Councillor Lloyd Ferguson
Yes	-	Ward 13 Councillor Arlene VanderBeek
Absent	-	Ward 14 Councillor Terry Whitehead
Yes	-	Ward 15 Councillor Judi Partridge

**FOR INFORMATION:**

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

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

**7. DISCUSSION ITEMS**

7.1 2021 Tax Supported Capital Budget (FCS20101) (City Wide)

A presentation has been added to accompany this report; therefore, this matter has been moved to Item 6.1(a).

Staff has provided an Information Report that provides the additional information requested at the last Tax Capital Budget meeting, which has been added as Item 6.1(a)

6.1(a) 2021 Tax Supported Capital Budget Update (FCS20101(a))  
(City Wide)

**(Johnson/VanderBeek)**

That the agenda for the December 3, 2020 General Issues Committee (Tax Capital Budget) meeting be approved, as amended.

**Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 14 to 0, as follows:**

Yes	-	Mayor Fred Eisenberger
Yes	-	Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 2 Councillor Jason Farr
Yes	-	Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
Absent	-	Ward 4 Councillor Sam Merulla
Yes	-	Ward 5 Councillor Chad Collins
Yes	-	Ward 6 Councillor Tom Jackson
Yes	-	Ward 7 Councillor Esther Pauls
Yes	-	Ward 8 Councillor J. P. Danko
Yes	-	Ward 9 Councillor Brad Clark, Deputy Mayor
Yes	-	Ward 10 Councillor Maria Pearson
Yes	-	Ward 11 Councillor Brenda Johnson
Yes	-	Ward 12 Councillor Lloyd Ferguson
Yes	-	Ward 13 Councillor Arlene VanderBeek
Absent	-	Ward 14 Councillor Terry Whitehead
Yes	-	Ward 15 Councillor Judi Partridge

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

- (i) Councillor E. Pauls declared an interest to Item 7.1 – Hamilton Police Service’s Projected Capital Expenditures: 2021-2030 (PSB 20-099) (PSB 15-002, PSB 15-002a, PSB 15-002x, PSB 16-113, PSB 17-122, PSB 18-108, PSB 19-103), as her son works for the Hamilton Police Service.
- (ii) Councillor C. Collins provided a transparency disclosure to Item 7.1 – Hamilton Police Service’s Projected Capital Expenditures: 2021-2030 (PSB 20-099) (PSB 15-002, PSB 15-002a, PSB 15-002x, PSB 16-113, PSB 17-122, PSB 18-108, PSB 19-103), as his sister works for the Hamilton Police Service.

**(c) APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS (Item 3)**

**(Collins/Pearson)**

That the following minutes of the General Issues Committee (Budget) be approved, as presented:

- (i) October 29, 2020 (Item 3.1)
- (ii) November 23, 2020 (Item 3.2)
- (iii) November 27, 2020 (Item 3.3)

**Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 13 to 0, as follows:**

Yes	-	Mayor Fred Eisenberger
Yes	-	Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 2 Councillor Jason Farr
Yes	-	Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
Absent	-	Ward 4 Councillor Sam Merulla
Yes	-	Ward 5 Councillor Chad Collins
Yes	-	Ward 6 Councillor Tom Jackson
Yes	-	Ward 7 Councillor Esther Pauls
Yes	-	Ward 8 Councillor J. P. Danko
Yes	-	Ward 9 Councillor Brad Clark, Deputy Mayor
Yes	-	Ward 10 Councillor Maria Pearson
Absent	-	Ward 11 Councillor Brenda Johnson
Yes	-	Ward 12 Councillor Lloyd Ferguson
Yes	-	Ward 13 Councillor Arlene VanderBeek
Absent	-	Ward 14 Councillor Terry Whitehead
Yes	-	Ward 15 Councillor Judi Partridge

**(d) STAFF PRESENTATIONS (Item 6)**

**(i) 2021 Tax Supported Capital Budget (FCS20101) (City Wide) (Item 6.1)**

Mike Zegarac, General Manager of Finance & Corporate Services provided a PowerPoint presentation respecting Report FCS20101 - 2021 Tax Supported Capital Budget.

**(Pearson/Collins)**

That the presentation respecting Report FCS20101 - 2021 Tax Supported Capital Budget, be received.

**Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 12 to 0, as follows:**

Yes	-	Mayor Fred Eisenberger
Yes	-	Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson

Yes	-	Ward 2	Councillor Jason Farr
Yes	-	Ward 3	Councillor Nrinder Nann
Absent	-	Ward 4	Councillor Sam Merulla
Yes	-	Ward 5	Councillor Chad Collins
Yes	-	Ward 6	Councillor Tom Jackson
Yes	-	Ward 7	Councillor Esther Pauls
Absent	-	Ward 8	Councillor J. P. Danko
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Absent	-	Ward 11	Councillor Brenda Johnson
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Yes	-	Ward 15	Councillor Judi Partridge

**(Eisenberger/Ferguson)**

That the sub-sections (b) through (i) of Report FCS20101, respecting the 2021 Tax Supported Capital Budget, be DEFERRED to the December 18, 2020 General Issues Committee (Tax Capital Budget) meeting.

**Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 14 to 0, as follows:**

Yes	-	Mayor Fred Eisenberger
Yes	-	Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 2 Councillor Jason Farr
Yes	-	Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
Absent	-	Ward 4 Councillor Sam Merulla
Yes	-	Ward 5 Councillor Chad Collins
Yes	-	Ward 6 Councillor Tom Jackson
Yes	-	Ward 7 Councillor Esther Pauls
Yes	-	Ward 8 Councillor J. P. Danko
Yes	-	Ward 9 Councillor Brad Clark, Deputy Mayor
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Yes	-	Ward 11 Councillor Brenda Johnson
Yes	-	Ward 12 Councillor Lloyd Ferguson
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Absent	-	Ward 14 Councillor Terry Whitehead
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For further disposition of this matter, please refer to Item 1.

**(e) DISCUSSION ITEMS (Item 7)**

- (i) Hamilton Police Services Board Capital Expenditures: 2021-2030 (PSB 20-099) (PSB 15-002, PSB 15-002a, PSB 15-002x, PSB 16-113, PSB 17-122, PSB 18-108, PSB 19-103) (Item 7.2)**

**(Collins/Eisenberger)**

That the Hamilton Police Services Board Capital Expenditures: 2021-2030 (PSB 20-099) (PSB 15-002, PSB 15-002a, PSB 15-002x, PSB 16-113, PSB 17-122, PSB 18-108, PSB 19-103), be DEFERRED to the December 18, 2020 General Issues Committee (Tax Capital Budget) meeting.

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Absent	-	Ward 4 Councillor Sam Merulla
Yes	-	Ward 5 Councillor Chad Collins
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Conflict	-	Ward 7 Councillor Esther Pauls
Yes	-	Ward 8 Councillor J. P. Danko
Yes	-	Ward 9 Councillor Brad Clark, Deputy Mayor
Yes	-	Ward 10 Councillor Maria Pearson
Yes	-	Ward 11 Councillor Brenda Johnson
Yes	-	Ward 12 Councillor Lloyd Ferguson
Yes	-	Ward 13 Councillor Arlene VanderBeek
Absent	-	Ward 14 Councillor Terry Whitehead
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**(f) ADJOURNMENT (Item 14)**

**(Ferguson/Pearson)**

That there being no further business, the General Issues Committee be adjourned at 11:31 a.m.

**Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 14 to 0, as follows:**

Yes	-	Mayor Fred Eisenberger
Yes	-	Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 2 Councillor Jason Farr
Yes	-	Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
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Respectfully submitted,

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Deputy Mayor Brad Clark  
Chair, General Issues Committee

Stephanie Paparella  
Legislative Coordinator,  
Office of the City Clerk