



## GENERAL ISSUES COMMITTEE MINUTES 21-001

9:30 a.m.

Wednesday, January 13, 2021

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, S. Merulla, C. Collins,  
T. Jackson, E. Pauls, J.P. Danko, M. Pearson, B. Johnson,  
L. Ferguson, A. VanderBeek

**Absent:** Councillors J. Partridge and T. Whitehead – Personal

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

1. **Provincial Grant to Enhance Winterfest 2021 (PED21014) (City Wide) (Item 6.1)**

**(Pearson/Johnson)**

That Report PED21014, respecting the Provincial Grant to Enhance Winterfest 2021, be received.

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

**2. Downtown Dundas Business Improvement Area (BIA) Revised Board of Management (PED21017) (Ward 13) (Item 6.2)**

**(Farr/Ferguson)**

That the following individual be appointed to the Downtown Dundas Business Improvement Area (BIA) Board of Management:

- (i) Kim Adams

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

**3. Ottawa Street Business Improvement Area (BIA) Proposed Budget and Schedule of Payments for 2021 (PED21007) (Wards 3 and 4) (Item 6.3)**

**(Farr/Ferguson)**

- (a) That the 2021 Operating Budget for the Ottawa Street Business Improvement Area (BIA), attached as Appendix "A" to Report PED21007, in the amount of \$189,250, be approved;
- (b) That the levy portion of the Operating Budget for the Ottawa Street Business Improvement Area in the amount of \$133 K, be approved;
- (c) That the General Manager of the Finance and Corporate Services Department be authorized and directed to prepare the requisite By-law, pursuant to Section 208, *Ontario Municipal Act, 2001*, as amended, to levy the 2021 Operating Budget for the Ottawa Street Business Improvement Area; and,

- (d) That the following schedule of payments for 2021 Operating Budget for the Ottawa Street Business Improvement Area, be approved:

(i)	January	\$66,500
(ii)	June	\$66,500

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

**4. Barton Village Business Improvement Area (BIA) Proposed Budget and Schedule of Payments for 2021 (PED21004) (Ward 3) (Item 6.4)**

**(Farr/Ferguson)**

- (a) That the 2021 Operating Budget for the Barton Village Business Improvement Area (BIA), attached as Appendix "A" to Report PED21004, in the amount of \$149,978, be approved;
- (b) That the levy portion of the Operating Budget for the Barton Village Business Improvement Area in the amount of \$70,318, be approved;
- (c) That the General Manager of the Finance and Corporate Services Department be authorized and directed to prepare the requisite By-law, pursuant to Section 208, *Ontario Municipal Act, 2001*, as amended, to levy the 2021 Operating Budget for the Barton Village Business Improvement Area; and,
- (d) That the following schedule of payments for 2021 Operating Budget for the Barton Village Business Improvement Area, be approved:

(i)	January	\$35,159
(ii)	June	\$35,159

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

**5. Concession Street Business Improvement Area (BIA) Proposed Budget and Schedule of Payments for 2021 (PED21005) (Ward 7) (Item 6.5)**

**(Farr/Ferguson)**

- (a) That the 2021 Operating Budget for the Concession Street Business Improvement Area (BIA), attached as Appendix "A" to Report PED21005, in the amount of \$222,770.77, be approved;
- (b) That the levy portion of the Operating Budget for the Concession Street Business Improvement Area in the amount of \$115,499, be approved;
- (c) That the General Manager of the Finance and Corporate Services Department be authorized and directed to prepare the requisite By-law, pursuant to Section 208, *Ontario Municipal Act, 2001*, as amended, to levy the 2021 Operating Budget for the Concession Street Business Improvement Area; and,
- (d) That the following schedule of payments for 2021 Operating Budget for the Concession Street Business Improvement Area, be approved:
  - (i) January \$57,749.50
  - (ii) June \$57,749.50

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

**6. Ancaster Village Business Improvement Area (BIA) Proposed Budget and Schedule of Payments for 2021 (PED21006) (Ward 12) (Item 6.6)**

**(Farr/Ferguson)**

- (a) That the 2021 Operating Budget for the Ancaster Village Business Improvement Area (BIA), attached as Appendix "A" to Report PED21006, in the amount of \$98 K, be approved;
- (b) That the levy portion of the Operating Budget for the Ancaster Village Business Improvement Area in the amount of \$98 K, be approved;
- (c) That the General Manager of the Finance and Corporate Services Department be authorized and directed to prepare the requisite By-law, pursuant to Section 208, *Ontario Municipal Act, 2001*, as amended, to levy the 2021 Operating Budget for the Ancaster Village Business Improvement Area; and,
- (d) That the following schedule of payments for 2021 Operating Budget for the Ancaster Village Business Improvement Area, be approved:

(i)	January	\$49,000
(ii)	June	\$49,000

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

**7. Stoney Creek Business Improvement Area (BIA) Proposed Budget and Schedule of Payments for 2021 (PED21008) (Ward 5) (Item 6.7)**

**(Farr/Ferguson)**

- (a) That the 2021 Operating Budget for the Stoney Creek Business Improvement Area (BIA), attached as Appendix "A" to Report PED21008, in the amount of \$85,288, be approved;
- (b) That the levy portion of the Operating Budget for the Stoney Creek Business Improvement Area in the amount of \$49 K, be approved;
- (c) That the General Manager of the Finance and Corporate Services Department be authorized and directed to prepare the requisite By-law, pursuant to Section 208, *Ontario Municipal Act, 2001*, as amended, to levy the 2021 Operating Budget for the Stoney Creek Business Improvement Area; and,
- (d) That the following schedule of payments for 2021 Operating Budget for the Stoney Creek Business Improvement Area, be approved:

(i)	January	\$24,500
(ii)	June	\$24,500

**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
Yes	-	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

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

**8. Waterdown Business Improvement Area (BIA) Proposed Budget Schedule of Payments for 2021 (PED21009) (Ward 15) (Item 6.8)**

**(Farr/Ferguson)**

- (a) That the 2021 Operating Budget for the Waterdown Business Improvement Area (BIA), attached as Appendix "A" to Report PED21009, in the amount of \$338,890, be approved;
- (b) That the levy portion of the Operating Budget for the Waterdown Business Improvement Area in the amount of \$250 K, be approved;
- (c) That the General Manager of the Finance and Corporate Services Department be authorized and directed to prepare the requisite By-law, pursuant to Section 208, *Ontario Municipal Act, 2001*, as amended, to levy the 2021 Operating Budget for the Waterdown Business Improvement Area; and,
- (d) That the following schedule of payments for 2021 Operating Budget for the Waterdown Business Improvement Area, be approved:
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| (i)  | January | \$125,000 |
| (ii) | June    | \$125,000 |

**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  
Yes - 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  
Yes - Ward 10 Councillor Maria Pearson  
Yes - Ward 11 Councillor Brenda Johnson, Deputy Mayor  
Yes - Ward 12 Councillor Lloyd Ferguson  
Yes - Ward 13 Councillor Arlene VanderBeek

Absent - Ward 14 Councillor Terry Whitehead  
Absent - Ward 15 Councillor Judi Partridge

**9. Westdale Village Business Improvement Area (BIA) Proposed Budget and Schedule of Payments for 2021 (PED21010) (Ward 1) (Item 6.9)**

**(Farr/Ferguson)**

- (a) That the 2021 Operating Budget for the Westdale Village Business Improvement Area (BIA), attached as Appendix “A” to Report PED21010, in the amount of \$125 K, be approved;
- (b) That the levy portion of the Operating Budget for the Westdale Village Business Improvement Area in the amount of \$125 K, be approved;
- (c) That the General Manager of the Finance and Corporate Services Department be authorized and directed to prepare the requisite By-law, pursuant to Section 208, *Ontario Municipal Act, 2001*, as amended, to levy the 2021 Operating Budget for the Westdale Village Business Improvement Area; and,
- (d) That the following schedule of payments for 2021 Operating Budget for the Westdale Village Business Improvement Area, be approved:
  - (i) January \$62,500
  - (ii) June \$62,500

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

**10. 2020 Annual Report on the 2016-2020 Economic Development Action Plan Progress (PED20203) (City Wide) (Item 8.2)**

**(Jackson/Farr)**

That Report PED20203, respecting the 2020 Annual Report on the 2016-2020 Annual Economic Development Action Plan Progress, be received.

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

Absent	-	Mayor Fred Eisenberger
Yes	-	Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 2 Councillor Jason Farr
Yes	-	Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
Yes	-	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
Absent	-	Ward 15 Councillor Judi Partridge

**11. Hamilton Tax Increment Grant - 493 Dundas Street East, Waterdown (PED21011) (Ward 15) (Item 9.1)**

**(Johnson/Merulla)**

- (a) That a Hamilton Tax Increment Grant Program application submitted by Woolcott Holdings Limited, for the property at 493 Dundas Street East, Waterdown, estimated at \$97,922.46 over a maximum of a five-year period, and based upon the incremental tax increase attributable to the development of 493 Dundas Street East, Waterdown, be authorized and approved in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Hamilton Tax Increment Grant Program;
- (b) That the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized and directed to execute a Grant Agreement together with any ancillary documentation required, to effect to the Hamilton Tax Increment Grant for by Woolcott Holdings Limited, for the property at 493 Dundas Street East, Waterdown, in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor; and,
- (c) That the General Manager of the Planning and Economic Development Department be authorized to approve and execute any Grant Amending

Agreements, together with any ancillary amending documentation, if required, provided that the terms and conditions of the Hamilton Tax Increment Grant Program, as approved by City Council, are maintained.

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

Absent	-	Mayor Fred Eisenberger
Yes	-	Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 2 Councillor Jason Farr
Yes	-	Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
Yes	-	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
Absent	-	Ward 15 Councillor Judi Partridge

**12. Municipal Accommodation Tax (PED20009(a)) (City Wide) (Item 9.2)**

**(Pearson/Ferguson)**

- (a) That Report PED20009(a), regarding the establishment of a Municipal Accommodation Tax in Hamilton, be received; and,
- (b) That staff be directed to report back to the General Issues Committee in late 2021 to provide recommendations related to the implementation of the Municipal Accommodation Tax and the updated Hamilton Tourism Strategy 2021 to 2025.

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

Absent	-	Mayor Fred Eisenberger
Yes	-	Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 2 Councillor Jason Farr
Yes	-	Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
Yes	-	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
Absent	-	Ward 15	Councillor Judi Partridge

**13. Update and Instructions regarding Local Planning Appeal Tribunal Appeals by McMaster University and Mohawk College of Development Charge By-law 19-142 (LS19034(a)) (City Wide) (Item 13.4)**

**(Farr/Danko)**

- (a) That the direction provided to staff in Closed Session, respecting Report LS19034(a), respecting the Update and Instructions regarding Local Planning Appeal Tribunal Appeals by McMaster University and Mohawk College of Development Charge By-law 19-142, be approved; and,
- (b) That Report LS19034(a), respecting the Update and Instructions regarding Local Planning Appeal Tribunal Appeals by McMaster University and Mohawk College of Development Charge By-law 19-142, including Appendices "A" and "B", remain confidential.

**Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 10 to 1, as follows:**

Absent	-	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
No	-	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
Absent	-	Ward 12 Councillor Lloyd Ferguson
Yes	-	Ward 13 Councillor Arlene VanderBeek
Absent	-	Ward 14 Councillor Terry Whitehead
Absent	-	Ward 15 Councillor Judi Partridge

**FOR INFORMATION:**

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

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

**13. PRIVATE & CONFIDENTIAL**

**13.4. Update and Instructions regarding Local Planning Appeal Tribunal Appeals by McMaster University and Mohawk College of Development Charge By-law 19-142 (LS19034(a)) (City Wide)**

Pursuant to Section 8.1, Sub-sections (e) and (f) of the City's Procedural By-law 18-270, as amended, and Section 239(2), Sub-sections (e) and (f) of the *Ontario Municipal Act*, 2001, as amended, as the subject matter pertains to litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the municipality or local board; and, advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose.

**(VanderBeek/Johnson)**

That the agenda for the January 13, 2021 General Issues Committee 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
Yes	-	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
Yes	-	Ward 10 Councillor Maria Pearson
Yes	-	Ward 11 Councillor Brenda Johnson, Deputy Mayor
Yes	-	Ward 12 Councillor Lloyd Ferguson
Yes	-	Ward 13 Councillor Arlene VanderBeek
Absent	-	Ward 14 Councillor Terry Whitehead
Absent	-	Ward 15 Councillor Judi Partridge

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

There were no declarations of interest.

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

**(i) December 9, 2020 and December 14, 2020 (Items 3.1 and 3.2)**

**(Pauls/Eisenberger)**

That the Minutes of the December 9, 2020 and December 14, 2020 General Issues Committee meetings be approved, as presented.

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

**(d) PUBLIC HEARINGS / DELEGATIONS (Item 7)**

**(i) Donna Skelly, MPP, respecting New Programs to Assist Primarily Small Businesses through the Current Provincial COVID-19 Lockdown (Item 7.1)**

MPP Donna Skelly and Adam Oldfield addressed Committee respecting new programs to assist primarily small businesses through the current Provincial COVID-19 Lockdown and provided the website to for the public; [www.reliefwithinreach.ca](http://www.reliefwithinreach.ca).

**(Eisenberger/Farr)**

That MPP Donna Skelly and Adam Oldfield be provided additional time, beyond the permitted 5 minutes, to continue with their presentation.

**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
Yes	-	Ward 4 Councillor Sam Merulla
Yes	-	Ward 5 Councillor Chad Collins
Yes	-	Ward 6 Councillor Tom Jackson
Yes	-	Ward 7 Councillor Esther Pauls
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Yes	-	Ward 9 Councillor Brad Clark
Yes	-	Ward 10 Councillor Maria Pearson
Yes	-	Ward 11 Councillor Brenda Johnson, Deputy Mayor
Yes	-	Ward 12 Councillor Lloyd Ferguson
Yes	-	Ward 13 Councillor Arlene VanderBeek
Absent	-	Ward 14 Councillor Terry Whitehead
Absent	-	Ward 15 Councillor Judi Partridge

**(VanderBeek/Pearson)**

That the presentation provided by MPP Donna Skelly and Adam Oldfield, respecting new programs to assist primarily small businesses through the current Provincial COVID-19 Lockdown, 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
Yes	-	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
Yes	-	Ward 10 Councillor Maria Pearson
Absent	-	Ward 11 Councillor Brenda Johnson, Deputy Mayor
Yes	-	Ward 12 Councillor Lloyd Ferguson
Yes	-	Ward 13 Councillor Arlene VanderBeek
Absent	-	Ward 14 Councillor Terry Whitehead
Absent	-	Ward 15 Councillor Judi Partridge

**(e) STAFF PRESENTATIONS (Item 8)**

**(i) COVID-19 Verbal Update (Item 8.1)**

Paul Johnson, General Manager of the Healthy and Safe Communities Department, provided Committee with a verbal update respecting COVID-19.

**(Pearson/Pauls)**

That the verbal update, respecting COVID-19, be received.

**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
Yes	-	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
Absent	-	Ward 15 Councillor Judi Partridge

**(Ferguson/VanderBeek)**

That the General Issues Committee recess for one-half hour to 12:55 p.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
Yes	-	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
Absent	-	Ward 15	Councillor Judi Partridge

**(ii) 2020 Annual Report on the 2016-2020 Economic Development Action Plan Progress (PED20203) (City Wide) (Item 8.2)**

**(Pearson/Jackson)**

That the presentation, respecting Report PED20203 - 2020 Annual Report on the 2016-2020 Annual Economic Development Action Plan Progress, be received.

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

Absent	-	Mayor Fred Eisenberger
Yes	-	Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 2 Councillor Jason Farr
Yes	-	Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
Yes	-	Ward 4 Councillor Sam Merulla
Yes	-	Ward 5 Councillor Chad Collins
Yes	-	Ward 6 Councillor Tom Jackson
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Yes	-	Ward 13 Councillor Arlene VanderBeek
Yes	-	Ward 14 Councillor Terry Whitehead
Absent	-	Ward 15 Councillor Judi Partridge

For disposition of this matter, please refer to Item 10.

**(f) GENERAL INFORMATION/OTHER BUSINESS (Item 12)**

**(a) Amendments to the Outstanding Business List (Item 12.1)**

**(Pearson/Farr)**

That the amendments to the General Issues Committee's Outstanding Business List be approved, as follows:

12.1.a. Items to be Removed:

- 12.1.a.a. Annual Report on the 2016-2020 Economic Development Action Plan  
(Addressed as Item 8.2 on this agenda - Report PED20203)
- 12.1.a.b. Recommendations to Ensure Tenants Living in Rental Properties are included on the Municipal Elections Voters' List  
(Addressed at the December 9, 2020 GIC as Item 9.7 - Report FCS20081)
- 12.1.a.c. Status Update respecting the Implementation of the Equity, Diversity and Inclusion Process  
(Addressed at the December 9, 2020 GIC as Item 8.3 - Report HUR19019(a))
- 12.1.a.d. Establishing a Gender and Equity Lens  
(Addressed at the December 9, 2020 GIC as Item 8.3 - Report HUR19019(a))
- 12.1.a.e. Implementation and Resources Required regarding the Corporate Goals and Areas of Focus for Climate Mitigation and Adaptation  
(Addressed at the November 4, 2020 GIC as Item 8.2 - Report CMO19008(a) / HSC19037(a))
- 12.1.a.f. Municipal Accommodation Tax (Addressed as Item 9.2 on this agenda - Report PED20009(a))
- 12.1.a.g. Report of the Mayor's Task Force on Economic Recovery (Addressed at the December 9, 2020 GIC as Item 8.1)

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

- Absent - Mayor Fred Eisenberger
- Yes - Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
- Yes - Ward 2 Councillor Jason Farr
- Yes - Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
- Yes - Ward 4 Councillor Sam Merulla
- Yes - Ward 5 Councillor Chad Collins
- Yes - Ward 6 Councillor Tom Jackson
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- 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  
Absent - Ward 15 Councillor Judi Partridge

**(g) PRIVATE & CONFIDENTIAL (Item 13)**

**(i) Closed Session Minutes – November 30, 2020; December 9, 2020 and December 14, 2020 (Items 13.1, 13.2 and 13.3)**

**(Pearson/Farr)**

- (a) That the Closed Session Minutes of the November 30, 2020; December 9, 2020 and December 14, 2020 General Issues Committee meetings, be approved, as presented; and,
- (b) That the Closed Session Minutes of the November 30, 2020; December 9, 2020 and December 14, 2020 General Issues Committee meetings remain confidential.

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

Absent - Mayor Fred Eisenberger  
Yes - Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson  
Yes - Ward 2 Councillor Jason Farr  
Yes - Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann  
Yes - Ward 4 Councillor Sam Merulla  
Yes - Ward 5 Councillor Chad Collins  
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Yes - Ward 13 Councillor Arlene VanderBeek  
Absent - Ward 14 Councillor Terry Whitehead  
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**(Pauls/Ferguson)**

That Committee move into Closed Session respecting Item 13.4, pursuant to Section 8.1, Sub-sections (e) and (f) of the City's Procedural By-law 18-270, as amended, and Section 239(2), Sub-sections (e) and (f) of the *Ontario Municipal Act, 2001*, as amended, as the subject matter pertains to litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the

municipality or local board; and, advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose.

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

Absent	-	Mayor Fred Eisenberger
Yes	-	Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 2 Councillor Jason Farr
Yes	-	Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
Yes	-	Ward 4 Councillor Sam Merulla
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Yes	-	Ward 12 Councillor Lloyd Ferguson
Yes	-	Ward 13 Councillor Arlene VanderBeek
Absent	-	Ward 14 Councillor Terry Whitehead
Absent	-	Ward 15 Councillor Judi Partridge

**(h) ADJOURNMENT (Item 14)**

**(Pearson/Pauls)**

That there being no further business, the General Issues Committee be adjourned at 3:50 p.m.

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

Absent	-	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
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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