



Hamilton

**Housing and Homelessness Advisory Committee
Minutes**

**6pm
Tuesday October 6, 2020**

**Virtual Webex
71 Main Street West, Hamilton**

James O'Brien, Senior Project Manager Housing & Homelessness
905-546-2424 x 3728

Present: Mary-Ellen Crechiola, Alexandra Djagba Oli, Rhonda Mayer,
Leisha Dawson, Michael Power, Julia Verbitsky, Eileen
Campbell, Brian Kreps, Shawn Jamieson, Violetta Nikolskaya,
Lance Dignman, Shaun Jamieson

Absent with Regrets: Sandy Leyland, Cllr Nann, Cllr Wilson, Michael Slusarenko, Tom
Moble, Cllr Collins, Morgan Stanek, Tony Manganiello

Absent:

FOR THE INFORMATION OF COMMITTEE:

1. CHANGES TO THE AGENDA

No changes the agenda

(Mayer/ Crechiola)

CARRIED

**2. Declarations of Interest
None**

3. Approval of Minutes

3.1.1. February 4, 2020, March 2020		
(Djagba Oli /Campbell)	February	CARRIED
(Mayer/ Crechiola)	March	CARRIED

4. Presentations

Encampments and Homelessness - Edward John

The City of Hamilton is working with community partners to engage those in encampments to help them find alternative accommodations.

This work is dependent on individual circumstances and the available options. Outreach workers are engaging those in encampment to educate them about their options to find legal housing. In addition to supporting the individuals there is ongoing engagement regarding the neighbourhood health and safety.

We continue to do individual outreach to help individuals sleeping rough so they are aware of what their options are to find housing.

(Mayer/ Crechiola). Oral Presentation accepted **CARRIED**

Bill 184 - Modernizing Community Housing - Brian Kreps

Changes highlighted in Bill 184.

- Allow providers to voluntarily enter agreements with Service Manager
- Provide framework for agreement, some common expectations (waitlist, oversight, affordability, etc).
- Create clearer rules for exit from agreements
- Negotiated agreement with Service Manager
- Provide framework for agreement, some common expectations
- Service Level Standards will be broadened
- Regulations to broaden the types of housing assistance included in coordinated access
- Require service managers to create asset and income limits

(Campbell/ Crechiola) Presentation accepted **CARRIED**

5. Discussion Items

6. Motions

7. Notice of Motions

8. New Business General Information / Business

Budget will be brought forward at the November meeting

9. ADJOURNMENT

That, there being no further business, the Housing & Homelessness Advisory
Committee adjourn at 8:00

(Power/Dawson)

CARRIED

Next meeting, November 3, 2020

Webex

City Hall – Room 264 – 2nd Floor

Respectfully submitted,
Julia Verbitsky
Chair, Housing and Homeless-
ness Advisory Committee

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