



## GENERAL ISSUES COMMITTEE REPORT 20-012

9:30 a.m.

Wednesday, September 9, 2020

Due to COVID 19 this meeting was Livestreamed only.

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

**Absent:** Councillor T. Whitehead – Other City Business

### THE GENERAL ISSUES COMMITTEE PRESENTS REPORT 20-012, AND RESPECTFULLY RECOMMENDS:

1. **Hamilton Tax Increment Grant - 11 and 15 Cannon Street West (PED20138) (Ward 2) (Item 6.1)**
  - (a) That a Hamilton Tax Increment Grant Program application submitted by Areacor Inc. (Roni Gilyana), for the property at 11 and 15 Cannon Street West, Hamilton, estimated at \$266,867.70 over a maximum of a five-year period, and based upon the incremental tax increase attributable to the development of 11 and 15 Cannon Street West, Hamilton, 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 recommendation (a) of Report PED20138, 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.

**2. Environmental Remediation and Site Enhancement (ERASE) Redevelopment Grant Application, 115 and 121 Vansitmart Avenue, ERG-18-08 (PED20139) (Ward 4) (Item 6.2)**

- (a) That Environmental Remediation and Site Enhancement (ERASE) Redevelopment Grant Application ERG-18-08, submitted by 1349010 Ontario Inc., owner of the properties at 115 and 121 Vansitmart Avenue, for an ERASE Redevelopment Grant not to exceed \$354,828 over a maximum of ten years, be authorized and approved in accordance with the terms and conditions of the ERASE Redevelopment Agreement;
- (b) That the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized and directed to execute the Environmental Remediation and Site Enhancement (ERASE) Redevelopment Agreement together with any ancillary documentation required, to effect Recommendation (a) of Report PED20139, 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 Environmental Remediation and Site Enhancement (ERASE) Redevelopment Grant, as approved by City Council, are maintained.

**3. Ottawa Street Business Improvement Area (BIA) Revised Board of Management (PED20143) (Wards 3 and 4) (Item 6.3)**

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

- (i) Nadia Ishmail

**4. Grant from Parks Canada's National Cost-Sharing Program for Heritage Places for Battle of Stoney Creek National Historic Site of Canada (Battlefield Park) (PED20151) (Ward 5) (Item 6.4)**

That the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to execute all necessary documentation, including a Contribution Agreement for funding up to \$100 K under Parks Canada's National Cost-Sharing Program for Heritage Places, for Battle of Stoney Creek National Historic Site of Canada (Battlefield Park), in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor.

**5. Tim Hortons Field – End Guard Anchor Repair/Replacement (PW20039(c)) (City Wide) (Item 9.6(a))**

That Report PW20039(c), respecting Tim Hortons Field – End Guard Anchor Repair/Replacement, be received.

**6. Grant Increase to an Existing Environmental Remediation and Site Enhancement (ERASE) Redevelopment Grant Approval, 467 Charlton Avenue East, ERG-15-03 (PED16037(a)) (Ward 2) (Item 9.7)**

- (a) That Environmental Remediation and Site Enhancement (ERASE) Redevelopment Grant Application ERG-19-05, submitted by 467 Charlton Avenue Inc., owner of the property at 467 Charlton Avenue East, for an ERASE Redevelopment Grant not to exceed an additional \$1,311,754, for a total maximum grant of \$3,441,154, payable over a maximum of ten years, be authorized and approved in accordance with the terms and conditions of the ERASE Redevelopment Agreement;
- (b) That the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized and directed to execute the Environmental Remediation and Site Enhancement (ERASE) Redevelopment Agreement together with any ancillary documentation required, to effect Recommendation (a) of Report PED16037(a), 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 Environmental Remediation and Site Enhancement (ERASE) Redevelopment Grant, as approved by City Council, are maintained.

**7. Airport Employment Growth District (AEGD) Wastewater Servicing Update and Capacity Allocation Policy (PED20040/PW20055) (City Wide) (Item 9.9)**

- (a) That Planning and Economic Development staff be directed to consult with relevant stakeholders and report back to General Issues Committee on the implementation of the Airport Employment Growth District Wastewater Capacity Allocation Policy, attached as Appendix “A” to Report 20-012, including:
  - (i) The annual solicitation / receipt of wastewater conveyance and treatment capacity allocation requests;
  - (ii) The format / content of the Airport Employment Growth District Wastewater Capacity Agreement;

- (iii) The amount / deposit / payment method of current wastewater capacity allocation Development Charge Fees; and,
  - (iv) Any other implementation issues that may arise.
- (b) That, until such time as Council approves a Wastewater Capacity Allocation Policy for the Airport Employment Growth District, Planning and Economic Development staff be directed to include a standard condition for all development applications and approvals that require wastewater capacity allocation requiring the applicant to receive written confirmation (including an expiry date) from the Senior Director of Growth Management that adequate wastewater capacity exists and has been allocated for the development application, prior to proceeding with detailed engineering design; and,
- (c) That Planning and Economic Development staff be directed to formulate a City-Wide Wastewater Capacity Allocation Policy and report back to General Issues Committee in Q4 2021.

**8. Encampment Update (HSC20038) (City Wide) (Item 9.11)**

That Report HSC20038, respecting the Encampment Update, be received.

**9. Encampment Litigation Update (LS20023(b) (City Wide) (Item 13.2)**

That Report LS20023(b), respecting the Encampment Litigation Update, be REFERRED to the September 16, 2020 Council, pending additional information to be provided from the City Solicitor.

**FOR INFORMATION:**

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

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

**5. ADDED DELEGATION REQUESTS**

5.1 Delegation Requests respecting Defunding of the Hamilton Police Service (for the September 9, 2020 GIC):

5.1.i Danielle Hitchcock-Welsh (Video Submission)

5.1.j Katharine King (Video Submission)

5.1.k Karlie Rogerson (Video Submission)

5.2 Dan Carter, Canadian Hemp Farmers Alliance, respecting Adopting Hemp into the Canadian SDGs (For a future GIC)

## 9. DISCUSSION ITEMS

9.6.a Tim Hortons Field - End Guard Anchor Repair-Replacement (PW20039(c)) (City Wide)

9.11 Encampment Update (HSC20038) (City Wide)

## 12. GENERAL INFORMATION / OTHER BUSINESS

12.1 Amendments to the Outstanding Business List

12.1.a Items to be removed:

12.1.a.a Contractual Update - Alectra (Addressed on July 6, 2020 as Item 1 of GIC Report 20-010 - Report FCS19059(a) / LS19048(a))

12.1.a.b Divesting and Defunding of the Hamilton Police Services (Addressed as Items 9.1 to 9.5 on today's agenda)

## 13. PRIVATE AND CONFIDENTIAL

13.2 Encampment Litigation Update (LS20023(b)) (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.

The agenda for the September 9, 2020 General Issues Committee meeting was approved, as amended.

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

- (i) Councillor E. Pauls declared in interest to Item 9.1, respecting the Hamilton Police Service Budget Process – PSB 20-061, as her son is employed by the Hamilton Police Service.
- (ii) Councillor E. Pauls declared in interest to Item 9.2, respecting the Hamilton Police Service Response regarding the Use of Force Inquiries (“8 Can’t Wait”) – PSB 20-062, as her son is employed by the Hamilton Police Service.
- (iii) Councillor E. Pauls declared in interest to Item 9.3, respecting the Hamilton Police Service Year End Report – Use of Force 2019 – PSB 20-043, as her son is employed by the Hamilton Police Service.
- (iv) Councillor E. Pauls declared in interest to Item 9.4, respecting the Hamilton Police Service Equity, Diversity and Inclusion Plan PSB 20-060, as her son is employed by the Hamilton Police Service.
- (v) Councillor E. Pauls declared in interest to Item 9.5, respecting the Hamilton Police Service Crisis Unit Response, as her son is employed by the Hamilton Police Service.

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

**(i) August 10, 2020 (Item 3.1)**

The minutes of the August 10, 2020 General Issues Committee meeting were approved, as presented.

**(d) COMMUNICATIONS (Item 4)**

**(i) Correspondence respecting Defunding of the Hamilton Police Service (Item 4.1)**

The following Communication Items, respecting Defunding of the Hamilton Police Service, were received:

- 4.1.a Naomi Frederick
- 4.1.b Vilma Rossi

- 4.1.c Razan Samara
- 4.1.d Dawnie Chomitsch

**(e) DELEGATION REQUESTS (Item 5)**

- (a) The following Delegation Requests respecting Defunding of the Hamilton Police Service, were approved to appear before the General Issues Committee on September 9, 2020:

5.1 Delegation Requests respecting Defunding of the Hamilton Police Service (for the September 9, 2020 GIC):

- 5.1.a Kailey Cutillo (Video Submission)
- 5.1.b Joanna Aitcheson (Video Submission)
- 5.1.c Jeanette Eby (Video Submission)
- 5.1.d Ken Stone (Video Submission)
- 5.1.e Imasha Perera (Video Submission)
- 5.1.f Sarah Warry-Poljanski (Video Submission)
- 5.1.g Clair Bodkin (Video Submission)
- 5.1.h Diana Igdoura (Video Submission)
- 5.1.i Danielle Hitchcock-Welsh (Video Submission)
- 5.1.j Katharine King (Video Submission)
- 5.1.k Karlie Rogerson (Video Submission)

- (b) That the following Delegation Request, respecting Adopting Hemp into the Canadian SDGs, be approved to appear at a future General Issues Committee:

5.2 Dan Carter, Canadian Hemp Farmers Alliance, respecting Adopting Hemp into the Canadian SDGs (For a future GIC)

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

The following delegations, respecting Defunding the Hamilton Police Service, were received:

- 7.1.a James Cairns (Video Submission)
- 7.1.b Emily Meilleur-Rivers (Video Submission)
- 7.1.c Maddie Brockbank (Video Submission)
- 7.1.d Jacqueline Cantar (Video Submission)
- 7.1.e Matt Steski (Video Submission)
- 7.1.f Atlas Ditomasso (Video Submission)
- 7.1.g Alex Kerner, Spring Magazine Video Submission
- 7.1.h Brett Klassen (Video Submission)
- 7.1.i Rick Roberts (Video Submission)
- 7.1.j Adrian Underhill (via WebEx)
- 7.1.k Meir Gordskoy (via WebEx), not present when called upon.
- 7.1.l Ashley Letts, Microbac Laboratories (Video Submission)
- 7.1.m Elisabetta Paiano (Video Submission)
- 7.1.n Abedar Kamgari (Video Submission)
- 7.1.o Susanne Nyaga (via WebEx)
- 7.1.p Hiva Nematollahi (Video Submission)
- 7.1.q Laura Howdene (Video Submission)
- 7.1.r Lauren Ecker (Video Submission)
- 7.1.s Shanice Bowrin (Video Submission)
- 7.1.t Hollie Pocsai, White Elephant (Video Submission)
- 7.1.u Marissa Gilmore (Video Submission)

- 7.1.v Mariel Rutherford (Video Submission)
- 7.1.w Kalyla Whitney (Video Submission)
- 7.1.x Emma Barrette (Video Submission)
- 7.1.y Amani Williams (Video Submission)
- 7.1.z Rachel Cuthill (Video Submission)
- 7.1.aa Guiliana Frontini (Video Submission)
- 7.1.ab Eshan Merali (Video Submission)
- 7.1.ac Kinsey Robertson (Video Submission)
- 7.1.ad Lisa Wang (Video Submission)
- 7.1.ae Jessica Clegg and Connor Bennett (Video Submission)
- 7.1.af Hannah MacDonald (Video Submission)
- 7.1.ag Kailey Cutillo (Video Submission)
- 7.1.ah Joanna Aitchenson (via WebEx)
- 7.1.ai Jeanatte Eby (Video Submission)
- 7.1.aj Ken Stone (Video Submission)
- 7.1.ak Imasha Perera (Video Submission)
- 7.1.al Sarah Warry-Poljanski (Video Submission)
- 7.1.am Clair Bodkin (Video Submission) - Unable to play delegate's video submission.
- 7.1.an Dania Igdoura (Video Submission)
- 7.1.ao Danielle Hitchcock-Welsh (Video Submission)
- 7.1.ap Katharine King (Video Submission)
- 7.1.aq Karlie Rogerson (Video Submission)

**(g) DISCUSSION ITEMS (Item 9)**

**(i) Hamilton Police Service Board Reports (Items 9.1 to 9.5)**

In order to have Chief Girt attend to present the Hamilton Police Service Board reports, Items 9.1 to 9.5, respecting the following reports, were DEFERRED to the September 23, 2020 General Issues Committee:

- 9.1 Hamilton Police Service Budget Process PSB 20-061
- 9.2 Hamilton Police Service Response regarding the Use of Force Inquiries (“8 Can’t Wait”) PSB 20-062
- 9.3 Hamilton Police Service Year End Report – Use of Force 2019 PSB 20-043
- 9.4 Hamilton Police Services Equity, Diversity and Inclusion Plan PSB 20-060
- 9.5 Hamilton Police Service Crisis Unit Response

**(ii) Tim Hortons Field – End Guard Anchor Repair/Replacement (PW20039(a)) (City Wide) (Item 9.6)**

Report PW20039(a), respecting Tim Hortons Field – End Guard Anchor Repair/Replacement, was DEFERRED to the September 23, 2020 General Issues Committee meeting, pending additional information to be provided in a report from Legal Services on September 23, 2020.

The following item was considered by Council at the September 10, 2020 Special Council meeting:

**(iii) Federal and Provincial Government Municipal Funding Announcements Update (FCS20071) (City Wide) (Item 9.8)**

- (a) That the General Manager, Finance and Corporate Services, be authorized and directed to execute and submit the funding acknowledgement letter(s) for the Safe Restart Program, including the letter attached as Appendix “A” to Report FCS20071 and any supporting documentation to support the Hamilton funding allocation under the Safe Restart Program; and,
- (b) That staff be directed to prepare, execute and submit any required documentation to support the City of Hamilton funding allocation under the Safe Restart Program.

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**(iv) COVID-19 Update (Verbal) (Item 9.10)**

Paul Johnson, General Manager of the Healthy and Safe Communities Department; and, Dr. Ninh Tran, Associate Medical Officer of Health, provided the verbal update respecting COVID-19.

The verbal update, respecting COVID-19, was received.

**(h) GENERAL INFORMATION / OTHER BUSINESS (Item 11)**

**(i) Amendments to the Outstanding Business List**

That the following amendments to the Outstanding Business List, were approved, **as amended**:

**(a) Items to be removed:**

12.1.a.a Contractual Update – Alectra  
(Addressed on July 6, 2020 as Item 1 of GIC Report  
20-010 – Report FCS19059(a) / LS19048(a))

~~12.1.a.b **Divesting and Defunding of the Hamilton Police Service**~~

**(i) PRIVATE & CONFIDENTIAL (Item 12)**

**(i) Closed Session Minutes – August 10, 2020 (Item 13.1)**

(a) The Closed Session Minutes of the August 10, 2020 General Issues Committee meeting were approved, as amended; and,

(b) That the Closed Session Minutes of the of the August 10, 2020 General Issues Committee meeting shall remain confidential.

Committee move into Closed Session respecting Item 13.2, 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 matters pertain 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.

**(i) ADJOURNMENT (Item 13)**

There being no further business, the General Issues Committee adjourned at 7:19 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Brenda Johnson, Deputy Mayor  
Chair, General Issues Committee

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Stephanie Paparella  
Legislative Coordinator,  
Office of the City Clerk