

GENERAL ISSUES COMMITTEE MINUTES 21-012

9:30 a.m.

Wednesday, June 2, 2021

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

Present: Mayor F. Eisenberger, Deputy Mayor J. Farr (Chair)

Councillors M. Wilson, N. Nann, S. Merulla, C. Collins, T. Jackson,

E. Pauls, J. P. Danko, B. Clark, M. Pearson, B. Johnson,

L. Ferguson, A. VanderBeek, J. Partridge

Absent: Councillor T. Whitehead – Leave of Absence

THE FOLLOWING ITEMS WERE REFERRED TO COUNCIL FOR CONSIDERATION:

1. Ancaster Village Business Improvement Area (BIA) Revised Board of Management (PED21108) (Ward 12) (Item 7.1)

(Ferguson/Eisenberger)

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

(a) Dean Hodge

Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 15 to 0, as follows:

Yes - Mayor Fred Eisenberger

Yes - Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson

Yes - Ward 2 Councillor Jason Farr, Deputy Mayor

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

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Yes - Ward 9 Councillor Brad Clark

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

2. Business Improvement Area (BIA) Advisory Committee Minutes 21-004, April 13, 2021 (Item 7.2)

(Ferguson/Eisenberger)

That the Business Improvement Area (BIA) Advisory Committee Minutes 21-004, April 13, 2021, be received.

Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 15 to 0, as follows:

Yes	-	Mayor Fre	d Eisenberger
Yes	-	Ward 1	Councillor Maureen Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 2	Councillor Jason Farr, Deputy Mayor
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
Yes	-	Ward 12	Councillor Lloyd Ferguson
Yes	-	Ward 13	Councillor Arlene VanderBeek
Absent	-	Ward 14	Councillor Terry Whitehead
Yes	-	Ward 15	Councillor Judi Partridge

3. Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities Report 21-005, May 11, 2021 (Item 10.1)

(Nann/Eisenberger)

(a) Invitation to the Director of Housing Services to Discuss Accessible Housing Matters (Item 7.2(b))

WHEREAS, the Housing Issues Working Group of the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities will benefit from the expertise of the Director of Housing Services, or their designate;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

- (a) That the Director of Housing Services, or their designate, be invited to attend a future meeting of the Housing Issues Working Group of the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities to discuss accessible housing matters including, but not limited to, the following:
 - (i) Reviewing and improving the Housing Application Process;
 - (ii) Confirming that the City's goal of 20% accessible housing has been achieved and identification of the minimum criteria required to be considered accessible;
 - (iii) Information regarding the modular housing project, including its level of accessibility;
 - (iv) The plan in place when there is a loss of accessible housing due to unforeseen circumstances, such as a building fire; and,
 - (v) The measures that the City is taking to ensure that future social housing incorporates 20% accessibility during this housing crisis.

(b) Approval of All Advisory Committee Event Date and Selection of a Presenters (Item 11.1)

WHEREAS, the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender and Queer (LGBTQ) Advisory Committee recommended that an All Advisory Committee Event be hosted for the purpose of providing City Advisory Committees with an opportunity to introduce themselves to one another and educate each other in terms of their respective Committee's purpose (mandate) and goals;

WHEREAS, an All Advisory Committee Event was approved by Hamilton City Council on April 14, 2021 (see Item 4 of Audit, Finance and Administration Committee Report 21-005 for reference);

WHEREAS, at the All Advisory Committee Event, each Advisory Committee will be allotted 5 minutes to introduce their respective Committee's purpose (mandate) and discuss the successes and the challenges the Advisory Committee has experienced; and,

WHEREAS, the staff liaisons for each Advisory Committee met and mutually agreed upon a tentative date for the All Advisory Committee Event;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

- (a) That the proposed date of Monday, September 27, 2021, commencing at 4:00 p.m., for the All Advisory Committee Event be approved; and,
- (b) That Aznive Mallett and James Kemp be authorized to represent the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities at the All Advisory Committee Event and deliver a 5-minute presentation on the Committee's behalf respecting the Committee's purpose (mandate), successes and challenges.
- (c) Authorization for Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities Member(s) to Delegate on a Forthcoming City Staff Report respecting Accessible Captioning of Committee Meetings (Added Item 11.2)

WHEREAS, a City staff report respecting accessible captioning of Committee meetings is tentatively scheduled to be included on the May 20, 2021 Audit, Finance and Administration Committee meeting agenda; and,

WHEREAS, the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities has a vested interest in the matter of accessible captioning of Committee meetings and wishes to ensure that they have the opportunity to delegate (if deemed necessary) upon the release of the staff report;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

That Paula Kilburn be authorized to delegate at the Audit, Finance and Administration Committee on behalf of the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities respecting a forthcoming City staff report respecting accessible captioning of Committee meetings.

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, Deputy Mayor

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
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. Downtown Entertainment Precinct Master Agreement (PED18168(g)) (City Wide) (Item 14.2)

(Merulla/Farr)

- (a) That the Master Agreement for the Downtown Entertainment Precinct assets, based substantially on the terms and conditions outlined in Appendix "A" attached to Report PED18168(g), and such other terms and conditions deemed appropriate by the General Manager of Planning and Economic Development Department, in consultation with the General Manager of Finance and Corporate Services Department, and in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor, be approved;
- (b) That staff be authorized and directed to negotiate any agreements required to fulfil the objectives of the Master Agreement, based substantially on the terms and conditions outlined in Appendix "A" attached to Report PED18168(g), and such other terms and conditions deemed appropriate by the General Manager of Planning and Economic Development Department, in consultation with the General Manager of Finance and Corporate Services Department, and in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor;
- (c) That all costs related to completion of any agreements required to fulfil the objectives of the Master Agreement, to be funded to an upset limit of \$500 K from the HEF Annual Capital Program Project ID Account No. 372214805 as a source of funding for any technical due diligence and expertise necessary to complete any agreements, be approved;
- (d) That the General Manager, Planning and Economic Development
 Department or their designate, acting on behalf of the City, be authorized
 and directed to provide any requisite consents, approvals and notices
 related to the administration of any leases or any other agreements
 including those necessary for any applications for land use approvals or

- works contemplated in the Master Agreement for the Downtown Entertainment Precinct assets;
- (e) That the City Solicitor be authorized and directed to take all necessary actions to complete the Master Agreement, and any other agreements required to fulfil the objectives of the Master Agreement for the Downtown Entertainment Precinct assets, including, without limitation, paying any necessary expenses, amending closing and other dates, conducting appropriate due diligence, and amending and waiving terms and conditions as deemed reasonable;
- (f) That the Mayor and the City Clerk be authorized and directed to execute the Master Agreement, and any related agreements and ancillary documents for the Downtown Entertainment Precinct assets, all in a form acceptable to the City Solicitor;
- (g) That staff be directed to report back to the General Issues Committee, as part of the 2022 budget process, on any operating budget, capital budget, and organizational changes required as a result of the implementation of the Master Agreement and any related agreements and ancillary documents;
- (h) That staff be authorized and directed to draft Municipal Capital Facility Agreement By-Laws with respect to each of the FirstOntario Centre, FirstOntario Concert Hall and the Hamilton Convention Centre, to be put forward to General Issues Committee for approval;
- (i) That staff be directed to incorporate the Extended Tax Incremental Grant Program or "Downtown Entertainment Precinct Advancement Program" detailed in Appendix "B" to Report PED18168(g) as part of staff's preparation of the Revitalizing Hamilton's Commercial Districts Community Improvement Plan By-law and be brought forward to Planning Committee for a statutory public meeting, in accordance with Section 17(15)(d) of the Planning Act;
- (j) That staff be authorized and directed to develop and carry out a communications strategy to appropriately advise the public on pertinent aspects of the Master Agreement;
- (k) That the direction provided to staff in Closed Session, respecting Report PED18168(g) - Downtown Entertainment Precinct Master Agreement, be approved;

- (I) That, upon approval by Council, the direction provided to staff in Closed Session, respecting Report PED18168(g) Downtown Entertainment Precinct Master Agreement, be publicly released; and,
- (m) That Report PED18168(g), respecting the Downtown Entertainment Precinct Status Update and its appendices remain confidential and not be released as a public document.

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

Yes	-	Mayor Fre	d Eisenberger
Conflict	-	Ward 1	Councillor Maureen Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 2	Councillor Jason Farr, Deputy Mayor
Yes	-	Ward 3	Councillor Nrinder Nann
Yes	-	Ward 4	Councillor Sam Merulla
Absent	-	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
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 2)

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

5. COMMUNICATION ITEMS

5.1. Correspondence from Kate Manson-Smith, Deputy Minister, Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing, respecting the Three-Step Roadmap to Safely Reopen the Province of Ontario and Amendment to Orders under the *Reopening Ontario (A Flexible Response to COVID-19) Act* (ROA) 6.

Recommendation: Be received.

- 5.2 Correspondence respecting the Hamilton LRT Matter
 - 5.2.a. Gabriel Nicholson
 - 5.2.b. Lynda M. Lukasik, PhD, Executive Director, Environment Hamilton
 - 5.2.c. Maria Antelo, Hamilton Community Legal Clinic
 - 5.2.d. Tom Cooper, Director, Hamilton Roundtable for Poverty Reduction
 - 5.2.e. Hamilton's Anchor Institution Leadership
 - 5.2.f. Kojo Damptey, Executive Director, Hamilton Centre for Civic Inclusion
 - 5.2.g. Correspondence from Denise Christopherson, CEO, YWCA Hamilton
 - 5.2.h. Correspondence from Keanin Loomis, President & CEO, Hamilton Chamber of Commerce
 - 5.2.i. Correspondence from the Hamilton Chamber of Commerce and LiUNA
 - 5.2.j. Kim Martin, Executive Director, Social Planning and Research Council of Hamilton

Recommendation: Be received.

6. DELEGATION REQUESTS

6.1. Delegation Requests respecting the LRT Matter

Items 6.1.a. to 6.1.c. have been WITHDRAWN from the agenda by the requestors.

- 6.1.a. WITHDRAWN Mike Collins-Williams, WestEnd Homebuilders' Association
- 6.1.b. WITHDRAWN Keanin Loomis, President and CEO; and, Paul Szachlewicz, Policy and Government Relations Advisor, Hamilton Chamber of Commerce

- 6.1.c. WITHDRAWN Alex Bishop, Concierge Group
- 6.1.d. Karl Andrus, Hamilton Community Benefits Network

8. PRESENTATIONS

8.1 Ministry of Transportation and Metrolinx Representatives to provide an update on activities related to Light Rail Transit (LRT) in the City of Hamilton

13. GENERAL INFORMATION / OTHER BUSINESS

13.1. Amendments to the Outstanding Business List

*13.1.b. Farmers' Market – Rent Relief and Governance Comparators Current Due Date: June 2, 2021 Proposed New Due Date: August 9, 2021

(Partridge/Pearson)

That the agenda for the June 2, 2021 General Issues Committee meeting, be approved, as amended.

Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 15 to 0, as follows:

Yes	-	Mayor Fre	d Eisenberger
Yes	-	Ward 1	Councillor Maureen Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 2	Councillor Jason Farr, Deputy Mayor
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
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 3)

Councillor M. Wilson declared an interest to Item 14.2, respecting Report PED18168(g), Downtown Entertainment Precinct Agreement, as her husband is a director and shareholder of one of the principles identified in the confidential report.

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

(i) May 19, 2021 (Item 4.1)

(VanderBeek/Pauls)

That the Minutes of the May 19, 2021 General Issues Committee meeting be approved, as presented.

Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 15 to 0, as follows:

Yes	-	Mayor Fre	d Eisenberger
Yes	-	Ward 1	Councillor Maureen Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 2	Councillor Jason Farr, Deputy Mayor
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
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) COMMUNICATION ITEMS (Item 5)

(i) Correspondence from Kate Manson-Smith, Deputy Minister, Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing, respecting the Three-Step Roadmap to Safely Reopen the Province of Ontario and Amendment to Orders under the Reopening Ontario (A Flexible Response to COVID-19) Act (ROA) 6 (Item 5.1)

(Eisenberger/Nann)

That the correspondence from Kate Manson-Smith, Deputy Minister, Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing, respecting the Three-Step Roadmap to Safely Reopen the Province of Ontario and Amendment to Orders under the *Reopening Ontario (A Flexible Response to COVID-19) Act* (ROA), be received.

Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 15 to 0, as follows:

Yes	-	Mayor Fre	d Eisenberger
Yes	-	Ward 1	Councillor Maureen Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 2	Councillor Jason Farr, Deputy Mayor
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
Yes	-	Ward 12	Councillor Lloyd Ferguson
Yes	-	Ward 13	Councillor Arlene VanderBeek
Absent	-	Ward 14	Councillor Terry Whitehead
Yes	-	Ward 15	Councillor Judi Partridge

(ii) Correspondence respecting the Hamilton LRT Matter (Item 5.2)

(Eisenberger/Nann)

That the following Communication Items, respecting the Hamilton LRT matter, be received:

- (a) Gabriel Nicholson (Item 5.2.a.)
- (b) Lynda M. Lukasik, PhD, Executive Director, Environment Hamilton (Item 5.2.b.)
- (c) Maria Antelo, Hamilton Community Legal Clinic (Item 5.2.c.)
- (d) Tom Cooper, Director, Hamilton Roundtable for Poverty Reduction (Item 5.2.d.)
- (e) Hamilton's Anchor Institution Leadership (Item 5.2.e.)

- (f) Kojo Damptey, Executive Director, Hamilton Centre for Civic Inclusion (Item 5.2.f.)
- (g) Correspondence from Denise Christopherson, CEO, YWCA Hamilton (Item 5.2.g.)
- (h) Correspondence from Keanin Loomis, President & CEO, Hamilton Chamber of Commerce (Item 5.2.h.)
- (i) Correspondence from the Hamilton Chamber of Commerce and LiUNA (Item 5.2.i)
- (j) Kim Martin, Executive Director, Social Planning and Research Council of Hamilton (Item 5.2.j.)

Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 15 to 0, as follows:

Yes	-	Mayor Fre	d Eisenberger
Yes	-	Ward 1	Councillor Maureen Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 2	Councillor Jason Farr, Deputy Mayor
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
Yes	-	Ward 12	Councillor Lloyd Ferguson
Yes	-	Ward 13	Councillor Arlene VanderBeek
Absent	-	Ward 14	Councillor Terry Whitehead
Yes	-	Ward 15	Councillor Judi Partridge

(e) DELEGATION REQUESTS (Item 6)

(i) Karl Andrus, Hamilton Community Benefits Network, respecting the Hamilton LRT Matter (Item 6.1.d.)

(Nann/VanderBeek)

That the delegation request, submitted by Karl Andrus, Hamilton Community Benefits Network, respecting the Hamilton LRT matter, be approved for the June 2, 2021 General Issues Committee meeting.

Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 15 to 0, as follows:

-	Mayor Fre	d Eisenberger
-	Ward 1	Councillor Maureen Wilson
-	Ward 2	Councillor Jason Farr, Deputy Mayor
-	Ward 3	Councillor Nrinder Nann
-	Ward 4	Councillor Sam Merulla
-	Ward 5	Councillor Chad Collins
-	Ward 6	Councillor Tom Jackson
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-	Ward 13	Councillor Arlene VanderBeek
-	Ward 14	Councillor Terry Whitehead
-	Ward 15	Councillor Judi Partridge
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(f) PRESENTATIONS (Item 8)

(i) Ministry of Transportation and Metrolinx Representatives to provide an update on activities related to Light Rail Transit (LRT) in the City of Hamilton (Item 8.1)

James Nowlan, Assistant Deputy Minister, Ministry of Transportation, Province of Ontario; and, Phil Verster, President and CEO, Metrolinx, provided an update on activities related to LRT in the City of Hamilton.

(Eisenberger/Nann)

That the General Issues Committee recess for one half hour until 12:45 p.m.

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

Yes	-	Mayor Fr	ed Eisenberger
Yes	-	Ward 1	Councillor Maureen Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 2	Councillor Jason Farr, Deputy Mayor
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
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Yes	-	Ward 9	Councillor Brad Clark
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

(Ferguson/Eisenberger)

That the presentation, provided by the Ministry of Transportation and Metrolinx, respecting and update on activities related to LRT in the City of Hamilton, be received.

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

Yes	-	Mayor Fre	d Eisenberger
Yes	-	Ward 1	Councillor Maureen Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 2	Councillor Jason Farr, Deputy Mayor
Yes	-	Ward 3	Councillor Nrinder Nann
Absent	-	Ward 4	Councillor Sam Merulla
Yes	-	Ward 5	Councillor Chad Collins
Yes	-	Ward 6	Councillor Tom Jackson
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Yes	-	Ward 12	Councillor Lloyd Ferguson
Yes	-	Ward 13	Councillor Arlene VanderBeek
Absent	-	Ward 14	Councillor Terry Whitehead
Yes	-	Ward 15	Councillor Judi Partridge

(Eisenberger/Pearson)

That the delegation by Karl Andrus, Hamilton Community Benefits Network, respecting the Hamilton LRT Matter, be moved up on the agenda, prior to consideration of motions respecting the Hamilton LRT matter.

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

Yes	 Mayor Free 	ed Eisenberger
Yes	 Ward 1 	Councillor Maureen Wilson

Yes - Ward 2 Councillor Jason Farr, Deputy Mayor

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
Yes	-	Ward 15	Councillor Judi Partridge

(g) PUBLIC HEARINGS / DELEGATIONS (Item 9)

(i) Karl Andrus, Hamilton Community Benefits Network, respecting the Hamilton LRT Matter (Item 9.1)

Karl Andrus, Hamilton Community Benefits Network, spoke respecting the Hamilton LRT matter.

(Clark/Nann)

That the presentation provided by Karl Andrus, Hamilton Community Benefits Network, respecting the Hamilton LRT matter, be received and referred to staff for reference when looking at community benefits during the LRT process.

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

Yes	-	Mayor Fre	d Eisenberger
Yes	-	Ward 1	Councillor Maureen Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 2	Councillor Jason Farr, Deputy Mayor
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 9	Councillor Brad Clark
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

(ii) COVID-19 Verbal Update (Item 8.2)

Paul Johnson, General Manager of the Healthy & Safe Communities Department; and, Dr. Elizabeth Richardson, Medical Officer of Health, provided the update regarding COVID-19.

(Wilson/Nann)

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

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

Yes	-	Mayor Fre	d Eisenberger
Yes	-	Ward 1	Councillor Maureen Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 2	Councillor Jason Farr, Deputy Mayor
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) MOTIONS (Item 11)

(i) Hamilton Light Rail Transit (LRT) Project Memorandum of Understanding (Item 11.1)

(Eisenberger/Merulla)

That staff be directed to meet with Metrolinx, the Ministry of Transportation and other governmental entities, as required, to prepare a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) for the Hamilton Light Rail Transit project, and report back to the General Issues Committee as soon as possible with a draft MOU.

(Ferguson/Eisenberger)

That the Motion regarding the Hamilton LRT Project Memorandum of Understanding be DEFERRED to the June 16, 2021 GIC meeting with the following direction:

That staff be directed to report back to the General Issues Committee regarding the net operating costs after the 18 buses on the B-line have been removed, eliminating Development Charge exemptions, fare revenue and the Hamilton Tax Increment Grant Program, and other incentives, that the City may build in to credit the cost of the LRT operations and maintenance.

Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 13 to 2, as follows:

Yes	-	Mayor Free	d Eisenberger
Yes	-	Ward 1	Councillor Maureen Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 2	Councillor Jason Farr, Deputy Mayor
No	-	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
Yes	-	Ward 12	Councillor Lloyd Ferguson
Yes	-	Ward 13	Councillor Arlene VanderBeek
Absent	-	Ward 14	Councillor Terry Whitehead
No	-	Ward 15	Councillor Judi Partridge

(ii) Light Rail Transit (LRT) Supportive Development and a Summary of the Transit Oriented Corridor Policy (Item 11.2)

(Farr/Eisenberger)

That the appropriate staff from Planning and Economic Development be directed to report back to the June 16, 2021 General Issues Committee on LRT Supportive Development, by Ward, that has occurred in the last 10 years; is ongoing or is planned along the corridor from Eastgate to McMaster; an estimate of the private investment in dollars; a before and after picture on assessment for each of these projects; and, a summary of the current Transit Oriented Corridor policy and how it relates to the 3.4 Billion-Dollar investment.

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

Yes	-	Mayor Fre	d Eisenberger
Yes	-	Ward 1	Councillor Maureen Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 2	Councillor Jason Farr, Deputy Mayor
Yes	-	Ward 3	Councillor Nrinder Nann
Yes	-	Ward 4	Councillor Sam Merulla
Yes	-	Ward 5	Councillor Chad Collins
Yes	-	Ward 6	Councillor Tom Jackson
Absent	-	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
Yes	-	Ward 12	Councillor Lloyd Ferguson
Yes	-	Ward 13	Councillor Arlene VanderBeek
Absent	-	Ward 14	Councillor Terry Whitehead
Yes	-	Ward 15	Councillor Judi Partridge

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

(a) Amendments to the Outstanding Business List (Item 13.1.1)

(Pearson/Ferguson)

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

- (i) Feasibility of Creating a Technology Hub (Item 13.1.a.) Current Due Date: May 5, 2021 Proposed New Due Date: July 5, 2021
- (ii) Farmers' Market Rent Relief and Governance Comparators (Item 13.1.b.)

Current Due Date: June 2, 2021

Proposed New Due Date: August 9, 2021

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

Yes	-	Mayor Fr	ed Eisenberger
Yes	-	Ward 1	Councillor Maureen Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 2	Councillor Jason Farr, Deputy Mayor
Yes	-	Ward 3	Councillor Nrinder Nann
Yes	-	Ward 4	Councillor Sam Merulla
Yes	-	Ward 5	Councillor Chad Collins
Yes	_	Ward 6	Councillor Tom Jackson

-	Ward 7	Councillor Esther Pauls
-	Ward 8	Councillor J. P. Danko
-	Ward 9	Councillor Brad Clark
-	Ward 10	Councillor Maria Pearson
-	Ward 11	Councillor Brenda Johnson
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-	Ward 13	Councillor Arlene VanderBeek
-	Ward 14	Councillor Terry Whitehead
-	Ward 15	Councillor Judi Partridge
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(j) PRIVATE & CONFIDENTIAL (Item 14)

(i) Closed Session Minutes – May 19, 2021 (Item 14.1)

(Jackson/Pearson)

- (a) That the Closed Session Minutes of the May 19, 2021 General Issues Committee meeting, be approved; and,
- (b) That the Closed Session Minutes of the May 19, 2021 General Issues Committee meeting remain confidential.

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

Yes	-	Mayor Fre	d Eisenberger
Yes	-	Ward 1	Councillor Maureen Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 2	Councillor Jason Farr, Deputy Mayor
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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Absent	-	Ward 11	Councillor Brenda Johnson
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Absent	-	Ward 14	Councillor Terry Whitehead
Absent	-	Ward 15	Councillor Judi Partridge

(Pearson/Farr)

That Committee move into Closed Session respecting Item 14.2, pursuant to Section 9.1, Sub-sections (c), and (k) of the City's Procedural By-law 21-021 and

Section 239(2), Sub-sections (c) and (k) of the *Ontario Municipal Act*, 2001, as amended, as the subject matter pertains to a proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local board; and, a position, plan, procedure, criteria or instruction to be applied to any negotiations carried on or to be carried on by or on behalf of the municipality or local board.

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

Yes	-	Mayor Fre	d Eisenberger
Conflict	-	Ward 1	Councillor Maureen Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 2	Councillor Jason Farr, Deputy Mayor
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 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
Absent	-	Ward 15	Councillor Judi Partridge

(k) ADJOURNMENT (Item 14)

(Merulla/Pauls)

That there being no further business, the General Issues Committee be adjourned at 6:25 p.m.

Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 11 to 1, as follows:

Yes	-	Mayor Fre	d Eisenberger
Yes	-	Ward 1	Councillor Maureen Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 2	Councillor Jason Farr, Deputy Mayor
Yes	-	Ward 3	Councillor Nrinder Nann
Yes	-	Ward 4	Councillor Sam Merulla
Absent	-	Ward 5	Councillor Chad Collins
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Yes	-	Ward 9	Councillor Brad Clark
Yes	-	Ward 10	Councillor Maria Pearson

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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

Respectfully submitted,

J. Farr, Deputy Mayor Chair, General Issues Committee

Stephanie Paparella Legislative Coordinator, Office of the City Clerk