

# GOVERNANCE REVIEW SUB-COMMITTEE MINUTES 21-004

Friday, June 25, 2021 1:30 pm Council Chambers Hamilton City Hall

Present:	Councillors M. Wilson (Vice-Chair), B. Clark, M. Pearson, and A. VanderBeek
Absent:	Councillor L. Ferguson – Personal, Councillor T. Whitehead – Leave of Absence

# THE FOLLOWING ITEMS WERE REFERRED TO THE AUDIT, FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE FOR CONSIDERATION:

1. Poll Results – Recording of Advisory Committee Meetings (FCS21054) (City Wide) (Outstanding Business List Item) (Item 7.1)

# (Pearson/Clark)

That Report FCS21054, respecting Poll Results – Recording of Advisory Committee Meetings, be received.

# Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 4 to 0, as follows:

YES - Councillor Maureen Wilson NOT PRESENT - Chair Terry Whitehead YES - Councillor Arlene VanderBeek NOT PRESENT - Councillor Lloyd Ferguson YES - Councillor Maria Pearson YES - Councillor Brad Clark

2. Virtual Participation of a Member of Council at Council, Standing Committee, Sub-Committee, Local Board, and Advisory Committee Meetings Outside of an Emergency (FCS21058) (City Wide) (Outstanding Business List Item) (Item 10.1)

# (Pearson/Clark)

(a) That Council approve the request for two (2) additional FTEs to support the provision of ongoing virtual participation of Members of Council and virtual delegations at Standing Committee and Sub-Committee meetings supported by the Office of the City Clerk, be referred to the 2022 budget deliberations for consideration;

- (b) That staff be directed to acquire the technology (equipment and the programming of software) to reconfigure the Council Chamber in order to conduct Hybrid meetings on an ongoing basis, to be funded from the Tax Stabilization Reserve at a cost not exceed \$30,000;
- (c) That staff be directed to acquire the technology (equipment and the programming of software) to reconfigure Room 264 in order to conduct Hybrid meetings on an ongoing basis, to be funded from the Tax Stabilization Reserve at a cost not exceed \$30,000; and,
- (d) That Council approve the amendments to the Procedural By-Law 21-021 outlined in Appendix "A" to permanently allow Virtual Participation for Members of Council, Standing Committees, Sub-Committees, Citizen Advisory Committees, and delegations.

# Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 4 to 0, as follows:

YES - Councillor Maureen Wilson NOT PRESENT - Chair Terry Whitehead YES - Councillor Arlene VanderBeek NOT PRESENT - Councillor Lloyd Ferguson YES - Councillor Maria Pearson YES - Councillor Brad Clark

#### FOR INFORMATION:

#### (a) CHANGES TO THE AGENDA (Item 2)

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

#### 5. COMMUNICATIONS (Item 5)

- 5.1 Correspondence respecting the Recording of Advisory Committee Meetings:
  - 5.1(a) Thomas Mobley
  - 5.1(b) Sandy Leyland
  - 5.1(c) Mary-Ellen Crechiola

Recommendation: Be received and referred to the consideration of Item 7.1, Poll Results – Recording of Advisory Committee Meetings (FCS21054).

- 5.2 Correspondence respecting Item 10.1, Virtual Participation of a Member of Council at Council, Standing Committee, Sub-Committee, Local Board, and Advisory Committee Meetings Outside of an Emergency:
  - 5.2(a) Jeanne Mayo
  - 5.2(b) Maureen McKeating
  - 5.2(c) Penelope Petrie

Recommendation: Be received and referred to consideration of Item 10.1, Virtual Participation of a Member of Council at Council, Standing Committee, Sub-Committee, Local Board, and Advisory Committee Meetings Outside of an Emergency (FCS21058) (City Wide).

# (Pearson/VanderBeek)

That the June 25, 2021 Agenda of the Governance Review Sub-Committee be approved, as amended.

# Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 4 to 0, as follows:

YES - Councillor Maureen Wilson NOT PRESENT - Chair Terry Whitehead YES - Councillor Arlene VanderBeek NOT PRESENT – Councillor Lloyd Ferguson YES - Councillor Maria Pearson YES - Councillor Brad Clark

# (b) DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (Item 3)

There were no declarations of interest.

# (c) APPROVAL OF MINUTES (Item 4)

(i) April 30, 2021 (Item 4.1)

#### (Clark/Pearson)

That the Minutes of the April 30, 2021 meeting of the Governance Review Sub-Committee be approved, as presented.

#### **Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 4 to 0, as follows:**

YES - Councillor Maureen Wilson NOT PRESENT - Chair Terry Whitehead YES - Councillor Arlene VanderBeek NOT PRESENT – Councillor Lloyd Ferguson YES - Councillor Maria Pearson YES - Councillor Brad Clark

# (d) COMMUNICATIONS (Item 5)

#### (VanderBeek/Pearson)

That Communications 5.1 to 5.2, be approved, as follows:

#### (i) Correspondence respecting the Recording of Advisory Committee Meetings (Added Item 5.1)

(1) Thomas Mobley (Added Item 5.1(a))

- (2) Sandy Leyland (Added Item 5.1(b))
- (3) Mary-Ellen Crechiola (Added Item 5.1(c))

Recommendation: Be received and referred to the consideration of Item 7.1, Poll Results – Recording of Advisory Committee Meetings (FCS21054).

#### (ii) Correspondence respecting Item 10.1, Virtual Participation of a Member of Council at Council, Standing Committee, Sub-Committee, Local Board, and Advisory Committee Meetings Outside of an Emergency (Added Item 5.2)

- (1) Jeanne Mayo (Added Item 5.2(a))
- (2) Maureen McKeating (Added Item 5.2(b))
- (3) Penelope Petrie (Added Item 5.2(c))

Recommendation: Be received and referred to consideration of Item 10.1, Virtual Participation of a Member of Council at Council, Standing Committee, Sub-Committee, Local Board, and Advisory Committee Meetings Outside of an Emergency (FCS21058) (City Wide).

#### **Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 4 to 0, as follows:**

- YES Councillor Maureen Wilson
- NOT PRESENT Chair Terry Whitehead
- YES Councillor Arlene VanderBeek
- NOT PRESENT Councillor Lloyd Ferguson
- YES Councillor Maria Pearson
- YES Councillor Brad Clark

#### (e) CONSENT ITEMS (Item 7)

#### (i) Poll Results – Recording of Advisory Committee Meetings (FCS21054) (City Wide) (Outstanding Business List Item) (Item 7.1)

#### (Pearson/VanderBeek)

- (a) That Clerk's staff be directed to implement live streaming and recording of Advisory Committee meetings to begin in the next term of Council (2022-2026); and,
- (b) That notice be given to all applicants of Advisory Committee's for the 2022-2026 term, that meetings will be live streamed and recorded.

#### Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 4 to 0, as follows:

YES - Councillor Maureen Wilson

NOT PRESENT - Chair Terry Whitehead

YES - Councillor Arlene VanderBeek

NOT PRESENT – Councillor Lloyd Ferguson

YES - Councillor Maria Pearson

YES - Councillor Brad Clark

For disposition of this Item, refer to Item 1.

# (f) GENERAL INFORMATION / OTHER BUSINESS (Item 13)

# (i) Amendment to the Outstanding Business List (Item 13.1)

# (Pearson/Wilson)

That the following amendments to the Governance Review Sub-Committee's Outstanding Business List, be approved:

(a) Items Considered Complete and Needing to be Removed:

Archiving of City Council Videos (FCS21053 / CM21007) (City Wide) That Clerk's staff be directed to contact the City's Advisory Committee's to survey their membership as to whether they would be comfortable having their meetings recorded and retained, and report back to the Governance Review Sub-Committee. Added: May 6, 2021 at AF&A - Item 7.4 Completed: June 25, 2021 at Governance - Item 7.1 OBL Item: 21-C

2020 Review of the City's Procedural By-law – Amendments to Allow for Virtual Participation at Council and/or Committee Meetings (FCS21004(a) / LS21001(a)) That staff be directed to investigate and report back to the

Governance Review Sub-Committee on various items respecting Virtual Participation.

Added: February 23, 2021 at Governance - Item 9.2 Completed: June 25, 2021 at Governance - Item 10.1

# **Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 4 to 0, as follows:**

YES - Councillor Maureen Wilson NOT PRESENT - Chair Terry Whitehead YES - Councillor Arlene VanderBeek NOT PRESENT – Councillor Lloyd Ferguson YES - Councillor Maria Pearson YES - Councillor Brad Clark

# (g) ADJOURNMENT (Item 15)

# (Pearson/VanderBeek)

That, there being no further business, the Governance Review Sub-Committee meeting be adjourned at 2:10 p.m.

# **Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 4 to 0, as follows:**

YES - Councillor Maureen Wilson NOT PRESENT - Chair Terry Whitehead YES - Councillor Arlene VanderBeek NOT PRESENT – Councillor Lloyd Ferguson YES - Councillor Maria Pearson YES - Councillor Brad Clark

Respectfully submitted,

Councillor M. Wilson, Vice-Chair Governance Review Sub-Committee

Angela McRae Legislative Coordinator Office of the City Clerk