



GENERAL ISSUES COMMITTEE (BUDGET) MINUTES 21-022

3:00 p.m.

November 8, 2021

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

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

Absent: Councillors T. Whitehead, L. Ferguson – Personal
Councillor J. Partridge – Other City Business

THE FOLLOWING ITEMS WERE REFERRED TO COUNCIL FOR CONSIDERATION:

1. 2022 Budget, Public Engagement Process (FCS21110) (City Wide) (Item 5.1)

(Eisenberger/Clark)

That Report FCS21110, respecting the 2022 Budget, Public Engagement Process, be received.

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

Yes	-	Mayor Fred Eisenberger
Yes	-	Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 2 Councillor Jason Farr
Yes	-	Ward 3 Councillor Ninder Nann
Yes	-	Ward 4 Councillor Sam Merulla
Vacant	-	Ward 5
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
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:

4. COMMUNICATIONS

4.1 Respecting the 2022 Budget Process

- 4.1.a. Keanin Loomis, President and CEO, Hamilton Chamber of Commerce
- 4.1.b. United Way Halton and Hamilton
- 4.1.c. Sasha Katz

6. DELEGATION REQUESTS

6.1 Respecting the 2022 Budget Process

- 6.1.f. Claire Middel
- 6.1.g. Louise Concepcion
- 6.1.h. Kojo Dampney, Hamilton Centre for Civic Inclusion
- 6.1.i. Violetta Nikolskaya, YWCA
- 6.1.j. Thomas Cooper, Hamilton Roundtable for Poverty Reduction
- 6.1.k. Dr. Lynda Lukasik, Environment Hamilton
- 6.1.l. Don McLean
- 6.1.m. Bill Foley
- 6.1.n. Karl Andrus, Hamilton Community Benefits Network
- 6.1.o. Ian Borsuk, Environment Hamilton
- 6.1.p. Sarah Jama, Disability Justice Network of Ontario
- 6.1.q. Gabriel Baribeau
- 6.1.r. Vic Wojciechowska
- 6.1.s. Matthew Higginson
- 6.1.t. Abedar Kamgari
- 6.1.u. Sarah Dawson
- 6.1.v. Katharine King
- 6.1.w. James Lambert
- 6.1.x. Zeinab Khawaja
- 6.1.y. Tanya Collins
- 6.1.z. Joanna Aitcheson
- 6.1.aa. Caitlin Thompson
- 6.1.ab. Sabreina Dahab
- 6.1.ac. Merima Menzildizic

6.2. Respecting the 2022 Budget Process - Video

- 6.2.a. Jonathan Lopez
- 6.2.b. Marnie Schurter
- 6.2.c. Michael Lopez
- 6.2.d. Laura Katz
- 6.2.e. Becky Katz

(Johnson/Pauls)

That the agenda for the November 8, 2021 General Issues Committee (Budget) meeting, be approved, as amended.

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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
Vacant	-	Ward 5
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
Absent	-	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 3)

There were no declarations of interest.

(c) COMMUNICATIONS (Item 4)

(i) Correspondence respecting the 2022 Budget Process (Item 4.1)

(VanderBeek/Merulla)

That the following Communication Items, respecting the 2022 Budget process, be received:

- (1) Keanin Loomis, President and CEO, Hamilton Chamber of Commerce (Item 4.1.a.)
- (2) United Way Halton and Hamilton (Item 4.1.a.)
- (3) Sasha Katz (Item 4.1.c.)

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Yes	-	Ward 4 Councillor Sam Merulla
Vacant	-	Ward 5
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
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Absent	-	Ward 12 Councillor Lloyd Ferguson
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Absent	-	Ward 15 Councillor Judi Partridge

(d) DELEGATION REQUESTS (Item 6)

(i) Respecting the 2022 Budget Process (Items 6.1 and 6.2)

(Danko/Wilson)

That the following delegation requests, respecting the 2020 Budget process, be approved for the November 8, 2021 General Issues Committee (Budget) meeting:

- (1) Anthony Marco, Hamilton and District Labour Council, respecting the Living Wage (Item 6.1.a.)
- (2) Craig Burley (Item 6.1.b.)
- (3) Ayla Bahram (Item 6.1.c.)
- (4) Aya Younis (Item 6.1.d.)
- (5) Sam Fernandes (Item 6.1.e.)
- (6) Claire Middel (Item 6.1.f.)
- (7) Louise Concepcion (Item 6.1.g.)
- (8) Kojo Damphey, Hamilton Centre for Civic Inclusion (Item 6.1.h.)
- (9) Violetta Nikolskaya, YWCA (Item 6.1.i.)

- (10) Thomas Cooper, Hamilton Roundtable for Poverty Reduction (Item 6.1.j.)
- (11) Dr. Lynda Lukasik, Environment Hamilton (Item 6.1.k.)
- (12) Don McLean (Item 6.1.l.)
- (13) Bill Foley (Item 6.1.m.)
- (14) Karl Andrus, Hamilton Community Benefits Network (Item 6.1.n.)
- (15) Ian Borsuk, Environment Hamilton (Item 6.1.o.)
- (16) Sarah Jama, Disability Justice Network of Ontario (Item 6.1.p.)
- (17) Gabriel Baribeau (Item 6.1.q.)
- (18) Vic Wojciechowska (Item 6.1.r.)
- (19) Matthew Higginson (Item 6.1.s.)
- (20) Abedar Kamgari (Item 6.1.t.)
- (21) Sarah Dawson (Item 6.1.u.)
- (22) Katharine King (Item 6.1.v.)
- (23) James Lambert (Item 6.1.w.)
- (24) Zeinab Khawaja (Item 6.1.x.)
- (25) Tanya Collins (Item 6.1.y.)
- (26) Joanna Aitcheson (Item 6.1.z.)
- (27) Caitlin Thompson (Item 6.1.aa.)
- (28) Sabreina Dahab (Item 6.1.ab.)
- (29) Merima Menzildizic (Item 6.1.ac.)
- (30) Jonathan Lopez – video (Item 6.2.a.)
- (31) Marnie Schurter – video (Item 6.2.b.)
- (32) Michael Lopez – video (Item 6.2.c.)
- (33) Laura Katz – video (Item 6.2.d.)
- (34) Becky Katz – video (Item 6.2.e.)

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

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| 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 |
| Vacant | - | Ward 5 |
| 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, Deputy Mayor |
| Absent | - | Ward 12 Councillor Lloyd Ferguson |
| Yes | - | Ward 13 Councillor Arlene VanderBeek |
| Absent | - | Ward 14 Councillor Terry Whitehead |
| Absent | - | Ward 15 Councillor Judi Partridge |

(e) DELEGATIONS (Item 7)

(Nann/Farr)

That the following delegations, respecting the 2022 Budget process, be received:

- (1) Anthony Marco, Hamilton and District Labour Council, respecting the Living Wage (Item 7.1.a.)
- (2) Craig Burley (Item 7.1.b.)
- (3) Ayla Bahram (Item 7.1.c.)
- (4) Aya Younis (Item 7.1.d.)
- (5) Sam Fernandes (Item 7.1.e.)
- (6) Claire Middel (Item 7.1.f.)
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- (15) Sarah Jama, Disability Justice Network of Ontario (Item 7.1.p.)
- (16) Gabriel Baribeau (Item 7.1.q.)
- (17) Vic Wojciechowska / Diana Wood (Item 7.1.r.)
- (18) Matthew Higginson (Item 7.1.s.)
- (19) Abedar Kamgari (Item 7.1.t.)
- (20) Sarah Dawson (Item 7.1.u.)
- (21) Katharine King (Item 7.1.v.)
- (22) James Lambert (Item 7.1.w.)
- (23) Zeinab Khawaja (Item 7.1.x.)
- (24) Tanya Collins / Annemarie Lavigne (Item 7.1.y.)
- (25) Joanna Aitcheson (for Stacey Easton) (Item 7.1.z.)
- (26) Caitlin Thompson (Item 7.1.aa.)
- (27) Sabreina Dahab / Talal Abdul Wahed (Item 7.1.ab.)
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- (33) Laura Katz – video (Item 7.2.d.)
- (34) Becky Katz – video (Item 7.2.e.)

Bill Foley (Item 7.1.m.) was not present when called upon.

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

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| Yes | - | Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson |

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Absent	-	Ward 15	Councillor Judi Partridge

(f) ADJOURNMENT (Item 10)

(Danko/VanderBeek)

That there being no further business, the General Issues Committee, be adjourned at 5:42 p.m.

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

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Respectfully submitted,

Maria Pearson, Deputy Mayor
Chair, General Issues Committee

Stephanie Paparella
Legislative Coordinator,
Office of the City Clerk