

EMERGENCY & COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE REPORT 22-002

1:30 p.m.
Thursday, February 3, 2022
Council Chambers
Hamilton City Hall
71 Main Street West

Present: Councillors B. Clark (Chair), T. Jackson, S. Merulla, and N. Nann

Regrets: Councillors E. Pauls and T. Whitehead – Personal

Also Present: Councillors J.P Danko, J. Farr, and M. Wilson

THE EMERGENCY & COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE PRESENTS REPORT 22-002 AND RESPECTFULLY RECOMMENDS:

1. Deputy Fire Chief Appointment (HSC19005(c)) (City Wide) (Item 10.1)

That the By-law to Amend By-law 19-035, Being a By-law to Appoint a Fire Chief, a Deputy Fire Chief, and Provincial Fire Co-ordinator pursuant to the Hamilton Fire Department Establishing and Regulating By-law 19-034, and to Repeal By-law 20-052, attached as Appendix "A" to Report HSC19005(c), which has been prepared in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor, be passed.

2. Poverty Reduction Investment Plan Update (CES16043(e)) (City Wide) (Item 10.2)

That Report CES16043(e), respecting Poverty Reduction Investment Plan Update, be received.

3. Relocation of Garbage Dumpsters on the Property of 45 Montcalm Drive, Hamilton, Ward 8 Area Rating Funded (Item 11.1)

WHEREAS, CityHousing Hamilton owns the property located at 45 Montcalm Drive - a 76-unit multi-residential townhouse complex built in 1970;

WHEREAS, the three garbage dumpsters on the property are currently located at the front of the property near the city roadway;

WHEREAS, the current location of the garbage dumpsters has encouraged frequent misuse and has increased the amount of waste and associated waste management costs for CityHousing Hamilton; and,

WHEREAS, CityHousing Hamilton has committed and begun to work in consultation with the City of Hamilton's Waste Management Division to propose and assess strategies for waste diversion and viable options for the relocation of the garbage dumpsters to the back of the property.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

- (a) That the cost of \$20,387.50 for engineering design work required to relocate the garbage dumpsters be funded from the Ward 8 Area Rating Reserve No. 108058; and,
- (b) That the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized and directed to execute any required agreement(s) and ancillary documents, with such terms and conditions in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor.

FOR INFORMATION:

(a) APPROVAL OF AGENDA (Item 2)

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

5. **COMMUNICATIONS**

5.1. Barbara Wallace, First Unitarian Church of Hamilton, respecting Hamilton Alliance for Tiny Shelters program plan

Recommendation: Be received

5.2. Sandy Shaw, MPP Hamilton West - Ancaster - Dundas, respecting project proposed by The Hamilton Alliance for Tiny Shelters

Recommendation: Be received

5.3. Bishop Douglas Crosby, Diocese of Hamilton, respecting support of the Hamilton Alliance for Tiny Shelters

Recommendation: Be received

6. DELEGATION REQUESTS

- 6.4. Bishop Susan Bell, Anglican Diocese of Niagara, respecting support of a proposal to address homelessness in Hamilton Video Delegation (For today's meeting)
- 6.5. Jennifer Bonner, The Hamilton Hub, respecting support of wrap around supports for the cabin committee (Tiny Homes project) being presented by Hamilton Community Legal Clinic and partners (For today's meeting)
- 6.6. Kojo Damptey, Hamilton Centre for Civic Inclusion, respecting support of using part of Sir John A. Macdonald property for Hamilton Alliance of Tiny Shelters (HATS) (For today's meeting)
- 6.7. Deirdre Pike, Social Planning and Research Council of Hamilton, respecting Support for proposed response to homelessness (For today's meeting)
- 6.8. Paula Whitlow, Hamilton-Wentworth Chapter Native Women Inc. o/a Native Women's Centre, respecting Support the Hamilton Alliance for Tiny Shelters delegation (For today's meeting)
- 6.9. Gabriel Baribeau, respecting Support for Tiny Homes proposal as an Emergency response needed for unhoused community members (For today's meeting)
- 6.10. Ed Fothergill, Hamilton Alliance for Tiny Shelters, respecting Support for proposal for tiny shelter initiative Planning Related Matters (For today's meeting)

7. CONSENT ITEMS

- 7.1. Housing and Homelessness Advisory Committee Minutes
 - 7.1.a. September 7, 2021
 - 7.1.b. October 5, 2021

13. GENERAL INFORMATION / OTHER BUSINESS

- 13.1. Amendments to the Outstanding Business List
 - (a) Items Considered Completed and to be Removed
 - 1. Encampment Response Update Item on OBL: 21-G

Addressed at the December 9, 2021 Emergency and Community Services Committee meeting as Item 5

The agenda for the February 3, 2022 Emergency and Community Services Committee meeting was approved, as amended.

(b) DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (Item 3)

There were no Declarations of Interest.

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

The Minutes of the January 13, 2022 meeting of the Emergency and Community Services Committee, be approved, as presented.

(d) COMMUNICATIONS (Item 5)

The following Communication Items, were received:

- (a) Barbara Wallace, First Unitarian Church of Hamilton, respecting Hamilton Alliance for Tiny Shelters program plan (Added Item 5.1)
- (b) Sandy Shaw, MPP Hamilton West Ancaster Dundas, respecting project proposed by The Hamilton Alliance for Tiny Shelters (Added Item 5.2)
- (c) Bishop Douglas Crosby, Diocese of Hamilton, respecting support of the Hamilton Alliance for Tiny Shelters (Added Item 5.3)

(e) DELEGATION REQUESTS (Item 6)

The following Delegation Requests, were approved for today's meeting:

- (i) Julia Kollek, Hamilton Alliance for Tiny Shelters (HATS), respecting partnership with the city of Hamilton for foundational funding to deliver warm, and safe and temporary cabins with wraparound services for those experiencing homelessness (Item 6.1)
- (ii) Jeff Willmer, A Better Tent City Waterloo Region, respecting support of Julia Kollek's request regarding a supported encampment (Item 6.2)
- (iii) Tom Cooper, Hamilton Roundtable for Poverty Reduction, respecting support of a proposal to address homelessness in Hamilton (Item 6.3)

- (iv) Bishop Susan Bell, Anglican Diocese of Niagara, respecting support of a proposal to address homelessness in Hamilton Video Delegation (Added Item 6.4)
- (v) Jennifer Bonner, The Hamilton Hub, respecting support of wrap around supports for the cabin committee (Tiny Homes project) being presented by Hamilton Community Legal Clinic and partners (Added Item 6.5)
- (vi) Kojo Damptey, Hamilton Centre for Civic Inclusion, respecting support of using part of Sir John A. Macdonald property for Hamilton Alliance of Tiny Shelters (HATS) (Added Item 6.6)
- (vii) Deirdre Pike, Social Planning and Research Council of Hamilton, respecting Support for proposed response to homelessness (Added Item 6.7)
- (viii) Paula Whitlow, Hamilton-Wentworth Chapter Native Women Inc. o/a Native Women's Centre, respecting Support the HATS delegation (Added Item 6.8)
- (ix) Gabriel Baribeau, respecting Support for Tiny Homes proposal as an Emergency response needed for unhoused community members (Added Item 6.9)
- (x) Ed Fothergill, Hamilton Alliance for Tiny Shelters, respecting Support for proposal for tiny shelter initiative Planning Related Matters (Added Item 6.10)

(f) CONSENT ITEMS (Item 7)

(i) Housing and Homelessness Advisory Committee Minutes

The following Minutes of the Housing and Homelessness Advisory Committee, were received:

- (a) September 7, 2021 (Added Item 7.1(a))
- (b) October 5, 2021 (Added Item 7.1(b))

(g) PUBLIC HEARINGS / DELEGATIONS (Item 9)

(i) Julia Kollek, Hamilton Alliance for Tiny Shelters (HATS), respecting partnership with the City of Hamilton for foundational funding to deliver warm, and safe and temporary cabins with wraparound services for those experiencing homelessness (Added Item 9.1)

Julia Kollek, Hamilton Alliance for Tiny Shelters (HATS), addressed the Committee respecting partnership with the City of Hamilton for foundational funding to deliver warm, and safe and temporary cabins with wraparound services for those experiencing homelessness, with the aid of a presentation.

(ii) Jeff Willmer, A Better Tent City Waterloo Region, respecting support of Julia Kollek's request regarding a supported encampment (Added Item 9.2)

Jeff Willmer, A Better Tent City Waterloo Region, addressed the Committee respecting support of Julia Kollek's request regarding a supported encampment.

(iii) Tom Cooper, Hamilton Roundtable for Poverty Reduction, respecting support of a proposal to address homelessness in Hamilton (Added Item 9.3)

Tom Cooper, Hamilton Roundtable for Poverty Reduction, addressed the Committee respecting support of a proposal to address homelessness in Hamilton.

(iv) Bishop Susan Bell, Anglican Diocese of Niagara, respecting support of a proposal to address homelessness in Hamilton - Video Delegation (Added Item 9.4)

Bishop Susan Bell, Anglican Diocese of Niagara, addressed the Committee by pre-recorded video respecting support of a proposal to address homelessness in Hamilton.

(v) Jennifer Bonner, The Hamilton Hub, respecting support of wrap around supports for the cabin committee (Tiny Homes project) being presented by Hamilton Community Legal Clinic and partners (Added Item 9.5)

Jennifer Bonner, The Hamilton Hub, addressed the Committee respecting support of wrap around supports for the cabin committee (Tiny Homes project) being presented by Hamilton Community Legal Clinic and partners.

(vi) Kojo Damptey, Hamilton Centre for Civic Inclusion, respecting support of using part of Sir John A. Macdonald property for Hamilton Alliance of Tiny Shelters (HATS) (Added Item 9.6)

Kojo Damptey, Hamilton Centre for Civic Inclusion, addressed the Committee respecting support of using part of Sir John A. Macdonald property for Hamilton Alliance of Tiny Shelters (HATS).

(vii) Deirdre Pike, Social Planning and Research Council of Hamilton, respecting Support for proposed response to homelessness (Added Item 9.7)

Deirdre Pike, Social Planning and Research Council of Hamilton, addressed the Committee respecting Support for proposed response to homelessness.

(viii) Paula Whitlow, Hamilton-Wentworth Chapter Native Women Inc. o/a Native Women's Centre, respecting Support the HATS delegation (Added Item 9.8)

Paula Whitlow, Hamilton-Wentworth Chapter Native Women Inc. o/a Native Women's Centre, addressed the Committee respecting Support the HATS delegation.

(ix) Gabriel Baribeau, respecting Support for Tiny Homes proposal as an Emergency response needed for unhoused community members (Added Item 9.9)

Gabriel Baribeau addressed the Committee respecting Support for Tiny Homes proposal as an Emergency response needed for unhoused community members.

(x) Ed Fothergill, Hamilton Alliance for Tiny Shelters, respecting Support for proposal for tiny shelter initiative - Planning Related Matters (Added Item 9.10)

Ed Fothergill, Hamilton Alliance for Tiny Shelters, addressed the Committee respecting Support for proposal for tiny shelter initiative - Planning Related Matters.

- (a) The following Delegations, were received:
 - (i) Julia Kollek, Hamilton Alliance for Tiny Shelters (HATS), respecting partnership with the city of Hamilton for foundational funding to deliver warm, and safe and temporary cabins with wraparound services for those experiencing homelessness (Added Item 9.1)
 - (ii) Jeff Willmer, A Better Tent City Waterloo Region, respecting support of Julia Kollek's request regarding a supported encampment (Added Item 9.2)
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- (viii) Paula Whitlow, Hamilton-Wentworth Chapter Native Women Inc. o/a Native Women's Centre, respecting Support the HATS delegation (Added Item 9.8)
- (ix) Gabriel Baribeau, respecting Support for Tiny Homes proposal as an Emergency response needed for unhoused community members (Added Item 9.9)
- (x) Ed Fothergill, Hamilton Alliance for Tiny Shelters, respecting Support for proposal for tiny shelter initiative Planning Related Matters (Added Item 9.10)
- (b) That City Staff were directed to work with Hamilton Alliance for Tiny Shelters and community stakeholders to identify the role(s) of the City of Hamilton in the development of tiny shelters as a community-led response to address short-term, temporary housing needs of Hamilton's unhoused residents, including appropriate site supports, and report back to the Emergency and Community Services Committee on February 17, 2022, with recommendations.

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

(i) Amendments to the Outstanding Business List (Added Item 13.1)

The following amendment to the Outstanding Business List, were approved:

- (a) Items Considered Completed and to be Removed
 - 1. Encampment Response Update Item on OBL: 21-G

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(i) ADJOURNMENT (Item 15)

There being no further business, the Emergency and Community Services Committee was adjourned at 4:59 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Councillor B. Clark Chair, Emergency and Community Services Committee

Tamara Bates Legislative Coordinator Office of the City Clerk