



GENERAL ISSUES COMMITTEE REPORT 22-012

9:30 a.m.

June 15, 2022

Council Chambers, City Hall, 2nd Floor
71 Main Street West, Hamilton, Ontario

Present: Mayor F. Eisenberger, Deputy Mayor B. Johnson (Chair)
Councillors M. Wilson, J. Farr, N. Nann, R. Powers, E. Pauls,
J.P. Danko, B Clark, M. Pearson, L. Ferguson, A. VanderBeek,
J. Partridge

Absent: Councillors S. Merulla, T. Jackson, T. Whitehead – Personal

THE GENERAL ISSUES COMMITTEE PRESENTS REPORT 22-012, AND RESPECTFULLY RECOMMENDS:

1. Correspondence from Robert Cooper, respecting Natural Science (Item 5.1)

That the correspondence from Robert Cooper, respecting Natural Science, be referred to the Board of Health for discussion.

2. 2022 Tim Hortons NHL Heritage Classic Update (PED22141) (City Wide) (Item 7.1)

That Report PED22141, respecting the 2022 Tim Hortons NHL Heritage Classic Update, be received.

3. 2021 Grey Cup Update (PED18234(g)) (City Wide) (Item 7.2)

That Report PED18234(g), respecting the 2021 Grey Cup Update, be received.

4. Core Asset Management Plan (PW22048) (City Wide) (Item 8.1)

(a) That the Corporate Asset Management Plan Overview and Core Asset Management Plans, attached as Appendices “A”, “B”, and “C” to Report

22-012, be approved, as required by Ontario Regulation 588/17: Asset Management for Municipal Infrastructure;

- (b) That staff be authorized and directed to extend the office of Corporate Asset Management permanently, to be reviewed in 2025;
- (c) That staff be directed to include costs associated with the continued operation of the Corporate Asset Management office, in the 2023 Capital and Operating Budgets for consideration; and,
- (d) That the Mayor and the City's Government Relations Office be directed to advocate to both Federal and Provincial governments, as appropriate, for shared Core Assessment Management funding for the City of Hamilton.

5. Pilot Program, Partnership Between Hamilton Civic Museums and the Hamilton Public Library for Free Museum Admission (PED20069(a)) (City Wide) (Item 10.1)

- (a) That staff be directed to extend the Pilot Program, Partnership Between Hamilton Civic Museums and the Hamilton Public Library for Free Museum Admission, for a period of two years, until March 25, 2024; and,
- (b) That staff be directed to continue to monitor the impact of this program on Hamilton Civic Museums' revenue, attendance and visitor demographics and report back to the General Issues Committee for direction.

6. Capital Projects Work-in-Progress Review Sub-Committee Report 22-002 – May 26, 2022 (Item 10.2)

- (a) **Capital Project Closing Report as of December 31, 2021 (FCS21080(b)) (City Wide) (Item 10.1)**
 - (i) That the General Manager, Finance and Corporate Services, be authorized and directed to transfer a net amount of \$314,962 to the Unallocated Capital Levy Reserve (108020) and draw \$8,052 from other reserves, as outlined in Appendix "D" attached to Report 22-012;
 - (ii) That the General Manager, Finance and Corporate Services, be authorized and directed to close the completed and / or cancelled capital projects listed in Appendix "E" attached to Report 22-012, in accordance with the Capital Projects Closing and Monitoring Policy;

- (iii) That Appendix “C” attached to Report FCS21080(b), Capital Projects Budget Appropriations for the period covering October 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021, be received as information;
- (iv) That Appendix “F” attached to Report 22-012, Capital Projects Budget Appropriations of \$250,000 or greater and Capital Project Reserve Funding Requiring Council Approval, be approved; and,
- (v) That Appendix “G” attached to Report 22-012, Capital Projects Requiring a Budget Adjustment, be approved.

**(b) Capital Projects Status Report as of December 31, 2021
(FCS21079(b)) (City Wide) (Item 10.2)**

- (i) That Appendix “A” to Report FCS21079(b), respecting Capital Projects Status Report – Tax Supported, as of December 31, 2021, be received;
- (ii) That Appendix “B” to Report FCS21079(b), respecting Capital Projects Status Report – Rate Supported, as of December 31, 2021, be received; and,
- (iii) That Confidential Appendix “C” to Report FCS21079(b), respecting Capital Projects Status Report as of December 31, 2021, be received and remain confidential.

**7. Environmental Remediation and Site Enhancement (ERASE)
Redevelopment Grant Application, 405 James Street North, Hamilton ERG-
19-06 (PED22107/FCS22035) (Ward 2) (Item 10.3)**

- (a) That the terms for the Environmental Remediation and Site Enhancement (ERASE) Redevelopment Grant Program, being Appendix “B” to the ERASE Community Improvement Plan, be amended as outlined and highlighted in yellow in Appendix “H” attached to Report 22-012;
- (b) That Environmental Remediation and Site Enhancement (ERASE) Redevelopment Grant (ERG) Program application ERG-19-06, submitted by CityHousing Hamilton Corporation (CHH), owner of the property at 405 James Street North, Hamilton (the site), for a Grant not to exceed \$1,744,445, for estimated eligible building demolition costs, provided over a maximum of ten (10) years, be authorized and approved, in accordance with the terms and conditions of the ERASE Redevelopment Agreement and the following additional conditions:

- (i) That approval of the Grant application be transferred from CityHousing Hamilton Corporation to Jamesville Redevelopment Limited Partnership (JRLP) if/when JRLP becomes the registered owner of the site; and,
 - (ii) That approval of the Grant shall not prejudice or fetter City Council's discretion with respect to any current or future *Planning Act* application(s) regarding the site, including, but not limited to, Official Plan and / or Zoning By-law amendment applications;
- (c) That, subject to approval of Recommendation (b) of Report PED22107 / FCS22035, the General Manager of Planning and Economic Development Department be authorized and directed to execute, on behalf of the City, the Environmental Remediation and Site Enhancement (ERASE) Redevelopment Agreement together with any ancillary documentation required to give effect to the approval of Program application ERG-19-06 and the ERASE Redevelopment Grant to CityHousing Hamilton Corporation, owner of the property at 405 James Street North, Hamilton and / or the intended subsequent property owner being Jamesville Redevelopment Limited Partnership, at such time, as the proposed development has received, at minimum, conditional Site Plan approval and that such agreements and ancillary documentation be in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor;
- (d) That, subject to approval of Recommendations (b) and (c) of Report PED22107 / FCS22035, the General Manager of the Planning and Economic Development Department be authorized and directed to administer the ERASE Redevelopment Grant and the ERASE Redevelopment Agreement including, but not limited to, implementing any appropriate actions in respect of events of default and executing any appropriate amending agreements and ancillary documentation, all in accordance with the terms and conditions of the ERG Program, as approved by City Council and all in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor; and,
- (e) That, subject to approval of Recommendations (b) through (d) of Report PED22107 / FCS22035, the General Manager, Finance and Corporate Services, be authorized to execute, on behalf of the City, the City's ERASE Development Charge Deferral Agreement augmented by the additional terms and conditions outlined in Appendix "B" attached to Report PED22107 / FCS22035, in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor.

**8. Restricted Acts After Nomination Day Delegated Authority (City Wide)
(CM22009) (Item 10.4)**

That the By-Law to Delegate Authority during any Restricted Period following Nomination Day, attached as Appendix "A" to Report CM22009, which has been prepared in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor, be enacted.

**9. Revitalizing Hamilton Tax Increment Grant – 16 West Avenue South
(PED22115) (Ward 3) (Item 10.5)**

- (a) That a Revitalizing Hamilton Tax Increment Grant Program (RHTIG) Application submitted by Crood Holdings Limited (Tal Dehtiar), for the property at 16 West Avenue South, Hamilton, estimated at \$92,619.68 over a maximum of a four (4) year period, and based upon the incremental tax increase attributable to the redevelopment of 16 West Avenue South, Hamilton, be authorized and approved, in accordance with the terms and conditions of the RHTIG;
- (b) That the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized and directed to execute a Grant Agreement together with any ancillary documentation required, to give effect to the Revitalizing Hamilton Tax Increment Grant Program for Crood Holdings Limited (Tal Dehtiar) for the property known as 16 West Avenue South, Hamilton, in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor; and,
- (c) That the General Manager of the Planning and Economic Development Department be authorized and directed to administer the Grant and Grant Agreement including, but not limited to, deciding on actions to take in respect of events of default and executing any Grant Amending Agreements, together with any ancillary amending documentation, if required, provided that the terms and conditions of the Revitalizing Hamilton Tax Increment Grant Program, as approved by City Council, are maintained.

**10. Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities Report 22-006, May 24,
2022 (Item 10.6)**

**(a) Resignation of Paula Kilburn from the Outreach Working Group of
the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities (Item 7.3)**

That the resignation of Paula Kilburn from the Outreach Working Group of the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities, be received.

(b) Resignation of Kim Nolan from the Transportation Working Group of the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities (Item 7.4)

That the resignation of Kim Nolan from the Transportation Working Group of the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities, be received.

(c) Resignation of Paula Kilburn from the Strategic Planning Working Group of the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities (Item 7.5)

That the resignation of Paula Kilburn from the Strategic Planning Working Group of the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities, be received.

(d) Reimbursement for the Purchase of Plants as Get-Well Gifts (Item 11.1)

- (i) That reimbursement to Aznive Mallett, in the amount of \$37.26, including HST, for the purchase of plants from House of Flowers in Ancaster as get-well gifts for two members of the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities, be approved; and,
- (ii) That a plant be purchased for Patty Cameron on behalf of the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities to express the Committee's condolences on her loss.

(e) Policies and Procedures to Rescue and Safely Transport Stranded Pedestrians and their Mobility Devices (Item 11.2)

That the following resolution be referred to staff for a report back to the General Issues Committee:

WHEREAS, there have been an alarming increase in encounters between pedestrians and vehicles in recent months;

WHEREAS, persons with disabilities, especially those who use mobility devices, are particularly vulnerable as pedestrians;

WHEREAS, persons who use mobility devices are susceptible to having their devices malfunction, stranding them in precarious traffic situations; and,

WHEREAS, the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities (ACPD), have advised stakeholders including the Police Service, Fire Department, Paramedic Service, Hamilton Street Railway (HSR), Disabled and Aged Regional Transportation Service (DARTS), Taxicab Companies and Mobility Device Repair Contractors of the need for a coordinated rescue plan in the City of Hamilton for persons who experience an incapacitated mobility device.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

That staff be directed to investigate developing policies and procedures to rescue and safely transport stranded pedestrians and their mobility devices to an appropriate secure location.

(f) Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities Guidance to Hamilton BIA Communities on How to Make Outdoor Dining Locations Fully Accessible (Item 11.3)

WHEREAS, Council approved the Permanent Program for Temporary (seasonal) Outdoor dining Patios in the City of Hamilton, effective in 2022;

WHEREAS, the Temporary Outdoor dining Patios Program was made permanent by City Council in spite of the concern of the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities (ACPD) that there were no specific provisions or obligations for outdoor dining facilities to be accessible and no prohibition to occupying pedestrian pathways; and

WHEREAS, there are opportunities to help make outdoor dining facilities accessible through consultation with the ACPD and its Accessible Outdoor Spaces and Parklands Working Group.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

- (a) That the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities (ACPD), in collaboration with the ACPD Outreach Working Group, work with staff to develop print materials, to come back to ACPD for approval, for dissemination to Hamilton BIA communities to provide guidance on how to ensure outdoor dining is fully accessible including space, facilities, amenities and services; and,
- (b) That the Hamilton BIA communities be advised that the ACPD and its Accessible Outdoor Spaces and Parklands Working Group are available to establishments that have outdoor dining facilities should they require advice or guidance on how to make their

outdoor dining locations fully accessible including their space, facilities, amenities and services.

(g) Correspondence to the General Issues Committee Respecting Homeless Encampments (Item 11.4)

That the correspondence to the General Issues Committee from the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities respecting Homeless Encampments attached as Appendix “A”, be approved.

(h) Invitation to Dr. Lovaye Kajiura, McMaster IMPACT Initiative, to Attend a Future Meeting of the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities (Item 11.5)

WHEREAS, the McMaster IMPACT Initiative is an interdisciplinary collaboration that engages students and volunteer clients in a learning process whereby students come together to understand, appreciate and address challenges experienced by our aging population and people living with disabilities; and,

WHEREAS, Dr. Lovaye Kajiura is one of the co-leaders of the McMaster IMPACT Initiative;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

That Dr. Lovaye Kajiura be invited to attend a future meeting of the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities to present respecting the McMaster IMPACT Initiative.

(i) Invitation to the Director of Transit, City of Hamilton, to Attend a Future Meeting of the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities (Item 11.6)

WHEREAS, the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities will benefit from meeting with the City of Hamilton’s Director of Transit to discuss topics of interest to the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities related to Transit Services;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

That the City of Hamilton’s Director of Transit be invited to attend a future regular or special meeting of the Advisory Committee for Persons with

Disabilities to discuss topics of interest to the Committee related to Transit Services.

FOR INFORMATION:

(a) APPROVAL OF AGENDA (Item 2)

The Committee Clerk advised that there were no changes the agenda.

The agenda for the June 15, 2022 General Issues Committee meeting was approved, as presented.

(b) DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (Item 3)

There were no declarations of interest.

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

(i) June 1, 2022 (Item 4.1)

The Minutes of the June 1, 2022 General Issues Committee meeting were approved, as presented.

(d) STAFF PRESENTATIONS (Item 8)

(i) Core Asset Management Plan (PW22048) (City Wide) (Item 8.1)

Patricia Leishman, Director, Corporate Asset Management, Public Works Department, provided a PowerPoint presentation respecting Report PW22048, Core Asset Management Plan, and answered questions of Committee.

The presentation, respecting Report PW22048, Core Asset Management Plan was received.

Report PW22048, respecting the Core Asset Management Plan, was amended by adding new sub-sections (b), (c) and (d), to read as follows:

- (a) That the Corporate Asset Management Plan Overview and Core Asset Management Plans, attached as Appendices “A”, “B”, and “C” to Report

PW22048, be approved, as required by Ontario Regulation 588/17: Asset Management for Municipal Infrastructure;

- (b) That staff be authorized and directed to extend the office of Corporate Asset Management permanently, to be reviewed in 2025;
- (c) That staff be directed to include costs associated with the continued operation of the Corporate Asset Management office, in the 2023 Capital and Operating Budgets for consideration; and,
- (d) That the Mayor and the City's Government Relations Office be directed to advocate to both Federal and Provincial governments, as appropriate, for shared Core Assessment Management funding for the City of Hamilton.

For disposition of this matter, please refer to Item 4.

(e) DISCUSSION ITEMS (Item 10)

(i) Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities Report 22-006, May 24, 2022 (Item 10.6)

The following resolution was referred to staff for a report back to the General Issues Committee:

(e) Policies and Procedures to Rescue and Safely Transport Stranded Pedestrians and their Mobility Devices (Item 11.2)

WHEREAS, there have been an alarming increase in encounters between pedestrians and vehicles in recent months;

WHEREAS, persons with disabilities, especially those who use mobility devices, are particularly vulnerable as pedestrians;

WHEREAS, persons who use mobility devices are susceptible to having their devices malfunction, stranding them in precarious traffic situations; and,

WHEREAS, the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities (ACPD), have advised stakeholders including the Police Service, Fire Department, Paramedic Service, Hamilton Street Railway (HSR), Disabled and Aged Regional Transportation Service (DARTS), Taxicab Companies and Mobility Device Repair Contractors of the need for a coordinated rescue plan in the City of Hamilton for persons who experience an incapacitated mobility device.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

That staff be directed to investigate developing policies and procedures to rescue and safely transport stranded pedestrians and their mobility devices to an appropriate secure location.

For disposition of this matter, please refer to Item 10.

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

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

The following amendment to the General Issues Committee's Outstanding Business List was approved:

(1) Proposed New Due Dates: (Item 13.1.a)

(aa) Community Benefits Protocol Advisory Committee
(Item 13.1.a.a.)

Current Due Date: June 15, 2022

Proposed New Due Date: August 8, 2022

(g) PRIVATE & CONFIDENTIAL (Item 14)

(i) Closed Session Minutes – June 1, 2022 (Item 14.1)

(a) The Closed Session Minutes of the June 1, 2022 General Issues Committee meeting were approved; and,

(b) The Closed Session Minutes of the June 1, 2022 General Issues Committee meeting shall remain confidential.

(h) ADJOURNMENT (Item 15)

There being no further business, the General Issues Committee adjourned at 12:19 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Brenda Johnson, Deputy Mayor
Chair, General Issues Committee

Stephanie Paparella
Legislative Coordinator,
Office of the City Clerk