



GENERAL ISSUES COMMITTEE (OPERATING BUDGET) MINUTES 23-001(a)

9:30 a.m.

Wednesday, January 11, 2023
Council Chambers, City Hall, 2nd Floor
71 Main Street West, Hamilton, Ontario

Present: Mayor A. Horwath, Councillors B. Clark (Chair)
J. Beattie, C. Cassar, J. P. Danko, M. Francis, T. Hwang,
T. Jackson, C. Kroetsch, T. McMeekin, N. Nann, E. Pauls,
M. Spadafora, M. Tadeson, A. Wilson, M. Wilson

THE FOLLOWING ITEMS WERE REFERRED TO COUNCIL FOR INFORMATION:

(a) APPROVAL OF AGENDA (Item 1)

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

(Beattie/Francis)

That the agenda for the January 11, 2023 General Issues Committee (Budget) meeting, be approved, as presented.

Result: MOTION, CARRIED by a vote of 16 to 0, as follows:

Yes	-	Mayor Andrea Horwath
Yes	-	Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 2 Councillor Cameron Kroetsch
Yes	-	Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
Yes	-	Ward 4 Councillor Tammy Hwang
Yes	-	Ward 5 Councillor Matt Francis
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 Jeff Beattie
Yes	-	Ward 11 Councillor Mark Tadeson
Yes	-	Ward 12 Councillor Craig Cassar
Yes	-	Ward 13 Councillor Alex Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 14 Councillor Mike Spadafora
Yes	-	Ward 15 Councillor Ted McMeekin

(b) DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (Item 2)

Councillor E. Pauls declared a non-disqualifying interest to Item 6.8, Hamilton Police Services Board as her son is a Staff Sergeant with the Hamilton Police Services.

(c) PRESENTATIONS (Item 6)

(i) Royal Botanical Gardens – 2023 Budget Presentation (Item 6.1)

Nancy Rowland, Chief Executive Officer, Royal Botanical Gardens, addressed the Committee with a presentation respecting the 2023 Budget for the Royal Botanical Gardens.

(ii) Conservation Halton – 2023 Budget Presentation (Item 6.2)

Hassaan Basit, Chief Executive Office, Conservation Halton, addressed the Committee with a presentation respecting the 2023 Budget for Conservation Halton.

(iii) Grand River Conservation Authority – 2023 Budget Presentation (Item 6.3)

Samantha Lawson, Chief Administrative Officer; and Sonja Radoja, Manager of Corporate Services; Grand River Conservation Area, addressed the Committee with a presentation respecting the 2023 Budget for the Grand River Conservation Authority.

(iv) Niagara Peninsula Conservation Authority – 2023 Budget Presentation (Item 6.4)

Chandra Sharma, Chief Administrative Officer/Secretary-Treasurer; and, Lise Gagnon, Director, of Corporate Services, Niagara Peninsula Conservation Authority, addressed the Committee with a presentation respecting the 2023 Budget for the Niagara Peninsula Conservation Authority.

(v) Hamilton Conservation Authority – 2023 Budget Presentation (Item 6.5)

Lisa Burnside, Chief Administrative Officer; Scott Peck, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer / Director, Watershed Management Services; and Scott Flemming, Director of Finance & Central Support Services; Hamilton Conservation Authority, addressed the Committee with a presentation respecting the 2023 Budget for the Hamilton Conservation Authority.

(vi) Hamilton Public Library – 2023 Budget Presentation (Item 6.6)

Lori-Anne Spence-Smith, Board Chair; Paul Takala, Chief Librarian; and, Tony Del Monaco, Director of Finance and Facilities; Hamilton Public Library, addressed the Committee with a presentation respecting the 2023 Budget for the Hamilton Public Library.

(vii) Hamilton Farmers' Market Board – 2023 Budget Presentation (Item 6.7)

Bill Slowka, Market Manager, addressed the Committee with a presentation respecting the 2023 Budget for the Hamilton Farmers' Market Board.

(viii) Hamilton Police Services Board – 2023 Budget Presentation (Item 6.8)

Pat Mandy, Board Chair; and Police Chief Frank Bergen, addressed the Committee with a presentation respecting the 2023 Budget for the Hamilton Police Services Board.

(ix) Receipt of Presentations (Items 6.1 – 6.8):

(Cassar/Spadafora)

That Presentation Items 6.1 – 6.8, be received as follows:

- (1) Royal Botanical Gardens – 2023 Budget Presentation (Item 6.1)
- (2) Conservation Halton – 2023 Budget Presentation (Item 6.2)
- (3) Grand River Conservation Authority – 2023 Budget Presentation (Item 6.3)
- (4) Niagara Peninsula Conservation Authority – 2023 Budget Presentation (Item 6.4)
- (5) Hamilton Conservation Authority – 2023 Budget Presentation (Item 6.5)
- (6) Hamilton Public Library – 2023 Budget Presentation (Item 6.6)
- (7) Hamilton Farmers' Market Board – 2023 Budget Presentation (Item 6.7)
- (8) Hamilton Police Services Board – 2023 Budget Presentation (Item 6.8)

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

Yes	-	Mayor Andrea Horwath
Yes	-	Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
Absent	-	Ward 2 Councillor Cameron Kroetsch
Yes	-	Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
Yes	-	Ward 4 Councillor Tammy Hwang

Yes	-	Ward 5	Councillor Matt Francis
Yes	-	Ward 6	Councillor Tom Jackson
Yes	-	Ward 7	Councillor Esther Pauls
Absent	-	Ward 8	Councillor J. P. Danko
Yes	-	Ward 9	Councillor Brad Clark
Yes	-	Ward 10	Councillor Jeff Beattie
Yes	-	Ward 11	Councillor Mark Tadeson
Yes	-	Ward 12	Councillor Craig Cassar
Yes	-	Ward 13	Councillor Alex Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 14	Councillor Mike Spadafora
Yes	-	Ward 15	Councillor Ted McMeekin

(d) DISCUSSION ITEMS (Item 7)

(i) Hamilton Beach Rescue Unit 2023 Budget Submission (Item 7.1)

(Francis/Jackson)

- (a) That the Hamilton Beach Rescue Unit 2023 Budget Submission be DEFERRED to the February 7, 2023 GIC Budget meeting for deliberation; and,
- (b) That staff be directed to invite the Chief of the Hamilton Beach Rescue Unit to attend the February 7, 2023 GIC Budget meeting.

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

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Absent	-	Ward 2 Councillor Cameron Kroetsch
Yes	-	Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
Yes	-	Ward 4 Councillor Tammy Hwang
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Absent	-	Ward 8 Councillor J. P. Danko
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(e) ADJOURNMENT (Item 12)

(Spadafora/Horwath)

That there being no further business, the General Issues Committee (Budget) be adjourned at 6:41 p.m.

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

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Absent	-	Ward 2 Councillor Cameron Kroetsch
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Respectfully submitted,

Councillor Brad Clark
Chair, General Issues Committee Budget

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