



GENERAL ISSUES COMMITTEE MINUTES 23-004

9:30 a.m.

January 18, 2023

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

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

Absent: Councillor T. McMeekin – Personal

THE FOLLOWING ITEMS WERE REFERRED TO COUNCIL FOR CONSIDERATION:

- 1. Correspondence from Janice M. Shearer, Director, Chair of the Board of Directors, Dr. Bob Kemp Hospice Foundation Inc., respecting to officially move into an exploratory phase by Dr. Bob Kemp Hospice, and with city staff, to examine the viability of the acquisition of land at 41 South St. W (rear), Dundas, to build a “Campus of Care” for a pediatric hospice and centre of excellence for grief and bereavement that will serve Southwestern Ontario (Added Item 5.2)**

(A. Wilson/M. Wilson)

WHEREAS, the City of Hamilton (the “City”) is the owner of the lands municipally located at 41 South Street West, Dundas;

WHEREAS, on February 22, 2017, Council approved a report (CM17003) that identified a rear portion of the 41 South Street West lands (the “Subject Site”) as surplus to the operational requirement of Wentworth Lodge;

WHEREAS, on January 24, 2018 (in approving GIC Report 18-002 (Item18)), a number of properties, including the Subject Site, were declared surplus for disposition for affordable housing purposes. Additionally, staff were authorized to undertake suitable consultation with private, not-for-profit; and public organizations to determine appropriate consideration of disposition of the properties;

WHEREAS, on August 12, 2019, General Issues Committee deferred consideration of a report entitled “Disposition Strategy – Portion of the Wentworth Lodge Lands (PED19138)”, and on December 15, 2021, Council received the report;

WHEREAS, the Dr. Bob Kemp Hospice has approached the City with the objective of securing property on which to build a “Campus of Care” for a pediatric hospice and centre of excellence for grief and bereavement that will serve Southwestern Ontario; and,

WHEREAS, the Dr. Bob Kemp Hospice has submitted a written request to explore the possibility of and initiate due diligence to examine the viability of the acquisition of land at 41 South St. W (rear), Dundas, to build the proposed “Campus of Care”:

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

- (a) That Dr. Bob Kemp Hospice be granted permission to explore the possibility of acquiring the vacant surplus lands at 41 South St. W (rear), Dundas (the “Subject Site”), including conducting due diligence on the viability and development potential for the proposed “Campus of Care”, and be required to undertake public engagement and consultation toward the potential opportunity, all at its sole cost and expense;
- (b) That staff be directed to undertake the due diligence required to determine the feasibility of the proposed disposition of the Subject Site to the Dr. Bob Kemp Hospice, including but not limited to valuation, tenure, land use, and maximization of site utilization;
- (c) That the General Manager, Planning and Economic Development Department or designate, acting on behalf of the City as property owner, be authorized to provide any consents, approvals, and notices that may be required for any due diligence activities conducted by Dr. Bob Kemp Hospice; and,
- (d) That staff report back to the General Issues Committee with recommendations respecting a land disposition strategy for the Subject Site.

Result: MOTION, CARRIED by a vote of 14 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

Absent	-	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
Absent	-	Ward 15	Councillor Ted McMeekin

2. Human Resources Recruitment and Retention Strategy (HUR23002) (City Wide) (Item 14.5)

(Hwang/Spadafora)

- (a) That the directions provided to staff in Closed Session, respecting Report HUR23002 Human Resources Recruitment and Retention Strategy be approved; and
- (b) That Report HUR23002, respecting the Human Resources Recruitment and Retention Strategy remain confidential.

Result: MOTION, CARRIED by a vote of 13 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
Absent	-	Ward 7 Councillor Esther Pauls
Yes	-	Ward 8 Councillor J. P. Danko
Yes	-	Ward 9 Councillor Brad Clark
Absent	-	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
Absent	-	Ward 15 Councillor Ted McMeekin

3. Economic Development Manufacturing Strategy Update (PED23005) (City Wide) (Item 8.1)

(Hwang/Jackson)

That Report PED23005, respecting the Economic Development Manufacturing Strategy Update, be received.

Result: MOTION, CARRIED by a vote of 15 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
Absent	-	Ward 15 Councillor Ted McMeekin

4. Residential Vacant Unit Tax Program Framework (FCS21017(c)) (City Wide) (Item 8.2)

(Nann/Kroetsch)

- (a) That the Residential Vacant Unit Tax program framework as detailed in Appendix "A" to Report FCS21017(c) be approved;
- (b) That the City Solicitor be authorized and directed to prepare all necessary by-laws for the purposes of levying and collecting the Residential Vacant Unit Tax for the 2023 reference year;
- (c) That any annual net operating revenues of the Residential Vacant Unit Tax Program be transferred to a new Affordable Housing Reserve for affordable housing initiatives after the implementation costs are repaid to the Investment Stabilization Reserve 112300;
- (d) That a late mandatory declaration fee under the Residential Vacant Unit Tax Program of \$250 be charged; and,

- (e) That staff be directed to report back with the findings from the first year of the Residential Vacant Unit Tax as part of an annual reporting requirement.

Result: MOTION, CARRIED by a vote of 9 to 5, as follows:

Conflict	-	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
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Yes	-	Ward 11 Councillor Mark Tadeson
Yes	-	Ward 12 Councillor Craig Cassar
Yes	-	Ward 13 Councillor Alex Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 14 Councillor Mike Spadafora
Absent	-	Ward 15 Councillor Ted McMeekin

5. Business Improvement Areas (BIAs) Revised Board of Management (Items 9.2 to 9.8)

(Kroetsch/Tadeson)

(a) Westdale Village Business Improvement Area (BIA) Revised Board of Management (PED23006) (Ward 1) (Item 9.2)

That the following individuals be appointed to the Westdale Village Business Improvement Area (BIA) Board of Management for the 2023-2026 term:

- (i) Robert Crockford, Westdale Theatre;
- (ii) Ron Gabor, HPL Westdale Branch;
- (iii) Jordan Geertsma, Snooty Fox;
- (iv) Biyao Hu, Second Cup Westdale;
- (v) Paul Milki, Cupcakes of Westdale;
- (vi) Ilona Santa, Casual Gourmet;
- (vii) Anita Shilliday, Pace Credit Union;
- (viii) Isha Soni, Pizzaioli;
- (ix) David Simpson, Simpson Wellenreiter Law.

(b) Waterdown Village Business Improvement Area (BIA) Revised Board of Management (PED23008) (Ward 15) (Item 9.3)

That the following individuals be appointed to the Waterdown Village Business Improvement Area (BIA) Board of Management for the 2023-2026 term:

- (i) Amanda Groves, Groves Law;
- (ii) Shari Stolpmann, BLR LLP;
- (iii) Sheila Locke, Re/Max Smart Realty;
- (iv) Buket Necip, Free2Be Wellness;
- (v) Christina Birmingham, Birmingham Consulting Inc;
- (vi) Shari Reaume, Turkstra Lumber;
- (vii) Jenn Calvano, Rockhaven Realty;
- (viii) Cat McCrimmon, Rustic Daisy's;
- (ix) Krista Allan, The Wine Shop.

(c) Ottawa Street Business Improvement Area (BIA) Revised Board of Management (PED23011) (Wards 3 and 4) (Item 9.4)

That the following individuals be appointed to the Ottawa Street Business Improvement Area (BIA) Board of Management for the 2023-2026 term:

- (i) Michael Carruth, Down The Street Food Co;
- (ii) Ariane Terveld, Obskurrah Bazaar;
- (iii) Eva Grad, Revolving Closet;
- (iv) Justin Abbiss, Ottawa Market;
- (v) Mark Baker, Merk;
- (vi) Wes Fletch, Wick'd Wax;
- (vii) Sean Querob, Nova Sewing Centre;
- (viii) Thomas Lute, The Argyle;
- (ix) Blaze Forgie, Community Rep.

(d) International Village Business Improvement Area (BIA) Revised Board of Management (PED23013) (Ward 2 and 3) (Item 9.5)

That the following individuals be appointed to the International Village Business Improvement Area (BIA) Board of Management for the 2023-2026 term:

- (i) Herb Wodehouse, Whitley Wodehouse CPA;
- (ii) Maja Prvanovic-Kogut, property owner of 203 King St E;
- (iii) Peter Quaglia, Dodsworth & Brown Funeral Home;
- (iv) Jessica Maurice, Community Rep;
- (v) Melanie Lourenco, Circle Studios;
- (vi) Clay Burns, Studio 205;

(vii) Kristin Kusterin, Seasoned Restaurant.

(e) Concession Street Business Improvement Area (BIA) Revised Board of Management (PED23015) (Ward 7) (Item 9.6)

That the following individuals be appointed to the Concession Street Business Improvement Area (BIA) Board of Management for the 2023-2026 term:

- (i) Brandon Eyre, Investment Planning Counsel;
- (ii) Sean Keast, The Dirty South;
- (iii) Sarah Maticic, White Rabbit;
- (iv) David Andrews, Community Rep;
- (v) Kat Goegan, At Your Service;
- (vi) Eva Martens, Restorative Mobility;
- (vii) Darryl Howe, Stage Diner.

(f) Ancaster Village Business Improvement Area (BIA) Revised Board of Management (PED23017) (Ward 12) (Item 9.7)

That the following individuals be appointed to the Ancaster Village Business Improvement Area (BIA) Board of Management for the 2023-2026 term:

- (i) Jason Wynne, Wynne, Pringle, Jeske & Kovacs;
- (ii) Ryan MacDonald, Ancaster Mill;
- (iii) Jane Steinberg, Total Hearing Centre;
- (iv) Joel Newman, Community Rep;
- (v) Milap Bedi, Ancaster Cheese;
- (vi) Patricia Rastin, Rastins Pharmacy;
- (vii) Diane Price, Ancaster Realtor / Lucido Global;
- (viii) Dean Hodge, Coach and Lantern.

(g) Stoney Creek Business Improvement Area (BIA) Revised Board of Management (PED23018) (Ward 5) (Item 9.8)

That the following individuals be appointed to the Stoney Creek Business Improvement Area (BIA) Board of Management for the 2023-2026 term:

- (i) Tina Fougere, Canadian National Autism Foundation;
- (ii) Suzanne Glinka, The Lucky Gem;
- (iii) Natashi Guidi, Trinity Natural Health;
- (iv) Daniel Trombetta, Titan Mortgage Group;
- (v) Paolo Rispoli, Comic 1 Books;
- (vi) Sandy Pavao, Cake Empire;
- (vii) Mary Terziev-Clifford, The Village Restaurant;

- (viii) Sean Kosak, Hudson Integrative Health Care;
- (ix) Matthew Trombetta, Simnat Consulting Inc.

Result: MOTION, CARRIED by a vote of 15 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
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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
Absent	-	Ward 15 Councillor Ted McMeekin

6. BIA Sub-Committee Report 22-009 – December 13, 2022 (Item 10.1)

(Hwang/Beattie)

(a) Appointment of Chair and Vice-Chair for 2022 - 2023 (Item 1)

- (i) That Susie Braithwaite be appointed as Chair of the Business Improvement Area Sub-Committee for 2022 - 2023.
- (ii) That Susan Pennie be appointed as Vice-Chair of the Business Improvement Area Sub-Committee for 2022 - 2023.

Result: MOTION, CARRIED by a vote of 15 to 0, as follows:

Yes	-	Mayor Andrea Horwath
Yes	-	Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 2 Councillor Cameron Kroetsch
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Yes - Ward 11 Councillor Mark Tadeson
Yes - Ward 12 Councillor Craig Cassar
Yes - Ward 13 Councillor Alex Wilson
Yes - Ward 14 Councillor Mike Spadafora
Absent - Ward 15 Councillor Ted McMeekin

7. Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities (ACPD) Report 22-012 - October 11, 2022 (Item 10.2)

(Danko/Pauls)

(a) Selection Process for the one Citizen Appointment to the Hamilton Police Services Board (Item 7.8)

- (i) That the Committee Against Racism and the Hamilton Anti-Racism Resource Centre be requested to consider a member of the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities as one of the six community representatives for appointment to the Hamilton Police Services Board Selection Committee for the recruitment of one citizen appointment to the Hamilton Police Services Board for the 2022-2026 term of Council; and,
- (ii) That a copy of this resolution and the name of the member recommended by the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities, attached as Confidential Appendix "A" to Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities Report 22-012, be forwarded to the Committee Against Racism and the Hamilton Anti-Racism Resource Centre for their consideration.

(b) Proposed Changes to the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities Terms of Reference 2022 – 2026 Term of Council (Deferred from the September 13, 2022, meeting) (Item 10.1)

That the proposed changes to the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities to the Terms of Reference for the 2022-2026 Term of Council, attached as Appendix "B" to Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities Report 22-012, be approved.

Result: MOTION, CARRIED by a vote of 15 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

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Yes	-	Ward 8	Councillor J. P. Danko
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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
Absent	-	Ward 15	Councillor Ted McMeekin

**8. Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities Report 22-014 -
December 13, 2022 (Item 10.3)**

(Pauls/Hwang)

(a) Snow Clearing By-Law Review (Item 12.2)

WHEREAS, Section 130 of the Municipal Act, Chapter 25, S.O. 2001, provides that a municipality may regulate matters related to the health, safety, and well-being of the inhabitants of the municipality;

WHEREAS, according to the City of Hamilton Snow Clearing By-Law 03-296, "Consecutive winter storm events" refers to any precipitation and/or accumulation of snow or ice from the beginning of the original winter snow event, and any subsequent storm events occurring within a 24-hour period of the cessation of the previous storm event;

WHEREAS, according to the City of Hamilton Snow Clearing By-Law 03-296, "Winter Storm Event" refers to any precipitation and/or accumulation of snow or ice;"

WHEREAS, the City of Hamilton Snow Clearing By-Law 03-296 defines street as "Highway," meaning a common and public highway under the jurisdiction of the City of Hamilton, and includes a street, sidewalk, boulevard whether paved or not paved, an unopened road allowance, and any portion of the land situated between street lines;"

WHEREAS, according to the City of Hamilton Snow Clearing By-Law 03-296, "The provisions of this By-law shall apply to all lands within the boundaries of the City, except for those areas designated as being exempt by the Director;"

WHEREAS, the City of Hamilton Snow Clearing By-Law 03-296 is inconsistent in its obligations of property owners in relation to the forgoing by requiring that "That every occupant or owner shall, within 24 hours of the cessation of a Winter Storm Event, or within 24 hours of the cessation of a series of Consecutive winter storm events, remove and clear all snow

and ice from sidewalks abutting the highways in front of, or alongside, or at the rear of any occupied or unoccupied lot, or vacant lot;”

WHEREAS, the City of Hamilton Snow Clearing By-Law 03-296 is ambiguous and no longer meets the needs of persons with disabilities, nor is it consistent with Council-approved plans for referring persons with disabilities away from DARTS and onto HSR conventional transit; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Hamilton Snow Clearing By-Law 03-296 makes no mention of any obligation on the part of a property owner or the City to ensure a clear pathway between sidewalk curb cuts and roadways, which would ensure safe and unobstructed travel between roads and sidewalks for persons with disabilities;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

That the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities respectfully requests Council approve the following:

- (i) That staff be directed to review, in collaboration with the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities, City of Hamilton Snow Clearing By-Law 03-296, so that it may be revised to meet the needs of all persons with disabilities in preparation for the 2023/24 winter season; and,
- (ii) That staff report back to the Public Works Committee with recommendations for revisions to the City of Hamilton Snow Clearing By-Law 03-296 by the early fall of 2023.

Result: MOTION, CARRIED by a vote of 15 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

Absent - Ward 15 Councillor Ted McMeekin

9. Grant Increase to an Existing Environmental Remediation and Site Enhancement (ERASE) Redevelopment Grant Approval, 555 Sanatorium Road, Hamilton, ERG-18-05 (PED19101(a)) (Ward 14) (Item 10.5)

(Spadafora/Wilson)

- (a) That Environmental Remediation and Site Enhancement (ERASE) Redevelopment Grant Application ERG-18-05, submitted by Chedoke Redevelopment Corporation (Starward Homes/Marz Homes), owner of the property at 555 Sanatorium Road, Hamilton, for an ERASE Redevelopment Grant not to exceed an additional \$315,363, for a total maximum grant of \$5,043,587, payable over a maximum of ten years, be authorized and approved in accordance with the terms and conditions of the ERASE Redevelopment Agreement;
- (b) That the General Manager of the Planning and Economic Development Department be authorized and directed to execute the Environmental Remediation and Site Enhancement (ERASE) Redevelopment Agreement together with any ancillary documentation required, to give effect to the ERASE Redevelopment Grant for Chedoke Redevelopment Corporation (Starward Homes/Marz Homes), owner of the property 555 Sanatorium Road, 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 Environmental Remediation and Site Enhancement (ERASE) Redevelopment Grant, as approved by City Council, are maintained and that any applicable Grant Amending Agreements are undertaken in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor.

Result: MOTION, CARRIED by a vote of 15 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
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Yes	-	Ward 12	Councillor Craig Cassar
Yes	-	Ward 13	Councillor Alex Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 14	Councillor Mike Spadafora
Absent	-	Ward 15	Councillor Ted McMeekin

10. Revitalizing Hamilton Tax Increment Grant - 129 Wellington Street North, Hamilton (PED23004) (Ward 2) (Item 10.6)

(Kroetsch/Spadafora)

- (a) That a Revitalizing Hamilton Tax Increment Grant Program (RHTIG) Application submitted by WQ (Wellington St N) GP Inc. (Brendan Morley), for the property at 129 Wellington Street North, Hamilton, estimated at \$110,638.98 over a maximum of a four year period, and based upon the incremental tax increase attributable to the redevelopment of 129 Wellington Street North, Hamilton, be authorized and approved in accordance with the terms and conditions of the RHTIG;
- (b) That the General Manager of the Planning and Economic Development Department be authorized and directed to execute a Grant Agreement together with any ancillary documentation required, to give effect to the RHTIG for WQ (Wellington St N) GP Inc. (Brendan Morley) for the property known as 129 Wellington Street North, 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 RHTIG Program, as approved by City Council, are maintained and that any applicable Grant Amending Agreements are undertaken in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor.

Result: MOTION, CARRIED by a vote of 15 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
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Yes	-	Ward 12	Councillor Craig Cassar
Yes	-	Ward 13	Councillor Alex Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 14	Councillor Mike Spadafora
Absent	-	Ward 15	Councillor Ted McMeekin

11. Business Improvement Areas (BIAs) Proposed Budget and Schedule of Payments (Item 10.7 to 10.13)

(Jackson/Tadeson)

(a) Westdale Village Business Improvement Area (BIA) Proposed Budget and Schedule of Payments (PED23007) (Ward 1) (Item 10.7)

- (i) That the 2023 Operating Budget for the Westdale Village Business Improvement Area attached as Appendix “A” to Report PED23007, in the amount of \$128,125 be approved;
- (ii) That the levy portion of the Operating Budget for the Westdale Village Business Improvement Area in the amount of \$128,125 be approved;
- (iii) That the General Manager of Finance and Corporate Services be hereby authorized and directed to prepare the requisite By-law pursuant to Section 208, *The Municipal Act, 2001*, as amended, to levy the 2023 Budget for the Westdale Village Business Improvement Area;
- (iv) That the following schedule of payments for 2023 be approved:

(1)	February	\$64,062.50
(2)	June	\$64,062.50

(b) Waterdown Village Business Improvement Area (BIA) Proposed Budget & Schedule of Payments (PED23009) (Ward 15) (Item 10.8)

- (i) That the 2023 Operating Budget for the Waterdown Village Business Improvement Area, attached as Appendix “A” to Report PED23009, in the amount of \$362,735 be approved;

- (ii) That the levy portion of the Operating Budget for the Waterdown Village Business Improvement Area in the amount of \$270K be approved;
- (iii) That the General Manager of Finance and Corporate Services be hereby authorized and directed to prepare the requisite By-law pursuant to Section 208, The *Municipal Act, 2001*, as amended, to levy the 2023 Budget for the Waterdown Village Business Improvement Area;
- (iv) That the following schedule of payments for 2023 be approved:
 - (1) February \$135,000
 - (2) June \$135,000

(c) Ottawa Street Business Improvement Area (BIA) Proposed Budget and Schedule of Payments (PED23010) (Wards 3 and 4) (Item 10.9)

- (i) That the 2023 Operating Budget for the Ottawa Street Business Improvement Area, attached as Appendix “A” to Report PED23010, in the amount of \$187,875 be approved;
- (ii) That the levy portion of the Operating Budget for the Ottawa Street Business Improvement Area in the amount of \$133K be approved;
- (iii) That the General Manager of Finance and Corporate Services be hereby authorized and directed to prepare the requisite By-law pursuant to Section 208, The *Municipal Act, 2001*, as amended, to levy the 2023 Budget for the Ottawa Street Business Improvement Area;
- (iv) That the following schedule of payments for 2023 be approved:
 - (1) February \$66,500
 - (2) June \$66,500

(d) International Village Business Improvement Area (BIA) Proposed Budget and Schedule of Payments (PED23012) (Ward 2 and 3) (Item 10.10)

- (i) That the 2023 Operating Budget for the International Village Business Improvement Area, attached as Appendix “A” to Report PED23012, in the amount of \$238,400 be approved;

- (ii) That the levy portion of the Operating Budget for the International Village Business Improvement Area in the amount of \$197,700 be approved;
- (iii) That the General Manager of Finance and Corporate Services be hereby authorized and directed to prepare the requisite By-law pursuant to Section 208, The *Municipal Act, 2001*, as amended, to levy the 2023 Budget for the International Village Business Improvement Area;
- (iv) That the following schedule of payments for 2023 be approved:
 - (1) February \$98,850
 - (2) June \$98,850

(e) Concession Business Improvement Area (BIA) Proposed Budget and Schedule of Payments (PED23014) (Ward 7) (Item 10.11)

- (i) That the 2023 Operating Budget for the Concession Street Business Improvement Area, attached as Appendix “A” to Report PED23014, in the amount of \$247,544 be approved;
- (ii) That the levy portion of the Operating Budget for the Concession Street Business Improvement Area in the amount of \$130K be approved;
- (iii) That the General Manager of Finance and Corporate Services be hereby authorized and directed to prepare the requisite By-law pursuant to Section 208, The *Municipal Act, 2001*, as amended, to levy the 2023 Budget for the Concession Business Improvement Area;
- (iv) That the following schedule of payments for 2023 be approved:
 - (1) February \$65,000
 - (2) June \$65,000

(f) Ancaster Village Business Improvement Area (BIA) Proposed Budget and Schedule of Payments (PED23016) (Ward 12) (Item 10.12)

- (i) That the 2023 Operating Budget for the Ancaster Village Business Improvement Area, attached as Appendix “A” to Report PED23016, in the amount of \$116,950 be approved;

- (ii) That the levy portion of the Operating Budget for the Ancaster Village Business Improvement Area in the amount of \$110K be approved;
- (iii) That the General Manager of Finance and Corporate Services be hereby authorized and directed to prepare the requisite By-law pursuant to Section 208, The *Municipal Act, 2001*, as amended, to levy the 2023 Budget for the Ancaster Village Business Improvement Area;
- (iv) That the following schedule of payments for 2023 be approved:
 - (1) February \$55,000
 - (2) June \$55,000

(g) Stoney Creek Business Improvement Area (BIA) Proposed Budget and Schedule of Payments (PED23019) (Ward 5) (Item 10.13)

- (i) That the 2023 Operating Budget for the Stoney Creek Business Improvement Area, attached as Appendix "A" to Report PED23019, in the amount of \$83,940 be approved;
- (ii) That the levy portion of the Operating Budget for the Stoney Creek Business Improvement Area in the amount of \$72,440 be approved;
- (iii) That the General Manager of Finance and Corporate Services be hereby authorized and directed to prepare the requisite By-law pursuant to Section 208, The *Municipal Act, 2001*, as amended, to levy the 2023 Budget for the Stoney Creek Business Improvement Area;
- (iv) That the following schedule of payments for 2023 be approved:
 - (1) February \$36,220
 - (2) June \$36,220

Result: MOTION, CARRIED by a vote of 15 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
Absent	-	Ward 15	Councillor Ted McMeekin

12. Local Tree Planting Initiatives (PW23006) (Ward 12) (Item 10.14)

(Tadeson/Cassar)

- (a) That Council approve the acceptance of the 2 Billion Trees funding through Green Communities Canada, CanPlant, and Canadian Geographic which will fund in part the participation of the City of Hamilton in the National Mini-Forest Project and that the General Manager, Public Works Department be authorized to enter into and execute an Agreement and any necessary agreements and ancillary documents required to give effect thereto, all in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor; and
- (b) That staff accept the grant in the amount of \$10,000 as well as the possible additional grant funds of \$4,000 which may be accessed for tree planting within publicly owned Greenbelt lands, to be deposited into the existing Tree Planting project ID 4450053001.

Result: MOTION, CARRIED by a vote of 13 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
Absent	-	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
Absent	-	Ward 14 Councillor Mike Spadafora
Absent	-	Ward 15 Councillor Ted McMeekin

13. **Draft Terms of Reference for a Climate Change Advisory Committee (PED23028) (City Wide) (Item 10.15)**

(M. Wilson/Hwang)

- (a) That the Climate Change Advisory Committee be established;
- (b) That the Climate Change Advisory Committee Terms of Reference attached as **Amended** Appendix “A” to Report PED23028, to include **one regulated health professional to the voting members of the Committee**, be approved;
- (c) That the budget for the Climate Change Advisory Committee in the amount of \$9,000 for 2023 be approved, and funded through the Climate Change Reserve Account 108062;
- (d) That the Climate Change Advisory Committee be directed to submit an annual operating budget through the General Issues Committee using the standard templates for the 2024 budget approval process;
- (e) That the Outstanding Business List (OBL) Item LL of the General Issues Committee on August 8, 2022, Item 1(d), that staff be directed to prepare a Draft Terms of Reference for a Climate Change Advisory Committee of Council for the 2022-2026 Term of Council, that will help guide the implementation of the City’s Climate Action Strategy, and which includes a composition that ensures a diverse representation of Hamilton’s community, be removed.

Result: MAIN MOTION, As Amended, CARRIED by a vote of 15 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
Absent	-	Ward 15 Councillor Ted McMeekin

14. Hamilton Ukrainian Humanitarian Crisis Response Update and Recommendation (HSC22029(b)) (City Wide) (Item 10.16)

(Danko/Beattie)

- (a) That staff be directed to continue responding to the Ukraine Crisis, including but not limited to short-term and temporary accommodations and wrap around supports, with an extended timeframe to June 30, 2023 and with an upset spending limit of \$500,000 to be funded from the Corporate Financials – Expenditures/Non-Program Dept ID; and,
- (b) That staff be directed to continue to work with the Greater Toronto Hamilton Area (GTHA) Committee on a regional approach to pursuing full recovery from senior levels of government for the costs associated with the City's response to the Ukraine Crisis.

Result: MOTION, CARRIED by a vote of 15 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
Absent	-	Ward 15 Councillor Ted McMeekin

15. Outcomes and Findings of the Encampment Facilitated Sessions (HSC23009) (City Wide) (Item 10.17)

(Jackson/Spadafora)

That Report HSC23009 respecting the Outcomes and Findings of the Encampment Facilitated Sessions, be received.

Result: MOTION, CARRIED by a vote of 15 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
Absent	-	Ward 15	Councillor Ted McMeekin

16. 2023 Insurance Renewals - Cyber & Paramedics Medical Malpractice (LS22036(a)) (City Wide) (Item 10.20)

(Clark/Pauls)

- (a) That the Paramedic Medical Malpractice Insurance Policy for the term January 30, 2023, to January 30, 2024 in the amount of \$5 Million at a cost of \$64,000 (plus applicable taxes) be approved and funded through the 2023 Risk Management Services Budget.
- (b) That the update on the Cyber Insurance renewal be received as information.
- (c) That the 2023 insurance renewal of the property insurance coverages be received as information.
- (d) That the City Solicitor be authorized to execute all associated documents related to the renewal of the Paramedic Medical Malpractice coverage for the term January 30th, 2023 to January 30th, 2024, through Arthur J. Gallagher Canada Ltd. and Marsh Canada Ltd. on behalf of the City.

Result: MOTION, CARRIED by a vote of 15 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
Absent	-	Ward 15	Councillor Ted McMeekin

17. Stormwater Rate Review (Item 11.1)

(Danko/M. Wilson)

WHEREAS, in December 2021, Council directed staff, through Report PW21074 to report back to the Public Works Committee with a review of the benefits and challenges of various stormwater program funding options including water rates, a dedicated stormwater fee or tax levy or any other options and provide a recommendation for the preferred financing model for the City's stormwater programs, including a preliminary plan and any resource requirements necessary to conduct a detailed review of the preferred financing model;

WHEREAS, in June 2022, Council approved Report FCS22043 - Stormwater Funding Review that directed staff to report back to the General Issues Committee to provide Guiding Principles for consideration that will direct the evaluation of alternative stormwater rate funding structures as part of the Stormwater Funding Review;

WHEREAS, Report FCS22043 Stormwater Funding Review outlined three phases for the project with an estimated timeline for completion of all three phases of January 2026;

WHEREAS, Report FCS22043(a) Stormwater Funding Review on the November 30, 2022 General Issues Committee (GIC) agenda recommends a set of guiding principles for council to consider;

WHEREAS, Report FCS22043(a) Stormwater Funding Review highlights that Phase 1 of the project was completed three months earlier than originally planned;

WHEREAS, a new Utility Billing System is required to be in place at the expiry of the current contract with Alectra expected at December 31, 2024; and;

WHEREAS, synergies could be achieved if a new Stormwater Funding model could be integrated into a new Utility Billing System;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

- (a) That staff be directed to report back to the General Issues Committee in the second quarter of 2023 on the steps and resources required to

implement a dedicated user fee for stormwater services, with an implementation date no later than January 2025; and,

- (b) That, in addition to the guiding principles that may be adopted by Council through Report FCS22043(a), staff be directed to include all aspects of the City's stormwater services to be funded from the revenues associated with this dedicated user fee.

Result: MOTION, CARRIED by a vote of 15 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
Absent	-	Ward 15 Councillor Ted McMeekin

18. Audit of the 2022 Municipal Elections in the City of Hamilton (Item 11.2)

(Horwath/Francis)

WHEREAS, the City Clerk has responsibility under the *Municipal Elections Act* for conducting elections within the city of Hamilton;

WHEREAS, Council is responsible for providing funding for the conduct of municipal elections, the use of City resources during an election, the methods used for voting and the passing of by-laws related to election signs; and,

WHEREAS, there have been concerns raised including, but not limited to, the use of vote by mail ballots, elector privacy, timely distribution of information to electors and candidates, as well as voting delays during the 2022 municipal elections in the city of Hamilton;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

- (a) That the City Auditor be directed to:

- (i) undertake and oversee, an audit of the administration of the 2022 municipal election in the city of Hamilton and report back in May of 2023 to Audit, Finance and Administration Committee on the findings of the audit to ensure that sufficient systems, resources, vendors and vendor agreements, and policies and procedures are in place to comply with the provisions of the *Municipal Elections Act*;
 - (ii) produce an actionable set of recommendations focused on improving the administration of the City of Hamilton's elections for the 2026 municipal election; and,
 - (iii) and make recommendations to Council with regards to suggested legislative reforms to the *Municipal Elections Act*; and,
- (b) That the audit process, of the 2022 municipal election in the city of Hamilton, include the retention of an election expert, and the solicitation of feedback from electors and candidates.

Result: MOTION, CARRIED by a vote of 15 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
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Yes	-	Ward 6 Councillor Tom Jackson
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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
Absent	-	Ward 15 Councillor Ted McMeekin

19. Council Priorities Workshop (Item 11.3)

(Horwath/M. Wilson)

WHEREAS, Hamiltonians will benefit most from a council that, as a whole, sets out clear priorities,

WHEREAS, urgent needs in our communities will be addressed more quickly and efficiently by a council that is working together to make tangible progress on our most pressing challenges and opportunities,

WHEREAS, this council will be able to more effectively direct staff work and get results for Hamiltonians by setting out clear priorities for the term,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

- (a) That staff be directed to work with the Mayor, Councillor M. Wilson, Councillor Beattie, and Councillor Jackson, to plan a workshop for council at which Council as a whole will set priorities as a group for the 2022 – 2026 term of office; and,
- (b) That the workshop and final council product be completed by March 31st 2023.

Result: MOTION, CARRIED by a vote of 15 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
Absent	-	Ward 15 Councillor Ted McMeekin

20. Establishment of a Mayor's Task Force on Transparency, Access and Accountability (Item 11.4)

(Horwath/Pauls)

WHEREAS, Hamiltonians have articulated concerns about issues of transparency, access, and accountability at City Hall; and,

WHEREAS, Council is committed to ensuring that Hamiltonians feel confident that their elected officials have heard their concerns and will endeavor to address them.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

- (a) That the City of Hamilton establish a diverse Mayor's Task Force on Transparency, Access and Accountability to be tasked with undertaking a comprehensive review of public concerns regarding access, transparency, and accountability at City Hall;
- (b) That staff, in consultation with the Mayor, develop and report back with a Terms of Reference for the Mayor's Task Force on Transparency, Access and Accountability, that includes a one year term with a regular reporting schedule and that the meetings be chaired by two Co-Chairs, appointed by the Mayor;
- (c) That the Mayor's Task Force on Transparency, Access, and Accountability provide actionable recommendations to the General Issues Committee to address these concerns and improve public access, transparency and accountability at Hamilton City Hall including the suggested measurements for success linked to each recommendation; and,
- (d) That the Mayor's Task Force on Transparency, Access, and Accountability at City Hall be provided with a budget of up to \$50,000 for the purpose of soliciting input and feedback from Hamiltonians to inform their work, and that this be funded through the Tax Stabilization Reserve 110046.

Result: MOTION, CARRIED by a vote of 15 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
Absent	-	Ward 15 Councillor Ted McMeekin

21. Collective Bargaining Mandate (HUR23001) (City Wide) (Item 14.2)

(Hwang/A. Wilson)

- (a) That the directions provided to staff in Closed Session, respecting Report HUR23001, Collective Bargaining Mandate, be approved; and,
- (b) That Report HUR23001, respecting the Collective Bargaining Mandate, remain confidential.

Result: MOTION, CARRIED by a vote of 13 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
Absent	-	Ward 5 Councillor Matt Francis
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 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
Absent	-	Ward 15 Councillor Ted McMeekin

FOR INFORMATION:

(a) APPROVAL OF AGENDA (Item 2)

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

5. COMMUNICATION ITEMS

- 5.2 Correspondence from Janice M. Shearer, Director, Chair of the Board of Directors, Dr. Bob Kemp Hospice Foundation Inc., respecting to officially move into an exploratory phase by Dr. Bob Kemp Hospice, and with city staff, to examine the viability of the acquisition of land at 41 South St. W (rear), Dundas, to build a “Campus of Care” for a pediatric hospice and centre of excellence for grief and bereavement that will serve Southwestern Ontario.

Recommendation: Be received and referred to the General Manager of Planning and Economic Development for appropriate action.

- 5.3 Correspondence from Rachel Lamont, MD, FRCPC, Psychiatrist, Assistant Professor McMaster University, respecting the Encampment Pilot Evaluation Report

Recommendation: Be received and referred to the consideration of Item 10.18 - Encampment Pilot Evaluation (HSC20038(e) / PED21188(b)).

- 5.4 Correspondence from Marijke Jurriaans, Greater Hamilton Health Network, respecting the proposed Climate Change Advisory Committee Terms of Reference

Recommendation: Be received and referred to consideration of Item 10.15 - Draft Terms of Reference for a Climate Change Advisory Committee (PED23028).

- 5.5 Correspondence from David Inkley and Jeffrey Cowan, Hamilton Community Enterprises, respecting Item 10.15 - Draft Terms of Reference for a Climate Change Advisory Committee - PED23028

Recommendation: Be received and referred to consideration of Item 10.15 - Draft Terms of Reference for a Climate Change Advisory Committee (PED23028).

6. DELEGATION REQUESTS

- 6.2 Ian Borsuk, Environment Hamilton, respecting Item 10.15 - Draft Terms of Reference for a Climate Change Advisory Committee (PED23028) on behalf of Environment Hamilton (For today's meeting)

- 6.3 Delegation Requests respecting Item 10.18 - Encampment Pilot Evaluation (HSC20038(e) / PED21188(b)) (City Wide), from the following individuals:

- 6.3(a) Marcie Mcilveen, Hamsmart
- 6.3(b) Gessie Stearns
- 6.3(c) Koubra Haggar
- 6.3(d) Katherine Walker-Jones
- 6.3(e) Amanda Nemec-Bakk
- 6.3(f) Tanya Collins
- 6.3(g) Joanna Aitcheson

6.3(h) Elia Hamelin

8. STAFF PRESENTATIONS

8.2 Residential Vacant Unit Tax Program Framework (FCS21017(c))
(City Wide) (Formerly Item 10.4)

10. DISCUSSION ITEMS

10.20 2023 Insurance Renewals - Cyber & Paramedics Medical
Malpractice (LS22036(a)) (City Wide)

CHANGE TO THE ORDER OF ITEMS:

That Item 14.5 respecting Report HUR23002, Human Resources Recruitment and Retention Strategy be moved up on the agenda to be considered immediately following the consideration of the Delegations (Item 7) as there are external consultants in attendance for this item.

(Clark/Hwang)

That the agenda for the January 18, 2023 General Issues Committee meeting, be approved, as amended.

Result: MOTION, CARRIED by a vote of 15 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
Absent	-	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
Absent	-	Ward 15 Councillor Ted McMeekin

(b) DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (Item 3)

Councillor B. Clark declared a disqualifying pecuniary interest to Item 14.4, Report LS16029(h), respecting an Update Regarding Ontario Land Tribunal

Appeals of the Rural and Urban Hamilton Official Plans – Urban Boundary Expansion as the principle planner of Urban Solutions, who is believed to be representing some landowners in this appeal, has a retail business interest with his son.

Mayor A. Horwath declared a disqualifying interest to Item 8.2, Report FCS21017(c), Residential Vacant Unit Tax Program Framework as she has a vacant property.

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

(Hwang/Beattie)

That the following minutes of the General Issues Committee be approved, as presented:

- (i) November 30, 2022 (Item 4.1)
- (ii) December 6, 2022 – Special (Item 4.2)

Result: MOTION, CARRIED by a vote of 14 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
Absent	-	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
Absent	-	Ward 15 Councillor Ted McMeekin

(d) COMMUNICATIONS (Item 5)

(Spadafora/A. Wilson)

That the Communications Items 5.1, 5.3 to 5.5, be approved, as presented, as follows:

- (i) Correspondence from Joanne Cohen respecting CBC: Hamilton Mayor Orders Audit of Hamilton Municipal Election Practices and Concerns Re Voter Lists (Item 5.1)

Recommendation: Be received and referred to consideration of Item 11.2 - Audit of the 2022 Municipal Elections in the City of Hamilton

- (ii) Correspondence from Rachel Lamont, MD, FRCPC, Psychiatrist, Assistant Professor McMaster University, respecting the Encampment Pilot Evaluation Report (Added Item 5.3)

Recommendation: Be received and referred to the consideration of Item 10.18 - Encampment Pilot Evaluation (HSC20038(e) / PED21188(b)).

- (iii) Correspondence from Marijke Jurriaans, Greater Hamilton Health Network, respecting the proposed Climate Change Advisory Committee Terms of Reference (Added Item 5.4)

Recommendation: Be received and referred to consideration of Item 10.15 - Draft Terms of Reference for a Climate Change Advisory Committee (PED23028).

- (iv) Correspondence from David Inkley and Jeffrey Cowan, Hamilton Community Enterprises, respecting Item 10.15 - Draft Terms of Reference for a Climate Change Advisory Committee - PED23028 (Added Item 5.5)

Recommendation: Be received and referred to consideration of Item 10.15 - Draft Terms of Reference for a Climate Change Advisory Committee (PED23028).

Result: MOTION, CARRIED by a vote of 14 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
Absent	-	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
Absent - Ward 15 Councillor Ted McMeekin

(e) DELEGATION REQUESTS (Item 6)

(Kroetsch/Nann)

That the Delegation Requests, be approved as follows:

- (i) Julie Alexander, Enbridge Gas on behalf of Enbridge Gas and ArcelorMittal Dofasco, respecting an upcoming project in the City of Hamilton (For the February 1, 2023 Meeting) (Item 6.1)
- (ii) Ian Borsuk, Environment Hamilton, respecting Item 10.15 Draft Terms of Reference for a Climate Change Advisory Committee (PED23028) on behalf of Environment Hamilton (For today's meeting) (Added Item 6.2)
- (iii) Delegation Requests respecting Item 10.18 - Encampment Pilot Evaluation (HSC20038(e) / PED21188(b)) (City Wide), for today's meeting, from the following individuals:
 - (1) Marcie Mcilveen, Hamsmart (Added Item 6.3(a))
 - (2) Gessie Stearns (Added Item 6.3(b))
 - (3) Koubra Haggar (Added Item 6.3(c))
 - (4) Katherine Walker-Jones (Added Item 6.3(d))
 - (5) Amanda Nemec-Bakk (Added Item 6.3(e))
 - (6) Tanya Collins (Added Item 6.3(f))
 - (7) Joanna Aitcheson (Added Item 6.3(g))
 - (8) Elia Hamelin (Added Item 6.3(h))

Result: MOTION, CARRIED by a vote of 14 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
Absent - 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

Absent - Ward 15 Councillor Ted McMeekin

(f) DELEGATIONS (Item 7)

(i) Ian Borsuk, Environment Hamilton, respecting Item 10.15 Draft Terms of Reference for a Climate Change Advisory Committee (PED23028) on behalf of Environment Hamilton (Added Item 7.1)

Ian Borsuk, Environment Hamilton, addressed the Committee respecting Item 10.15 Draft Terms of Reference for a Climate Change Advisory Committee (PED23028) on behalf of Environment Hamilton.

(A. Wilson/Beattie)

That the Delegation from Ian Borsuk, Environment Hamilton, respecting Item 10.15 Draft Terms of Reference for a Climate Change Advisory Committee (PED23028) on behalf of Environment Hamilton, be received.

Result: MOTION, CARRIED by a vote of 14 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
Absent	-	Ward 6 Councillor Tom Jackson
Yes	-	Ward 7 Councillor Esther Pauls
Yes	-	Ward 8 Councillor J. P. Danko
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Yes	-	Ward 11 Councillor Mark Tadeson
Yes	-	Ward 12 Councillor Craig Cassar
Yes	-	Ward 13 Councillor Alex Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 14 Councillor Mike Spadafora
Absent	-	Ward 15 Councillor Ted McMeekin

(ii) Delegations Respecting Item 10.18 - Encampment Pilot Evaluation (HSC20038(e) / PED21188(b)) (Added Item 7.2)

The following individuals addressed the Committee respecting Item 10.18 – Report HSC20038(e) / PED21188(b), Encampment Pilot Evaluation:

- (1) Marcie Mcilveen, Hamsmart (Added Item 7.2(a))
- (2) Gessie Stearns (Added Item 7.2(b))
- (3) Koubra Haggar (Added Item 7.2(c))
- (4) Katherine Walker-Jones (Added Item 7.2(d))
- (5) Amanda Nemec-Bakk (Added Item 7.2(e))

- (6) Tanya Collins (Added Item 7.2(f))
- (7) Joanna Aitcheson (Added Item 7.2(g))
- (8) Elia Hamelin (Added Item 7.2(h))

(A. Wilson/Pauls)

That the following delegations respecting Item 10.18 – Report HSC20038(e) / PED21188(b), Encampment Pilot Evaluation, be received:

- (1) Marcie Mcilveen, Hamsmart (Added Item 7.2(a))
- (2) Gessie Stearns (Added Item 7.2(b))
- (3) Koubra Haggar (Added Item 7.2(c))
- (4) Katherine Walker-Jones (Added Item 7.2(d))
- (5) Amanda Nemec-Bakk (Added Item 7.2(e))
- (6) Tanya Collins (Added Item 7.2(f))
- (7) Joanna Aitcheson (Added Item 7.2(g))
- (8) Elia Hamelin (Added Item 7.2(h))

Result: MOTION, CARRIED by a vote of 13 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
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Yes	-	Ward 12 Councillor Craig Cassar
Yes	-	Ward 13 Councillor Alex Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 14 Councillor Mike Spadafora
Absent	-	Ward 15 Councillor Ted McMeekin

(g) PRIVATE AND CONFIDENTIAL (Item 14)

**(i) Human Resources Recruitment and Retention Strategy (HUR23002)
(City Wide) (Item 14.5)**

(Spadafora/Francis)

That Consultants Terry Curtis and Melissa Merkley from Optimus SBR; and Elizabeth Hill from Pesce & Associates; be permitted to attend the Closed Session portion of the meeting with respect to Report HUR23002, Human Resources Recruitment and Retention Strategy.

Result: MOTION, CARRIED by a vote of 14 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
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Yes	-	Ward 11 Councillor Mark Tadeson
Yes	-	Ward 12 Councillor Craig Cassar
Yes	-	Ward 13 Councillor Alex Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 14 Councillor Mike Spadafora
Absent	-	Ward 15 Councillor Ted McMeekin

(Tadeson/Beattie)

That the Committee move into Closed Session to discuss Item 14.5, pursuant to Section 9.3, Sub-section (d) of the City's Procedural By-law 21-021, as amended, and Section 239(2), Sub-section (d) of the *Ontario Municipal Act, 2001*, as amended, as the subject matter pertains to labour relations or employee negotiations.

Result: MOTION, CARRIED by a vote of 13 to 0, as follows:

Yes	-	Mayor Andrea Horwath
Absent	-	Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 2 Councillor Cameron Kroetsch
Yes	-	Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
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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
Absent	-	Ward 15 Councillor Ted McMeekin

For disposition of this matter, refer to Item 2.

(h) STAFF PRESENTATIONS (Item 8)

(i) Economic Development Manufacturing Strategy Update (PED23005) (City Wide) (Item 8.1)

Norm Schleeahn, Director, Economic Development introduced Clark Savolaine and Marina Vukusic from KPMG, who addressed the Committee with an update on the Economic Development Manufacturing Strategy.

(Hwang/Danko)

That the presentation respecting PED23005, Economic Development Manufacturing Strategy Update, be received.

Result: MOTION, CARRIED by a vote of 15 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
Absent	-	Ward 15 Councillor Ted McMeekin

For disposition of this matter, please refer to Item 3.

Mayor A. Horwath relinquished the Chair to Deputy Mayor J.P. Danko due to a declared a conflict to Item 8.2.

(ii) Residential Vacant Unit Tax Program Framework (FCS21017(c)) (City Wide) (Item 8.2)

Kirk Weaver, Manager, Budgets and Financial Policy and Gloria Rojas, Senior Tax Policy Advisor addressed the Committee with a presentation on the Residential Vacant Unit Tax Program Framework.

(Nann/A. Wilson)

That the presentation respecting Report FCS21017(c), Residential Vacant Unit Tax Program Framework, be received.

Result: MOTION, CARRIED by a vote of 13 to 1, as follows:

Conflict	-	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
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Yes	-	Ward 12 Councillor Craig Cassar
Yes	-	Ward 13 Councillor Alex Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 14 Councillor Mike Spadafora
Absent	-	Ward 15 Councillor Ted McMeekin

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

Mayor A. Horwath assumed the Chair.

(i) CONSENT ITEMS (Item 9)

(i) Arts Advisory Commission Various Minutes:

(Hwang/Spadafora)

That the following minutes of the Arts Advisory Commission, be received:

- (1) January 25, 2022 (Item 9.1(a))
- (2) March 22, 2022 (Item 9.1(b))
- (3) May 24, 2022 (Item 9.1(c))
- (4) July 26, 2022 (Item 9.1(d))
- (5) September 27, 2022 (Item 9.1(e))

Result: MOTION, CARRIED by a vote of 15 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
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Yes	-	Ward 7	Councillor Esther Pauls
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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
Absent	-	Ward 15	Councillor Ted McMeekin

(j) **DISCUSSION ITEMS (Item 10)**

(i) **Draft Terms of Reference for a Climate Change Advisory Committee (PED23028) (City Wide) (Item 10.15)**

(Hwang/Jackson)

That sub-section (b) to Report PED23028, Draft Terms of Reference for a Climate Change Advisory Committee, ***be amended***, by adding ***“to include one regulated health professional to the voting members of the Committee”***, as follows:

- (b) That the Climate Change Advisory Committee Terms of Reference attached as ***Amended*** Appendix “A” to Report PED23028, ***to include one regulated health professional to the voting members of the Committee***, be approved;

Result: Amendment, CARRIED by a vote of 15 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
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Yes	-	Ward 11 Councillor Mark Tadeson
Yes	-	Ward 12 Councillor Craig Cassar
Yes	-	Ward 13 Councillor Alex Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 14 Councillor Mike Spadafora

Absent - Ward 15 Councillor Ted McMeekin

For further disposition of this matter, refer to Item 13.

(ii) Encampment Pilot Evaluation (HSC20038(e) / PED21188(b)) (City Wide) (Item 10.18)

(Francis/Pauls)

- (a) That Council approve the extension of the encampment response pilot to the end of April 2023 to be structured and funded as outlined in HSC20038(d) / PED21188(a) and PED22088 at an approximate cost of \$350,000.
- (b) That, as the pilot program for the Coordination Response Team (CRT) ended on December 31, 2022, a permanent, dedicated CRT to coordinate response and service delivery related to encampments throughout the City, on a housing-outreach first approach, supported by a secondary role for enforcement only when needed, be established;
- (c) That, in order facilitate the permanent Coordination Response Team, the respective General Manager, or their designate, be authorized and directed to:
 - (i) Increase the Healthy and Safe Communities Department, Housing Services Division's budgeted complement by the following two full-time, permanent positions:
 - (1) Manager of Housing-focused Street Outreach, at an annual cost of approximately \$149,000 for salary, benefits and ancillary charges;
 - (2) Project Manager of Housing-focused Street Outreach, at an annual cost of approximately \$102,000 for salary, benefits and ancillary charges;
 - (ii) Increase the Public Works Department, Parks Section's budgeted complement by one full-time permanent position:
 - (1) Supervisor, at an annual cost of approximately \$124,000 for salary, benefits and ancillary charges;

- (iii) Increase the Planning and Economic Development Department budgeted complement by two full-time, permanent positions:
 - (1) Two Municipal Law Enforcement Officers, at an annual cost of approximately \$138,500 each (\$277,000 for both) for salary, benefits, and ancillary charges;
- (d) That the General Manager of the Healthy and Safe Communities Department, or designate, be authorized and directed, on behalf of the City of Hamilton, to enter into, execute and administer all agreements and documents necessary to hire the equivalent of 3.5 seconded Street Outreach Workers, at an approximate cost of \$61,500 each (total for 3.5 FTEs \$216,000) on terms and conditions satisfactory to the General Manager of the Healthy and Safe Communities Department, or designate, and in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor;
- (e) That, based on last year's costing as an indicator, the Public Works Department's operating budget be increased by \$200,000 annually, to be used for ad hoc clean up or other costs incurred as a result of encampments on City property;
- (f) That, although the Hamilton Police Service (HPS) is willing to support for the Coordination Response Team, but it is not in the mandate of the HPS to do so, an additional 2 FTEs (police officers) be hired to support the delivery of the coordinated encampment response at an annual cost of \$268,646 for salary, benefits and one-time costs of \$30,000 for ancillary equipment, to be fully funded by the City from Dept ID 673247; and,
- (g) That Report HSC20038(e) / PED21188(b), respecting the Encampment Pilot Evaluation, in its entirety, be referred to the 2023 Operating Budget process (February 7, 2023 GIC) for consideration.

(Hwang/A. Wilson)

That the General Issues Committee recess for 20 minutes until 6:20 p.m.

Result: MOTION, CARRIED by a vote of 15 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
Absent	-	Ward 15	Councillor Ted McMeekin

(Hwang/A. Wilson)

- (a) That the following Items be DEFERRED to the February 1, 2023 General Issues Committee meeting:
 - (i) Encampment Pilot Evaluation (HSC20038(e) / PED21188(b)) (City Wide) (Item 10.18)
 - (ii) Update Regarding Ontario Land Tribunal Appeals of the Rural and Urban Hamilton Official Plans – Urban Boundary Expansion (LS16029(h)) (City Wide) (Item 14.4)
 - (iii) Encampment Litigation Update (LS20023(e)) (City Wide) (Item 14.6)
- (b) That Outcomes and Findings of the Encampment Facilitated Sessions (HSC23009) (City Wide) (City Wide) (Item 10.17), be included as an appendix to Encampment Pilot Evaluation (HSC20038(e) / PED21188(b)) (City Wide) on the February 1, 2023, General Issues Committee meeting agenda for information.
- (c) That there be no further in-person or virtual delegations respecting the Encampment Reports at the February 1, 2023, General Issues Committee meeting;
- (d) That comments respecting the Encampment Reports be limited to written submissions.
- (e) That the following Item be DEFERRED to the February 15, 2023, General Issues Committee meeting:
 - (i) Media Relations Program Review – Update to Media Relations Policy (CM23007) (City Wide) (Item 10.19)

Result: MOTION, CARRIED by a vote of 15 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
Absent	-	Ward 15	Councillor Ted McMeekin

(k) MOTIONS (Item 11)

Mayor A. Horwath relinquished the Chair to Deputy Mayor J.P. Danko to introduce the following motions:

(i) Audit of the 2022 Municipal Elections in the City of Hamilton (Item 11.2)

For disposition of this matter, refer to Item 18.

(ii) Council Priorities Workshop (Item 11.3)

For disposition of this matter, refer to Item 19.

(iii) Establishment of a Mayor's Task Force on Transparency, Access and Accountability (Item 11.4)

For disposition of this matter, refer to Item 20.

Mayor A. Horwath assumed the Chair.

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

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

(A. Wilson/Hwang)

That the following amendments to the General Issues Committee's Outstanding Business List, be approved:

(1) Items to be Removed (Item 13.1.a.)

(a) Local Tree Planting Initiatives

Date Added: February 16, 2022 (GIC Report 22-005 - Item 13)

Date Completed: January 18, 2023 (Item 10.21)

- (b) Stormwater Funding Review
Addressed at the November 30, 2022 GIC - FCS22043(a)
- (c) Status Update respecting the Equity, Diversity and Inclusion Roadmap and Implementation Plan
Date Completed: November 30, 2022 (Item 9.2)

(2) Proposed New Due Dates (Item 13.1.b.)

- (a) Annual Update - Implementation of the Public Art Master Plan
Current Due Date: November 30, 2022
Proposed New Due Date: September 20, 2023
- (b) Updated Hamilton Tourism Strategy 2021 to 2025
Current Due Date: November 30, 2022
Proposed New Due Date: March 22, 2023
- (c) Hamilton Region Decarbonization Hub
Current Due Date: January 18, 2023
Proposed New Due Date: April 19, 2023
- (d) Update on Request for Information – Downtown Parking Structure (PED16105 and PED15183)
Current Due Date: January 18, 2023
Proposed New Due Date: March 22, 2023
- (e) Report Card on the City's Climate Change Abatement and Mitigation
Current Due Date: January 18, 2023
Proposed New Due Date: October 4, 2023
- (f) Commonwealth Games 2030 Update (PED19108(h))
Current Due Date: January 18, 2023
Proposed New Due Date: February 15, 2023

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

- Yes - Mayor Andrea Horwath
- Yes - Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
- Yes - Ward 2 Councillor Cameron Kroetsch
- Yes - Ward 3 Councillor Ninder Nann

Yes	-	Ward 4	Councillor Tammy Hwang
Absent	-	Ward 5	Councillor Matt Francis
Yes	-	Ward 6	Councillor Tom Jackson
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Yes	-	Ward 12	Councillor Craig Cassar
Yes	-	Ward 13	Councillor Alex Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 14	Councillor Mike Spadafora
Absent	-	Ward 15	Councillor Ted McMeekin

(m) PRIVATE & CONFIDENTIAL (Item 14) (Continued)

(i) Closed Session Minutes – November 30, 2022 (Item 14.1)

(Spadafora/Nann)

- (a) That the Closed Session Minutes of the November 30, 2022 General Issues Committee meeting, be approved; and,
- (b) That the Closed Session Minutes of the November 30, 2022 General Issues Committee meeting remain confidential.

Result: MOTION, CARRIED by a vote of 14 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
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Yes	-	Ward 12 Councillor Craig Cassar
Yes	-	Ward 13 Councillor Alex Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 14 Councillor Mike Spadafora
Absent	-	Ward 15 Councillor Ted McMeekin

(ii) Confidential Appendix "A" to Item 1 of ACPD Report 22-012 - October 11, 2022 (Item 14.3)

For disposition of this matter, please refer to Item 7.

(Kroetsch/A. Wilson)

That Committee move into Closed Session to discuss Item 14.2, pursuant to Section 9.3, Sub-section (d) of the City's Procedural By-law 21-021, as amended, and Section 239(2), Sub-sections (d) of the Ontario Municipal Act, 2001, as amended, as the subject matter pertains to labour relations or employee negotiations.

Result: MOTION, CARRIED by a vote of 14 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
Absent	-	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
Absent	-	Ward 15 Councillor Ted McMeekin

For disposition of this matter, please refer to Item 21.

(n) ADJOURNMENT (Item 15)

(Spadafora/Kroetsch)

That there being no further business, the General Issues Committee be adjourned at 8:38 p.m.

Result: MOTION, CARRIED by a vote of 13 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

Absent	-	Ward 5	Councillor Matt Francis
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 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
Absent	-	Ward 15	Councillor Ted McMeekin

Respectfully submitted,

Mayor Andrea Horwath
Chair, General Issues Committee

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