



SPECIAL GENERAL ISSUES COMMITTEE MINUTES 23-020

9:30 a.m.

June 27, 2023

Council Chambers

71 Main Street West, Hamilton, Ontario

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

Absent: Councillor T. Jackson - Personal

THE FOLLOWING ITEMS WERE REFERRED TO COUNCIL FOR CONSIDERATION:

1. Setting Council Priorities (Item 4.1)

(Horwath/Hwang)

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; and

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 Council adopt the following 3 Priorities for the 2022 – 2026 Term of Council:
- Sustainable Economic & Ecological Development
 - Safe & Thriving Neighbourhoods
 - Working of City Hall & Transparency in Municipal Government

- (b) That Council adopt the 9 outcomes identified under the 3 Council Priorities:
- ~~Increased Non-Residential Growth Rate~~ **Reduce the burden on residential tax payers**
 - Climate Change/Decarbonization Progress
 - Protection of Green Spaces & Water
 - Increase in Housing Units for All & Reduce Homelessness
 - Improved Mobility, Accessibility & Road Safety
 - New Budget Process Implemented
 - Improved Public Engagement
 - Efficient Customer Service & Communication
 - Employer of Choice
- (c) That Council approve the 20 **draft** measures of success identified (Appendix “A” attached hereto as Council Priorities, Outcomes & Measures of Success) to focus action planning, organizational enablement and priority management for the remainder of the Term of Council.

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
Yes	-	Ward 15 Councillor Ted McMeekin

FOR INFORMATION:

(a) APPROVAL OF AGENDA (Item 2)

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

(Hwang/Beattie)

That the agenda for the June 27, 2023 Special General Issues Committee meeting, be approved, as presented.

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
Absent	-	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
Absent	-	Ward 14 Councillor Mike Spadafora
Yes	-	Ward 15 Councillor Ted McMeekin

(b) DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (Item 3)

There were no declarations of interest.

(c) PRESENTATIONS (Item 4)

(i) Setting Council Priorities (Item 4.1)

Anil Gupta, from Anil Gupta and Partners, provided the Committee with a presentation and facilitated the Setting Council Priorities discussion.

(McMeekin/Spadafora)

That the presentation from Anil Gupta, from Anil Gupta and Partners, be received.

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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
Yes	-	Ward 15	Councillor Ted McMeekin

The Mayor relinquished the Chair and introduced the motion respecting Setting Council Priorities.

For further disposition of this matter, refer to Item 1.

The Mayor assumed the Chair.

(d) ADJOURNMENT (Item 6)

(McMeekin/Tadeson)

That there being no further business, the General Issues Committee be adjourned at 12:03 p.m.

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

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Respectfully submitted,

Mayor Andrea Horwath
Chair, General Issues Committee

Angela McRae
Legislative Coordinator
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