

Agriculture and Rural Affairs Sub-Committee REPORT 23-002

Thursday, June 29, 2023 7:00 p.m. Ancaster Fairgrounds, Room C

Ancaster Fairgrounds, Room C 630 Trinity Road, Ancaster Virtually via Webex

Present: Councillors J. Beattie, C. Cassar, T. McMeekin, M. Tadeson,

A. Spoelstra (Chair), D. Smith (Vice-Chair), C. McMaster, A. Payne,

R. Shuker, G. Smuk, and M. Switzer

Absent with

Councillors B. Clark and A. Wilson,

Regrets: N. Mills, J. Mantel, R. Pearce, C. Roberts

THE AGRICULTURE AND RURAL AFFAIRS SUB0COMMITTEE PRESENTS REPORT 23-002 AND RESPECTFULLY RECOMMENDS:

1. Stormwater Funding Review (Item 8.2)

- (a) That staff be directed to continue to consult with the Agriculture and Rural Affairs Sub-Committee respecting the Stormwater Funding Review; and
- (b) That staff and the new Council be reminded of the previous direction as approved by the Planning Committee on December 8, 2020 "that the Agriculture and Rural Affairs Advisory Committee respectfully request that no stormwater management charges be directed to any areas outside the urban boundary, given that the rural area has no direct impact on the City of Hamilton's storm water management infrastructure no additional fees be charged to rural properties".

FOR INFORMATION:

(a) APPROVAL OF AGENDA (Item 2)

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

5. **COMMUNICATIONS**

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- 5.1 Correspondence from the Golden Horseshoe Food and Farming Alliance to Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, respecting proposed changes to the Provincial Policy Statement and Bill 97
- 5.2 Correspondence from Ontario's Farm Leaders respecting Bill 97 and Proposed Provincial Planning Statement

8. STAFF PRESENTATIONS

8.1 Stormwater Funding Review

The agenda for the June 29, 2023 meeting of the Agriculture and Rural Affairs Sub-Committee, be approved, as amended.

(b) DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (Item 3)

There were no declarations of interest.

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

(i) April 18, 2023 (Item 4.1)

The Minutes of the April 18, 2023 meeting of the Agriculture and Rural Affairs Advisory Committee were approved, as presented.

(d) COMMUNICATIONS (Item 5)

The following Communication Items 5.1 and 5.2, were received:

- (i) Correspondence from the Golden Horseshoe Food and Farming Alliance to Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, respecting proposed changes to the Provincial Policy Statement and Bill 97 (Item 5.1)
- (ii) Correspondence from Ontario's Farm Leaders respecting Bill 97 and Proposed Provincial Planning Statement (Item 5.2)

(e) STAFF PRESENTATIONS (Item 8)

(i) Farm 911 Program Update (Item 8.1)

Heather Travis, Manager, Staging of Development and Legislative Approvals, addressed the Committee respecting the Farm 911 Program Update, with the aid of a PowerPoint presentation.

The presentation from Heather Travis, Manager, Staging of Development and Legislative Approvals, respecting the Farm 911 Program Update, was received.

(ii) Stormwater Funding Review (Item 8.2)

Nancy Hill, AECOM, addressed the Committee respecting the Stormwater Funding Review, with the aid of a PowerPoint presentation.

The presentation from Nancy Hill, AECOM, respecting the Stormwater Funding Review, was received.

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

(f) ADJOURNMENT (Item 16)

The meeting of the Agriculture and Rural Affairs Sub-Committee adjourned at 9:41 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Andrew Spoelstra, Chair Agriculture and Rural Affairs Sub-Committee

Carrie McIntosh

Legislative Coordinator Office of the City Clerk