



## OPEN FOR BUSINESS SUB-COMMITTEE MINUTES 23-001

11:00 a.m.

Friday, July 28, 2023

Council Chambers, City Hall, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor  
71 Main Street West, Hamilton, Ontario

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**Present:** Councillors T. Hwang (Chair), C. Cassar (Vice-Chair) and M. Wilson

**Also in Attendance:** Greg Dunnett, Hamilton Chamber of Commerce  
Terri Johns, West End Home Builders' Association  
Matteo Patricelli, Flamborough Chamber of Commerce  
Kyle Slote, Hamilton-Burlington Society of Architects  
Amanda Stringer, Realtors Association of Hamilton-Burlington  
Nadine Ubl, Business Improvement Area Sub-Committee  
Brenda Wilson, Stoney Creek Chamber of Commerce

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### THE FOLLOWING ITEMS WERE REFERRED TO THE GENERAL ISSUES COMMITTEE FOR CONSIDERATION:

#### 1. APPOINTMENT OF CHAIR AND VICE-CHAIR (Item 1)

(a) **(Cassar/M. Wilson)**

That Councillor T. Hwang be appointed as Chair of the Open for Business Sub Committee for the 2022-2026 Term of Council.

**Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 3 to 0, as follows:**

Yes	-	Ward 12	Councillor Craig Cassar
Yes	-	Ward 4	Councillor Tammy Hwang
Yes	-	Ward 1	Councillor Maureen Wilson

(b) **(Hwang/M. Wilson)**

That Councillor C. Cassar be appointed as Vice-Chair of the Open for Business Sub Committee for the 2022-2026 Term of Council.

**Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 3 to 0, as follows:**

Yes	-	Ward 12	Councillor Craig Cassar
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Yes - Ward 4 Councillor Tammy Hwang  
Yes - Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson

**2. Open for Business Update (PED23118) (City Wide) (Item 8.1)**

**(Cassar/Hwang)**

That staff be directed to report back to the Open for Business Sub-Committee on the impacts of Bill 23 on the grading plan requirement for development projects and what the new grading requirements are for the projects that didn't previously require them.

**Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 3 to 0, as follows:**

Yes - Ward 12 Councillor Craig Cassar  
Yes - Ward 4 Councillor Tammy Hwang  
Yes - Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson

**FOR INFORMATION:**

**(a) CHANGES TO THE AGENDA (Item 2)**

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

**9. CONSENT ITEMS**

9.1 Open for Business Sub-Committee – Terms of Reference

**(Cassar/M. Wilson)**

That the agenda for the July 28, 2023 Open for Business Sub-Committee be approved, as amended.

**Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 3 to 0, as follows:**

Yes - Ward 12 Councillor Craig Cassar  
Yes - Ward 4 Councillor Tammy Hwang  
Yes - Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson

**(b) DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (Item 3)**

There were no declarations of interest.

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

**(i) October 21, 2019 (Item 4.1)**

**(M. Wilson/Cassar)**

That the Minutes of the October 21, 2019 meeting of the Open for Business Sub-Committee be approved, as presented.

**Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 3 to 0, as follows:**

Yes	-	Ward 12	Councillor Craig Cassar
Yes	-	Ward 4	Councillor Tammy Hwang
Yes	-	Ward 1	Councillor Maureen Wilson

**(d) STAFF PRESENTATIONS (Item 8)**

**(i) Open for Business Update (PED23118) (City Wide) (Item 8.1)**

Jason Thorne, General Manager, Planning and Economic Development, addressed the Committee respecting the Open for Business Update, with the aid of a presentation.

**(Cassar/M. Wilson)**

That the presentation respecting Report PED23118, Open for Business Update, be received.

**Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 3 to 0, as follows:**

Yes	-	Ward 12	Councillor Craig Cassar
Yes	-	Ward 4	Councillor Tammy Hwang
Yes	-	Ward 1	Councillor Maureen Wilson

For further disposition of this matter, refer to Item 2.

**(e) CONSENT ITEMS (Item 9)**

**(i) Open for Business Sub-Committee – Terms of Reference (Added Item 9.1)**

**(Hwang/Cassar)**

That the consideration of the Open for Business Sub-Committee – Terms of Reference, be deferred to the October 26, 2023 meeting of the Open for Business Sub-Committee.

**Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 3 to 0, as follows:**

Yes	-	Ward 12	Councillor Craig Cassar
Yes	-	Ward 4	Councillor Tammy Hwang
Yes	-	Ward 1	Councillor Maureen Wilson

(f) **ADJOURNMENT (Item 15)**

**(Cassar/M. Wilson)**

That, there being no further business, the Open for Business Sub-Committee be adjourned at 12:19 p.m.

**Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 3 to 0, as follows:**

Yes	-	Ward 12	Councillor Craig Cassar
Yes	-	Ward 4	Councillor Tammy Hwang
Yes	-	Ward 1	Councillor Maureen Wilson

Respectfully submitted,

Councillor Tammy Hwang  
Chair, Open for Business Sub-  
Committee

Matt Gauthier  
Legislative Coordinator  
Office of the City Clerk