



EMERGENCY & COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE MINUTES 23-013

1:30 p.m.

Thursday, October 19, 2023

Council Chambers

Hamilton City Hall

71 Main Street West

Present: Councillor B. Clark (Chair), Councillors T. Jackson, C. Kroetsch, T. Hwang (Vice Chair), N. Nann, A. Wilson and M. Wilson

THE FOLLOWING ITEMS WERE REFERRED TO COUNCIL FOR CONSIDERATION:

1. Ending of Hamilton Community Foundation/GreenShield Funding for Dental Services (HSC23075/BOH23035) (City Wide) (Item 9.2)

(Hwang/Kroetsch)

That Report HSC23075/BOH23035, respecting the Ending of Hamilton Community Foundation/GreenShield Funding for Dental Services, be received.

Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 7 to 0, as follows:

YES	- Clark, Brad	Ward 9
YES	- Hwang, Tammy	Ward 4
YES	- Kroetsch, Cameron	Ward 2
YES	- Jackson, Tom	Ward 6
YES	- Nann, Nrinder	Ward 3
YES	- Wilson, Alex	Ward 13
YES	- Wilson, Maureen	Ward 1

2. Large Volume Hazard Storage Database and Program (HSC23068) (City Wide) (Item 10.2)

(Hwang/Nann)

(a) That the Chief of the Hamilton Fire Department be directed to implement a Large-Volume Hazard Storage Database that will focus on commercial, industrial, and agricultural properties using the Ontario Fire Code as a reference for volumes, storage, and types of flammable and combustible substances; and,

- (b) That the Chief of the Hamilton Fire Department be directed to investigate the staffing and resources required to launch and manage the program associated with the inspections and maintenance of the Large-Volume Hazard Storage Database to be discussed through the 2024 budget process;

Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 7 to 0, as follows:

YES	- Clark, Brad	Ward 9
YES	- Hwang, Tammy	Ward 4
YES	- Kroetsch, Cameron	Ward 2
YES	- Jackson, Tom	Ward 6
YES	- Nann, Nrinder	Ward 3
YES	- Wilson, Alex	Ward 13
YES	- Wilson, Maureen	Ward 1

3. Hamilton Fire Department Agreement with Wounded Warriors Canada (HSC23070) (City Wide) (Item 10.3)

(Hwang/M. Wilson)

- (a) That the Fire Chief of the Hamilton Fire Department, or their designate, be authorized to enter into and execute any required agreement and any ancillary documents required to give effect thereto with Wounded Warriors Canada, the Hamilton Firefighters Association IAFF Local 288, and the Greater Hamilton Volunteer Firefighters Association, CLAC Local 911 to provide an additional layer of mental health support for all Hamilton Fire Department personnel with content acceptable to the General Manager of Community Services, and in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor; and
- (b) That the Fire Chief of the Hamilton Fire Department, or their designate, be authorized to execute amendments and any ancillary documents related to these Agreements and any new agreements as required for access to mental health support services offered by Wounded Warriors Canada with content acceptable to the General Manager of Community Services and in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor.

Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 7 to 0, as follows:

YES	- Clark, Brad	Ward 9
YES	- Hwang, Tammy	Ward 4
YES	- Kroetsch, Cameron	Ward 2
YES	- Jackson, Tom	Ward 6
YES	- Nann, Nrinder	Ward 3
YES	- Wilson, Alex	Ward 13
YES	- Wilson, Maureen	Ward 1

4. Emergency Food Strategic Planning Committee Funding Request (HSC23072) (City Wide) (Item 10.4)

(A. Wilson/Jackson)

- (a) That the funding request made by the Emergency Food Strategic Planning Committee/Hamilton Food Share in the amount of \$1.25 million, be referred to the 2024 Tax Supported Operating Budget Process;
- (b) That the annual funding request by the Emergency Food Strategic Planning Committee/Hamilton Food Share be referred to the General Manager of Community Services, or their delegate, for review;
- (c) *That the annual funding request by the Emergency Food Strategic Planning Committee/Hamilton Food Share be referred to the Director of Climate Change Initiatives, or their delegate, for review.*

Result: Main Motion As Amended CARRIED by a vote of 7 to 0, as follows:

YES	- Clark, Brad	Ward 9
YES	- Hwang, Tammy	Ward 4
YES	- Kroetsch, Cameron	Ward 2
YES	- Jackson, Tom	Ward 6
YES	- Nann, Nrinder	Ward 3
YES	- Wilson, Alex	Ward 13
YES	- Wilson, Maureen	Ward 1

5. Early Years Community Plan 2023 Update (HSC23063) (City Wide) (Item 10.5)

(M. Wilson/Nann)

- (a) That Hamilton’s Early Years Community Plan 2023, attached as Appendix “A” to report HSC23063, be approved, and
- (b) That staff be authorized to implement Hamilton’s Early Years Community Plan 2023 Update

Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 7 to 0, as follows:

YES	- Clark, Brad	Ward 9
YES	- Hwang, Tammy	Ward 4
YES	- Kroetsch, Cameron	Ward 2
YES	- Jackson, Tom	Ward 6
YES	- Nann, Nrinder	Ward 3
YES	- Wilson, Alex	Ward 13
YES	- Wilson, Maureen	Ward 1

6. **2023 Ministry of Long-Term Care Funding Enhancement (HSC23057(a))
(Wards 7 and 13) (Item 10.6)**

(Jackson/Hwang)

- (a) That the General Manager of Healthy and Safe Communities Department, or their designate, be authorized to increase the Long-Term Care (LTC) Division's 2023 budgeted complement by 2.0 full-time equivalent permanent positions, for Allied Health Professionals, at an estimated annual gross cost of \$178,590, to be funded from Ministry of Long-Term Care, Allied Health funding that was effective April 1, 2023, resulting in a net cost of \$0 annually; and,
- (b) That the General Manager of Healthy and Safe Communities Department, or their designate, be authorized to increase the Long-Term Care Division's 2023 budgeted complement by 0.5 full-time equivalent permanent position for a Supervisor Administration, with an estimated gross cost of \$62,700, to be funded from Ministry of Long-Term Care, Level of Care funding that was effective April 1, 2023, resulting in a net cost of \$0 annually; and,
- (c) That the General Manager of Healthy and Safe Communities Department, or their designate, be authorized to increase the Long-Term Care Division's 2023 budgeted complement by 2.0 full-time equivalent permanent positions for Nurse Practitioners, at an estimated annualized cost of \$187,000 for salary and benefits and \$4,000 for overhead which will be partially funded from Ministry of Long-Term Care Hiring More Nurse Practitioners Funding, leaving an outstanding balance of approximately \$33,000 which is to be absorbed by allied health professionals funding and any remaining balance to be funded from any in-year operating surplus, if required.

Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 7 to 0, as follows:

YES	-	Clark, Brad	Ward 9
YES	-	Hwang, Tammy	Ward 4
YES	-	Kroetsch, Cameron	Ward 2
YES	-	Jackson, Tom	Ward 6
YES	-	Nann, Nrinder	Ward 3
YES	-	Wilson, Alex	Ward 13
YES	-	Wilson, Maureen	Ward 1

7. **Service Manager Consent for Corktown Co-operative Homes Development of 221 and 223 Charlton Avenue (HSC23056) (Ward 2) (Item 10.7)**

(Kroetsch/A. Wilson)

- (a) That Service Manager Consent be granted to Corktown Co-operative Homes Inc. to merge with Charlton Co-operative Homes Inc. to form a single co-operative housing provider named Corktown Co-operative Homes Inc.;

- (b) That Service Manager Consent be granted for Corktown Co-operative Homes Inc. to undertake the development of 17 affordable units at 221 and 223 Charlton Avenue including taking on a new loan to finance the project;
- (c) That the General Manager, Healthy and Safe Communities Department, or their designate be authorized and directed to execute and administer a Housing Charge subsidy for 5 units at Corktown Co-operative Homes' property at 221 and 223 Charlton in the amount of approximately \$21,000 to be added to and included in the 2025 Tax Operating Budget on such terms and conditions as provided for in the Term Sheet attached as Appendix "A" to report HSC23056 and along with any ancillary documentation and amendments in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor;
- (d) That the General Manager, Healthy and Safe Communities Department, or their designate be authorized and directed to execute and administer an agreement for an annual operating subsidy, beginning in 2025, for Corktown Co-operative Homes' project at 221 and 223 Charlton in the amount of approximately \$420,000 to be included in the 2025 Tax Operating Budget on such terms and conditions as provided for in the Term Sheet attached as Appendix "A" to Report HSC23056 along with any ancillary documentation and amendments in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor;
- (e) That the General Manager of Health and Safe Communities be directed to transfer and amend the Charlton Co-Operative Ontario Priorities Housing Initiative Contribution Agreement of the New Rental Housing Component Year 3 funding of \$822,495 to Corktown Co-operative Homes Inc, including all ancillary documents related to administration and funding of the Contribution Agreement; and
- (f) That the City consent to a partial discharge of the operating agreement registered as instrument number VM195526 from title to the portion of the lands municipally known as 200 Forest Avenue in Hamilton which are being conveyed to the City for road widening purposes, and that the City Solicitor or her designate be authorized to take all steps and sign all documents necessary to effect the partial discharge.

Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 7 to 0, as follows:

YES	-	Clark, Brad	Ward 9
YES	-	Hwang, Tammy	Ward 4
YES	-	Kroetsch, Cameron	Ward 2
YES	-	Jackson, Tom	Ward 6
YES	-	Nann, Nrinder	Ward 3
YES	-	Wilson, Alex	Ward 13
YES	-	Wilson, Maureen	Ward 1

8. End of Mortgage Strategy and Implementation (HSC23050) (City Wide) (Item 10.8)

(Nann/M. Wilson)

- (a) That the End of Mortgage Strategy, including the funding model, attached as Appendix “A” to report HSC23050 be approved and that the General Manager of the Healthy and Safe Communities Department or designate, be delegated the authority to modify the strategy so long as it supports the long-term sustainability of the social housing portfolio at End of Agreement/End of Mortgage and does not negatively impact the City of Hamilton’s budget;
- (b) That the General Manager of Healthy and Safe Communities or designate be authorized and directed to enter service and exit agreements with housing providers for projects under Housing Services Act, S.O. 2011, c. 6, Sched. 1, that reach End of Operating Agreement or End of Mortgage after 2023 and execute any ancillary agreements or documents in order to provide ongoing affordability for tenants and long-term sustainability for the project, in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor;
- (c) That \$5.1M be referred to the Housing Services 2024 Tax Operating Budget process annually for the next four years to increase the levy base to \$20.4M, and that this enhancement be increased by inflationary factors, in order to provide an ongoing base totalling \$153 million from 2023-2032 to address capital needs of Housing Projects that are at End of Mortgage/End of Agreement;
- (d) That at the end of the year, if the Housing Division’s Net levy is in a surplus, that any unspent funds be transferred to the Social Housing Transition Reserve #112244 to be utilized in future years to fund capital grant requests;
- (e) That a Full Time Equivalent staffing position for a Capital Analyst be referred to the 2024 Housing Services Division complement at an approximate cost of \$111,289 annually for salary and benefits be included in the 2024 Tax Operating Budget;
- (f) That the temporary position of Senior Financial Analyst be converted into a permanent Full Time Equivalent position to be approved in the 2024 Corporate Services, Financial Planning, Administration and Policy Division, funded as reported in HSC22040 through the existing Social Housing investment program levy base.

Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 7 to 0, as follows:

YES	-	Clark, Brad	Ward 9
YES	-	Hwang, Tammy	Ward 4
YES	-	Kroetsch, Cameron	Ward 2
YES	-	Jackson, Tom	Ward 6

YES	-	Nann, Nrinder	Ward 3
YES	-	Wilson, Alex	Ward 13
YES	-	Wilson, Maureen	Ward 1

FOR INFORMATION:

(a) APPROVAL OF AGENDA (Item 2)

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

5. COMMUNICATIONS

- 5.1 Correspondence from ACORN Hamilton, respecting Proposed Amendments to the Renovation Licence and Relocation Listing By-law

Recommendation: Be received, and referred to the consideration of Item 10.1, Addressing Renovictions, Tenant Displacement and Property Standards in Apartment Buildings in the City of Hamilton (PED23072) (City Wide)

- 5.2 Karen Andrews, Advocacy Centre for Tenants Ontario, respecting a Legal Opinion on the Hamilton Apartment Rental Program

Recommendation: Be received, and referred to the consideration of Item 10.1, Addressing Renovictions, Tenant Displacement and Property Standards in Apartment Buildings in the City of Hamilton (PED23072) (City Wide)

(Hwang/Nann)

That the agenda for the October 19, 2023 Emergency and Community Services Committee meeting be approved, as amended.

Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 7 to 0, as follows:

YES	-	Clark, Brad	Ward 9
YES	-	Hwang, Tammy	Ward 4
YES	-	Kroetsch, Cameron	Ward 2
YES	-	Jackson, Tom	Ward 6
YES	-	Nann, Nrinder	Ward 3
YES	-	Wilson, Alex	Ward 13
YES	-	Wilson, Maureen	Ward 1

(b) DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (Item 3)

There were no Declarations of Interest.

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

(i) **September 21, 2023 (Item 4.1)**

(Nann/Hwang)

That the Minutes of the September 21, 2023 meeting of the Emergency and Community Services Committee, be approved, as presented.

Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 6 to 0, as follows:

YES	-	Clark, Brad	Ward 9
YES	-	Hwang, Tammy	Ward 4
YES	-	Kroetsch, Cameron	Ward 2
ABSENT	-	Jackson, Tom	Ward 6
YES	-	Nann, Nrinder	Ward 3
YES	-	Wilson, Alex	Ward 13
YES	-	Wilson, Maureen	Ward 1

(d) **COMMUNICATIONS (Item 5)**

(A. Wilson/Nann)

That the following Communication Items, be approved as presented:

- (i) Correspondence from ACORN Hamilton, respecting Proposed Amendments to the Renovation Licence and Relocation Listing By-law (Added Item 5.1)

Recommendation: Be received, and referred to the consideration of Item 10.1, Addressing Renovictions, Tenant Displacement and Property Standards in Apartment Buildings in the City of Hamilton (PED23072) (City Wide)

- (ii) Karen Andrews, Advocacy Centre for Tenants Ontario, respecting a Legal Opinion on the Hamilton Apartment Rental Program (Added Item 5.2)

Recommendation: Be received, and referred to the consideration of Item 10.1, Addressing Renovictions, Tenant Displacement and Property Standards in Apartment Buildings in the City of Hamilton (PED23072) (City Wide)

Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 7 to 0, as follows:

YES	-	Clark, Brad	Ward 9
YES	-	Hwang, Tammy	Ward 4
YES	-	Kroetsch, Cameron	Ward 2
YES	-	Jackson, Tom	Ward 6
YES	-	Nann, Nrinder	Ward 3
YES	-	Wilson, Alex	Ward 13
YES	-	Wilson, Maureen	Ward 1

(e) CONSENT ITEMS (Item 9)

(i) Resignation from the Seniors Advisory Committee (Item 9.1)

(Nann/Hwang)

That Steve Benson's resignation from the Seniors Advisory Committee, be received.

Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 7 to 0, as follows:

YES	- Clark, Brad	Ward 9
YES	- Hwang, Tammy	Ward 4
YES	- Kroetsch, Cameron	Ward 2
YES	- Jackson, Tom	Ward 6
YES	- Nann, Nrinder	Ward 3
YES	- Wilson, Alex	Ward 13
YES	- Wilson, Maureen	Ward 1

(f) DISCUSSION ITEM (Item 10)

(i) Addressing Renovictions, Tenant Displacement and Property Standards in Apartment Buildings in the City of Hamilton (PED23072) (City Wide) - (Sub-sections (e), (f), (g), and (h) DEFERRED from August 17, 2023) (Item 10.1)

(1) (Nann/Kroetsch)

- (e) That staff be directed to prepare a Renovation Licence and Relocation Listing By-law to regulate repairs and renovations to rental units, in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor, as per Appendix "D" to Report PED23072, following the 2024 budget process, subject to the approval of the staffing and resourcing outlined in Recommendation (h) as part of the 2024 Budget;
- (f) That City of Hamilton User Fees and Charges By-law No. 23-112 be amended to reflect the new Renovation Licence and Relocation Listing Fee Schedule developed at 10% cost recovery attached as Appendix "E" to Report PED23072;
- (g) That, subject to the adoption of the Renovation Licence and Relocation Listing By-law, the Transition Plan as detailed in Appendix "F" to Report PED23072 to develop, implement and administer the By-law be approved;
- (h) That the appropriate General Managers be directed to refer the following to the 2024 Budget for the implementation of the Renovation Licence and Relocation Listing By-law:

- (i) Three full-time (3.0 FTE) Licensing Administrators in the Licensing and By-law Services Division to administer licence applications, enter investigation files and respond to inquiries, at an estimated total cost of \$287,000 annually (\$258,300 net levy);
- (ii) Three full-time (3.0 FTE) Licensing Compliance Officer in the Licensing and By-law Services Division to enforce the By-law, at an estimated total cost of \$327,000 annually (\$294,300 net levy);
- (iii) One full-time (1.0 FTE) Solicitor in Legal Services to respond to legal challenges and increased Property Standards Committee hearings, at an estimated total cost of \$212,000 annually (\$190,800 net levy);
- (iv) One full-time (1.0 FTE) Housing Clerk in the Housing Services Division to facilitate tenant support/education, at an estimated total cost of \$80,000 annually (\$72,000 net levy);
- (v) The purchase of three (3) vehicles at an estimated initial cost of \$163,575 and an annual operating cost of \$26,850 (\$24,165 net levy);
- (vi) An outreach, education and communications budget of \$10,000 annually (\$9,000 net levy); and
- (vii) A one-time cost of \$150,000 to fund the transition period for the implementation of the By-law.

(2) (Nann/A. Wilson)

- (a) That sub-sections (e), (f), (g), and (h) of Report PED23072 respecting Addressing Renovictions, Tenant Displacement and Property Standards in Apartment Buildings in the City of Hamilton (PED23072) (City Wide), BE DEFERRED to a meeting of the Emergency and Community Services Committee, no later than the January 18, 2024 meeting, to allow for staff to:
 - (i) Review the correspondence received from ACORN and Advocacy Centre for Tenants Ontario on October 19, 2023, regarding possible amendments and revisions to the proposed Renovation Licence and Relocation Listing By-law as well as the proposed revisions made by ACORN to the by-law, and report back to Emergency and Community Services Committee, no later than January 18, 2024, on any staff recommended revisions to the proposed

Renovation Licence and Relocation Listing By-law;
and

- (ii) Include the employee and other costs outlined in sub-section (h) of Report PED23072 as a Council Referred Item in the 2024 budget, such that the additional investments can still be approved as part of the 2024 Operating Budget should Council approve the Renovation Licence and Relocation Listing By-law.

Result: Amendment CARRIED by a vote of 7 to 0, as follows:

YES	- Clark, Brad	Ward 9
YES	- Hwang, Tammy	Ward 4
YES	- Kroetsch, Cameron	Ward 2
YES	- Jackson, Tom	Ward 6
YES	- Nann, Nrinder	Ward 3
YES	- Wilson, Alex	Ward 13
YES	- Wilson, Maureen	Ward 1

(ii) Emergency Food Strategic Planning Committee Funding Request (HSC23072) (City Wide) (Item 10.4)

(1) (A. Wilson/Jackson)

- (a) That the funding request made by the Emergency Food Strategic Planning Committee/Hamilton Food Share in the amount of \$1.25 million, be referred to the 2024 Tax Supported Operating Budget Process;
- (b) That the annual funding request by the Emergency Food Strategic Planning Committee/Hamilton Food Share be referred to the General Manager of Community Services, or their delegate, for review;

(2) (A. Wilson/Jackson)

- (a) That Report HSC23072, respecting Emergency Food Strategic Planning Committee Funding Request, **be amended**, by adding sub-section (c) as follows:

- (c) ***That the annual funding request by the Emergency Food Strategic Planning Committee/Hamilton Food Share be referred to the Director of Climate Change Initiatives, or their delegate, for review.***

Result: Amendment CARRIED by a vote of 7 to 0, as follows:

YES	- Clark, Brad	Ward 9
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YES	-	Hwang, Tammy	Ward 4
YES	-	Kroetsch, Cameron	Ward 2
YES	-	Jackson, Tom	Ward 6
YES	-	Nann, Nrinder	Ward 3
YES	-	Wilson, Alex	Ward 13
YES	-	Wilson, Maureen	Ward 1

For disposition of this matter, refer to Item 4.

(iii) Emergency Grant for the Emergency Food Strategic Planning Committee

(Jackson/Nann)

That staff be directed to prepare an emergency grant of \$625k to the Emergency Food Strategic Planning Committee, for the October 25, 2023 meeting of Council meeting.

Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 7 to 0, as follows:

YES	-	Clark, Brad	Ward 9
YES	-	Hwang, Tammy	Ward 4
YES	-	Kroetsch, Cameron	Ward 2
YES	-	Jackson, Tom	Ward 6
YES	-	Nann, Nrinder	Ward 3
YES	-	Wilson, Alex	Ward 13
YES	-	Wilson, Maureen	Ward 1

(g) ADJOURNMENT (Item 16)

(Kroetsch/Jackson)

That there being no further business, the Emergency and Community Services Committee be adjourned at 2:50 p.m.

Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 7 to 0, as follows:

YES	-	Clark, Brad	Ward 9
YES	-	Hwang, Tammy	Ward 4
YES	-	Kroetsch, Cameron	Ward 2
YES	-	Jackson, Tom	Ward 6
YES	-	Nann, Nrinder	Ward 3
YES	-	Wilson, Alex	Ward 13
YES	-	Wilson, Maureen	Ward 1

Respectfully submitted,

Councillor B. Clark
Chair, Emergency and Community Services
Committee

Loren Kolar
Legislative Coordinator
Office of the City Clerk