

# Agriculture and Rural Affairs Sub-Committee REPORT 23-003 Thursday, November 30, 2023 7:00 p.m.

Room 264, 2nd Floor Hamilton City Hall
71 Main Street West

**Present:** Councillors C. Cassar, T. McMeekin, M. Tadeson, A. Wilson,

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

A. Payne, C. Roberts, R. Shuker, G. Smuk, and M. Switzer

**Absent with** 

**Regrets:** Councillor B. Clark - Personal

J. Mantel and R. Pearce

# THE FOLLOWING ITEMS WERE REFERRED TO THE PLANNING COMMITTEE FOR CONSIDERATION:

1. Stormwater Fee Information & Incentive Program Consultation (Item 8.1)

That staff be directed to look at alternative options to the proposed stormwater fee for agricultural properties and report back to the Agriculture and Rural Affairs Sub-Committee with alternatives that are fair, affordable, justifiable, reasonable, and simple.

2. Rural Zones (Farm Labour Residences and Additional Dwelling Units – Detached) (Item 8.3)

That staff be directed to include additional flexibility for Farm Labour Residences on size and permanence on justified farm situations.

#### FOR INFORMATION:

(a) APPROVAL OF AGENDA (Item 2)

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

8. PRESENTATIONS

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8.3(a) Farm Labour Residence & Additional Dwelling Unit – Detach - Rural Area Zoning Changes

The agenda for the November 30, 2023 meeting of the Agriculture and Rural Affairs Sub-Committee, was 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) June 29, 2023 (Item 4.1)

The Minutes of the June 29, 2023 meeting of the Agriculture and Rural Affairs Advisory Committee were approved, as presented.

# (d) COMMUNICATIONS (Item 5)

- (i) The following Communication Item, be received:
  - (a) Correspondence from the Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs (Item 5.1)

## (e) DELEGATION REQUESTS (Item 6)

- (i) The rules of procedure were waived to allow the following Delegations to delegate at today's meeting:
  - (a) Jan Vander Hout respecting Item 8.1, Stormwater Fee Information & Incentive Program Consultation and Item 8.3, Rural Zones (Farm Labour Residences and Additional Dwelling Units Detached) (Added Item 6.1)
  - (b) Clint Burrows respecting Item 8.1, Stormwater Fee Information & Incentive Program Consultation (Added Item 6.2)

## (f) DELEGATIONS (Item 7)

- (i) The Delegates addressed the Committee, as follows:
  - (a) Jan Vander Hout respecting Item 8.1, Stormwater Fee Information & Incentive Program Consultation and Item 8.3, Rural Zones (Farm Labour Residences and Additional Dwelling Units Detached) (Added Item 7.1)
  - (b) Clint Burrows respecting Item 8.1, Stormwater Fee Information & Incentive Program Consultation (Added Item 7.2)

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- (ii) The following Delegations were received:
  - (a) Jan Vander Hout respecting Item 8.1, Stormwater Fee Information & Incentive Program Consultation and Item 8.3, Rural Zones (Farm Labour Residences and Additional Dwelling Units Detached) (Added Item 7.1)
  - (b) Clint Burrows respecting Item 8.1, Stormwater Fee Information & Incentive Program Consultation (Added Item 7.2)

# (g) PRESENTATIONS (Item 8)

(i) Stormwater Fee Information & Incentive Program Consultation (Item 8.1)

Nancy Hill, AECOM, addressed the Committee respecting the Stormwater Fee Information & Incentive Program Consultation, with the aid of a PowerPoint presentation.

The presentation from Nancy Hill, AECOM, respecting the Stormwater Fee Information & Incentive Program Consultation, was received.

For disposition of this matter, refer to Item 1.

(ii) Farm 911 Program Update (Item 8.2)

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.

- (iii) Rural Zones (Farm Labour Residences and Additional Dwelling Units Detached) (Item 8.3)
  - (a) Farm Labour Residences and Additional Dwelling Units –
    Detached Rural Area Zoning Changes

Lucas Mascotto-Carbone, Planner II, and Shannon McKie, Director - Planning/Chief Planner, addressed the Committee respecting the (Farm Labour Residences and Additional Dwelling Units – Detached) – Rural Area Zoning Changes with the aid of a PowerPoint presentation.

The presentation from Lucas Mascotto-Carbone, Planner II and Shannon McKie, Director - Planning/Chief Planner, respecting the (Farm Labour Residences and Additional Dwelling Units – Detached) – Rural Area Zoning Changes, was received.

For disposition of this matter, refer to Item 2.

# (h) ADJOURNMENT (Item 16)

The meeting of the Agriculture and Rural Affairs Sub-Committee adjourned at 9:23 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Andrew Spoelstra, Chair Agriculture and Rural Affairs Sub-Committee

Carrie McIntosh Legislative Coordinator Office of the City Clerk