



EMERGENCY & COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE MINUTES 23-011

1:30 p.m.

Thursday, September 7, 2023

Council Chambers

Hamilton City Hall

71 Main Street West

Present: Councillors T. Jackson, C. Kroetsch, T. Hwang (Acting Chair), N. Nann, A. Wilson and M. Wilson

**Absent with
Regrets:** Councillor B. Clark (Chair) - Personal

THE FOLLOWING ITEMS WERE REFERRED TO COUNCIL FOR CONSIDERATION:

1. Annual Winter Response Strategy (HSC23012(a)) (City Wide) (Item 8.1)

(Nann/A. Wilson)

- (a) That Council approve, and staff be authorized to implement an immediate Winter Response Strategy, from December 1, 2023 to March 31, 2024 to support vulnerable individuals within the homelessness serving systems as follows for an approximate cost of \$1,499,588 and to be funded by the Tax Stabilization Reserve #110046:
- (i) One hundred overnight drop-in spaces through a Call for Application that would function as additional low-barrier overnight winter warming spaces at an approximate cost of \$584,154.
 - (ii) The operation of one overnight warming bus through Hamilton Transit, at an approximate cost of \$217,550, which includes approximate operating costs based on the 2023 rate of \$150,000 with staff on site to support individuals experiencing homelessness at a cost of \$67,550 to be contracted through a Call for Application.
 - (iii) One hundred daytime drop-in spaces through a Call for Application that would function daily to March 31, 2024 as low-barrier daytime services at an approximate cost of \$584,154.

- (iv) Additional operating hours to 11:30PM at three designated recreation facilities to enable these facilities to operate as warming spaces on statutory holidays and other days the recreation facilities are regularly scheduled to be closed from December 1, 2023 through March 31, 2024 at an approximate cost of \$103,660.
- (v) Additional operating hours at the Hamilton Public Library Central location to operate as a warming space, between 1:00PM - 5:00PM, on ten statutory and other days the library is regularly scheduled to be closed from December 1, 2023 through March 31, 2024, at an approximate annual cost of \$10,070.
- (b) That funding beginning April 1, 2024 to continue existing drop-in services be referred to the Housing Services Division 2024 Tax Operating Budget Process as follows:
 - (i) Mission Services' Willow's Place twenty-two spaces for day-time drop-in for women at an approximate annual cost of \$653,558
 - (ii) Young Women's Christian Association's Carol Anne's Place night-time drop-in twenty-two spaces for women at an approximate annual cost of \$964,510
- (c) That funding beginning April 1, 2024 to create year-round capacity and programming for 100 daytime drop-in spaces, at an approximate annual cost of \$1,752,462, be referred to the Housing Services Division 2024 Tax Operating Budget process;
- (d) That the annual winter response strategy, from December 1, 2024 to March 31 2025 and annually thereafter, which supports vulnerable individuals within the homelessness serving system as follows at an approximate cost of \$915,434 be referred to the Housing Services Division 2024 Tax Operating Budget Process:
 - (i) One hundred drop-in spaces through a Call for Application that would function as low-barrier overnight winter warming spaces at an approximate annual cost of \$584,154.
 - (ii) Annualized funding for the operation of one overnight warming bus through Hamilton Transit at a cost of approximately \$217,550, which includes approximate operating costs based on the 2023 rate of \$150,000, with staff contracted to be on site to support individuals experiencing homelessness at an approximate cost of \$67,550.
 - (iii) Additional operating hours to 11:30PM at three designated recreation facilities on statutory holidays and other days the recreation facilities are regularly scheduled to be closed from

December 1 through March 31 annually to operate as warming spaces at an approximate cost of \$103,660.

- (iv) Additional operating hours at the Hamilton Public Library Central location to operate as a warming space, between 1:00PM - 5:00PM, on ten statutory and other days the library is regularly scheduled to be closed, from December 1 through March 31 annually, at an approximate annual cost of \$10,070.
- (e) That the General Manager of the Healthy and Safe Communities Department or their designate be directed and authorized, on behalf of the City of Hamilton, to negotiate, enter into, execute and administer all contracts, agreements and other documents necessary to implement recommendations (a) through (d) on terms and conditions satisfactory to the General Manager of the Healthy and Safe Communities Department or their designate and in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor.

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

ABSENT	- 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. 2023 Ministry of Long-Term Care Funding Enhancement (HSC23057)
(Wards 7 and 13) (Item 10.1)**

(Jackson/A. Wilson)

That an annual 100% Provincial Funding enhancement from the Ministry of Long-Term Care to provide care and services seven days a week to our residents in Long-Term Care facilities of Macassa Lodge and Wentworth Lodge, be used for additional 36.67 full-time equivalents effective April 1, 2023 with an estimated gross cost of \$3,165,360 and net cost of \$0 annually be approved and included in the 2023 Long-Term Care complement.

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

ABSENT	- 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 On-going Training Agreement with Hamilton Conservation Authority (HSC23042) (City Wide) (Item 10.2)

(M. Wilson/A. Wilson)

- (a) That the Fire Chief of the Hamilton Fire Department, or their designate, be authorized to negotiate, enter into and execute any required agreement and any ancillary documents required to give effect thereto with the Hamilton Conservation Authority and other parties to facilitate use of property for Fire Department training activities with content acceptable to the General Manager of Healthy and Safe Communities, and in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor; and,
- (b) That the Chief of the Hamilton Fire Department, or their designate, be authorized to execute amendments and any ancillary documents related to these Agreements as required for the use of property for Fire Training purposes that are acceptable in content to the General Manager of Healthy and Safe Communities and in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor.

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

ABSENT	-	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. Defibrillator Standardization for the Hamilton Paramedic Service and Hamilton Fire Department (HSC23043) (City Wide) (Item 10.3)

(Nann/Jackson)

- (a) That the ZOLL Medical Corporation electrocardiogram monitor-defibrillators, ZOLL AED Pro and the ZOLL Public Access Defibrillation devices be designated a “Standard” device pursuant to Procurement Policy 14 – Standardization, such designation to be reviewed again no later than December 31, 2031; and,
- (b) That the ZOLL Medical Corporation electrocardiogram monitor-defibrillators, ZOLL AED Pro systems be obtained on a single source basis from ZOLL Medical Canada Inc., a subsidiary of ZOLL Medical Corporation, pursuant to City Procurement Policy 11 through to December 31, 2031; and,
- (c) That staff be authorized to standardize the purchase of ZOLL public access defibrillator units from the ZOLL Medical Corporation in compliance with a Competitive Procurement Processes when required

Procurement Policy 5.1 – Low Dollar Value Procurements, Policy 5.1 – Request for Quotations, Policy 5.3 – Request for Tenders or Policy 5.4 – Requests for Proposals, as applicable; and,

- (d) That staff be authorized to single source the annual preventative maintenance and biomedical testing contracts, along with parts and repairs for the ZOLL Medical Corporation electrocardiogram monitor-defibrillators systems directly with ZOLL Medical Canada Inc., a subsidiary of ZOLL Medical Corporation, for any issues not otherwise captured by the warranty program provided from the ZOLL Medical Canada Inc., a subsidiary of ZOLL Medical Corporation, pursuant to City Procurement Policy 11 through to December 31, 2031; and,
- (e) That staff be authorized to negotiate with ZOLL Medical Canada Inc., a subsidiary of ZOLL Medical Corporation, as a single source for the supply, parts and accessory equipment required and associated with the standardized ZOLL Medical Corporation electrocardiogram monitor or ZOLL public access defibrillator chosen by the City, pursuant to City Procurement Policy 11 through to December 31, 2031; and,
- (f) That the Chief of the Hamilton Paramedic Service and/or the Chief of the Hamilton Fire Department, or their designate, be authorized and directed to enter into and sign, for their respected departments, on behalf of the City of Hamilton, any negotiated agreements and necessary associated documents with ZOLL Medical Canada Inc., a subsidiary of ZOLL Medical Corporation, with content acceptable to the City Solicitor for the purchase of ZOLL electrocardiogram monitor-defibrillators and ZOLL Public Access Defibrillators, subject to Procurement Policy, Section 4.2, Policy 2 Approval Authority; and,
- (g) That the Chief of the Hamilton Paramedic Service and/or the Chief of the Hamilton Fire Department, or their designate, be authorized to amend any Contracts executed and any ancillary documents as required if a supplier(s) identified in this report undergoes a name change.

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

ABSENT	-	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:

6. DELEGATION REQUESTS

- 6.1 Jordan Williams respecting the cost of living and high inflation on basic essential goods/service (for a future meeting)
- 6.1 Jennifer Bonner, The HUB, respecting Item 8.1 Annual Winter Response Strategy (HSC23012(a)) (for today's meeting)

(Nann/A. Wilson)

That the agenda for the September 7, 2023 Emergency and Community Services Committee meeting be approved, as amended.

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

ABSENT	-	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) August 17, 2023 (Item 4.1)

(Nann/Kroetsch)

That the Minutes of the August 17, 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:

ABSENT	-	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

(d) DELEGATION REQUESTS (Item 6)

(A. Wilson/Kroetsch)

That the following Delegation Requests be approved, as presented:

- (i) Jordan Williams respecting the cost of living and high inflation on basic essential goods / services (In-Person) (For a future meeting) (Item 6.1)
- (ii) Jennifer Bonner, The HUB, respecting Item 8.1 Annual Winter Response Strategy (HSC23012(a)) (In-Person) (For today's meeting) (Item 6.2)

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

ABSENT - 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) DELEGATIONS (Item 7)

- (i) **Jennifer Bonner, The HUB, respecting Item 8.1 Annual Winter Response Strategy (HSC23012(a)) (Item 7.1)**

(A. Wilson/M. Wilson)

That Jennifer Bonner be granted an additional 5 minutes, beyond the 5-minute time limit, to complete their delegation respecting Report HSC23012(a) Annual Winter Response Strategy.

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

ABSENT - 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

Jennifer Bonner, The HUB, addressed the Committee respecting the Annual Winter Response Strategy.

(A. Wilson/Kroetsch)

That the presentation from Jennifer Bonner, The HUB, respecting Annual Winter Response Strategy, be received.

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

ABSENT	- 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) STAFF PRESENTATIONS (Item 8.1)

(i) Annual Winter Response Strategy (HSC23012(a)) (City Wide) (Item 8.1)

Michelle Baird, Director of Housing Services Division, addressed the Committee respecting Report HCS23012(a), Annual Winter Response Strategy, with the aid of a PowerPoint presentation.

(A. Wilson/Nann)

That the presentation from Michelle Baird, Director of Housing Services Division, respecting Report HCS23012(a), Annual Winter Response Strategy, be received.

ABSENT	- 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 disposition of this matter, refer to Item 1.

(g) GENERAL INFORMATION/OTHER BUSINESS (Item 13)

(i) Amendments to the Outstanding Business List

(A. Wilson/Jackson)

That the following amendments to the Emergency & Community Services Committee's Outstanding Business List, be approved:

(a) Items to be removed:

(aa) 21-A: Tenant Defence Fund (ESC 21-004)

Addressed in Item 1 of ECS Report 23-010, August 17, 2023

- (bb) 23-K: Parts 1, 2 and 4 Renovictions Stakeholder Consultation (HSC23023) (City Wide)

23-K Part One: Renovictions Stakeholder Consultation (HSC23023) (City Wide)

Addressed in Item 1 of ECS Report 23-010, August 17, 2023

23-K Part Two: Renovictions Stakeholder Consultation (HSC23023) (City Wide)

Addressed in Item 1 of ECS Report 23-010, August 17, 2023

23-K (Part Four) Renovictions Stakeholder Consultation (HSC23023) (City Wide)

Addressed in Item 1 of ECS Report 23-010, August 17, 2023

- (cc) 23-N: 2023 Hamilton Community Heat Response Plan (BOH23019) (City Wide) PHC 23-006, May 15, 2023, Item 1(a)(d)

Addressed in Item 1, ECS 19-007, June 20, 2019, Heat Response Plan Initiative (HSC19020)

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

ABSENT	-	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

(h) PRIVATE AND CONFIDENTIAL (Item 14)

(i) Closed Session Minutes of August 17, 2023 (Item 14.1)

(Nann/M. Wilson)

That the Closed Session Minutes of August 17, 2023, be approved, as presented, and remain confidential.

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

ABSENT	-	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

(i) ADJOURNMENT (Item 16)

(A. Wilson/M. Wilson)

That there being no further business, the Emergency and Community Services Committee be adjourned at 3:02 p.m.

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

ABSENT	-	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 T. Hwang
Acting Chair, Emergency and Community
Services Committee

Carrie McIntosh
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