



SPECIAL GENERAL ISSUES COMMITTEE REPORT 23-002

1:30 p.m.

January 12, 2023

Council Chambers, City Hall, 2nd Floor
71 Main Street West, Hamilton, Ontario

Present: Mayor A. Horwath, Councillors M. Wilson (Acting Deputy Mayor), J. Beattie, C. Cassar, B. Clark, J.P. Danko, M. Francis, T. Hwang, T. Jackson, C. Kroetsch, N. Nann, E. Pauls, M. Spadafora, M. Tadeson, A. Wilson,

Absent: Councillor T. McMeekin - Personal

THE GENERAL ISSUES COMMITTEE PRESENTS REPORT 23-002 AND RESPECTFULLY RECOMMENDS:

1. **Emergency Operations Centre (EOC) Training - Emergency Management Orientation (Item 4.1)**
 - (a)
 - (i) That the Medical Officer of Health or designate be directed to investigate the thresholds of opioid deaths and overdoses that would enable the declaration of a state of emergency and report back to the Board of Health; and,
 - (ii) That staff be directed to include in their report the response required to address such an emergency; and available sources of funding to enable an effective response by the City of Hamilton.
 - (b) That staff be directed to report back to the Emergency and Community Services Committee on whether the City has the authority to require any property owner to report on the storage of hazardous materials over a specified volume to the Hamilton Fire Department.

- (c) That staff be directed to identify an approach to integrate equity into the Emergency Plans to ensure residents made vulnerable or disproportionately impacted by social determinants of health are included and report back to the General Issues Committee with any resource implications.

FOR INFORMATION:

(a) APPROVAL OF AGENDA (Item 1)

The Committee Clerk advised of that there were no changes to the agenda.

The agenda for the January 12, 2023 Special General Issues Committee meeting, was approved, as presented.

(b) DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (Item 2)

There were no declarations of interest.

(c) PRIVATE & CONFIDENTIAL (Item 3)

(i) Emergency Operations Centre (EOC) Training - Emergency Management Orientation (Item 4.1)

The Emergency Operations Centre (EOC) Training - Emergency Management Orientation, was conducted in Open Session.

Fire Chief Dave Cunliffe; Connie Verhaeghe, Senior Emergency Management Coordinator; and Kirsten Marples, Emergency Management Coordinator, provided the training respecting the Emergency Operations Centre (EOC) - Emergency Management Orientation, and answered questions of Committee.

The training presentation respecting the Emergency Operations Centre (EOC) - Emergency Management Orientation, was received.

For disposition of this matter, refer to Item 1.

(d) ADJOURNMENT (Item 15)

There being no further business, the General Issues Committee adjourned at 12:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Councillor Maureen Wilson
Acting Deputy Mayor, General Issues
Committee

Angela McRae
Legislative Coordinator
Office of the City Clerk