



SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MINUTES 24-003

3:30 p.m.

February 15, 2024

Council Chambers

Hamilton City Hall, 71 Main Street West

Present: Mayor A. Horwath (Chair), Deputy Mayor T. McMeekin
Councillors 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 and M. Wilson

Mayor Horwath called the meeting to order and recognized that Council is meeting on the traditional territories of the Erie, Neutral, HuronWendat, Haudenosaunee and Mississaugas. This land is covered by the Dish with One Spoon Wampum Belt Covenant, which was an agreement between the Haudenosaunee and Anishinaabek to share and care for the resources around the Great Lakes. It was further acknowledged that this land is covered by the Between the Lakes Purchase, 1792, between the Crown and the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation. The City of Hamilton is home to many Indigenous people from across Turtle Island (North America) and it was recognized that we must do more to learn about the rich history of this land so that we can better understand our roles as residents, neighbours, partners and caretakers.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

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

(Cassar/Beattie)

That the agenda for the February 15, 2024 Special meeting of Council be approved, as presented.

Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 15 to 0, as follows:

- YES - Ward 10 Councillor Jeff Beattie
- YES - Ward 12 Councillor Craig Cassar
- YES - Ward 9 Councillor Brad Clark
- YES - Ward 8 Councillor John-Paul Danko
- YES - Ward 5 Councillor Matt Francis
- YES - Mayor Andrea Horwath
- YES - Ward 4 Councillor Tammy Hwang
- YES - Ward 6 Councillor Tom Jackson
- YES - Ward 2 Councillor Cameron Kroetsch

YES - Deputy Mayor - Ward 15 Councillor Ted McMeekin
YES - Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
NOT PRESENT - Ward 7 Councillor Esther Pauls
YES - Ward 14 Councillor Mike Spadafora
YES - Ward 11 Councillor Mark Tadeson
YES - Ward 13 Councillor Alex Wilson
YES - Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Mayor A. Horwath declared a disqualifying interest to Item 4(ii), General Issues Committee (Operating and Capital Budget) Report 24-001 respecting Rental Property Budget Items, as she is a landlord.

Councillor M. Spadafora declared a disqualifying interest to Item 4(ii), General Issues Committee (Operating and Capital Budget) Report 24-001 respecting Rental Property Budget Items, as he is a landlord.

(McMeekin/Hwang)

That Council move into Committee of the Whole for consideration of the Committee Reports.

Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 16 to 0, as follows:

YES - Ward 10 Councillor Jeff Beattie
YES - Ward 12 Councillor Craig Cassar
YES - Ward 9 Councillor Brad Clark
YES - Ward 8 Councillor John-Paul Danko
YES - Ward 5 Councillor Matt Francis
YES - Mayor Andrea Horwath
YES - Ward 4 Councillor Tammy Hwang
YES - Ward 6 Councillor Tom Jackson
YES - Ward 2 Councillor Cameron Kroetsch
YES - Deputy Mayor - Ward 15 Councillor Ted McMeekin
YES - Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
YES - Ward 7 Councillor Esther Pauls
YES - Ward 14 Councillor Mike Spadafora
YES - Ward 11 Councillor Mark Tadeson
YES - Ward 13 Councillor Alex Wilson
YES - Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson

(McMeekin/Hwang)

That Section 5.8(2) of the City's Procedural By-law 21-021, as Amended, which provides that a minimum of 2 days shall pass before the Report of a Standing Committee, the Selection Committee, or other Committee that reports directly to Council is presented to Council to provide adequate opportunity for review, be waived in order to consider General Issues Committee (Operating and Capital Budget) Report 24-001.

Result: Motion CARRIED by a 2/3rds vote of 16 to 0, as follows:

- YES - Ward 10 Councillor Jeff Beattie
- YES - Ward 12 Councillor Craig Cassar
- YES - Ward 9 Councillor Brad Clark
- YES - Ward 8 Councillor John-Paul Danko
- YES - Ward 5 Councillor Matt Francis
- YES - Mayor Andrea Horwath
- YES - Ward 4 Councillor Tammy Hwang
- YES - Ward 6 Councillor Tom Jackson
- YES - Ward 2 Councillor Cameron Kroetsch
- YES - Deputy Mayor - Ward 15 Councillor Ted McMeekin
- YES - Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
- YES - Ward 7 Councillor Esther Pauls
- YES - Ward 14 Councillor Mike Spadafora
- YES - Ward 11 Councillor Mark Tadeson
- YES - Ward 13 Councillor Alex Wilson
- YES - Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson

GENERAL ISSUES COMMITTEE (OPERATING AND CAPITAL BUDGET) REPORT 24-001**(McMeekin/Hwang)**

That General Issues Committee (Operating and Capital Budget) Report 24-001, being the meetings held in January and February 2024, be received and the recommendations contained therein be approved.

Due to declared conflicts, Item 4(ii) was voted on separately as follows:

4. 2024 Tax Supported Budget and Financing Plan (FCS24002) (City Wide) (Item 7.1) (February 15, 2024)

(ii) Rental Property Budget Items

- (a)(i)(1) That the introduction of the Renovation Licence By-law, Safe Apartment Rental and Tenant Support Programs representing a net levy of \$1.0M be approved;

Result: Motion on Item 4(ii) of the General Issues Committee (Operating and Capital Budget) Report 24-001, CARRIED by a vote of 14 to 0, as follows:

- YES - Ward 10 Councillor Jeff Beattie
- YES - Ward 12 Councillor Craig Cassar
- YES - Ward 9 Councillor Brad Clark

YES - Ward 8 Councillor John-Paul Danko
YES - Ward 5 Councillor Matt Francis
CONFLICT - Mayor Andrea Horwath
YES - Ward 4 Councillor Tammy Hwang
YES - Ward 6 Councillor Tom Jackson
YES - Ward 2 Councillor Cameron Kroetsch
YES - Deputy Mayor - Ward 15 Councillor Ted McMeekin
YES - Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
YES - Ward 7 Councillor Esther Pauls
CONFLICT - Ward 14 Councillor Mike Spadafora
YES - Ward 11 Councillor Mark Tadeson
YES - Ward 13 Councillor Alex Wilson
YES - Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson

Result: Motion on the balance of the General Issues Committee (Operating and Capital Budget) Report 24-001, CARRIED by a vote of 10 to 6, as follows:

NO - Ward 10 Councillor Jeff Beattie
YES - Ward 12 Councillor Craig Cassar
NO - Ward 9 Councillor Brad Clark
YES - Ward 8 Councillor John-Paul Danko
NO - Ward 5 Councillor Matt Francis
YES - Mayor Andrea Horwath
YES - Ward 4 Councillor Tammy Hwang
NO - Ward 6 Councillor Tom Jackson
YES - Ward 2 Councillor Cameron Kroetsch
YES - Deputy Mayor - Ward 15 Councillor Ted McMeekin
YES - Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
YES - Ward 7 Councillor Esther Pauls
NO - Ward 14 Councillor Mike Spadafora
NO - Ward 11 Councillor Mark Tadeson
YES - Ward 13 Councillor Alex Wilson
YES - Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson

(McMeekin/Hwang)

That Council rise from Committee of the Whole.

Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 16 to 0, as follows:

YES - Ward 10 Councillor Jeff Beattie
YES - Ward 12 Councillor Craig Cassar
YES - Ward 9 Councillor Brad Clark
YES - Ward 8 Councillor John-Paul Danko
YES - Ward 5 Councillor Matt Francis
YES - Mayor Andrea Horwath
YES - Ward 4 Councillor Tammy Hwang
YES - Ward 6 Councillor Tom Jackson
YES - Ward 2 Councillor Cameron Kroetsch
YES - Deputy Mayor - Ward 15 Councillor Ted McMeekin
YES - Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann

- YES - Ward 7 Councillor Esther Pauls
- YES - Ward 14 Councillor Mike Spadafora
- YES - Ward 11 Councillor Mark Tadeson
- YES - Ward 13 Councillor Alex Wilson
- YES - Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson

CONFIRMING BY-LAW

(McMeekin/Hwang)

That Bill No. 24-030, be passed and that the Corporate Seal be affixed thereto, and that the By-law, be numbered, be signed by the Mayor and the City Clerk to read as follows:

030 To Confirm the Proceedings of City Council

Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 12 to 4, as follows:

- NO - Ward 10 Councillor Jeff Beattie
- YES - Ward 12 Councillor Craig Cassar
- NO - Ward 9 Councillor Brad Clark
- YES - Ward 8 Councillor John-Paul Danko
- NO - Ward 5 Councillor Matt Francis
- YES - Mayor Andrea Horwath
- YES - Ward 4 Councillor Tammy Hwang
- YES - Ward 6 Councillor Tom Jackson
- YES - Ward 2 Councillor Cameron Kroetsch
- YES - Deputy Mayor - Ward 15 Councillor Ted McMeekin
- YES - Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
- YES - Ward 7 Councillor Esther Pauls
- YES - Ward 14 Councillor Mike Spadafora
- NO - Ward 11 Councillor Mark Tadeson
- YES - Ward 13 Councillor Alex Wilson
- YES - Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson

(Clark/Spadafora)

That, there being no further business, City Council be adjourned at 3:51 p.m.

Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 15 to 1, as follows:

- YES - Ward 10 Councillor Jeff Beattie
- YES - Ward 12 Councillor Craig Cassar
- YES - Ward 9 Councillor Brad Clark
- YES - Ward 8 Councillor John-Paul Danko
- NO - Ward 5 Councillor Matt Francis
- YES - Mayor Andrea Horwath
- YES - Ward 4 Councillor Tammy Hwang
- YES - Ward 6 Councillor Tom Jackson
- YES - Ward 2 Councillor Cameron Kroetsch
- YES - Deputy Mayor - Ward 15 Councillor Ted McMeekin
- YES - Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
- YES - Ward 7 Councillor Esther Pauls

YES - Ward 14 Councillor Mike Spadafora
YES - Ward 11 Councillor Mark Tadeson
YES - Ward 13 Councillor Alex Wilson
YES - Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson

Respectfully submitted,

Mayor Andrea Horwath

Janet Pilon
Acting City Clerk