



OPEN FOR BUSINESS SUB-COMMITTEE MINUTES 24-003

1:30 p.m.

Tuesday, July 16, 2024

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

Present: Councillors T. Hwang (Chair), C. Cassar (Vice-Chair) and M. Wilson

Also in Attendance: Michelle Diplock, West End Home Builders' Association
Drina Omazic, Hamilton Chamber of Commerce
Matteo Patricelli, Flamborough Chamber of Commerce
Kyle Slote, Hamilton-Burlington Society of Architects
Amanda Stringer, Realtors Association of Hamilton-Burlington
Brenda Wilson, Stoney Creek Chamber of Commerce

Absent with Regrets: Nadine Ubl, Business Improvement Area Sub-Committee

THE FOLLOWING ITEMS WERE REFERRED TO THE GENERAL ISSUES COMMITTEE FOR CONSIDERATION:

- 1. Update on Financial Assistance and Incentive Programs Supporting Community Revitalization and Investment (PED24121) (City Wide) (Item 8.1)**

(Cassar/M. Wilson)

That Report PED24121, respecting an Update on Financial Assistance and Incentive Programs Supporting Community Revitalization and Investment, be received.

Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 3 to 0, as follows:

Yes	- Ward 1	Councillor Maureen Wilson
Yes	- Ward 4	Councillor Tammy Hwang
Yes	- Ward 12	Councillor Craig Cassar

2. 2024-2028 Tourism Strategy Status Update (PED24046) (City Wide) (Item 8.2)

(Cassar/M. Wilson)

That Report PED24046, respecting 2024-2028 Tourism Strategy Status Update, be received.

Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 3 to 0, as follows:

Yes	-	Ward 1	Councillor Maureen Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 4	Councillor Tammy Hwang
Yes	-	Ward 12	Councillor Craig Cassar

FOR INFORMATION:

(a) CHANGES TO THE AGENDA (Item 2)

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

(Cassar/M. Wilson)

That the agenda for the April 8, 2024, Open for Business Sub-Committee be approved, as presented.

Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 3 to 0, as follows:

Yes	-	Ward 1	Councillor Maureen Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 4	Councillor Tammy Hwang
Yes	-	Ward 12	Councillor Craig Cassar

(b) DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (Item 3)

There were no declarations of interest.

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

(i) April 8, 2024 (Item 4.1)

(Cassar/M. Wilson)

That the Minutes of the April 8, 2024, meeting of the Open for Business Sub-Committee, be approved, as presented.

Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 3 to 0, as follows:

Yes	-	Ward 1	Councillor Maureen Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 4	Councillor Tammy Hwang

Yes - Ward 12 Councillor Craig Cassar

(d) STAFF PRESENTATIONS (Item 8)

(i) Update on Financial Assistance and Incentive Programs Supporting Community Revitalization and Investment (PED24121) (City Wide) (Item 8.1)

Judy Lam, Manager, Commercial Districts and Small Business, and Phil Caldwell, Senior Project Manager, Urban Renewal, who addressed Committee respecting an Update on Financial Assistance and Incentive Programs Supporting Community Revitalization and Investment, with the aid of a PowerPoint presentation.

(Cassar/M. Wilson)

That the presentation from Judy Lam, Manager, Commercial Districts and Small Business, and Phil Caldwell, Senior Project Manager, Urban Renewal, respecting an Update on Financial Assistance and Incentive Programs Supporting Community Revitalization and Investment, be received.

Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 3 to 0, as follows:

Yes - Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
Yes - Ward 4 Councillor Tammy Hwang
Yes - Ward 12 Councillor Craig Cassar

For further disposition of this matter, refer to Item 1.

(ii) 2024-2028 Tourism Strategy Status Update (PED24046) (City Wide) (Item 8.2)

Lisa Abbott, Director, Tourism and Culture, and Ryan McHugh, Manager, Tourism and Events, address Committee respecting 2024-2028 Tourism Strategy Status Update, with the aid of a PowerPoint presentation.

(Cassar/M. Wilson)

That the presentation from Lisa Abbott, Director, Tourism and Culture, and Ryan McHugh, Manager, Tourism and Events, respecting 2024-2028 Tourism Strategy Status Update, be received.

Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 3 to 0, as follows:

Yes - Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
Yes - Ward 4 Councillor Tammy Hwang

Yes - Ward 12 Councillor Craig Cassar

For further disposition of this matter, refer to Item 2.

(e) ADJOURNMENT (Item 15)

(Cassar/M. Wilson)

That, there being no further business, the Open for Business Sub-Committee, be adjourned at 2:59 p.m.

Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 3 to 0, as follows:

Yes	-	Ward 1	Councillor Maureen Wilson
Yes	-	Ward 4	Councillor Tammy Hwang
Yes	-	Ward 12	Councillor Craig Cassar

Respectfully submitted,

Councillor T. Hwang
Chair, Open for Business Sub-
Committee

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