



**GENERAL ISSUES COMMITTEE
(RATE BUDGET)
MINUTES 24-019**

3:00 p.m.

Monday, November 18, 2024
Council Chambers, City Hall, 2nd Floor
71 Main Street West, Hamilton, Ontario

Present: Mayor A. Horwath, Councillors M. Wilson (Chair), J.P. Danko (Vice-Chair), J. Beattie, C. Cassar, B. Clark, M. Francis (Virtually), T. Hwang, T. Jackson, C. Kroetsch, T. McMeekin, N. Nann (Virtually), E. Pauls (Virtually), M. Spadafora, M. Tadeson (Virtually), and A. Wilson

THE FOLLOWING ITEMS WERE REFERRED TO COUNCIL FOR INFORMATION:

(a) APPROVAL OF AGENDA (Item 1)

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

3. COMMUNICATIONS

3.1 Correspondence respecting the 2025 Budget, from the following individuals:

- (a) Brian Pirvu, Government Relations Consultant, CAA South Central Ontario

Recommendation: Be received.

4. DELEGATION REQUESTS

4.1 Delegation Requests respecting the 2025 Budget, from the following individuals:

- (a) Karl Andrus (In-Person) – WITHDRAWN
- (e) Jacqueline Wilson (Virtually)
- (f) Steacy Easton (In-Person)
- (g) Jeff Neven, Indwell (In-Person)
- (h) Clare Freeman, Hamilton Community Legal Clinic (In-Person)

(Danko/Cassar)

That the agenda for the November 18, 2024 General Issues Committee (Budget) meeting, be approved, as amended.

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

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

(b) DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (Item 2)

There were no declarations of interest.

(c) COMMUNICATIONS (Item 3)

(Cassar/Hwang)

(i) That the following Communications Items respecting the 2025 Budget, be received:

- (1) Brian Pirvu, Government Relations Consultant, CAA South Central Ontario (Added Item 3.1(a))

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

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Yes	-	Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
Yes	-	Ward 4 Councillor Tammy Hwang
Yes	-	Ward 5 Councillor Matt Francis
Yes	-	Ward 6 Councillor Tom Jackson
Yes	-	Ward 7 Councillor Esther Pauls
Yes	-	Ward 8 Councillor J. P. Danko

Yes - Ward 9 Councillor Brad Clark
Yes - Ward 10 Councillor Jeff Beattie
Yes - Ward 11 Councillor Mark Tadeson
Yes - Ward 12 Councillor Craig Cassar
Yes - Ward 13 Councillor Alex Wilson
Yes - Ward 14 Councillor Mike Spadafora
Yes - Ward 15 Councillor Ted McMeekin

(d) DELEGATION REQUESTS (Item 4)

(i) (Spadafora/Hwang)

That the delegation requests for today's meeting, respecting the 2025 Budget be approved, as follows:

- (1) Tom Cooper and Ted Hildebrandt, Hamilton Roundtable for Poverty Reduction & Social Planning and Research Council of Hamilton (In-Person) (Item 4.1(b))
- (2) Manny Figueiredo, YMCA Hamilton | Burlington | Brantford (In-Person) (Item 4.1(c))
- (3) Stewart Klazinga, ACORN Hamilton (Virtually) (Item 4.1(d))
- (4) Jacqueline Wilson (Virtually) (Added Item 4.1(e))
- (5) Steacy Easton (In-Person) (Added Item 4.1(f))
- (6) Jeff Neven, Indwell (In-Person) (Added Item 4.1(g))
- (7) Clare Freeman, Hamilton Community Legal Clinic (In-Person) (Added Item 4.1(h))

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

Yes - Mayor Andrea Horwath
Yes - Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
Yes - Ward 2 Councillor Cameron Kroetsch
Yes - Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
Yes - Ward 4 Councillor Tammy Hwang
Yes - Ward 5 Councillor Matt Francis
Yes - Ward 6 Councillor Tom Jackson
Yes - Ward 7 Councillor Esther Pauls
Yes - Ward 8 Councillor J. P. Danko
Yes - Ward 9 Councillor Brad Clark
Yes - Ward 10 Councillor Jeff Beattie
Yes - Ward 11 Councillor Mark Tadeson
Yes - Ward 12 Councillor Craig Cassar
Yes - Ward 13 Councillor Alex Wilson

Yes - Ward 14 Councillor Mike Spadafora
Yes - Ward 15 Councillor Ted McMeekin

(e) DELEGATIONS (Item 5)

(i) The following Delegates addressed the Committee respecting the 2025 Budget:

- (1) Tom Cooper and Ted Hildebrandt, Hamilton Roundtable for Poverty Reduction & Social Planning and Research Council of Hamilton (In-Person) (Added Item 5.1(a))
- (2) Manny Figueiredo, CEO & President; and Genevieve Hladysh, Vice President of Health, Fitness & Aquatics & Residence YMCA Hamilton | Burlington | Brantford (In-Person) (Added Item 5.1(b))
- (3) Stewart Klazinga, ACORN Hamilton (Virtually) (Added Item 5.1(c))
- (4) Jacqueline Wilson (Virtually) (Added Item 5.1(d))
- (5) Steacy Easton (In-Person) (Added Item 5.1(e))
- (6) Jeff Neven, Indwell (In-Person) (Added Item 5.1(f))
- (7) Clare Freeman, Hamilton Community Legal Clinic (Virtually) (Added Item 5.1(g))

(ii) (A. Wilson/McMeekin)

That the delegations respecting the 2025 Budget, be received, as follows:

- (1) Tom Cooper and Ted Hildebrandt, Hamilton Roundtable for Poverty Reduction & Social Planning and Research Council of Hamilton (In-Person) (Added Item 5.1(a))
- (2) Manny Figueiredo, CEO & President; and Genevieve Hladysh, Vice President of Health, Fitness & Aquatics & Residence YMCA Hamilton | Burlington | Brantford (In-Person) (Added Item 5.1(b))
- (3) Stewart Klazinga, ACORN Hamilton (Virtually) (Added Item 5.1(c))
- (4) Jacqueline Wilson (Virtually) (Added Item 5.1(d))
- (5) Steacy Easton (In-Person) (Added Item 5.1(e))
- (6) Jeff Neven, Indwell (In-Person) (Added Item 5.1(f))

- (7) Clare Freeman, Hamilton Community Legal Clinic (Virtually)
(Added Item 5.1(g))

Result: MOTION, CARRIED by a vote of 14 to 0, as follows:

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

(f) ADJOURNMENT (Item 8)

(Spadafora/Clark)

That there being no further business, the General Issues Committee be adjourned at 4:58 p.m.

Result: MOTION, CARRIED by a vote of 14 to 0, as follows:

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Yes	-	Ward 2 Councillor Cameron Kroetsch
Yes	-	Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
Yes	-	Ward 4 Councillor Tammy Hwang
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Yes	-	Ward 15 Councillor Ted McMeekin

Respectfully submitted,

Councillor Maureen Wilson
Chair, General Issues Committee Budget

Angela McRae
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