



Hamilton

Agriculture and Rural Affairs Sub-Committee

REPORT 24-002

Thursday, November 21, 2024

7:00 p.m.

Room 264, 2nd Floor Hamilton City Hall (Hybrid)
71 Main Street West

Present: Councillors J. Beattie (Virtually), C. Cassar, T. McMeekin, M. Tadeson, A. Wilson (Virtually), A. Spoelstra (Chair), G. Smuk (Vice Chair), A. Cheema (Virtually), J. Currie (Virtually), A. Freeman, J. Mantel (Virtually), C. McMaster, N. Mills (Virtually), A. Payne, C. Roberts (Virtually), D. Smith (Virtually), M. Switzer, D. Vander Hout

**Absent with
Regrets:** Councillor B. Clark, – Personal

THE AGRICULTURE AND RURAL AFFAIRS SUB-COMMITTEE PRESENTS REPORT 24-002 AND RESPECTFULLY RECOMMENDS:

1. Development Charges for Farm Labour Residences (no copy) (Item 11.1)

- (a) That the Hamilton-Wentworth Catholic District School Board Liaison Committee and the Hamilton-Wentworth District School Board Liaison Committee be requested to engage with their partner School Boards to understand the Development Charges system and how it pertains to agricultural buildings; and
- (b) That as part of the engagement with the School Boards, finance staff articulate the rationale for the City's position respecting agricultural Development Charges.

2. Farm 911 Program Update (no copy) (Item 11.2)

That staff be directed to bring forward potential changes to Farm 911 Program to the Agriculture and Rural Affairs Sub-Committee prior to reporting back to the Planning Committee.

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FOR INFORMATION:

(a) APPROVAL OF AGENDA (Item 2)

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

5. COMMUNICATIONS

- 5.2 Correspondence from Mayor Andrea Horwath to Minister Todd Smith respecting Critical Capacity Constraints of the Dundas Transformer Station

Recommendation: Be received.

The agenda for the November 21, 2024 meeting of the Agriculture and Rural Affairs Sub-Committee, was approved, as amended.

(b) DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (Item 3)

There were no declarations of interest.

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

(i) April 25, 2024 (Item 4.1)

The Minutes of the April 25, 2024 meeting of the Agriculture and Rural Affairs Sub-Committee were approved, as presented.

(d) COMMUNICATIONS (Item 5)

(i) Correspondence from Mayor Andrea Horwath to Minister Todd Smith respecting Critical Capacity Constraints of the Dundas Transformer Station (Item 5.1)

The Communication Item respecting Correspondence from Mayor Andrea Horwath to Minister Todd Smith respecting Critical Capacity Constraints of the Dundas Transformer Station, was received.

(e) STAFF PRESENTATIONS (Item 8)

(i) City of Hamilton Draft Framework for Processing and Evaluating Urban Boundary Expansion (UBE) Applications (City Wide) (Item 8.1)

Scott Turnbull, Planner II and Charlie Toman, Senior Project Manager - Policy Planning/Municipal Comprehensive Review addressed Committee respecting City of Hamilton Draft Framework for Processing and Evaluating Urban Boundary Expansion (UBE) Applications, with the aid of a PowerPoint presentation.

The presentation from Scott Turnbull, Planner II, and Charlie Toman, Senior Project Manager - Policy Planning/Municipal Comprehensive Review, respecting City of Hamilton Draft Framework for Processing and Evaluating Urban Boundary Expansion (UBE) Applications, was received.

(f) DISCUSSION ITEMS (Item 11)

(i) Development Charges for Farm Labour Residences (no copy) (Item 11.1)

Tyson McMann, Business Development Consultant, provided a verbal update to Committee respecting Development Charges for Farm Labour Residences.

The verbal update from Tyson McMann, Business Development Consultant, respecting Development Charges for Farm Labour Residences, was received.

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

(ii) Farm 911 Program Update (no copy) (Item 11.2)

Tyson McMann, Business Development Consultant, provided a verbal update to Committee respecting Farm 911 Program Update.

The verbal update from Tyson McMann, Business Development Consultant, respecting Farm 911 Program Update, was received.

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

(g) ADJOURNMENT (Item 16)

The meeting of the Agriculture and Rural Affairs Sub-Committee adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Andrew Spoelstra, Chair
Agriculture and Rural Affairs Sub-Committee

Carrie McIntosh
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