

# MAYOR'S TASK FORCE ON TRANSPARENCY, ACCESS AND ACCOUNTABILITY MINUTES 24-010

6:00 p.m.

Tuesday, December 3, 2024
Council Chambers, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor (Hybrid)
Hamilton City Hall
71 Main Street West

**Present:** J. Santucci (Co-Chair), M. Stewart (Co-Chair), M. Verhovsek (virtual)

and T. Wingfield

**Also Present:** L. Kolar, Legislative Coordinator

K. Martin, Social Planning and Research Council of Hamilton

J. Shea, Director, Public Affairs, Enterprise Canada J. Strutt, Senior Project Manager – Public Engagement

J. Versace, Legislative Assistant

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

#### FOR INFORMATION:

Mark Stewart, Co-Chair, called the meeting to order. A land acknowledgement was read into the record.

### (a) APPROVAL OF AGENDA (Item 1)

The Committee Clerk advised the Task Force of the following change to the agenda:

#### 4. COMMUNICATIONS

4.1 Correspondence from Jim Schoenhardt, respecting Transparency, Access and Accountability

Recommendation: Be received.

4.2 Stephanie & Brent Card, Kimberlee & Steve Hallmark and Jennifer & Brett Gallant, respecting Transparency in Planning Processes

Recommendation: Be received

#### 5. DELEGATION REQUESTS

- 5.1 Delegations respecting Feedback on How to Increase Transparency, Accountability, and Access Within the City of Hamilton
  - (a) Brad Evoy, Disability Justice Network of Ontario
  - (b) Lyndon George, Hamilton Anti-Racism Resource Centre
  - (c) Tim Nolan, Accessibility Hamilton Alliance
  - (d) Kojo Damptey
  - (e) Nancy Smith

#### (Wingfield/Verhovsek)

That the agenda for the December 3, 2024 Mayor's Task Force on Transparency, Access and Accountability meeting be approved, as amended.

**CARRIED** 

#### (b) DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (Item 2)

There were no Declarations of Interest.

#### (c) MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING (Item 3)

(i) November 19, 2024 (Item 3.1)

## (Santucci/Wingfield)

That the Minutes of November 19, 2024 meeting of the Mayor's Task Force on Transparency, Access and Accountability, be approved, as presented.

**CARRIED** 

#### (d) COMMUNICATIONS (Item 5)

#### (Santucci/Wingfield)

That the following Communications Items, be received:

- (i) Correspondence from Jim Schoenhardt, respecting Transparency, Access and Accountability (Added Item 5.1)
- (ii) Stephanie & Brent Card, Kimberlee & Steve Hallmark and Jennifer & Brett Gallant, respecting Transparency in Planning Processes (Added Item 5.2)

**CARRIED** 

# (e) DELEGATION REQUESTS (Item 5)

(i) Delegations Requests respecting Feedback on How to Increase Transparency, Accountability, and Access Within the City of Hamilton

#### (Wingfield/Santucci)

That the following Delegation Requests be approved for today's meeting:

- 1. Brad Evoy, Disability Justice Network of Ontario
- 2. Lyndon George, Hamilton Anti-Racism Resource Centre
- 3. Tim Nolan, Accessibility Hamilton Alliance
- 4. Kojo Damptey
- 5. Nancy Smith

CARRIED

#### (f) DELEGATIONS (Item 6)

- (i) Delegations respecting Feedback on How to Increase Transparency, Accountability, and Access Within the City of Hamilton (Added Item 6.1)
  - **1.** The following delegates addressed the Task Force respecting Transparency, Access and Accountability:
    - (a) Brad Evoy, Disability Justice Network of Ontario
    - (b) Lyndon George, Hamilton Anti-Racism Resource Centre
    - (c) Tim Nolan, Accessibility Hamilton Alliance
    - (d) Kojo Damptey
    - (e) Nancy Smith

## 2. (Wingfield/Verhovsek)

That the following delegates respecting Feedback on How to Increase Transparency, Accountability, and Access Within the City of Hamilton, be received

- (a) Brad Evoy, Disability Justice Network of Ontario
- (b) Lyndon George, Hamilton Anti-Racism Resource Centre
- (c) Tim Nolan, Accessibility Hamilton Alliance
- (d) Kojo Damptey
- (e) Nancy Smith

CARRIED

#### (f) DISCUSSION ITEM (Item 9)

(i) Mayor's Task Force on Transparency, Access and Accountability Work Plan Update (Item 9.1)

That Task Force members discussed the Work Plan.

#### (Verhovsek/Santucci)

That the Mayor's Task Force on Transparency, Access and Accountability Work Plan Update, be received.

**CARRIED** 

#### (g) ADJOURNMENT (Item 14)

# (Santucci/Wingfield)

There being no further business, the Mayor's Task Force on Transparency, Access and Accountability be adjourned at 6:44 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mark John Stewart, Co-Chair Mayor's Task Force on Transparency, Access and Accountability

Joanne Santucci, Co-Chair Mayor's Task Force on Transparency, Access and Accountability

Loren Kolar Legislative Coordinator Office of the City Clerk