



EMERGENCY & COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE

MINUTES

BUDGETS

3:30 p.m.

Wednesday, March 2, 2011

Hamilton City Hall

Council Chambers

71 Main Street West

Hamilton, Ontario

Present: Mayor Bratina
Councillor S. Merulla, Chair
Councillor J. Partridge, Vice-Chair
Councillors S. Duvall, J. Farr, T. Jackson, B. McHattie, B. Morelli and
T. Whitehead

Also Present: Councillor C. Collins
R. Rossini, General Manager, Finance and Corporate Services
J. A. Priel, General Manager, Community Services
J. Soldera, Director, Social Development and Early Childhood
Services
D. Lapointe-Kay
B. Browett, Director of EMS/Deputy
D. Cunliffe, Director of Fire Operations/Deputy
A. Zuidema, Director, Corporate Initiatives
I. Bedioui, Legislative Assistant, City Clerk's Office

1. CHANGES TO THE AGENDA

The Clerk advised the following changes to the agenda:

- (i) Added Minutes from the February 17, 2011 Budget Meeting.

(Farr/Partridge)

That the agenda be approved as amended.

CARRIED

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None declared.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

3.1 Minutes of the February 17, 2011 Budget Meeting.

(Partridge/Farr)

That the Minutes be approved as presented.

CARRIED

4. CONSENT ITEMS

None

5. STAFF PRESENTATIONS

5.1 2011 Tax Supported Operating Budget – Community Services (FCS11023(e))

Joe-Anne Priel made a PowerPoint presentation and copies of the hand-outs and the Organizational Charts were distributed.

Her comments covered the following points:

- Community Services Department
- Overview – major challenges the department is facing today;
- Community Services Vision
- Organizational Chart
- FTE by funding source
- FTE – historical changes
- 2011 Draft Net Tax Operating Budget by Department
- 2011 Draft Budget
- 2011 Budget by Cost Category
- 2011 Gross Expenditures \$433,065,282
- 2011 Revenue Sources \$433,065,282
- Gross/Net Operating Budget
- 2011 Operating Budget by Division
- 2011 Major Cost Drivers
- 2011 Base Budget Savings
- 2011 Recommended Savings Options

- 2011 Draft Budget by Division
 - Administration
 - 2011 Net Operating Budget by Section
 - Benefit Eligibility
 - Organizational Chart
 - 2011 Net Operating Budget by Section
 - 2011 Major Cost Drivers
 - CityHousing Hamilton
 - Organizational Chart
 - 2010 and 2011 Budget
 - Culture
 - Organizational Chart
 - 2011 Net Operating Budget by Section
 - 2011 Major Cost Drivers
 - Employment and Income Support
 - Organizational Chart
 - 2011 Net Operating Budget by Section
 - 2011 Major Cost Drivers
 - Ontario Works New Funding Approach
 - Housing & Homelessness
 - Organizational Chart
 - 2011 Net Operating Budget by Section
 - 2011 Major Cost Drivers
 - Macassa Lodge
 - Organizational Chart
 - 2011 Net Operating Budget by Section
 - 2011 Major Cost Drivers
 - Recreation
 - Organizational Chart
 - 2011 Net Operating Budget by Section
 - 2011 Major Cost Drivers
 - Social Development & Early Childhood Services
 - Organizational Chart
 - 2011 Net Operating Budget by Section
 - Strategic Services
 - Organizational Chart
 - 2011 Net Operating Budget by Section
 - 2011 Major Cost Drivers
 - Wentworth Lodge
 - Organizational Chart
 - 2011 Net Operating Budget by Section
 - 2011 Major Cost Drivers
 - Community Services Department
 - Council Referred Items
 - Program Enhancement Options

- Account Analysis
 - Contractual
 - Consulting

A discussion followed which included but was not limited to the following:

- How many FTE's are paid from the capital budget? who is paid on the levy? Union/non-union employees, outside workers; contract employees;
- Non-cola related employee costs;
- The Job Evaluation process (JE's);
- Consulting costs;
- Benchmarking -\$1.24 Million impact;
- Are communication and strategic services being duplicated throughout the corporation? Can these services be shared between departments? Issue with web services – why not provide them corporately – not enough resources in IS – timing issue with updating web site;
- The enhanced employment services;
- Savings found by the GM;
- City should provide some guidance when funding Community Partnerships;
- Agencies should fill in the gaps where the City cannot provide the services;
- Loss of revenue for the Farmers' Market (less space and less stallholders, more glass cleaning costs); what is the actual gross impact (It is \$100,000 rather than \$130,00);
- Reason for reduction in FTE's - (Some were transferred to City Manager's office);
- Lodges are at capacity – anticipate revenues from the Ministry of Health to be (an estimated) 1% for each envelope;
- Enhancement for Food services – mandated?;

Information requested by Committee:

- Provide additional details with respect to the Rooming house strategy and the program enhancement options;
- Provide a more detailed breakdown of the recreation user fees;
- How many employees went through the JE process?

(Duvall/Farr)

- (a) That the staff presentation be received;
- (b) That Report FCS11023(e) be referred to the March 24, 2011 budget deliberations meeting.

CARRIED

6. DISCUSSION ITEMS

6.1 2011 Budget Request - Seniors Advisory Committee (FCS11017) (City Wide)

(Duvall/Whitehead)

That the 2011 base budget submission from the Seniors Advisory Committee in the amount of \$1,500, attached as Appendix A to Report FCS11017 be approved.

CARRIED

6.2 Arts Advisory Commission 2011 Volunteer Committee Budget Submission (CS11008) (City Wide)

(Jackson/Morelli)

(a) That the Arts Advisory Commission's 2011 Volunteer Committee's base Budget Submission in the amount of \$9,000, attached as Appendix A to Report CS11008, be approved.

(b) That, in addition to the base funding, that a one time funding from the Arts Advisory Commission reserve, in the amount of \$5,000, be approved .

CARRIED

6.3 Food & Shelter Advisory Committee 2011 Budget Submission (CS11028) (City Wide)

(Whitehead/McHattie)

That the Food and Shelter Advisory Committee's 2011 Volunteer Committee Budget submission in the amount of \$500, attached as Appendix A to Report CS11028, be approved.

CARRIED

6.4 2011 Volunteer Committee Budget Submission - Hamilton Historical Board (CS11011) (City Wide)

(Farr/Whitehead)

(a) That the Hamilton Historical Board's 2011 Volunteer Committee Budget Submission in the amount of \$14,340, attached as Appendix A to Report CS11030, be approved.

(b) That, in addition to the base funding, that a one time funding from the Volunteer Committee reserve, in the amount of \$2,370, be approved.

CARRIED

6.5 Hamilton Youth Advisory Committee (HYAC) 2011 Budget Submission (CS11030) (City Wide)

(Morelli/Jackson)

- (a) That the Hamilton Youth Advisory Committee annual base Budget Submission in the amount of \$3,890, attached as Appendix A to Report CS11030, be approved.
- (b) That, in addition to the base funding, that a one time funding from the Volunteer Committee reserve, in the amount of \$2,500, be approved.

CARRIED

6.6 Hamilton Veterans Committee's 2011 Volunteer Budget Submission (CS11007) (City Wide)

(Farr/Duvall)

- (a) That the Hamilton Veterans Committee's 2011 Volunteer Committee Budget Submission in the amount of \$9,890, attached as Appendix A to Report CS11007, be approved.
- (b) That, in addition to the base funding, that a one time funding from the Hamilton Veterans Committee reserve, in the amount of \$2,410, be approved.
- (c) That, in addition to the base and the one time reserve funding, an increase of \$1700 in the Hamilton Veterans Committee Volunteer Committee budget, be submitted for consideration.

CARRIED

6.7 Tenant Advisory Committee Budget Submission (CS11029) (City Wide)

(Morelli/Duvall)

- (a) That the Tenant Advisory Committee 2010 base amount budget of \$500 be approved.
- (b) That the Tenant Advisory Committee's request for an additional \$500 in 2011 be submitted for consideration.

CARRIED

7. ADJOURNMENT

(Jackson/Morelli)

There being no further business, that the Emergency & Community Services Committee meeting be adjourned at 5:12p.m.

CARRIED

Respectfully submitted,

Councillor S. Merulla, Chair
Emergency & Community Services Committee

Ida Bedioui
Legislative Assistant
March 2, 2011