



General Issues Committee

REPORT 11-009

9:30 a.m.

Tuesday, March 22, 2011

Council Chambers

Hamilton City Hall

71 Main Street West

Present: Deputy Mayor J. Farr (Chair)
Mayor B. Bratina
Councillors B. Clark, C. Collins, S. Duvall, L. Ferguson,
T. Jackson, B. Johnson, B. McHattie, S. Merulla, J. Partridge,
R. Pasuta, M. Pearson, R. Powers, T. Whitehead

**Absent with
Regrets:** Councillor B. Morelli – Bereavement

Also Present: C. Murray, City Manager
R. Rossini, General Manager, Finance and Corporate Services
G. Davis, General Manager, Public Works
T. McCabe, General Manager, Economic Development &
Planning
J. A. Priel, General Manager, Social & Community Services
H. Hale Tomasik, Executive Director, Human Resources &
Organizational Development
D. Cunliffe, Director, Fire Operations/Deputy Chief, HES
B. Browett, Director, EMS/Deputy, HES
P. Barkwell, City Solicitor
A. Zuidema, Director, Corporate Initiatives
N. Everson, Director, Economic Development & Real Estate
C. Biggs, Co-ordinator, Committee Services/Council/Budgets

THE GENERAL ISSUES COMMITTEE PRESENTS REPORT 11-009 AND RESPECTFULLY RECOMMENDS:

**1. Waterdown Business Improvement Area (B.I.A.) Board of Management
Resignation (PED11013(a)) (Ward 15) (Item 5.4)**

That Report PED11013(a) respecting Waterdown Business Improvement Area (B.I.A.) Board of Management Resignation, be received.

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3. King Street West Business Improvement Area (B.I.A.) Appointment of the 2011-2014 (PED11036) (Ward 2) (Item 5.5)

That the following individuals be appointed to the King Street West B.I.A.'s Board of Management for a four (4) year term:

Councillor J. Farr, Ward 2
Erik Hess
Neil Corby
Diego Almonte

4. King Street West Business Improvement Area (B.I.A.) – Proposed Budget and Schedule of Payment for 2011 (PED11037) (Ward 2) (Item 5.6)

- (a) That the 2011 Operating Budget for the King Street West B.I.A. (attached as Appendix 'A' to Report PED11037) be approved in the amount of \$15,500.00.
- (b) That the levy portion of the Operating Budget for the King Street West B.I.A. in the amount of \$4,500.00 be approved.
- (c) That the General Manager of Finance and Corporate Services be hereby authorized and directed to prepare the requisite by-law pursuant to Section 208, The Municipal Act, 2001, to levy the 2011 Budget as referenced in sub-section (b) above.
- (d) That the following schedule of payments for 2011 be approved:

May	\$2,250.00
June	\$2,250.00

Note: Assessment appeals may be deducted from the levy payments.

5. Hamilton Downtown Office Tenancy Assistance Program – 1 James Street South – OTAP10/01 (PED11050) (Ward 2) (Item 5.9)

- (a) That a loan commitment totaling \$69,275 for leasehold improvements at 1 James Street South, be approved in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Hamilton Downtown Office Tenancy Assistance Program;
- (b) That the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized and directed to execute the loan agreement and security documentation with respect to sub-section (a) above in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor;

- (c) That the General Manager of the Planning and Economic Development Department be authorized and directed to amend the loan agreement as required provided that the terms and conditions of the Hamilton Downtown Office Tenancy Assistance Program as approved by City Council are maintained.
- 6. Hamilton Downtown Office Tenancy Assistance Program – 354-368 King Street West – OTAP10/02 (PED11051) (Ward 1) (Item 5.10)**
- (a) That a loan commitment totaling \$150,000 for leasehold improvements at 354-368 King Street West, be approved in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Hamilton Downtown Office Tenancy Assistance Program;
- (b) That the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized and directed to execute the loan agreement and security documentation with respect to sub-section (a) above in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor;
- (c) That the General Manager of the Planning and Economic Development Department be authorized and directed to amend the loan agreement as required provided that the terms and conditions of the Hamilton Downtown Office Tenancy Assistance Program as approved by City Council are maintained.
- 7. Hamilton Downtown Property Improvement Grant Program – 130-134 Wellington Street North – HDPIGP11/01 (PED11054) (Ward 3) (Item 5.11)**
- (a) That a grant in the estimated amount of \$37,558 under the Hamilton Downtown Property Improvement Grant Program (HDPIGP) for 1655244 Ontario Inc., owner of the property at 130-134 Wellington Street North be authorized and approved in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Program.
- (b) That the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized and directed to execute the Grant Agreement attached as Appendix “A” to Report PED11054, in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor.
- 8. Presentation from Deb Murphy, Glanbrook Wind Action Group, respecting Wind Turbines (Item 6.2)**
- (a) That the presentation by Deb Murphy on behalf of the Glanbrook Wind Action Group, be received.

- (b) That this matter be referred to the Agricultural and Rural Affairs Committee for their comments, and that their comments be brought back to the General Issues Committee at the same time that Public Health will be presenting their report;
- (c) That staff be directed to report back on possible judicial review or other legal options of the Green Energy Act and the loss of the City's planning authority and seek friends of the court to share costs and report back.

9. Tourism Hamilton 2011-2014 Strategic Plan (PED11048) (City Wide) (Item 7.1)

- (a) That Report PED11048 respecting Tourism Hamilton's Draft 2011-2014 Strategic Plan, attached as Appendix "A" to Report PED11048, be received;
- (b) That any input, comments or requests for changes by Council to the Draft Strategic Plan be forwarded to the Tourism Hamilton Board of Directors prior to its consideration for final adoption
- (c) That staff be directed to co-ordinate a workshop with all members of Council which would include a full discussion of Tourism Hamilton's 10-year history, an overview of Tourism Hamilton's mandate, review of its governance model (self-appointed Board), private-sector funding, etc.

10. Tourism Hamilton 2011 Marketing Plan (PED11049) (City Wide) (Item 7.2)

That Report PED11049 respecting Tourism Hamilton's 2011 Marketing Plan, attached as Appendix "A" to Report PED11049, be received.

11. Downtown and Community Renewal Division 2010 Annual Report (PED11060) (Wards 1 to 4, 6 to 9, 11 to 13 and 15) (Item 7.3)

That Report PED11060, respecting the Downtown and Community Renewal Division 2010 Annual Report, attached as Appendix "A" to Report PED11060, be received.

12. 2010 Economic Development and Real Estate Highlights (PED11061) (City Wide) (Item 7.4)

That Report PED11061 respecting 2010 Economic Development and Real Estate Highlights be received.

13. 2010 Annual Performance Measures (PED11038) (City Wide) (Item 7.5)

That Report PED11038 respecting Economic Development Performance Measures for 2009 be received.

14. Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act Integrated Standard (Item 7.6)

- (a) That the City of Hamilton's comments submitted to the Province with respect to the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act Integrated Accessibility Standard be confirmed;
- (b) That the issue of the cost implications resulting from the Integrated Accessibility Standard be referred to the Fairness to Hamilton Committee for further consideration.

15. Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities Report 11-001 – February 8, 2011 (Item 8.3)**(a) Accessible Social Housing Initiative (Item 5.4(i))**

- (i) That the Social Housing and Homelessness Division prepare a progress report regarding how they have implemented the minimum of 5% accessible units for newly built and renovated housing projects including the details of how the City's internal processes are being communicated in the Requests For Proposals and Tenders for retrofits, renovations and new construction projects to housing providers;
- (ii) That Social Housing and Homelessness Division provide a detailed list of all contracts awarded to proponents and housing providers who are retrofitting, renovating and constructing new housing since April 2010 and indicating which of these projects have included accessibility features in their proposals.

(b) Ontario Human Rights Commission – Mental Health Consultations (Item 6.7)

That the City of Hamilton send a letter inviting the Ontario Human Rights Commission to hold consultations in the City of Hamilton on Human Rights and Mental Health Issues.

16. Increasing Membership on the Non-Union Compensation Sub-Committee (Item 9.2)

- (a) That the composition of the Non-Union Compensation Sub-Committee, approved by Council as Item 7.1 on June 25, 2008, be amended by increasing the membership from four to six members;
- (b) That Councillors C. Collins and T. Whitehead be appointed to serve on the Non-Union Compensation Sub-Committee for the balance of the current term of Council.

FOR THE INFORMATION OF COUNCIL:**(a) CHANGES TO THE AGENDA (Item 1)**

The Clerk advised of the following changes:

(i) ADDED REPORT

- (aa) Report 11-001 of the Hamilton Future Fund Board of Governors – March 16, 2011 (Added as Item 8.4)

(ii) REVISED MOTION

- (bb) Revised Motion 9.2 – Increasing Membership on the Non- Union Compensation Sub-Committee

On a motion (Pearson/Johnson) the agenda was approved, as amended.

(b) DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (Item 2)

None

(c) APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

On a motion (Johnson/Collins) the Minutes of the February 14 regular and February 24 and 28, 2011 special meetings of the General Issues Committee were approved, as presented.

(d) DELEGATION REQUESTS (Item 4)

That the delegation request from Dave Barnett respecting the lack of progress in moving Hamilton away from being one of the worst places to raise a child, be denied.

(e) CONSENT AGENDA**(i) Minutes of Various Sub-Committees (Item 5.1)**

On a motion (Pearson/Clark) the following Minutes were received for information:

- (aa) Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities – January 11, 2011 (Item 5.1)
- (bb) Hamilton Police Service Monthly Report PSB 11-001 (Item 5.2(a))
- (cc) Hamilton Police Service Monthly Report PSB 11-021 (Item 5.2(b))

(f) PUBLIC HEARINGS/DELEGATIONS (Item 6)**(i) Belma Diamante, on behalf of the Canadian Ballet Youth Ensemble, respecting service and costs at Hamilton Place (Item 6.1)**

Presentation postponed to May 9, 2011

(ii) Deb Murphy, Glanbrook Wind Action Group, to appear before the Committee to request a moratorium on the erection of industrial wind turbine farms (Item 6.2)

Deb Murphy, on behalf of Glanbrook Wind Action Group, provided a power point presentation which included:

- What we are not – not politically motivated; not pro-coal or pro-nuclear; not anti-wind turbine
- What we are – anti-putting turbines too close to homes
- Current setback of 550m has negative impact on health and value of homes
- Goal/resolution is an immediate moratorium and more health studies
- Green Energy Act – Effect of Designation
- Map outlining Niagara Region Wind Project and IPC Energy HAF Project

- How many turbines? HAF Project: 10 MW; 5 IWT's; HRWF: 230 MW; 1st 31
- Wind turbines are not cute little windmills; they are industrial machines
- Vesta V100 – 1.8MW; hub height 95m; rotator diameter 100m; blade length 49m
- Health issues include noise – audible infrasound (cannot hear it, cannot shut it out; permeates normal wood frame/glass construction)
- Victim Statements, WCO Survey – symptoms disappear when victims leave their homes
- Impact on real estate market – land value findings – days on market more than double; “sold price” on average is \$48,000 lower; number of homes not sold 11% vs 3%
- Request support for moratorium on the construction of additional wind turbines

A copy of the power point presentation has been retained in the Office of the City Clerk for the public record.

Councillor Powers indicated that he will bring this matter to the attention of the Association of Municipalities of Ontario once Council has adopted a position on this issue.

See Item 8 for the disposition of this item.

(iii) Gerard Murphy and Kathy Drewitt, Chairman and Executive Director respectively of the Downtown Hamilton B.I.A. respecting plans for a pilot project for pedestrianizing the south leg of King Street and Gore Park this summer (Item 6.3)

Gerard Murphy and Kathy Drewitt appeared before the Committee on behalf of the Downtown Hamilton B.I.A. The presentation included the following:

- Downtown Hamilton B.I.A. is made up of 485 businesses and 179 property owners located between MacNab and Mary, from Hunter to Rebecca
- Board is made up of 11 elected volunteers as well as Council representative
- B.I.A. proposal: Gore Park Promenade this summer
- Downtown B.I.A. wants to be the City's partner in organizing a free summer program in Gore Park which would include outdoor patios, buskers, musicians, street vendors, local artisans, local farm products, bakery and flower products, children's programs, etc.

- Downtown B.I.A. has already branded the program; purchased amenities to be placed in the park; is seeking local vendors and entertainers
- Acknowledged Council's decision to remove \$200,000 from the 2011 capital budget for this program; hope Council will fund this in 2012
- Specific requests: use of the park for Wednesday, Thursday and Friday from mid June to mid September at no charge; City continue to clean the park with existing compliment of street cleaning staff; City waive the \$100 zoning fee for each booth; City streamline the licensing and health permits to accommodate vendors in the park over the summer by directing staff to work with the B.I.A. to make this happen.

Scott Rastin of the Hamilton Police Service spoke in support of the work that has been done by the Downtown Hamilton B.I.A. and reported that positive comments have been received from the downtown business owners.

A copy of the power point presentation has been retained in the Office of the City Clerk for the public record.

On a motion (Bratina/Whitehead) the presentation was received. Staff was directed to come back with a recommendation on the following requests of the Downtown B.I.A.:

- (i) Provide use of park at no charge
 - (ii) Waive the \$100 zoning fee
 - (iii) Use existing full-time and summer staff to clean park
 - (iv) Streamline the licensing and health permits to accommodate vendors.
- (iv) Jan Nichols and Beth Ellis, Dr. Bob Kemp Hospice (Requested to appear by the General Issues Committee)**

Jan Nichols and Beth Ellis, Dr. Bob Kemp Hospice were in attendance to respond to questions of the Committee with respect to the outstanding loan.

Due to the time-sensitive nature of this issue, the recommendation respecting this matter was forwarded to Council for consideration on March 23, 2011. See Motion 7.1(5).

(g) STAFF PRESENTATIONS**(i) Tourism Hamilton 2011-2014 Strategic Plan (PED11048) (City Wide)
(Item 7.1)**

David Adames, Executive Director of Tourism Hamilton, provided a power point presentation which included information on the following:

- Overview of Tourism Hamilton's mandate and Vision and Mission Statements
- Highlights from the 2008-2010 Plan
 - Focus One: to develop and undertake a sales and marketing strategy that supports industry development
 - Focus Two: to create tourism industry development initiatives
 - Focus Three: to develop an organizational capacity plan for Tourism Hamilton
- Impact of Tourism in Hamilton
- Strategic Plan for 2011-2014
 - Link to City's Strategic Plan and Planning and Economic Development Plan
 - Overall objective to the Plan: to grow tourism receipts in Hamilton
 - Services Tourism Hamilton provides
- Pillar: work collaboratively to build industry capacity and deliver economic growth
- Pillar: set standards for success to become more competitive
- Pillar: invest in product development and innovation to attract and retain investment
- Pillar: partner and visitor growth – reach out to align public and private sector goals and create innovative customer-focused marketing strategies that will increase tourism receipts

A copy of the power point presentation has been retained in the Office of the City Clerk for the public record.

On a motion (Jackson/Collins) the following was added as sub-section (c):

- “(c) That staff be directed to co-ordinate a workshop with all members of Council which would include a full discussion of Tourism Hamilton's 10-year history, an overview of Tourism Hamilton's mandate, review of its governance model (self-appointed Board), private-sector funding, etc.”

The Amendment CARRIED.

On a motion (Pearson/Johnson) the Committee recess from 12:40 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. for lunch break.

**(ii) Tourism Hamilton 2011 Marketing Plan (PED11049) (City Wide)
(Item 7.2)**

David Adames, Executive Director of Tourism Hamilton, provided a power point presentation which included information on the following:

- Background on Tourism Hamilton
- What is a DMO (destination management/marketing organization)
- Review/highlights of 2010 Marketing Plan, including development of new web site and micro-sites; securing 2011 Ontario Tourism Summit; confirmation of 2012 Canadian Open Championship; hosting 12th Annual Tourism Awards; working with Regional Tourism Organization; meetings and conventions; sports events; leisure tourism; interactive strategy; visitor services
- Overview of 2011 Marketing Plan, including process to create marketing plan; tourism partner relations; interactive strategy; convention sales and servicing; sport tourism; leisure marketing; visitor services

A copy of the power point presentation has been retained in the Office of the City Clerk for the public record.

On a motion (Partridge/Johnson) the presentation respecting the Tourism Hamilton 2011 Marketing Plan was received.

(iii) Downtown and Community Renewal Division 2010 Annual Report (PED11060) (Wards 1 to 4, 6 to 9, 11 to 13 and 15) (Item 7.3)

Staff from the Downtown and Community Renewal Division, provided a power point presentation to the Committee which included information on the following:

Glen Norton, Acting Director

- 2010 Activity – Total construction value 2001 to 2010; 2010 Community Downtowns Construction Values

Alan Waterfield, Senior Planner, Downtown Renewal

- Results of downtown employment survey; downtown vacancy indicators

Hazel Milsome, Co-ordinator, Downtown Municipal Incentives

- Programs – Downtown/BIA Incentive Programs; Hamilton Downtown Property Improvement Grant and Multi-Residential Property Investment Programs; Hamilton Downtown Property Improvement Grant Program; Hamilton Downtown Multi-residential Property Investment Program Status; Downtown Hamilton CIPA; Office Tenancy Assistance Program; Commercial Property Improvement

Grant Program (CPIG) Payments; 2010 CPIG Applications; Commercial Corridor Housing Loan and Grant Program; Hamilton Heritage Property Grant Program

- Business Improvement Areas – 2005 commercial market assessments updated for Barton Village, Downtown Hamilton, International Village and Stoney Creek BIA's; Westdale BIA gateway fabrication is underway; Barton Village BIA gateway design and location finalized
- Landscape projects – Stoney Creek parkette to working drawings; Binbrook Community Parkette design concepts
- Other initiatives
- Committees/Task Forces

A copy of the power point presentation has been retained in the Office of the City Clerk for the public record.

On a motion (Pearson/Pasuta) the presentation respecting the Downtown and Community Renewal Division 2010 Annual Report was received.

(iv) 2010 Economic Development and Real Estate Highlights (PED11061) (City Wide) (Item 7.4)

Neil Everson, Director of Economic Development and Real Estate, provided a power point presentation which included information on the following:

- How did Hamilton perform in 2010, which included “not so good news”, 2010 unemployment rates; 2010 unemployment rate comparators, Hamilton CMA labour market; 2010 growth and vacancy rates; 2010 building permits; economic growth in Hamilton; non-residential permits; building permits and assessment growth; residential vs non-residential comparisons; 2010 building permit comparison for residential, industrial, commercial, institutional, miscellaneous
- Business attraction and expansion; Small Business Enterprise Centre; Corporate Calling Program; Customer Satisfaction
- 2010 Development Highlights in Hamilton North, Hamilton South, Hamilton East, Hamilton West and Hamilton Downtown
- 2010 Economic Development Revenue and Tax Generation
- 2010 Economic Development Accomplishments
- 2010 Marketing Accomplishments
- 2010 Real Estate Accomplishments
- Reasons for Success – Max Aicher North America (MANA); Canada Bread

A copy of the power point presentation has been retained in the Office of the City Clerk for the public record.

On a motion (Pearson/Partridge) the presentation respecting the 2010 Economic Development and Real Estate Highlights was received.

**(v) 2010 Annual Performance Measures (PED11038) (City Wide)
(Item 7.5)**

Neil Everson, Director of Economic Development and Real Estate, provided a power point presentation which included information on the following:

- 2010 Performance Measures – Corporate, Planning and Economic Development; Economic Development and Real Estate; Downtown and Community Renewal
- Building Permits and Assessment Growth
- 2010 Assessment Growth
- 2010 Projects and Initiatives
- 2010 Corporate Measures, Planning and Economic Development Measures
- Shovel Ready Land
- Non-residential permits
- Customer Satisfaction
- 2010 Report to Community
- Positive Media Coverage
- Brownfields Office
- 2010 total businesses – new businesses growth
- 2010 number of new jobs; 2010 small business jobs; Small Business Enterprise Centre; Film Office
- 2010 gross farm receipts
- Hamilton Calling Program
- 2010 Downtown Measures, vacancy rate, residential units; property taxes
- What's next for 2012

Members of the Committee requested an update on where the City should be in 2011 and if the City is on target. Staff responded that they will provide this information.

On a motion (Partridge/Johnson) the presentation respecting the 2010 Annual Performance Measures was received.

**(vi) Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act Integrated Standard
(Item 7.6)**

Jane Lee, Director of Customer Service, Access and Equity, provided a power point presentation which included information on the following:

- Purpose of the AODA in accordance with the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act, S.O. 2005 c.11
- Key Definitions for “barrier”, “disability”
- AODA Regulations
- Integrated Accessibility Standard – General Provisions

Glen Bruneti, Manager, Service Delivery

- Information and Communications Standard

Diana Belaisis, Manager, Employment Services

- Employment Standard/Ability to meet compliance

Paul Thompson, Manager, Accessible Transportation Services

- Transportation Standard: Impacts on Transit Costs – General and Specific; other optional concerns: Transit
- Feedback to the Province

Jane Lee

- Conclusion

Ms. Lee advised the Committee that staff has provided comments to the Province respecting the Standard as the deadline for submission was Friday, March 18.

Committee provided the following comments:

- Requested staff to look at the format of reports to include the costs of AODA implementation in the financial section of reports that deal with policy issues
- Province must develop a funding formula to assist municipalities with the cost
- Support AMO's comments
- Can City take the lead to pursue federal involvement
- Are there any other provinces initiating accessibility legislation

(h) DISCUSSION AGENDA

(i) One-time Grant to the Regeneration Institute for the Great Lakes for the purpose of Establishing a Storefront Engagement Centre in Downtown Hamilton (PED11059) (Ward 2) (Item 8.1)

On a motion (McHattie/Jackson) Report PED11059 respecting One-time Grant to the Regeneration Institute for the Great Lakes for the purpose of Establishing a Storefront Engagement Centre in Downtown Hamilton was tabled.

(ii) Water and Wastewater Rate Structure Review (FCS11025) (City Wide) (Item 8.2)

On a motion (McHattie/Jackson) sub-section (b), which reads as follows, was deleted:

”(b) That the total cost of the Water and Wastewater Rate Structure Review with an upset limit of \$70,000, be funded equally from the Waterworks Capital reserve (108015) and the Sanitary Sewer Capital reserve (108005).”

The Motion to Delete was Withdrawn.

On a motion (Whitehead/Pearson) the recommendations contained in Report FCS11025 respecting the Water and Wastewater Rate Structure Review were tabled in their entirety pending receipt of information respecting implications on the department's work plan.

Councillor B. McHattie indicated that he wished to be recorded as opposed to the tabling motion.

(iii) Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities Report 11-001 - February 8, 2011 (Item 8.3)

(aa) Interlocking Brick Replacement Plan (Item 5.4 (ii))

On a motion (Jackson/Collins) the following recommendation of the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities was referred to the General Manager of Public Works to look at the feasibility of the request and report back on development a replacement plan.

That ACPD recommend to Council that Public Works develop a replacement plan to remove interlocking bricks that are currently being used in high traffic areas of the City to build sidewalks as they present barriers to accessibility and safety for pedestrians.

(i) MOTIONS

(i) Stormwater Management Plan (Item 9.1)

On a motion (Whitehead/Jackson) the following Motion was deferred to the April 11, 2011 meeting of the General Issues Committee:

“That staff be directed to report back to the General Issues Committee on the inequity of the stormwater management rate in terms of the larger users eg. Big Box stores, not paying their fair share.”

(ii) Increasing Membership on the Non-Union Compensation Sub-Committee (Item 9.2)

On a motion (Collins/Whitehead) the following was added as sub-section (b):

- (b) That Councillors C. Collins and T. Whitehead be appointed to serve on the Non-Union Compensation Sub-Committee for the balance of the current term of Council.

The Motion Carried and the Main Motion, as amended, Carried.

(j) ITEMS DEFERRED TO THE APRIL 11, 2011 MEETING OF THE GENERAL ISSUES COMMITTEE:

(i) Hamilton Future Fund Board of Governors Report 11-001 – March 16, 2011 (Added Item 8.4)

(aa) Hamilton Future Fund Reserve Status and Project Funding as of December 31, 2010 (FCS10069(b)) (City Wide) (Item 5.1)

That Report FCS10069(b) respecting Hamilton Future Fund Reserve Status and Project Funding as of December, 2010, be received.

(ii) GENERAL INFORMATION/OTHER BUSINESS

(i) Outstanding Business List

- (aa) That the following items be removed from the Outstanding Business List:

- (i) Moratorium on Nuclear Power Plants
- (ii) City's Policies respecting contracting with parties involved in litigation
- (iii) City-wide Peak Oil Study – Employment Growth District
- (iv) Operational Oversight Committee
- (v) International Year for Culture of Peace
- (vi) Multi-Stakeholder Fundraising Strategy for Flood Victims
- (vii) Specific mandate, governance structure, staffing and financial-legal funding model for a Hamilton Waterfront Development Corporation
- (viii) Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities Report 09-007

- (ix) Area Rating Citizens Forum Membership Appointments
 - (x) Golden Horseshoe Innovation Centre: Building an Entrepreneurial Community
 - (xi) Conservation Authorities – Legislation
 - (xii) Wireless Cellular Services and Device Agreements
 - (xiii) Greening of municipal parking lots
- (bb) That the following items be included in the 2011 budget deliberations:
- (i) Policy for determining transit fares through the setting of a revenue/cost ratio for implementation in the 2011 budget deliberations
 - (ii) Transit fare increase policy
 - (iii) Affordable transit pass pilot program
 - (iv) Theatre Aquarius request for capital funding

(iii) PRIVATE & CONFIDENTIAL

- (aa) Closed Session Minutes – February 14 and 24, 2011 (Items 12.1 and 12.2)**
- (bb) Land Acquisition - Provincial Properties bounded by Mary, Rebecca, Wilson and Catharine Streets (PSB 10-039(a)) (Item 12.3)**
- (cc) City Manager Performance Review (Item 12.4)**

(k) ITEMS FORWARDED TO MARCH 23, 2011 COUNCIL FOR CONSIDERATION:

The following items from the March 22, 2011 General Issues Committee meeting were forwarded to Council on March 23, 2011 by motion due to their time-sensitive nature:

- (i) Report of the 2010 Remuneration and Expenses as required under Section 284 of the Municipal Act (FCS11021) (City Wide) (Item 5.3)
- (ii) Ontario Realty Corporation (ORC) Surplus Land – Project 8093 – Located at 1831 Rymal Road East/99 Highland Road West, described as Part of Lots 33 and 34, Concession 8, former Township of Saltfleet, now City of Hamilton (PED11039) (Ward 9) (Item 5.7)
- (iii) Acquisition of Part of 1389 Wilson Street West, Ancaster, from Her Majesty the Queen in Right of Ontario, as represented by the Minister of Infrastructure (PED11043) (Ward 12) (Item 5.8)

- (iv) Declaration of Surplus and Sale of Part of 306 Woodworth Drive, Ancaster, to Benemar Construction Inc. (Mark and Robert DeBenedictus) (PED11056) (Ward 12) (Item 5.12)

- (v) Dr. Bob Kemp Hospice Outstanding Loan (FCS10092(a)) (City Wide) (Hamilton Future Fund Board of Governors Report 11-001) (Added Item 8.4)

There being no further business, the Committee adjourned at 5:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted

Councillor J. Farr, Deputy Mayor
General Issues Committee

Carolyn Biggs, Co-ordinator
Committee Services/Council/Budgets
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