



General Issues Committee

MINUTES

9:30 a.m.

Thursday, December 1, 2011

Council Chambers

Hamilton City Hall

71 Main Street West

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

Absent with Regrets: Councillors B. Clark, S. Duvall, L. Ferguson and
J. Partridge – Vacation

Also Present: C. Murray, City Manager
R. Rossini, General Manager, Finance and Corporate
Services
G. Davis, General Manager, Public Works
T. Sergi, A/General Manager, Planning & Economic
Development
J. A. Priel, General Manager, Community Services
Dr. E. Richardson, Medical Officer of Health
C. Biggs, Co-ordinator, Committee Services/Council/Budgets

THE FOLLOWING ITEMS WERE REPORTED TO COUNCIL FOR CONSIDERATION:

1. Proposed Program for the City of Hamilton War of 1812 Bicentennial Commemoration (CS11075) (City Wide)

(Collins/Powers)

- (a) That the proposed Program for the City of Hamilton's War of 1812 Bicentennial Commemoration, be approved; and,
- (b) That the proposed Program for the City of Hamilton's War of 1812 Bicentennial Commemoration, in the amount of \$447,200 (\$118,500 in 2012; \$306,700 in 2013; and \$22,000 in 2014) be approved to implement the proposed Program for the City of Hamilton's War of 1812 Bicentennial Commemoration;

- (c) That staff be directed to report back to the Committee with any and all private sector funding contributions to offset the City's costs.

CARRIED as amended

**2. Funding for Westdale Tennis Court Replacement Project (Item 5.2)
(Ward 1)**

(McHattie/Farr)

That the Westdale Tennis Court Replacement Project be funded in the amount of \$250,000 from the 2011 Unallocated Provision. **CARRIED as amended**

FOR THE INFORMATION OF COUNCIL:

(a) CHANGES TO THE AGENDA (Item 1)

The Clerk advised of the following changes:

CORRECTION TO REPORT CS11075 (ITEM 4.1)

Page 8 of Report CS11075 respecting "Proposed Strategy and Program for the City of Hamilton War of 1812 Bicentennial Commemoration", under "Relevant Consultation" – Third Paragraph: Delete the words, "outlined in Appendices B and C to Report CS11075".

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The following item has been withdrawn:

6.2 Property Acquisition(s) for Economic Development Purposes

(Pearson/Johnson)

That the agenda be approved, as amended.

CARRIED

(b) DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (Item 2)

None

(c) APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

(Johnson/Pearson)

That the Minutes of the November 1 and November 9, 2011 meetings of the General Issues Committee be approved as presented. **CARRIED**

(d) PRESENTATIONS**(i) Proposed Program for the City of Hamilton War of 1812 Bicentennial Commemoration (CS11075) (City Wide)**

Anna Bradford, Director of Culture, and Jennifer Kaye, Manager of Arts and Culture, provided a power point presentation outlining the various events that are being planned for the 1812 Commemoration, including the Signature Events and the Bicentennial Events, and the costs associated with these events. The Committee was also presented with four alternatives of funding scenarios for consideration.

In response to a question of the Committee, Jennifer Kaye advised that a Community Advisory Committee has been established which includes Councillors B. Clark and R. Powers. This Committee will be organizing the various events that will take place in the City.

Ms. Bradford also outlined the Federal application process and indicated that the events being planned in Hamilton do meet the criteria as set out in the Federal guidelines. The monies being requested factors in anticipated revenues generated during the event(s).

A copy of the power point presentation has been retained for the public record and is available for viewing on the City's website.

(Collins/Johnson)

That the staff presentation respecting the Proposed Program for the City of Hamilton War of 1812 Bicentennial Commemoration, be received.

CARRIED

(Collins/Powers)

That sub-section (b) be amended by replacing the funding amounts as follows:

\$118,500 in 2012

\$306,700 in 2013

\$22,000 in 2014

That the following be added as sub-section (c):

(c) That staff be directed to report back to the Committee with any and all private sector funding contributions to offset the City's costs.

Amendment CARRIED

Motion as amended CARRIED

(ii) 2012 Tax Supported Capital Budget (FCS11111) (City Wide)

Mike Zegarac, Director of Financial Planning and Policy, provided a power point presentation on the 2012 Tax-Supported Capital Budget, which outlined the following:

- 2012 Tax Capital Process and Objectives
- 2012-2021 Capital Forecast

- 2012 Recommended Tax Capital Budget
 - 2012 Capital Budget by Program
 - 2012 Capital Highlights
 - 2012 Proposed Capital Budget
 - Discretionary Funding
 - Multi-Year Projects
 - Operating and FTE Impact of 2012 Capital Budget
Staff noted a typographical error: "Waste Management" should read "40", not "540", which will decrease the total to \$2,631. This typo will be correctly reflected in future documentation.
 - Financing Options Capital
 - 2012 Capital Funding
 - Capital Levy – Budget Impact on Operating Budget
 - Capital Levy 2007-2012
 - 2012 WIP Funding by Program
 - 2012 Gross Budgets Comparisons
 - Roads Gross Capital 2008-2012
 - Gross Roads Capital Net of Growth Projects
 -
- 2012-2021 Tax Capital Forecast
 - 2012-2021 Capital Forecast by Program
 - 2012-2021 Capital Funding Forecast
 - Tax Capital Forecast 2012-2021
 - Discretionary Funding Forecast
 - Future Unfunded Projects

Rob Rossini presented the following:

- Debt/Funding Impact
 - Debt Forecast 2012-2021
 - Consolidated Outstanding Debt Forecast 2012-2021
 - Annual Repayment Limit
 - Debt Comparison
 - 2012 Parked Projects

(Pearson/Collins)

That the staff presentation respecting the 2012 Tax Supported Capital Budget, be received.

CARRIED

(Collins/Powers)

(a) That the following projects be parked pending receipt of additional information:

- (i) Waste Recycling Program – Vehicle Acquisition and Facility Modifications Project (Page 534 Book 2) for \$5.785 million in 2012;
- (ii) KRONOS Project (Workforce Management Software (Page 252 Book 2) for \$2.7 million in 2012;
- (iii) IS Process Audit Improvements (Page 251 Book 2) for \$405,000 in 2012. **CARRIED**

(iii) 2012 Tax Supported Capital Budget (FCS11111) (City Wide)**(Collins/Powers)**

That sub-section (d) be amended as follows:

- (aa) by deleting the word, “approved”, and replacing it with “received” in lieu thereof;
- (bb) by adding the words, “submission for Council’s consideration” following the word, “Budget”;

to read as follows:

- (d) That the operating and FTE impacts of the 2012 capital budget, estimated to be \$2,631,000 and 8.35 FTE’s, attached as Appendix C to Report FCS11111, be received and incorporated into the 2013 Tax Supported Operating Budget submission for Council’s consideration. **Amendment CARRIED**

(Collins/Powers)

That approval of the recommendations contained in Report FCS11111, as amended, respecting the 2012 Tax Supported Capital Budget, be considered by the Committee at the General Issues Committee meeting scheduled on Thursday, December 8, 2011. **CARRIED**

(e) MOTIONS**(i) The Municipal Infrastructure Deficit**

In the absence of Councillor Partridge, this Motion will be placed on the December 8, 2011 General Issues Committee meeting agenda.

(f) PRIVATE & CONFIDENTIAL

(i) Closed Session Minutes – November 9, 2011

(Powers/Bratina)

- (a) That the November 9, 2011 Closed Session Minutes of the General Issues Committee be approved, as presented;
- (b) That these Minutes remain confidential and restricted from public disclosure in accordance with the exemption provided in the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act.

CARRIED

There being no further business, the Committee adjourned at 12:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted

Councillor R. Pasuta
Deputy Mayor

Carolyn Biggs, Co-ordinator
Committee Services/Council/Budgets
December 1, 2011