

# EMERGENCY & COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE MINUTES 11-008

1:30 p.m.
Wednesday, June 8, 2011
Hamilton City Hall
Council Chambers
71 Main Street West
Hamilton, Ontario

Present: Councillor S. Merulla. Chair

Councillor, J. Partridge, Vice-Chair

Councillors S. Duvall, J. Farr, T. Jackson, B. McHattie, and

T. Whitehead

Absent with

**regrets** Councillor B. Morelli., personal commitment

**Also Present:** G. Hendry, Director, Social Housing & Homelessness

A. Bradford, Director, Culture Division J. Kay, Manager, Arts and Culture

B. Browett, Director, EMS

I. Bedioui, Legislative Assistant, City Clerk's Office

## THE FOLLOWING ITEMS WERE REPORTED FOR THE CONSIDERATION OF COUNCIL:

1. CANUSA Games Letter of Agreement (Renewal) (CS11041) (City Wide) (Item 5.2).

#### (Partridge/McHattie)

- (a) That the City renew the Letter of Agreement for an additional five year term with CANUSA Games, as part the Community Partnership Grant Program in an amount to be determined annually by City Council (attached as Appendix A to Report CS11041);
- (b) That the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to execute the Letter of Agreement between the City and CANUSA Games, in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor.

2. Notre Dame Emergency Shelter and Outreach Services Update Report (CS110048) (City Wide) (Item 5.3)

### (Partridge/McHattie)

That Report CS110048 respecting Notre Dame Emergency Shelter and Outreach Services Update Report, be received.

CARRIED

3. Public Art Master Plan and Program Annual Update (CS11045) (City Wide) (Item 8.1))

## (Partridge/Farr)

That Report CS110045 respecting Public Art Master Plan and Program Annual Update, be received.

**CARRIED** 

4. Rental Fees for the Use of the Ancaster Lion's Outdoor Pool Building on Jerseyville Road (CS11039) (Ward 12) (Item 8.2)

### (Duvall/Farr)

That the request from the Ancaster Montessori School for a rate reduction on their signed contract (copy attached as Appendix A to Report CS11039) for the rental of the Ancaster Lions Outdoor Pool, be denied.

CARRIED

5. Hamilton Farmers' Market Transition Sub-Committee Report 11-003 (Added Item 8.3)

#### (McHattie/Farr)

(a) Increasing active loading time from 10 minutes to 20 minutes for the Outdoor Seasonal Market at the Hamilton Farmers' Market (CS11061) (Ward 2)

That Report CS11061 respecting Increasing active loading time from 10 minutes to 20 minutes for the Outdoor Seasonal Market at the Hamilton Farmers' Market be received.

- (b) Terms of Reference for Hamilton Farmers' Market Sub-committee (CS11060) (Ward 2)
  - (i) That the Hamilton Farmers' Market Transition Sub-Committee be renamed the "Hamilton Farmers' Market Sub-Committee";

- (ii) That the revised Hamilton Farmers' Market Sub-committee Terms of Reference, attached to Report CS11060, be approved;
- (iii) That the Hamilton Farmers' Market Sub-committee continue with its current membership.

CARRIED

### 6. Response Time Reporting (HES11008) (City Wide) (Item 8.4)

## (McHattie/Partridge)

- (a) That the City of Hamilton adopt emergency medical response time targets for the calendar year 2011 in accordance with the Ambulance Act, Ontario Regulation 267/08, amending O. Reg. 257/00 with the heading Section 22: Part VIII, Response Time Performance Plans and the related Sections 23 and 24 (attached as Appendix B to Report HES11008).
- (b) That the emergency medical response times targets noted in Appendix B, attached to Report HES11008 respecting Response Time Performance Plan be approved.

**CARRIED** 

## 7. Ambulance Service Review, Hamilton Emergency Medical Services, May 4-6, 2010 (HES11009) (City Wide) (Item 8.5)

#### (McHattie/Partridge)

That Report HES11009 respecting Ambulance Service Review, Hamilton Emergency Medical Services, May 4-6, 2010, be received.

**CARRIED** 

## 8. Transfer of Care Paramedic Service – Hospital Acceptance of Patient Responsibility Regulation (Item 9.1)

## (McHattie/Whitehead)

Whereas a number of the municipalities in Ontario on or before the Year 2000 have observed the time to transfer the care of patients from the paramedic to the hospital emergency department staff have substantially increased, and,

Whereas despite many efforts by hospitals, the MOHLTC and the LHINS to contain the transfer of care interval the transfer of care interval continues to lengthen, and,

Whereas there are many times that paramedics are not able to respond to other urgent, life-threatening or emergency coverage needs in the community as a result of the delays in the hospital transfer of care;

Therefore be it resolved that the City of Hamilton request that the Provincial Government work with the municipalities to introduce a regulation that would apply to any patient that is brought to a hospital emergency department, or like facility by paramedics, so that the hospitals/LHINS provide sufficient resources to complete the transfer of care within the following parameters:

- (a) That in 9 out of 10 transfer of care events, starting from the time that the paramedic arrives in the hospital emergency department with a patient of any CTAS level, until the hospitals accepts the full responsibility for the patient and the paramedics are able to retrieve their stretcher or any other like conveyance device, the hospital will ensure that the time interval will be 15 minutes or less, and this interval will always be less than 30 minutes;
- (b) That in all cases, the paramedic will provide to the receiving hospital staff pertinent patient information in writing and/or verbally to complete the transfer of care and that the hospital will ensure that the staff are available to receive the report during this interval.

**CARRIED** 

- 9. Interview Sub-Committee Report 11-004 (Item 12.1)
  - (a) Citizen Appointments to the Food & Shelter Advisory Committee

#### (Whitehead/Partridge)

That the following applicants be appointed to the Food & Shelter Advisory Committee for the 2010-2014 term of Council or until such time as successors are appointed by Council:

- 1. Thayra Marting
- 2. Maria Pelaez
- 3. Fernando Forero

- 4. Anne Wilson
- 5. Alexander Ramirez

#### FOR THE INFORMATION OF COUNCIL:

#### (a) CHANGES TO THE AGENDA (Item 1)

The Clerk advised of the following added delegation request:

Item 4.2 Representatives of the Ontario Homes for Special Needs Association (OHSNA) (John Iovio, Calvin Cain or Mike Power) to respond to the staff report respecting the Dom Hostels at a future meeting

## (Partridge/Farr)

That the agenda for the June 8, 2011 Emergency & Community Services Committee meeting be approved, as amended.

**CARRIED** 

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

There were none declared.

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

#### (McHattie/Duvall)

That the Minutes of the May 4, 2011 meeting be approved as presented.

CARRIED

### (d) DELEGATION REQUESTS

#### (Jackson/Whitehead)

The following delegation requests were approved:

- (i) Nancy Kenny, to give a personal impact statement in regards to the Affordable Transit Pass Program (Item 4.1)
- (ii) Representatives of the Ontario Homes for Special Needs Association (OHSNA) (John Iovio, Calvin Cain or Mike Power) to respond to the staff report respecting the Dom Hostels at a future meeting. (Added Item 4.2)

(e) Sub-Committee/Volunteer Committee Minutes (FOR INFORMATION ONLY) (Item 5.1)

## (Partridge/McHattie)

That the following Volunteer Committee Minutes be received:

- (i) Seniors Advisory Committee Minutes, January 7, 2011
- (ii) Seniors Advisory Committee Minutes, February 4, 2011

**CARRIED** 

(f) Rental Fees for the Use of the Ancaster Lion's Outdoor Pool Building on Jerseyville Road (CS11039) (Ward 12) (Item 8.2)

#### (Duvall/Farr)

That subsection (a) of the staff recommendation be deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following therein:

(a) That the request from the Ancaster Montessori School for a rate reduction on their signed contract (copy attached as Appendix A to Report CS11039) for the rental of the Ancaster Lions Outdoor Pool, be denied.

Amendment CARRIED Motion as amended CARRIED

(g) Hamilton Farmers' Market Transition Sub-Committee Report 11-003 (Added Item 8.3)

#### (McHattie/Farr)

That Recommendation 2 of the Hamilton Farmers' Market Transition Sub-Committee Report 11-003 respecting the Sub-Committee's Terms of Reference be amended by adding the following new subsection (a):

(a) That the Hamilton Farmers' Market Transition Sub-Committee be renamed the "Hamilton Farmers' Market Sub-Committee"

and by re-lettering the subsequent sub-sections accordingly to read as follows.

- (a) That the Hamilton Farmers' Market Transition Sub-Committee be renamed the "Hamilton Farmers' Market Sub-Committee;
- (b) That the revised Hamilton Farmers' Market Sub-committee Terms of Reference, hereto attached as Appendix A, be approved;

(c) That the Hamilton Farmers' Market Sub-committee continue with its current membership.

Amendment CARRIED Main Motion as Amended CARRIED

## (h) Transfer of Care Paramedic Service – Hospital Acceptance of Patient Responsibility Regulation (Item 9.1)

#### (McHattie/Whitehead)

That Item 9.1 be amended by:

- (i) Deleting the words "to ensure" at the end of the fourth paragraph and inserting the words "so that the hospitals/LHINS provide sufficient resources to complete the transfer of care within the following parameters" therein, and;
- (ii) By adding the words "the hospital will ensure that" after the word device in subsection (a), and;
- (iii) By adding the words "and that the hospital will ensure that the staff are available to receive the report during this interval" at the end of subsection (b).

#### to read as follows:

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### (i) GENERAL INFORMATION/OTHER BUSINESS

Outstanding Business List (Item 11.1)

(i) Proposed New Due Dates:

#### (Jackson/Whitehead)

That the due dates of the following Outstanding Business List Items be changed as outlined below:

- Item "K", City of Hamilton Domiciliary Hostel Program Review Current Due Date: May 18, 2011 Proposed New Due Date: June 22, 2011
- 2. Item "L", Sports Field Management Strategy Current Due Date: June 8, 2011 Proposed New Due Date: June 22, 2011
- 3. Item "S", Volunteer usage of outdoor rinks to play ice hockey outlining the benefits to this usage as well as alternatives

Current Due Date: May 18, 2011

Proposed New Due Date: June 22, 2011

CARRIED

(ii) Completed – remove from list:

#### (Duvall/Farr)

That the following Outstanding Business List Item be identified as completed and deleted from the List:

1. Item "R", Rental Fees for the use of the Lion's Outdoor Pool Building on Jerseyville Road" (See Item 4)

### (j) PRIVATE AND CONFIDENTIAL

The following Item was approved in Open Session:

(i) Interview Sub-Committee Report 11-004 (Appointments to various Volunteer Committees) (Item 12.1)

## (k) ADJOURNMENT

#### (Whitehead/McHattie)

There being no further business, that the Emergency & Community Services Committee meeting be adjourned at 2:14 p.m.

CARRIED

Respectfully submitted,

Councillor S. Merulla, Chair Emergency & Community Services Committee

Ida Bedioui Legislative Assistant June 8, 2011