



EMERGENCY & COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE MINUTES

1:30 p.m.
Monday, February 13, 2012
Hamilton City Hall
Council Chambers
71 Main Street West
Hamilton, Ontario

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

Also Present: Councillor R. Pasuta

J.A. Priel, General Manager, Community Services
A. Bradford, Director of Culture
B. Atanas, Market Manager
G. Hendry, Director, Housing Services
D. Brodati, Policy and Program Specialist
E. Filippone, Legal Services
B. Browett, Director of EMS
I. Bedioui, Legislative Assistant, City Clerk's Office

THE FOLLOWING ITEMS WERE REPORTED FOR THE CONSIDERATION OF COUNCIL:

- 1. Tenant Advisory Committee Report, respecting Investment in Affordable Housing Program – Hamilton's Allocation (Item 5.2)**

(Merulla/McHattie)

That the Mayor, on behalf of Council, write a letter to the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing advocating for additional funding for Hamilton through the Investment in Affordable Housing for Ontario Program.

CARRIED

2. Investment in Affordable Housing for Ontario (CS11079(b)) (City Wide) (Item 7.1)

(McHattie/Merulla)

- (a) That the Program Delivery and Fiscal Plan for the Investment in Affordable Housing for Ontario Program, attached as Appendices "A" and "B" to Report CS11079(b) be approved and forwarded to the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing;
- (b) That the General Manager of the Community Services Department or her designate be authorized to make future amendments to the Program Delivery and Fiscal Plan as necessary to account for and reflect changing socio-economic, housing market and housing needs.

CARRIED

3. EMS Monthly Response Time Performance Report – January 1, 2011 to December 31, 2011 (HES12003) (City Wide) (Item 7.2)

(Merulla/Jackson)

That Report HES12003 respecting EMS Monthly Response Time Performance Report – January 1, 2011 to December 31, 2011 be received.

CARRIED

4. Ontario Defibrillator Access Initiative (ODAI) (HES12004) (City Wide) (Item 8.12)

(Merulla/Morelli)

- (a) That Emergency Medical Services (EMS) staff, as the designated Public Access Defibrillation Program Lead for Hamilton, be directed to support the Ontario Defibrillator Access Initiative of the Provincial Government and the Heart & Stroke Foundation of Ontario (HSFO) as outlined in Appendix "A" attached to Report HES12004;
- (b) That EMS staff be directed to work with local community partners including City departments and the HSFO to acquire as many Automated External Defibrillators (AEDs) as made available through this OADI, which at this time provides for an estimated grant for Hamilton at approximately \$300,000 in capital assets and \$300,000 in training and related operational supplies in support of the local Public Access Defibrillation Program;
- (c) That commencing in the 2013 budget process, EMS staff be directed to request an increase of \$30,000 annually to the reserve, to cover the cost of replacement AEDs to ensure a long-term sustainable Public Access Defibrillation Program for Hamilton; given that the average AED lifespan is 10 years, it is estimated that a contribution of \$30,000 per year will provide sufficient sustainability.

- (d) That EMS staff be directed to explore options to ensure that the city-wide AED program remains financially sustainable.

CARRIED

5. Funding for the Flamborough Women's Resource Centre (CS12006) (Ward 15) (Item 8.2)

(Merulla/Morelli)

That annualized funding in the amount of \$138,488 for the Flamborough Women's Resource Centre be referred to the 2012 budget process.

CARRIED

6. Early Black Community on Hamilton Mountain – formerly titled “Little Africa” Commemorative Plaque wording (Report 06-003(a)(HHB)) (Ward 7) (Item 8.3)

(Duvall/Whitehead)

That the revised wording for the Early Black Community on Hamilton Mountain commemorative plaque (formerly titled “Little Africa”), attached as Appendix “A” to Hamilton Historical Board Report 06-003(a) , be approved.

CARRIED

FOR THE INFORMATION OF COUNCIL:

(a) CHANGES TO THE AGENDA (Item 1)

The Clerk advised there is an added delegation request from Renee Wetselaar of the Affordable Housing Flagship wishing to address Committee at the next meeting. It is added as Item 4.3 and copies have been distributed:

(Jackson/Farr)

That the agenda for the February 13, 2012 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)

(Duvall/McHattie)

The Minutes of the January 18, 2012 meeting be approved as presented.

CARRIED

(d) DELEGATION REQUESTS (Item 4)

(Duvall/Jackson)

That the following delegation request be approved and the rules of order waived to allow Mr. Coleman to address Committee today:

- 4.1 Shane Coleman, Hamilton Farmers' Market President, concerning stall allocation and contract. **(Referred from January 18, 2012 meeting.)**

CARRIED

(Farr/Jackson)

That the following delegation request be approved and the rules of order waived to allow Ms. MacDonald-Musitano to address Committee today:

- 4.2 Judy MacDonald-Musitano wishing to address Committee at this meeting regarding issues of stallholder contracts, health conditions, Agricultural representation as a farmer and Ontario producer and wholesaler of produce locally and the Ontario Food Terminal.

CARRIED

(Merulla/Farr)

That the following delegation request be approved to address Committee at a future meeting:

- 4.3 Renee Wetselaar, Affordable Housing Flagship, wishing to present their business plan regarding pocket housing and affordable housing in Hamilton.

CARRIED

(e) VARIOUS ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES (Item 5.1):

(Merulla/McHattie)

That the following Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes be received:

- (i) Hamilton Youth Advisory Committee, October 18, 2011
- (ii) Hamilton Youth Advisory Committee, November 22, 2011
- (iii) Hamilton Youth Advisory Committee, December 20, 2011
- (iv) Food & Shelter Advisory Committee, November 10, 2011
- (v) Arts Advisory Commission, November 22, 2011

CARRIED

(f) PUBLIC HEARINGS/DELEGATIONS (Item 6):

- (i) Shane Coleman, Hamilton Farmers' Market President, concerning stall allocation and contract. (Referred from January 18, 2012 meeting.) (Item 4.1)**

Prior to addressing Committee, Mr. Coleman was advised by the Chair and legal staff, that the Market By-law does not provide him with a right of appeal in his circumstances because his stallholder contract has expired and he chose not to renew it. The Emergency and Community Services Committee has no authority to deal with the issue of the contract directly or the stall.

Shane Coleman addressed Committee and read from a prepared statement expressing concerns with the process and suggesting that a liaison committee be formed. A copy was provided to the Clerk for the record.

(Merulla/Duvall)

That Mr. Coleman's delegation be received.

CARRIED

- (ii) Judy MacDonald-Musitano wishing to address Committee at this meeting regarding issues of stallholder contracts, health conditions, Agricultural representation as a farmer and Ontario producer and wholesaler of produce locally and the Ontario Food Terminal. (Item 4.2)**

Judy MacDonald-Musitano addressed Committee expressing her concerns with the way that the City is managing the Market and she submitted photos of the Market garbage room and washroom for the Clerk's records. She also submitted a list of questions and a copy of a City letter referencing the Peer Review Committee for the Clerk's records.

(Duvall/Merulla)

That Ms. MacDonald-Musitano's delegation be received.

CARRIED

(g) STAFF PRESENTATIONS (Item 7)

- (i) Investment in Affordable Housing for Ontario (CS11079(b)) (City Wide) (Item 7.1)**

David Brodati, Policy and Program Specialist addressed Committee with the aid of a PowerPoint presentation. Copies of the hand-out were distributed. His comments included but were not limited to the following:

- Investment in Affordable Housing (IAH) – Overview;

- Investment in Affordable Housing Funding Allocation;
 - Hamilton's allocation;
- City's Role – IAH Program Administration;
- IAH Program Components;
- Historical Funding Breakdown – Last 5 Years;
- Developing the PDFP Elements to consider;
- Consultation to date;
- Option 1: New rental construction;
- Option 2: No New rental construction;

David Brodati responded to questions from Committee.

(McHattie/Merulla)

That the staff presentation be received.

CARRIED

(ii) EMS Monthly Response Time Performance Report – January 1, 2011 to December 31, 2011 (HES12003) (City Wide) (Item 7.2)

Brent Browett, EMS Director addressed Committee with the aid of a PowerPoint presentation. Copies of the hand-out were distributed. His comments included but were not limited to the following:

- Overview of Paramedic Service
- Demands – substantial increase in emergency calls;
- Results;
- 2012 Paramedic Service Work Plan;

Brent Browett responded to questions from Committee.

(Merulla/Jackson)

That the staff presentation be received.

CARRIED

(h) DISCUSSION ITEMS

(i) Ontario Defibrillator Access Initiative (ODAI) (HES12004) (City Wide) (Item 8.1)

Brent Browett briefly presented his report respecting the Ontario Defibrillator Access Initiative. He provided a hand-out that was distributed indicating that the results of a recent study found *a doubling of neurologically intact survival* with the use of an onsite automated external defibrillator (AED) while the survival benefit of a dispatched AED use was much smaller.

(i) **MOTIONS**

(i) **Commemoration of Diamond Jubilee of Queen Elizabeth II (Item 9.1)**
(Morelli/Merulla)

That staff be directed to prepare an assessment of the opportunities (in the form of events and/or a legacy project) and potential funding sources to commemorate the Diamond Jubilee of Queen Elizabeth II and report back to the Emergency and Community Services Committee.

CARRIED

(j) **GENERAL INFORMATION (Item 11)**

(i) Outstanding Business List (Item 11.1)

(Jackson/Whitehead)

(1.) That the following Item be identified as completed and removed from the Outstanding Business List:

Item - "U" - Report back on alternative funding for the Flamborough Women's Resource Centre
(Item 8.2 on this agenda.)

CARRIED

(Whitehead/Jackson)

(2.) The due dates of the following Items were amended:

(i) Item –"C" - Recreation Access Policy (Needs Assessment)
Current Due Date: February 13, 2012
New Due Date: May 14, 2012

(ii) Item –"D" - Investigation of Lands Suitable for the Development of Recreation Facilities and Seniors Centres
Current Due Date: February 13, 2012
New Due Date: November 12, 2012

(iii) Item –"H" - Needs Assessment – Ice Rinks in the Stoney Creek Area
Current Due Date: February 13, 2012
New Due Date: September 12, 2012

(iv) Item –"I" - Feasibility of Utilizing the City of Ottawa's Somerset Gardens Mixed Tenure Affordable Housing Model in Hamilton
Current Due Date: February 13, 2012
New Due Date: March 19, 2012

- (v) Item –“L” - Letter regarding the Needs of the Ancaster Senior Achievement Centre
Current Due Date: February 13, 2012
New Due Date: June 11, 2012

- (vi) Item –“M” - Summer Music Events in Gage Park
Current Due Date: February 13, 2012
New Due Date: April 10, 2012

- (vii) Item –“O” - Motion by Councillor Farr respecting Shuttle Bus Service for the Patrons of the Hamilton Farmers’ Market
Current Due Date: February 13, 2012
New Due Date: April 10, 2012

CARRIED

(k) ADJOURNMENT

(Morelli/Farr)

There being no further business, the Emergency & Community Services Committee meeting, adjourned at 3:08 p.m.

CARRIED

Respectfully submitted,

Councillor J. Partridge, Chair
Emergency & Community Services Committee

Ida Bedioui
Legislative Co-ordinator
February 13, 2012