

EMERGENCY & COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE MINUTES

1:30 p.m.
Tuesday, April 10, 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: J.A. Priel, General Manager, Community Services

A. Bradford, Acting Director of Culture G. Hendry, Director, Housing Services

J. Vengris, Senior Policy Analyst

K. Lubrick, Employment and Income Support Division

T. Quinn, Director, Strategic Services

B. Atanas, Market Manager

E. Filippone, Solicitor, Legal Services A. Zuidema, Director, Corporate Initiatives

I. Bedioui, Legislative Co-ordinator, City Clerk's Office

THE FOLLOWING ITEMS WERE REPORTED FOR THE CONSIDERATION OF COUNCIL:

1. Development of Youth Strategy (CS12016) (City Wide) (Item 5.2)

(McHattie/Farr)

That Report CS12016, respecting Development of Youth Strategy, be received.

CARRIED

2. Funding from the Ontario Ministry of Citizenship & Immigration to Strengthen the Hamilton Immigration Portal (CS12017) (City Wide) (Item 5.3)

(McHattie/Farr)

- (a) That the City of Hamilton accept \$75,000 from the Ministry of Citizenship and Immigration to undertake a process with community partners, in particular Community Information Hamilton, to increase the quality and quantity of comprehensive and up to date local information, and the access, awareness, and use of the Hamilton Immigration Portal;
- (b) That the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized and directed to execute an agreement between the City and the Ministry of Citizenship and Immigration, in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor, to implement the above recommendation; and,
- (c) That staff be authorized to single source Community Information Hamilton for various work related to the Immigration Portal.

CARRIED

3. Renewal of Funding from Citizenship & Immigration Canada to Implement the Immigration Strategy (CS10043(b)) (City Wide) (Item 5.4)

(McHattie/Farr)

- (a) That the City of Hamilton accept \$275,091 in renewed funding (for the period of April 1, 2012 to March 31, 2013) from Citizenship and Immigration Canada for the purpose of supporting the Hamilton Immigration Partnership Council and the implementation of the Immigration Strategy; and,
- (b) That the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized and directed to execute the renewed Contribution Agreement (attached as Appendix A to Report CS10043(b)) between the City of Hamilton and Citizenship and Immigration Canada, with respect to the Hamilton Immigration Partnership funding, in a form satisfactory to the General Manager, Community Services and the City Solicitor.

CARRIED

4. Wentworth Lodge Heritage Trust Fund Sub-Committee Report 12-001 (Item 5.5)

(McHattie/Farr)

(a) Wentworth Lodge Inside Courtyard (Maple Lane) – Hand/Guard Rails (CS12010) (Ward 13)

That Report CS12010, respecting Wentworth Lodge Inside Courtyard (Maple Lane) – Hand/Guard Rails, be received.

(b) Statement of Investment Policy and Procedures for the Heritage Trust Fund for Wentworth Lodge (FCS12029) (Ward 13)

- (i) That the Statement of Investment Policy and Procedures for the Heritage Trust Fund for Wentworth Lodge, attached as Appendix "A" to Wentworth Lodge Heritage Trust Fund Sub-Committee Report 12-001, be approved;
- (ii) That an Investment Fund Sub-Committee, to the Wentworth Lodge Heritage Trust Fund Sub-Committee, comprised of the Ward 13/Dundas Community Councillor, the Wentworth Lodge Family Council Representative and the Citizen at Large who are appointed to the Wentworth Lodge Heritage Trust Sub-Committee be established.

(c) Wentworth Lodge Courtyard Shelter/Gazebo (CS12011) (Ward 13)

- (i) That Report CS12011, respecting the proposed Wentworth Lodge Courtyard Shelter/Gazebo, be received.
- (ii) That funding for the Courtyard Shelter/Gazebo for Wentworth Lodge, in the amount of up to \$100,000 to be funded from the Wentworth Lodge Heritage Trust Fund, be approved.
- (iii) That other efforts be pursued by the Wentworth Lodge Family Council to obtain a portion of the funding through grants and/or outside funding in order to minimize the draw on the Wentworth Lodge Heritage Trust Fund.

(d) 2012 Heart and Home (Pet) Program)

That \$6,000, for the 2012 Heart & Home (Pet) Program at Wentworth Lodge, to be funded from the Wentworth Lodge Heritage Trust Fund, be approved.

CARRIED

5. Hamilton Farmers' Market Sub-Committee Report 12-001 (Item 8.1)

(Merulla/McHattie)

(a) Resignations of Councillors B. Clark and L. Ferguson

That the resignations of Councillors B. Clark and L. Ferguson from the Hamilton Farmers' Market Sub-Committee be received.

(b) Appointment of Vice-Chair

That Councillor Jason Farr be appointed Vice-Chair of the Hamilton Farmers' Market Sub-Committee.

(c) Interim Market Manager Position

That staff be directed to enter into a service contract, for a period not less than six months, but not more than nine months, for the overall management of the Hamilton Farmers' Market including, but not limited to: property management, administration, programming and marketing, with the objective to decrease operating costs immediately and identify further savings, while the Council directed study of privatization and other governance structures is being completed.

CARRIED

6. Supply of Golf Carts for Hamilton Civic Golf Courses (CS12014) (Wards 1 and 5) (Item 8.3)

(Merulla/Jackson)

- (a) That the City of Hamilton enter into a Purchase and Buyback Option Agreement with G.C. Duke Equipment for the supply of 127 golf carts, at a cost of \$443,230 and buyback option of \$228,600 (exclusive of applicable taxes), for the City of Hamilton's Civic Golf Courses (King's Forest and Chedoke); and that the term between the City of Hamilton and GC Duke Equipment begin on May 1, 2012, and terminate on November 30, 2015 or at the end of the 2015 golf season;
- (b) That the Purchase of the Golf Carts in the amount of \$443,230 be financed through Reserve Account #108020 and repaid over four years through the Community Services operating budget and the buyback of \$228,600;
- (c) That the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized and directed to execute the Purchase and Buyback Option Agreement between the City of Hamilton and G.C. Duke Equipment, 1184 Plains Rd., Burlington, Ontario, for the supply of 127 golf Carts for the Hamilton Civic Golf Courses (King's Forest and Chedoke), in a form satisfactory to the General Manager of Community Services and the City Solicitor.

CARRIED

7. Hamilton Olympic Club Facility Use Agreement (CS12008) (Ward 6) (Item 8.4)

(Jackson/McHattie)

- (a) That the Licence Agreement between the City of Hamilton and the Hamilton Olympic Club for the use of the track and field facility and storage space located at Mohawk Sports Park, be renewed;
- (b) That the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized and directed to execute the Licence Agreement between the City of Hamilton and the Hamilton Olympic

Club for the use of the track and field facility and storage space located at Mohawk Sports Park in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor; and,

(c) That the General Manager of Community Services or designate be granted the delegated authority to approve any changes to the Licence Agreement between the City of Hamilton and the Hamilton Olympic Club and to execute any documentation, as may be required to give effect thereto, in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor.

CARRIED

8. Provincial Budget 2012 and Implications to Ontario Works (CS12020) (City Wide) (Added Item 8.5)

(Merulla/Morelli)

- (a) That Report CS12020, respecting the Provincial Budget 2012 and Implications to Ontario Works, be received;
- (b) That a letter be forwarded to the Premier to request a moratorium on the 2012 Ontario Budget in order for the Province to reconsider the cuts to the social assistance benefits as they will cause undue hardship to the most vulnerable members of society.

CARRIED

9. Shuttle Bus Service for the Patrons of the Hamilton Farmers' Market (9.1(b))

(Farr/Merulla)

That no action be taken, respecting the Motion regarding Shuttle Bus Service for the Patrons of the Hamilton Farmers' Market, which reads as follows and the Item be removed from the outstanding business list:

- (a) That staff be directed to develop a free customer shuttle bus program, in consultation with the Hamilton Farmers' Market Stallholder Association, to provide transportation for Hamilton Farmers' Market patrons within the boundaries of downtown Hamilton;
- (b) That this pilot project be operated for a period of three months at which time a report on the results of the program be submitted to the Emergency and Community Services Committee;
- (c) That the cost of this pilot program not exceed \$14,000 to be funded from the Hamilton Farmers' Market advertising budget;
- (d) That staff be directed to follow the City of Hamilton Purchasing Policy in the procurement of this service. **CARRIED**

10. Referrals to the General Issues Committee and the Planning Committee

(Duvall/Merulla)

(a) That the following Outstanding Business List Items, respecting Culture issues, be referred to the General Issues Committee, pursuant to the recent changes to the Committee mandates, for a one year trial period:

Item B – City of Hamilton Events Strategy

Item G – Public Art Master Plan – Annual Update

Item Q(1) – Assessment of Opportunities to Commemorate the Diamond Jubilee of Queen Elizabeth II

Item Q(2) – Letter from the Monarchist League of Canada requesting the Promenade at Gore Park be named to Commemorate the Diamond Jubilee of Queen Elizabeth II

Item R – Art Installation on York Boulevard outside the Market

- (b) That the Arts Advisory Commission make its annual report to the General Issues Committee, pursuant to the recent changes to the Committee mandates for a one year trial period;
- (c) That the Hamilton Historical Board make its annual report to the Planning Committee, pursuant to the recent changes to the Committee mandates for a one year trial period;
- (d) That the following delegation respecting Culture issues, which was approved by the Emergency and Community Services Committee on March 19, 2012, be referred to the General Issues Committee:
 - (i) Stephanie Vegh, Hamilton Arts Council, respecting the strategic direction of the Hamilton Arts Council following the 2011 Organizational Review (Item 6.1)

CARRIED

FOR THE INFORMATION OF COUNCIL:

(a) CHANGES TO THE AGENDA (Item 1)

The Committee Clerk advised of the following changes:

(i) A correction to the wording in Recommendation (b) of Report CS12017 respecting Funding from the Ontario Ministry of Citizenship & Immigration to

Strengthen the Hamilton Immigration Portal, which is Consent Item 5.3. The words City Manager were changed to Mayor and City Clerk;

- (ii) Item 6.1 is referred to the General Issues Committee, as per the recent changes to the mandates in the City's Procedural By-law and as the delegation has indicated that she prefers to make her delegation at a later date; and,
- (iii) There is also an added Report CS12020 respecting the Provincial Budget 2012 and Implications to Ontario Works, which will be Item 8.5. Copies have been distributed.

(Whitehead/Morelli)

That the agenda 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/Merulla)

That the Minutes of the March 19, 2012 meeting be approved as presented.

CARRIED

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

(McHattie/Farr)

That the following Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes be received:

- (i) Hamilton Youth Advisory Committee meeting of January 17, 2012
- (ii) Hamilton Youth Advisory Committee meeting of February 21, 2012
- (iii) Senior Advisory Committee meeting January 6, 2012
- (iv) Senior Advisory Committee meeting February 3, 2012
- (v) Hamilton Veterans Committee meeting January 10, 2012
- (vi) Hamilton Veterans Committee meeting February 14, 2012

CARRIED

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

(i) Stephanie Vegh, Hamilton Arts Council, respecting the strategic direction of the Hamilton Arts Council following the 2011 Organizational Review. (Item 6.1)

This item was referred to GIC during the changes to the agenda.

(ii) Rachel Adema-Hannes, Mohawk College, requesting support for the "Pay It Forward Day" (Item 6.2)

Rachel Adema-Hannes, a nurse with Mohawk College, addressed Committee with Stephanie Slye, a Journalist student at Mohawk College. They showed a short video prepared by the students at Mohawk College.

Her comments included, but were not limited to, the following:

- This has become an international movement;
- Has sent petitions and letters to the Premier;
- The Premier has not, as yet, said yes;
- Referred to the movement, which resulted from the book;
- A kindness movement that is growing; and,
- Requested that the City of Hamilton support their request that the Province of Ontario proclaims "Pay It Forward Day.

(Morelli/Merulla)

That the delegation be received and referred to staff for a report back to the Emergency and Community Services Committee with recommendations on how best to communicate to the Premier the City's support respecting this initiative.

CARRIED

(iii) Shane Coleman, of the Hamilton Farmers' Market, respecting Market Shuttle bus (Item 6.3)

Shane Coleman addressed Committee and read from a prepared statement copies of which were distributed. He indicated that there are \$95,040.00 in the advertising fund that can be used for the Market shuttle bus proposal.

He responded to guestions from the Committee.

(McHattie/Whitehead)

That the delegation from Shane Coleman be received.

CARRIED

Staff responded to questions from Committee.

Councillor Farr advised that Bill Atanas, Market Manager, met with the Stallholders' Advertising Committee and they requested that Committee not proceed with the shuttle bus proposal at this time, but wanted staff to investigate other advertising options. He therefore intends to not proceed with his motion. (See Item 9 of this Report.)

Committee requested that staff provide further details respecting the stallholder fees and advertising budget.

(f) DISCUSSION ITEMS

(i) Hamilton Farmers' Market Sub-Committee Report 12-001 (Item 8.1)

The Items of the Report were separated for the purpose of voting.

(a) Resignations of Councillors B. Clark and L. Ferguson

This Item CARRIED unanimously as follows:

Yeas: Partridge, Farr, Duvall, McHattie, Morelli, Jackson, Whitehead and

Merulla

Total: 8 Nays: 0 Absent: 0

(b) Appointment of Vice-Chair

This Item CARRIED unanimously as follows:

Yeas: Partridge, Farr, Duvall, McHattie, Morelli, Jackson, Whitehead and

Merulla

Total: 8 Nays: 0 Absent: 0

(c) Interim Market Manager Position

This Item CARRIED on the following votes:

Yeas: Partridge, Farr, Duvall, McHattie, Morelli and Merulla

Total: 6

Nays: Jackson, Whitehead

Total: 2 Absent: 0

(ii) Neighbourhood Down Payment Assistance Program (CS12001) (City Wide) (Item 8.2)

Jenny Vengris spoke to this issue.

(Duvall/Merulla)

That Report CS12001 respecting Neighbourhood Down Payment Assistance Program be referred back to staff for further information.

CARRIED

(iii) Provincial Budget 2012 and Implications to Ontario Works (CS12020) (City Wide) (Added Item 8.5)

On a motion, the report was received and subsection (b) was added requesting a moratorium on the 2012 Provincial budget.

(g) MOTIONS

(i) Lifting of TABLED Motion respecting Shuttle Bus Service for the Patrons of the Hamilton Farmers' Market (9.1 (a))

(Farr/Merulla)

That the Motion respecting Shuttle Bus Service for the Patrons of the Hamilton Farmers' Market be lifted from the TABLE.

CARRIED

For disposition of this Item see Item 9 of this Report.

(h) GENERAL INFORMATION (Item 11)

(i) Referrals to the General Issues Committee and the Planning Committee

This Item CARRIED on the following votes:

Yeas: Partridge, Farr, Duvall, McHattie, Morelli, Whitehead and Merulla

Total: 7

Nays: Jackson

Total: 1 Absent: 0

(ii) Outstanding Business List (Item 11.1 continued)

(Duvall/Merulla)

That the following Items be identified as completed and removed from the Outstanding Business List:

(i) Item I – Continuation of Addiction Services Initiative Beyond June 30, 2012 – Presented to GIC during 2012 budget process

- (ii) Item L Shuttle Bus Service for the Patrons of the Hamilton Farmers' Market (Item 9.1 on this agenda)
- (iii) Item M Development of Youth Strategy that Promotes Diversity and Tolerance and Provides Inclusive Programs & Services for All Young People (Item 5.2 on this agenda)

CARRIED

(i) ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, that the Emergency & Community Services Committee meeting be adjourned at 3:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Councillor J. Partridge, Chair Emergency & Community Services Committee

Ida Bedioui Legislative Co-ordinator April 10, 2012