



## **GENERAL ISSUES COMMITTEE MINUTES**

**9:30 a.m.**

**Tuesday, February 12, 2013**

**Council Chambers**

**Hamilton City Hall**

**71 Main Street West**

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<b>Present:</b>	Acting Deputy Mayor M. Pearson (Chair) Mayor B. Bratina Councillors B. Johnson, L. Ferguson, R. Powers, J. Partridge, T. Whitehead, C. Collins, S. Merulla, J. Farr, B. McHattie, T. Jackson and B. Morelli
<b>Absent with Regrets:</b>	Deputy Mayor Councillor R. Pasuta – City Business Councillor B. Clark – City Business Councillor S. Duvall – City Business

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### **FOR THE INFORMATION OF COMMITTEE:**

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

##### **(Johnson/Ferguson)**

That the Agenda for the February 12, 2013 meeting of the General Issues Committee be approved, as presented.

**CARRIED**

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

None.

#### **(c) APPROVAL OF MINUTES (Item 3)**

None.

**(d) STAFF PRESENTATIONS (Item 4)**

**(i) Planning and Economic Development (Item 4.1)**

The following staff presented the department's budget with the aid of a PowerPoint Presentation. A copy of the presentation has been included in the public record.

- Tim McCabe, General Manager of Planning and Economic Development;
- Marty Hazell, Senior Director, Parking and By-law Services;
- Paul Mallard, Director of Planning;
- Tony Sergi, Senior Director of Growth Management;
- Ed Vander Windt, Director, Building Services;
- Anna Bradford, Director of Tourism & Culture;
- Neil Everson, Director, Economic Development and Real Estate.

The presentation included but was not limited to the following:

**2013 Initiatives:**

- Resolution of OMB Appeals;
- Waterfront Development;
- Nodes and Corridors Strategies;
- Implementation of Open for Business Strategy;
- Development of Employment Lands;
- Tourism and Culture Plans and Strategies.

**2013 Major Cost Drivers:**

- Pre-approved Downtown Multi-Residential Loan Interest \$200,000;
- End of the Provincial Destination Marketing Funding \$294,000;
- Employee Related Costs;
- Additional Loans Program Interest Payments \$167,000;
- Reduced Reliance on the Development Fee Stabilization Reserve.

**(Ferguson/Powers)**

That the presentations respecting the 2013 Planning and Economic Development Budget, be received.

**CARRIED**

The General Issues Committee recessed at 1:00 p.m.

The General Issues Committee reconvened at 1:43 p.m.

**(ii) Public Health (Item 4.2)**

The following staff presented the department's budget with the aid of a PowerPoint Presentation. A copy of the presentation has been included in the public record.

- Dr. Elizabeth Richardson, Medical Officer of Health;
- Glenda McArthur, Director, Clinical & Preventive Services;
- Dorothy Barr-Elliott, Director, Family Health;
- Rob Hall, Director, Health Protection;
- Ellen Pezzetta, Director, Healthy Living;
- Teresa Bendo, Director, Planning and Business Improvement.

The presentation included but was not limited to the following:

**2013 Initiatives:**

- Prosperous and Healthy Community:
  - Promoting Economic Opportunities Downtown;
  - Built Environment;
  - Health Equity;
  - Child Health.
- Valuable and Sustainable Services:
  - Performance Management System;
  - Continually Improving Programs.
- Leadership and Governance:
  - Workforce Management Strategy;
  - Emergency Response.

**2013 Major Cost Drivers:**

- Maintenance:
  - Employee Related Increases;
  - CINOT Increased Demand;
  - Risk Cost Allocation;
  - Rent/Facilities;
  - User Fees;
  - Mandatory Subsidy 2% Increase.
- Council Approved:
  - Residential Care Facilities;
  - Nurse-Family Partnership Expansion;
  - HBHC Screening Liaison.
- Provincially Mandated:
  - Small Drinking Water Systems.

**(Ferguson/Johnson)**

That the presentations respecting the 2013 Public Health Budget, be received.

**CARRIED**

**(e) DISCUSSION ITEMS – NOT BUDGET RELATED (Item 5)**

**(i) Independent External Review of HECFI Operations – Phase III  
Contract Negotiations (CM11013(e)) (City Wide) (Item 5.1)**

Tony Tollis, City Treasurer, provided an overview of the report indicated that it is what Council approved in the MOU and indicated that there is nothing in the report that has not already been approved by Council.

**(Merulla/Farr)**

That the recommendations be amended

**CARRIED**

**(f) ADJOURNMENT**

**(Merulla/Collins)**

That, there being no further business, the General Issues Committee adjourn at 4:27 p.m.

**CARRIED**

Respectfully submitted,

Councillor M. Pearson  
Acting Deputy Mayor,  
General Issues Committee

Vanessa Robicheau  
Legislative Coordinator  
Office of the City Clerk