

# EMERGENCY & COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE MINUTES

1:30 p.m.
Monday, September 9, 2013
Council Chambers
Hamilton City Hall
71 Main Street West

**Present:** Councillor T. Whitehead, Chair

Councillor J. Farr, Vice-Chair

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

S. Merulla

Absent with

**Regrets:** Councillor B. Morelli, personal

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

1. Capital Projects' Status Report as of June 30th, 2013 (CS13036) (City Wide) (Item 5.2)

#### (McHattie/Farr)

That Report CS13036 respecting Capital Projects' Status Report as of June 30th, 2013 be received.

**CARRIED** 

2. Donating Used Ambulance to a Not-for-profit Organization (CS13038) (City Wide) (Item 5.3)

#### (McHattie/Farr)

That a donation from Hamilton Paramedic Services of a used ambulance with an appraised market value of \$4,000 in "as is condition", to St. John Ambulance, a not-for-profit agency, be approved.

**CARRIED** 

3. Hamilton Ice User Rates & Allocation Principles (CS13040) (City Wide) (Item 8.1)

#### (Merulla/Farr)

That the recommended amendments to the "*Ice Allocation Principles*" policy attached as Appendix A to Report CS13040, be approved.

**CARRIED** 

4. Request for Proposals C5-15-13, New Rental Housing Component of the Investment in Affordable Housing (IAH) Program (CS13042) (Ward 4) (Item 8.2)

#### (Merulla/Farr)

- (a) That the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing be advised that the City of Hamilton recommends that Homestead Christian Care, 1430 Main Street East, Hamilton be approved for funding of \$5,400,000 under the Investment in Affordable Housing Ontario New Rental Housing Component;
- (b) That financial assistance for Homestead Christian Care, 1430 Main Street East, Hamilton in the form of a forgivable loan through the Hamilton Affordable Housing Partnership Initiative Fund (HAHPIF) in the amount of \$346,632 be approved; and,
- (c) That the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing be advised that the City of Hamilton recommends that Good Shepherd Non-Profit Homes Inc., 120 Cannon Street East, Hamilton be approved for funding up to \$5,250,000 should additional funds become available from the Investment in Affordable Housing Ontario program.

CARRIED

#### FOR THE INFORMATION OF COUNCIL:

(a) CHANGES TO THE AGENDA (Item 1)

The Committee Clerk advised there were no changes to the agenda.

#### (Merulla/Jackson)

That the agenda for the September 9, 2013 meeting be approved as presented.

**CARRIED** 

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

There were none declared.

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

#### (McHattie/Farr)

That the Minutes of the July 10, 2013 meeting be approved as presented.

CARRIED

#### (d) MOTIONS (Item 9)

#### (i) Living Wage – Part-time/Contract Employees (Item 9.1)

#### (McHattie/Farr)

Whereas, Hamilton City Council has moved to support the principle of a Hamilton Living Wage at a rate of \$14.95 per hour and;

Whereas, all full-time City of Hamilton staff make a Hamilton Living Wage, and;

Whereas, there needs to be additional work by staff to determine the status of part-time City workers, and contractors to the City, in order to ascertain the gap between their pay and a Hamilton Living Wage; and; Whereas, as an example, the City of Hamilton hire contractors to clean City Councillor's offices who do not make a Hamilton Living Wage;

Therefore be it resolved:

- (a) That staff prepare an information report outlining the wage status of part-time staff as compared to the Hamilton Living Wage and;
- (b) That staff prepare an information report in partnership with the Corporate Services Department to identify through the City's Purchasing Policy how the procurement of goods and services might support Council's objective of promoting social and economic well-being of the community, including how the City's Purchasing Policy can influence wages paid to contractors, as a first step to identifying strategies to encourage local businesses to pay a living wage to their employees.

CARRIED

### (e) GENERAL INFORMATION (Item 11)

#### (i) Outstanding Business List

#### (Merulla/McHattie)

(1) That the due dates of the following outstanding business list items be amended as indicated:

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Item "B" – Follow-up report re: HHS ABC Program pre and post

conditions after one year. Due dated: October 8, 2013

Proposed New Due Date: November 25, 2013

Item "D" – Neighbourhood Down Payment Assistance Program.

Due dated: September 9, 2013

Proposed New Due Date: December 9, 2013

Item "H" – Update the Fee Waiver Policy.

Due dated: October 8, 2013

Proposed New Due Date: December 9, 2013

Item "I" - Financial Implications of Senior of the Year Awards

Ceremony.

Due dated: October 8, 2013

Proposed New Due Date: November 25, 2013

Item "K" - Funding Status of the Housing Stability Benefits.

Due dated: September 9, 2013

Proposed New Due Date: October 8, 2013

Item "O" – Consultation and report back re: Beasley Community

Centres Operating Agreement. Due dated: September 9, 2013

Proposed New Due Date: October 8, 2013

CARRIED

#### (f) ADJOURNMENT

#### (Jackson/Duvall)

There being no further business, that the Emergency & Community Services Committee meeting be adjourned at 2:04 p.m.

CARRIED

Respectfully submitted,

Councillor T. Whitehead, Chair Emergency & Community Services Committee

Ida Bedioui Legislative Co-ordinator Office of the City Clerk