



## **GENERAL ISSUES COMMITTEE**

### **MINUTES 13-008**

**9:30 a.m.**

**Wednesday, April 3, 2013**

**Council Chambers**

**Hamilton City Hall**

**71 Main Street West**

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**Present:** Deputy Mayor L. Ferguson (Chair)  
Mayor R. Bratina  
Councillors B. Clark, C. Collins, S. Duvall, J. Farr,  
T. Jackson, B. Johnson, B. McHattie, S. Merulla, B. Morelli,  
J. Partridge, M. Pearson, R. Powers, T. Whitehead

**Absent with Regrets:** Councillor R. Pasuta – Vacation

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### **THE FOLLOWING ITEMS WERE REPORTED TO COUNCIL FOR CONSIDERATION:**

- 1. Increase in Eligible Costs for Environmental Remediation and Site Enhancement (ERASE) Redevelopment Grant Application (ERG-09-02) – Urban West Developments Inc., 427 Aberdeen Avenue, Hamilton (PED09257(a)) (Ward 1) (Item 5.1)**

**(Farr/Johnson)**

- (a)** That an Environmental Remediation and Site Enhancement (ERASE) Redevelopment Grant not to exceed \$198,929.61, an increase in \$41,629.61 above the originally approved \$157,300 in eligible costs for ERG-09-02, payable to Urban West Developments Inc. over a maximum of ten (10) years, be authorized and approved in accordance with the terms and conditions of the ERASE Redevelopment Agreement;
- (b)** That the associated Environmental Remediation and Site Enhancement (ERASE) Redevelopment Grant Agreement with Urban West Developments Inc. be amended regarding the terms and conditions governing the payment of an ERASE Redevelopment Grant for, and redevelopment of, 427 Aberdeen Avenue, Hamilton, with such agreement in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor.

**CARRIED**

**2. Hamilton Downtown Property Improvement Grant Program – 19-21 John Street South – HDPIGP 13/04 (PED13049) (Ward 2) (Item 5.2)**

**(Farr/Johnson)**

- (a) That a Hamilton Downtown Property Improvement Grant Program (HDPIGP) application submitted by 2272949 Ontario Inc. (Viateslav Mitlitski), owner of the property at 19-21 John Street South, for a HDPIGP grant estimated at \$291,926.95 over a maximum of a five (5) year period and based upon the incremental tax increase attributable to the redevelopment of 19-21 John Street North, be authorized and approved in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Program;
- (b) That the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized and directed to execute the Grant Agreement attached as Appendix “A” to Report PED13049, in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor. **CARRIED**

**3. Hamilton Downtown Multi-Residential Property Investment Program (HDMRPIP) – 137-149 Main Street West (PED13052) (Ward 2) (Item 5.3)**

**(Farr/Johnson)**

- (a) That a conditional loan commitment totalling \$2,325,000 for Jackson Hospitality Inc. (Azim Kassam), the registered owner of the property at 137-149 Main Street West, be authorized and approved under the Hamilton Downtown Multi-Residential Property Investment Program (HDMRPIP) in accordance with the Program’s terms and conditions;
- (b) That the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized and directed to execute a loan agreement together with any ancillary documentation required, to effect recommendation (a), above, in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor;
- (c) That the General Manager of the Planning and Economic Development Department be authorized to approve and execute any loan amending agreements, together with any ancillary amending documentation, if required, provided that the terms and conditions of the Hamilton Downtown Multi-Residential Property Investment Program (HDMRPIP), as approved by City Council, are maintained. **CARRIED**

**4. Hamilton Downtown Property Improvement Grant Program – 137-149 Main Street West (HDPIGP) 13/01 (PED13053) (Ward 2) (Item 5.4)**

**(Farr/Johnson)**

- (a) That a Hamilton Downtown Property Improvement Grant Program (HDPIGP) application submitted by Jackson Hospitality Inc. (Azim Kassam), owner of the property at 137-149 Main Street West, for a HDPIGP grant estimated at \$181,532.11 over a maximum of a five (5) year period and based upon the incremental tax increase attributable to the redevelopment of 137-149 Main Street West, be authorized and approved in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Program;
- (b) That the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized and directed to execute the Grant Agreement attached as Appendix “A” to Report PED13053, in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor. **CARRIED**

**5. Proposed Land Exchange between the City of Hamilton (483 Beach Boulevard) and Her Majesty the Queen in Right of Ontario as Represented by the Ministry of Infrastructure Ontario (465 and 485 Beach Boulevard) – Land required for Sierra Lane Improvements (PED13062) (Ward 5) (Item 5.5)**

**(Farr/Johnson)**

That an exchange of lands between the City of Hamilton and Her Majesty the Queen in Right of Ontario as Represented by Ministry of Infrastructure Ontario, be approved on the following basis:

- (a) That City lands, valued at \$55,590, and municipally known as 483 Beach Boulevard, described as Part 3 on Plan 62R-15712, as shown on Appendix “A” attached to Report PED13062, be transferred to Her Majesty the Queen in Right of Ontario;
- (b) That the Real Estate Section of the Economic Development Division of the Planning and Economic Development Department be authorized and directed to exchange with Her Majesty the Queen in Right of Ontario the land described in Recommendation (a) for lands valued at \$68,680, held by Her Majesty the Queen in Right of Ontario described as:  
  
Parts 1 and 2 Plan 62R-18417, forming part of 485 Beach Boulevard and Part 5 Plan 62R-18417, forming part of 465 Beach Boulevard, as shown on Appendix “A” attached to Report PED13062;
- (c) That the value difference of \$13,090 for the lands being exchanged, be debited from Account No. 59259-3561250201 (Beach Boulevard Maintenance and Sales) and paid to Her Majesty the Queen in Right of Ontario; funding for this purchase is to be transferred from the Beach Park Development Reserve No. 108037;

- (d) That the sum of \$12,055 be funded from Account No. 108037 Beach Park Development Reserve and credited to Account No. 45408-3560150200 (Property Purchases and Sales) being the costs incurred for Real Estate, appraisal and legal expenses;
- (e) That should HST be applicable and collected by the City, the HST amount shall be credited to Account No. 22828 009000 (HST Payable);
- (f) That the Mayor and Municipal Clerk be authorized and directed to execute and issue a Certificate of Compliance in the form prescribed pursuant to Section 268 of the Municipal Act, incorporating the following, if required:
  - (i) That in accordance with the approved method of providing notice in the City of Hamilton By-law No. 04-299 "Procedural By-Law for the Sale of Land", notice has been given to the public by way of inclusion of this land conveyance on the agenda of Committee recommending to Council the transfer of the land;
  - (ii) That the lands described in Recommendation (a) were declared surplus on June 6, 2000, by Council's adoption of Item 5, Finance Administration Committee Report No. 13-00;
  - (iii) That valuations were completed for the properties described in Recommendations (a) and (b) on January 7, 2013, in compliance with Section 3(b) of By-law No. 04-299 "Procedural By-law for the Sale of Land". **CARRIED as amended**

**6. Accredited Economic Development Organization (AEDO) (PED13061) (City Wide) (Item 5.7)**

**(Farr/Johnson)**

That Report PED13061 respecting Accredited Economic Development Organization, be received. **CARRIED**

**7. Highway 5/6 Interchange and Associated Municipal Roads, Ministry of Transportation (MTO) Transportation Environmental Study Report (TESR) Addendum, Clappison's Corners (PED13063) (Ward 15) (Item 7.1)**

**(Partridge/Johnson)**

That the Transportation Environmental Study Report (TESR) Addendum prepared by the Ministry of Transportation (MTO) for the Highway 5/6 Interchange, associated Municipal Roads and carpool lot, be supported.

**CARRIED**

**8. Item 10 of General Issues Committee Report 13-003 (Report 13-001 of the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities – January 18, 2013)**

**(Clark/Pearson)**

That Report 13-003 respecting Report 13-001 of the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities – Transit Fare Parity Update, be received. **CARRIED**

**9. Neighbourhood Development Strategy – Community Networker (CN) Pilot Project (CM13001(b)) (City Wide) (Item 8.1)**

**(Merulla/Clark)**

(a) That the City of Hamilton enter into a partnership with the Hamilton Family Health Team, the McQuesten Community Planning Team and the Hamilton Community Foundation, to implement a pilot project that will lead to the hiring of a Community Networker that will work with residents in the McQuesten neighbourhood and a family practice located in that neighbourhood to improve the health and social outcomes of individuals and families;

(b) That \$25,000 of the Neighbourhood Strategy Fund be provided to the Hamilton Family Health Team to assist in the delivery of this initiative; and,

(c) That the City Manager be authorized to execute an agreement between the City of Hamilton and the Hamilton Family Health Team, in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor, to implement the above recommendations. **CARRIED**

**10. Historical Review of Wage Increases and Provincial Comparison (HUR13002(a)) (City Wide) (Outstanding Business List) (Item 8.5) (Item 8.2)**

**(Collins/Clark)**

That Report HUR13002(a) respecting Historical Review of Wage Increases and Provincial Comparison, be received. **CARRIED**

11. **Declaration of Surplus Property and Sale of Land – 1150 Leaside Road, Hamilton (PED13059) (Ward 4) (Item 8.3)**

**(Powers/Clark)**

- (a) That a vacant, interior parcel of land described as Parts 1, 2 and 3 on Plan 62R-17127, having a frontage of 10.769 metres (35.33 feet) along the south limit of Leaside Road and a rear width of 30.645 metres (100.54 feet), comprising a total area of 2,877 square metres (0.71 acres), identified as PIN 17293-0082, municipally known as 1150 Leaside Road (as shown on Appendix “A” to Report PED13059), be declared surplus to the requirements of the City of Hamilton in accordance with the “Procedural By-law for the Sale of Land”, being By-law No. 04-299;
  - (b) That the Real Estate Section of the Economic Development Division of the Planning and Economic Development Department be authorized and directed to sell the subject lands at fair market value;
  - (c) That the sale proceeds be credited to Account No. 47702-104090 (Parkland Reserve).
- CARRIED**

12. **Lease – Lister Block, 28 James Street North, Unit #106, Hamilton (PW13026) (Ward 2) (Item 5.6)**

**(Farr/Whitehead)**

- (a) That the City of Hamilton (Landlord) enter into a new lease agreement with “28 Lister Inc. & Chris DesRoches” (Tenant) for the property known as 28 James Street North, Unit 106 (also known as Lister Block), subject to the following terms and conditions:
  - (i) **Term:** Ten years commencing upon date that building permit is achieved, plus a five year renewal option;
  - (ii) **Property:** Lister Block, 28 James Street North, Unit 106, comprising of 4,222 gross rentable area as shown in Appendix “B” to Report PW13026. The space will be measured to the Building Owners and Managers Association (BOMA) standards once the lease is approved. The space will be leased on an “as-is” basis with finishing subject to heritage restraints and building permits as applicable;
  - (iii) **Landlord’s Work:** All Landlord’s work, including base building ventilation, water, drainage and electrical, will be completed by the Tenant subject to the Landlord’s prior written approval of drawings. The Landlord will invest \$267,000 for Landlord’s work with funds being made co-payable to both the Tenant and the contractors;

- (iv) **Net Rental Rate:** Years One to Ten: \$15.00/sq. ft. net (\$5,277.50/ monthly \$63,330.00 annually);
  - (v) **Operating Costs:** In addition to net rent payable in (a)(iv), the Tenant will pay \$12.00/sq. ft. (\$4,222.00/month, \$50,664.00 annually) in operating costs, which includes taxes. In addition, the Tenant will pay for separately metered utilities including gas and hydro. Water will be incorporated into the operating costs;
  - (vi) **Parking:** Two parking spots will be provided to the Tenant and the Lister Block parking lot will be made available to the Tenant's customers between the hours of 6:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m. daily;
- (b) That the Landlord's cost of \$267,000 be funded from the following Capital Work-In-Progress (WIPs) Accounts:
- (i) \$125,000 from # 8140755700 - Aggregate Study;
  - (ii) \$125,000 from #3621108002 - Brownfield Development;
  - (iii) \$17,000 from #791550-54401 - The operating budget for Lister Block;
- (c) That a Lister Block Capital Reserve be created and funded by operating surpluses generated by related Lister Block Lease Revenues minus operating expenses;
- (d) That the Mayor, General Manager of Finance and Corporate Services and the City Clerk be authorized and directed to execute the Lease in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor. **CARRIED**
13. **Report 13-001 of the Accountability and Transparency Sub-Committee – March 5, 2013**
- (a) **Amendment to the Limitation Period for Complaints made under the integrity Commissioner By-law No. 08-154 (LS13001(a)) (City Wide)**  
**(Powers/Clark)**  
That the by-law amending the limitation period for complaints made under the Integrity Commissioner By-law No. 08-154 be enacted. **CARRIED**
  - (b) **Lobbyist Registry (FCS13029/LS130060) (City Wide)**  
**(Powers/Clark)**  
That Report FCS13029/LS13006 respecting Lobbyist Registry, be received. **CARRIED**

**14. Chesley/Chester/Annabelle Urbanization (Item 9.1)**

**(Whitehead/Duvall)**

That the funding source for Project 4031319102 – Chesley/Chester/ Annabelle Urbanization, in the amount of \$500,000, from Ward 8 Area Rating Special Capital Re-Investment Reserve #108058, approved by Council on December 12, 2012 (Item 1 of General Issues Committee Report 12-024(b)), be amended to be funded as follows:

- (a) \$200,000 from the Ward 8 allocation of Project 403131108 – Council Priority – Minor Rehabilitation;
- (b) \$300,000 from Project 403121108 – Council Priority – Minor Rehabilitation.

**CARRIED**

**15. Proposed Property Acquisition of Land in the former City of Stoney Creek (Added Item 12.3)**

**(Clark/Pearson)**

WHEREAS the City of Hamilton has interest in submitting an offer to purchase on certain lands within the geographical Township of Saltfleet as identified in Appendix “B” distributed to the General Issues Committee on April 3, 2013;

AND WHEREAS the offer price shall be based pursuant to the Financial Details as outlined in Appendix “A” distributed to the General Issues Committee on April 3, 2013.

Now therefore be it resolved:

- (a) That the Real Estate Section of the Economic Development Division of the Planning and Economic Development Department be authorized and directed to submit and offer for the lands described in Appendix “B” distributed to the General Issues Committee on April 3, 2013, and that said Appendix “B” shall remain confidential until completion of the transaction.
- (b) That the Financial details outlined in Appendix “A” distributed to the General Issues Committee on April 3, 2013 and that said Appendix “A” remain confidential until completion of the transaction.
- (c) That the Real Estate Section of the Economic Development Division of the Planning and Economic Development Department be authorized and directed to submit a bona-offer for the lands subject to the City of Hamilton being satisfied in it’s sole and absolute discretion to the physical and environmental conditions of the lands as outlined in a) above.



- (d) That the Mayor and Clerk be authorized and directed to execute all requisite documents to the satisfaction of the City Solicitor. **CARRIED**

**FOR THE INFORMATION OF COUNCIL:**

**CEREMONIAL ACTIVITIES**

Mayor Bratina announced that the City of Hamilton officially received its Accredited Economic Development Organization status from the International Economic Development Council in Washington, D.C. The Committee was shown a video from Jeff Finkel, President and CEO of AEDO and welcomed and congratulated Hamilton as the 34<sup>th</sup> AEDO member.

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

The Committee Clerk advised of the following changes to the agenda:

**ADDED CEREMONIAL ACTIVITY**

- (i) Accredited Economic Development Organization (AEDO)  
(PED13061) (City Wide) (Added Item 5.7)

**ADDED DELEGATION REQUEST**

**For Today's Meeting**

- (ii) Request from Annamaria Gagno respecting Transit Fare Parity

**ADDED DISCUSSION ITEM**

- (iii) 2013 Hamilton Police Service Operating Budget (No Copy) (Added Item 8.4)
- (iv) Correspondence from Nancy Di Gregorio, Chair of the Board, Hamilton Police Services, respecting the 2013 Hamilton Police Services Board – Operating Budget (Added Item 8.4.1)
- (v) Report 13-001 of the Accountability and Transparency Sub-Committee – March 5, 2013 (Added Item 8.5)
- (vi) Revised Appendix “B” to Report PED13063 – Highway 5/6 Interchange and Associated Municipal Roads, Ministry of Transportation (MTO) Transportation Environmental Study Report (ESR) Addendum, Clappison's Corners (Ward 15) (Item 7.1)

**(Farr/Pearson)**

That the agenda, be approved as amended.

**CARRIED**

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

None.

**(c) APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES (Item 3.1))**

**(Pearson/Clark)**

That the minutes of the General Issues Committee Meetings held on March 20, 2013, be approved as presented.

**CARRIED**

**(d) DELEGATION REQUESTS**

**(Powers/Pearson)**

- (i) That the delegation request from the Canadian Ballet Youth Ensemble, in response to Report PED13055 – Canadian Ballet Youth Ensemble – Tivoli Theatre (Item 5.8 of General Issues Committee – March 20, 2013) be approved to attend the April 17, 2013 Committee meeting. **CARRIED**

**(Merulla/Collins)**

- (ii) That the delegation request from Annamaria Gagno respecting Transit Fare Parity be approved, and that the rules of order be suspended in order to allow for the delegation to appear at today's meeting.

**CARRIED**

**(e) CONSENT ITEMS**

- (i) **Proposed Land Exchange between City of Hamilton (483 Beach Boulevard) and Her Majesty the Queen in Right of Ontario as represented by the Ministry of Infrastructure Ontario (465 and 485 Beach Boulevard), Land Required for Sierra Lane Improvements (PED13062) (Ward 5)**

**(Farr/Johnson)**

That the legal description in sub-section (a) be amended to read Plan 62R-15712 rather than 62R-15721.

**Amendment CARRIED**

**Motion as amended CARRIED**

- (ii) **Lease – Lister Block, 28 James Street North, Unit #106, Hamilton (PW13026) (Ward 2) (Item 5.6)**

Councillor C. Collins requested that Item 5.6 be moved to the Discussion Agenda.

**(f) PUBLIC HEARINGS/DELEGATIONS**

**(i) Dave Barnett on behalf of Abuse Prevention and Awareness Campaign (APAC) respecting bullying and child abuse (Item 6.1)**

Dave Barnett appeared before the Committee to speak to the issue of bullying and child abuse. He advised that despite complaints to various agencies and organizations, he has not been able to receive a satisfactory response.

Mr. Barnett cited several incidences of bullying that he has witnessed and stated that he is a victim of bullying himself, and that there is too much bullying going on in the City.

Mr. Barnett noted that the atrocities, corruption and treatment of patients at the Hamilton Psychiatric facility must be investigated, and that open hostility creates a lot of friction and the only resolve is to stop bringing the rest of the region's problems in to the City.

**(Johnson/Pearson)**

That the presentation from Dave Barnett on behalf of Abuse Prevention and Awareness Campaign (APAC) respecting bullying and child abuse, be received. **CARRIED**

**(ii) Annamaria Gagno respecting Transit Fare Parity (Item 4.2)**

Annamaria Gagno appeared before the Committee to speak to the issue of Transit Fare Parity, and to fight for people who are on disability who need to use public transit. Ms. Gagno's solution to fraudulent users of transit is to provide the users wishing to ride the HSR for free under the Volunteer Pay Policy be required to obtain medical verification that they have a disability, and then be issued picture ID to show the bus operator.

**(Pearson/Johnson)**

That the presentation from Annamaria Gagno respecting Transit Fare Parity, be received. **CARRIED**

**(g) PRESENTATIONS**

**(i) Highway 5/6 Interchange and Associated Municipal Roads, Ministry of Transportation (MTO) Transportation Environmental Study Report (TESR) Addendum, Clappison's Corners (PED13063) (Ward 15) (Item 7.1)**

Diane Morreale, Senior Project Manager, Development Engineering, provided an overview of the Highway 5/6 Interchange Addendum and the City's history with this project. She also introduced the members of the Project Team, which include:

Sally Yong-Lee and Tanya McKenna – City of Hamilton  
Bill Cung, Martin Michalek and Chris Barber – Ministry of Transportation  
Steven Chiu and Don Drackley – IBI Consultants

With the assistance of a power point presentation, the following items were addressed:

- Study Area
- Background
- Need and Justification for EA Addendum
- Environmental Factors – Land Use
- Subject of Class EA Addendum
- Preliminary Construction Cost
- Highway 6 Cross-section (Interim)
- Changes – Southwest Quadrant
- Changes – Northwest Quadrant (North and South of Borer's Creek)
- Changes – Northeast Quadrant
- Changes – Southeast Quadrant
- Preliminary Design (Highway 6 looking northbound)
- Preliminary Design and Detail Design Study
- Property Acquisition
- Consultation to Date
- City of Hamilton Staff Recommendation
- Next Steps

A copy of the presentation was submitted to the Clerk for the official record and can be viewed on the City of Hamilton website.

**(Jackson/Pearson)**

That the presentation respecting Highway 5/6 Interchange and Associated Municipal Roads, Ministry of Transportation (MTO) Transportation Environmental Study Report (TESR) Addendum, Clappison's Corners, be received. **CARRIED**

**(h) DISCUSSION ITEMS**

**(i) 2013 Hamilton Police Services Operating Budget (Item 8.4)**

At the request of the General Issues Committee on March 21, 2013, representatives of the Hamilton Police Services and the Hamilton Police Services Board were in attendance to respond to questions of the Committee with respect to the 2013 Hamilton Police Services Operating Budget.

The following representatives were in attendance:

**Hamilton Police Services Board:**

Nancy Di Gregorio, Chair  
Madeleine Levy, Vice Chair  
Irene Stayshyn, Board Member  
Lois Morin, Administrator

**Hamilton Police Service Staff:**

Deputy Chief Ken Leendertse, Acting Chief  
Deputy Chief Eric Girt

Marco Visentini, Legal Council  
Ted Mason, Finance Manager  
John Randazzo, Assistant Finance Manager

**(Whitehead/Partridge)**

That the debate and discussion with respect to the 2013 Hamilton Police Services Operating Budget take place at this General Issues Committee meeting.

The Motion **CARRIED** on the following vote:

Yeas: Clark, Johnson, Powers, Partridge, Ferguson, Whitehead,  
Collins, Merulla, Morelli, Farr, McHattie  
Total Yeas: 11  
Nays: Pearson, Bratina, Jackson  
Total Nays: 3  
Absent: Pasuta, Duvall  
Total Absent: 2

**2013 Hamilton Police Services Operating Budget**

**(Morelli/Merulla)**

Whereas the Council of the City of Hamilton recognizes the community's 'ability to pay' as a guiding budget principle through the 2010-2014 term of office;

And Whereas there is a growing concern within the current economic climate, for the fiscal challenges that face our city;

And Whereas Council has established, during this term of office, a budget target of as close to a zero percent increase as possible with boards, agencies, internal departments and all emergency service divisions;

And Whereas Council firmly believes that the Hamilton Police Service has consistently proven its ability to address the public safety needs of our residents and businesses;

And Whereas Council believes that the maintenance of the current level of police service has proven to be very successful and responsive to the needs of the Hamilton community;

And Whereas Council does not support the Police Service Board request of 3.71% as it includes 20 new officers (representing .38 percent of the 2013 budget request, with an additional .75 percent budget pressure in 2014) and the unsustainable use of Reserves (representing .18 percent of the 2013 budget request);

And Whereas a 3.52% increase will provide a sustainable and affordable budget that assumes no reduction in complement and service.

Therefore be it resolved:

That the City of Hamilton supports a 2013 Hamilton Police Service budget of \$140,414,620, representing a 3.52% increase over the 2012 approved budget.

**(Collins/Morelli)**

That the motion be amended by adding the following words, “inclusive of capital financing costs”, following “\$140,414,620”.

**Amendment CARRIED**

The Main Motion, as amended, **CARRIED** on the following Standing Recorded Vote:

Yeas:	McHattie, Farr, Morelli, Merulla, Collins, Jackson, Duvall, Whitehead, Powers, Ferguson, Pearson
Total Yeas:	11
Nays:	Bratina, Partridge, Johnson, Clark
Total Nays:	4
Absent:	Pasuta
Total Absent:	1

The Main Motion, as amended, will be included in General Issues Committee Report 12-002, which will contain all recommendations relating to the 2013 City of Hamilton Tax-Supported Operating Budget.

**(g) PRESENTATIONS (Cont'd)**

**(ii) Transit Fare Parity – AODA Integrated Standards (Item 7.2)**

Don Hull provided a power point presentation with respect to Transit Fare Parity AODA Integrated Standard (PW03128(e)), and spoke to the following:

- Background
- Additional Information
- Hamilton Policies vs. other Ontario Municipalities
- Legislation
- Alternatives for Consideration
- Summary
- Consultation
- Current HSR Fare Concessions
- Analysis/Rationale for Recommendations
- Provincially-Funded Transit Fares
- Other Fare Discount Programs: Affordable Transit Pass
- Appendices/Schedules

Mr. Hull introduced Jeff Poirier, Policy Analyst with the Ontario Human Rights Commission, and Paul Howard, from Shibley Righton, Outside Legal Counsel, who were in attendance to respond to questions of the Committee.

A copy of the power point presentation was submitted to the Clerk for the public record and can be viewed on the City of Hamilton website.

**(Merulla/Whitehead)**

That the solicitor-client privilege to disclose legal advice received in closed session from the Solicitor respecting the issue of Fare Transit Parity be waived.

The Motion **CARRIED** on the following Standing Recorded Vote:

Yeas: McHattie, Farr, Merulla, Collins, Jackson, Duvall, Whitehead  
Total Yeas: 7  
Nays: Ferguson, Partridge, Johnson, Clark, Pearson  
Total Nays: 5  
Absent: Pasuta, Powers, Morelli, Bratina  
Total Absent: 4

**(Pearson/Clark)**

That the presentation respecting Transit Fare Parity, AODA Integrated Standard, be received. **CARRIED**

**(i) GENERAL INFORMATION/OTHER BUSINESS (Item 11.1)**

**(i) Outstanding Business Items List**

**(Pearson/Partridge)**

- (a) That the revised due dates for the following items on the Outstanding Business List be approved:

Item K: 2012 Ontario Municipal Partnership Fund Allocations  
Due Date: Q1 2013  
Revised Due Date: Q2 2013

- (b) That the following items be removed from the Outstanding Business List:

Item KK: Review of Wages  
(Item 8.2 – April 3 GIC)

Item NN: Proposal for New School in the Pan Am Stadium Precinct (Item 8.3 – March 20 GIC)

Item PP: Public Bike Share Transit System Implementation Plan (Item 8.4(a) and (b) – March 20 GIC)

**(j) PRIVATE & CONFIDENTIAL**

**(Clark/Pearson)**

That the Committee move into Closed Session at 2:00 p.m. pursuant to subsection 8.1(f) of the City's Procedural By-law and Section 239.2 of the Municipal Act as the subject matter pertains to the receiving of advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose respecting transit fare parity. (Item 7.2).

The Committee reconvened in Open Session at 2:26 p.m.

**(Jackson/Partridge)**

That the Committee move into Closed Session at 4:20 p.m. pursuant to subsections 8.1(c), (d) and (b) of the City's Procedural By-law and Section 239(2) of the Municipal Act as the subject matters pertain to: 8.1(d) labour relations or employee negotiations respecting the Hamilton Professional Fire Fighters Association Local 288; 8.1(b) personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees, respecting Performance Review – Senior Management Team; and 8.1(c) a proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local board respecting proposed Land Acquisition in the City of Stoney Creek. **CARRIED**

The Committee reconvened in Open Session at 5:00 p.m.

**(i) Hamilton Professional Fire Fighters Association Local 288  
(Item 12.1)**

No action to report.



**(ii) Performance Review – Senior Management Team (Item 12.2)**

**(Pearson/Clark)**

That the Performance Review – Senior Management Team, be deferred to a future meeting of the General Issues Committee. **CARRIED**

**(iii) Proposed Land Acquisition in the City of Stoney Creek  
(Added Item 12.3)**

See Item 15 of General Issues Committee Report 13-008 for the disposition of this item.

The Committee reconvened in Open Session at 5:00 p.m.

**(I) ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the Committee adjourned at 5:06 p.m.

Respectfully submitted

Councillor L. Ferguson  
Deputy Mayor

Carolyn Biggs  
Legislative Co-ordinator  
Office of the City Clerk