

Agriculture and Rural Affairs Sub-Committee MINUTES 23-003 Thursday, November 30, 2023 7:00 p.m. Room 264, 2nd Floor Hamilton City Hall

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Present: Councillors J. Beattie, C. Cassar, T. McMeekin, M. Tadeson,

A. Wilson, A. Spoelstra (Chair), D. Smith (Vice-Chair), C. McMaster, N. Mills, A. Payne, C. Roberts, R. Shuker, G. Smuk, and M. Switzer

Absent with

Regrets: Councillor B. Clark - Personal

J. Mantel and R. Pearce

THE FOLLOWING ITEMS WERE REFERRED TO THE PLANNING COMMITTEE FOR CONSIDERATION:

1. Stormwater Fee Information & Incentive Program Consultation (Item 8.1)

(Switzer/Payne)

That staff be directed to look at alternative options to the proposed stormwater fee for agricultural properties and report back to the Agriculture and Rural Affairs Sub-Committee with alternatives that are fair, affordable, justifiable, reasonable, and simple.

CARRIED

2. Rural Zones (Farm Labour Residences and Additional Dwelling Units – Detached) (Item 8.3)

(Smith/Switzer)

That staff be directed to include additional flexibility for Farm Labour Residences on size and permanence on justified farm situations.

CARRIED

FOR INFORMATION:

(a) APPROVAL OF AGENDA (Item 2)

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

8. PRESENTATIONS

8.3(a) Farm Labour Residence & Additional Dwelling Unit – Detach - Rural Area Zoning Changes

(Switzer/Smuk)

That the agenda for the November 30, 2023 meeting of the Agriculture and Rural Affairs Sub-Committee, be approved, as amended.

CARRIED

(b) DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (Item 3)

There were no declarations of interest.

(c) APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING (Item 4)

(i) June 29, 2023 (Item 4.1)

(Tadeson/Cassar)

That the Minutes of the June 29, 2023 meeting of the Agriculture and Rural Affairs Advisory Committee be approved, as presented.

CARRIED

(d) COMMUNICATIONS (Item 5)

(i) (Cassar/Switzer)

That the following Communication Item, be received:

(a) Correspondence from the Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs (Item 5.1)

CARRIED

(e) DELEGATION REQUESTS (Item 6)

(i) (Smuk/Switzer)

That the rules of procedure be waived to allow the following Delegations to delegate at today's meeting:

- (a) Jan Vander Hout respecting Item 8.1, Stormwater Fee Information & Incentive Program Consultation and Item 8.3, Rural Zones (Farm Labour Residences and Additional Dwelling Units Detached) (Added Item 6.1)
- (b) Clint Burrows respecting Item 8.1, Stormwater Fee Information & Incentive Program Consultation (Added Item 6.2)

CARRIED

(f) DELEGATIONS (Item 7)

- (i) The Delegates addressed the Committee, as follows:
 - (a) Jan Vander Hout respecting Item 8.1, Stormwater Fee Information & Incentive Program Consultation and Item 8.3, Rural Zones (Farm Labour Residences and Additional Dwelling Units Detached) (Added Item 7.1)
 - (b) Clint Burrows respecting Item 8.1, Stormwater Fee Information & Incentive Program Consultation (Added Item 7.2)

(ii) (Smuk/McMeekin)

That the following Delegations be received:

- (a) Jan Vander Hout respecting Item 8.1, Stormwater Fee Information & Incentive Program Consultation and Item 8.3, Rural Zones (Farm Labour Residences and Additional Dwelling Units Detached) (Added Item 7.1)
- (b) Clint Burrows respecting Item 8.1, Stormwater Fee Information & Incentive Program Consultation (Added Item 7.2)

CARRIED

(g) PRESENTATIONS (Item 8)

(i) Stormwater Fee Information & Incentive Program Consultation (Item 8.1)

Nancy Hill, AECOM, addressed the Committee respecting the Stormwater Fee Information & Incentive Program Consultation, with the aid of a PowerPoint presentation.

(Switzer/Cassar)

That the presentation from Nancy Hill, AECOM, respecting the Stormwater Fee Information & Incentive Program Consultation, be received.

CARRIED

For disposition of this matter, refer to Item 1.

(ii) Farm 911 Program Update (Item 8.2)

Heather Travis, Manager, Staging of Development and Legislative Approvals, addressed the Committee respecting the Farm 911 Program Update, with the aid of a PowerPoint presentation.

(Cassar/Mills)

That the presentation from Heather Travis, Manager, Staging of Development and Legislative Approvals, respecting the Farm 911 Program Update, be received.

CARRIED

- (iii) Rural Zones (Farm Labour Residences and Additional Dwelling Units Detached) (Item 8.3)
 - (a) Farm Labour Residences and Additional Dwelling Units Detached Rural Area Zoning Changes

Lucas Mascotto-Carbone, Planner II, and Shannon McKie, Director - Planning/Chief Planner, addressed the Committee respecting the Farm Labour Residences and Additional Dwelling Units – Detached Rural Area Zoning Changes with the aid of a PowerPoint presentation.

(Smith/Cassar)

That the presentation from Lucas Mascotto-Carbone, Planner II and Shannon McKie, Director - Planning/Chief Planner, respecting the Farm Labour Residences and Additional Dwelling Units – Detached Rural Area Zoning Changes, be received.

CARRIED

For disposition of this matter, refer to Item 2.

(h) ADJOURNMENT (Item 16)

(Tadeson/Mills)

That the meeting of the Agriculture and Rural Affairs Sub-Committee be adjourned at 9:23 p.m.

CARRIED

Respectfully submitted,

Andrew Spoelstra, Chair Agriculture and Rural Affairs Sub-Committee

Carrie McIntosh Legislative Coordinator Office of the City Clerk