PRESENT:

Mayor B. Bratina
Councillor S. Merulla, Chair
Councillor J. Partridge, Vice-Chair
Councillors S. Duvall, J. Farr, T. Jackson, B. McHattie, and Whitehead

ABSENT WITH REGrets:

Councillor B. Morelli, personal/bereavement

ALSO PRESENT:

C. Murray, City Manager
R. Rossini, General Manager, Finance and Corporate Services
J. A. Priel, General Manager, Community Services
J. LaPointe-Kay, Director of Recreation
J. Brown, Director of Benefit Eligibility
G. Hendry, Director, Social Housing & Homelessness
K. Lubrick, Director, Employment & Income Support Division
J. Kaye, Manager, Arts and Culture
B. Browett, Director of EMS/Deputy, Justin Pyke, Platoon Manager
I. Bedioui, Legislative Assistant, City Clerk’s Office

THE EMERGENCY & COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE PRESENTS REPORT 11-005 AND RESPECTFULLY RECOMMENDS:

1. French Language Services (CS11038) (City Wide) (Item 5.1)

That Report, CS11038 respecting French Language Services, be received.
2. **Online Application for Social Assistance (CS11033) (City Wide) (Item 5.2)**

   That Report CS11033, respecting Online Application for Social Assistance, be received.

3. **Rick Hansen 25th Anniversary Relay and End of Day Celebration (CS11035) (City Wide) (Item 5.3)**

   (a) That the City of Hamilton agrees to be an End of Day Celebration Community for the Rick Hansen 25th Anniversary Relay, in Hamilton on November 12 and 13, 2011;

   (b) That the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized and directed to sign the Agreement, attached as Appendix “A” to Report CS11035, between the City of Hamilton and the Rick Hansen Foundation in order for the City of Hamilton to be an End of Day Celebration Community for the Rick Hansen 25th Anniversary Relay and return it to the Rick Hansen Foundation by April 29, 2011;

   (c) That the Manager of Arts & Events, Culture Division, Community Services Department or designate be authorized to act as the Municipal Representative for all purposes related to the Agreement, attached as Appendix “A” to Report CS11035;

   (d) That staff be directed to establish a Rick Hansen 25th Anniversary Relay Community Planning Team comprised of staff and community stakeholders to provide planning, advisory and operational support services to the Rick Hansen Foundation to ensure the successful staging of the Relay in Hamilton;

   (e) That the Terms of Reference for the Rick Hansen 25th Anniversary Relay Community Planning Team, hereto attached as Appendix “A”, be approved;

   (f) That a one-time only budget, in an amount not to exceed $24,000, be funded from Capital Project Id 7100858707, in order to support the costs associated with hosting the Rick Hansen 25th Anniversary Relay.

4. **Code Zero Report from January 1, 2011 to February 28, 2011 (HES11005) (City Wide) (Item 5.4)**

5. **Dedicated Nurses to Receive Ambulance Patients in Hospital Emergency Departments (HES11004) (City Wide) (Item 8.1)**

(a) That the Emergency Medical Services Director of Hamilton Emergency Services be authorized and directed to enter into an agreement in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor, with the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care, to receive a grant which will fund the staffing of nurses that will be dedicated to receiving and managing the care of ambulance patients in the local hospital emergency departments to reduce the ambulance wait times, for the period of April 1, 2011 to March 31, 2012 or such longer or shorter period agreed to by the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care.

(b) That the Emergency Medical Services Director of Hamilton Emergency Services be authorized and directed to negotiate and enter into the necessary agreements between the City of Hamilton and Hamilton Health Sciences and St. Joseph’s Hospital, in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor, to reimburse those organizations for the payment of staffing the nursing hours dedicated to receiving and managing the care of ambulance patients in the emergency departments.

(c) That the Emergency Medical Services Division be directed to utilize the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care grant to pay for all direct and supporting costs for staffing of nurses that will be dedicated to receiving and managing the care of ambulance patients in the local hospital emergency departments to reduce the ambulance wait times, for the period of April 1, 2011 to March 31, 2012 or such longer or shorter period agreed to by the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care in accordance with the terms set out in the agreement with the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care.

The following Item 6 was rescinded:

6. **YWCA Senior Centre Operating Agreement (CS11002) (City Wide) (Item 8.2)**

(a) That the Operating Agreement between the City of Hamilton and the Hamilton Young Women’s Christian Association for the operation of two senior centres in Hamilton (attached as Appendix A to Report CS11002), be approved.

(b) That the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized and directed to execute the Operating Agreement between the City of Hamilton and the Hamilton Young Women’s Christian Association for the operation of two senior centres in Hamilton (attached as Appendix A to Report CS11002), in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor.
7. Shuttle Options for the 2011 Festival of Friends (CS11034) (City Wide) (Item 8.3)

That Report CS11034 respecting Shuttle Options for the 2011 Festival of Friends, be received.

8. Renewal of Funding from Citizenship and Immigration Canada to Implement the Immigration Strategy (CS10043(a)) (City Wide) (Item 8.4)

(a) That the City of Hamilton accept $297,168 in renewed funding (for the period of April 1, 2011 to March 31, 2012) from Citizenship and Immigration Canada for the purpose of supporting the Hamilton Immigration Partnership Council and the implementation of the Immigration Strategy.

(b) That the staff complement of the Community Services Department, required to support the Hamilton Immigration Partnership Council and the implementation of the made in Hamilton Immigration strategy, be temporarily increased by .3 FTE, which is to be funded by Citizenship and Immigration Canada.

(c) That the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized and directed to execute the renewed Contribution Agreement (attached as Appendix A to Report CS10043(a), 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.

9. Ontario Municipal Partnership Fund Reconciliation Re-Investment FCS11027/CS11031 (City Wide) (Outstanding Business List Items N and O) (TABLED at the March 2, 2011 meeting) (Item 8.5)

(a) That the Ontario Municipal Partnership Fund (OMPF) Reconciliation Re-Investment Policy as outlined in Appendix D of Report FCS11027/CS11031 and summarized below be approved:

(i) 50% transferred to the Social Services Initiative Fund (112214) to support one-time Social Services related costs;

(ii) 50% transferred to the Unallocated Capital Reserve (108020) to address infrastructure projects that will address the City’s infrastructure deficit, and that, consideration be given to allocating the 50% of the OMPF Reconciliation Funds going to the Unallocated Capital Reserve to social housing capital needs;
(b) That Report FCS11027/CS11031 be forwarded to the Premier of Ontario, the Minister of Municipal Affairs & Housing and the Minister of Finance;

(c) That the Mayor correspond with the Honourable Dalton McGuinty, Premier of Ontario, the Honourable Dwight Duncan, Minister of Finance and the Honourable Rick Bartolucci, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing requesting that the Ontario Municipal Partnership Fund be amended to reflect the actual cost of evolving program responsibilities and legislated requirements including the full cost of social housing;

(d) That the Mayor correspond with the Honourable Dalton McGuinty, Premier of Ontario, the Honourable Dwight Duncan, Minister of Finance and the Honourable Rick Bartolucci, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing requesting a commitment to a reconciliation of the 2010 Ontario Municipal Partnership Fund;

(e) That staff prepare a Reserve Policy with respect to the potential disposition of Ontario Works surpluses to the Ontario Works Stabilization Reserve;

(f) That a Reserve Policy for the Social Services Initiatives Fund Reserve be prepared and that staff consult with the public on this policy, and that consideration be given to establishing a public advisory committee to guide allocation of the funds (similar to the community board that guides allocation of federal homelessness funding).

10. Development of a National Poverty Strategy

(a) That the Mayor and Council correspond with the Federal Cabinet Committees (The Hon. Tony Clement, Chair of the Economic Growth and Long-term Prosperity Committee, The Hon. Christian Paradis, Chair of the Environment and Energy Security Committee, The Hon. John Baird, Chair of the Operations Committee, The Right Hon. Stephen Harper, Chair of the Priorities and Planning Committee, The Hon. Diane Finley, Chair of the Social Affairs Committee, and The Hon. Stockwell Burt Day, Chair of the Treasury Board Committee) and the local Members of Federal Parliament (Chris Charlton, David Christopherson, David Sweet, Wayne Marston, and Dean Allison) requesting

(i) That the Federal Government adopt a cross-Ministry approach to tackling poverty in Canada, and;

(ii) That a National Poverty Strategy be developed that includes investment in early learning and child care, affordable and accessible housing, employment and skills development opportunities and meaningful income support programs;
(b) That copies of the correspondence be forwarded to the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO).

11. Interview Sub-Committee Report 11-001 (Item 12.1)

(a) Hamilton Youth Advisory Committee

That the following applicants be appointed to the Hamilton Youth Advisory Committee for the 2010-2014 term of Council or until such time as successors are appointed by Council:

1. Margaret Chalmers  
2. Bryan Padilla  
3. Tina Huynh  
4. Lauren Hansen  
5. Alexander Ramirez  
6. Alex Fiorello  
7. David Boruch

8. Michelle Leach  
9. Jennifer Little  
10. Karen Trinh  
11. Natascha Del Prete  
12. Jessika Del Prete  
13. Zil-E-Huma Nasir  
14. Mohammad Nasir

15. Don Mahleka  
16. Michael Pratas  
17. Fan Yang  
18. Julie Ling Ma  
19. Mikayla Zolis  
20. Fabian Ahmed

(b) Arts Advisory Commission

(i) That the membership for the Arts Advisory Commission be increased from 13 to 15 members.

(ii) That the following applicants be appointed to the Arts Advisory Commission for the 2010-2014 term of Council or until such time as successors are appointed by Council:

1. Annelisa Pedersen  
2. Darrell Hicks  
3. Diane Beatty-Wearing  
4. Karen Logan  
5. Josefa Radman  
6. Tricia Le Clair  
7. Earl Walker  
8. Jahan Zeb

9. Tobi Bruce  
10. Donna Reid  
11. Matt Jelly  
12. Astrid Hepner  
13. Colina Maxwell  
14. Anupam Bagchi  
15. Anne Cibola

(c) Hamilton Veteran’s Committee

(i) That the following applicants be appointed to the Hamilton Veteran’s Committee for the 2010-2014 term of Council or until such time as successors are appointed by Council:

1. William Eisan  
2. Robert Fyfe
FOR THE INFORMATION OF COUNCIL:

A. PRESENTATIONS:

Certified Municipal Manager Accreditation – Emergency Medical Services
Chair Merulla presented Canadian Management Professional (CMP) or Registered Training Professional (RTP) certificates to the following staff:

Brent Browett  
Paul Hansen  
Stephen Dewar  
Douglas Waugh  
Luke Hewitt  
Justin Pyke  
Tony Filice  
Wesley Loy  
Ian Wright  
Dave Finch  
Blaine Lucas

Chair Merulla and Bill McKim, Executive Director of the Ontario Municipal Management Institute (OMMI) presented certificates of Certified Municipal Manager (CMM) Designation to the following staff:

Brent Browett, CMM III EMS Executive  
Stephen Dewar, CMM II EMS Executive  
Douglas Waugh, CMM II EMS Professional  
Blaine Lucas, CMM III EMS Executive

(a) CHANGES TO THE AGENDA (Item 1)

The Clerk advised of the following changes to the agenda:

(i) Addition of the following delegation requests:

4.3 David Cherkewski, Social Justice Strategic Committee (SJSC) to address Committee today respecting Item 8.5. (Deferred from previous meeting.)
4.4 Tom Cooper from the Hamilton Roundtable for Poverty Reduction requesting to address Committee today to speak to Item 8.5 respecting the Ontario Municipal Partnership Fund.

4.5 Peter Graefe, 25in5 Hamilton requesting to address Committee today regarding Item 8.5 respecting the Ontario Municipal Partnership Fund.

(ii) Amendments respecting Item 8.5
In light of the delegations, this Item respecting the Ontario Municipal Partnership Fund will be moved up to be considered after the Consent Items and Councillor McHattie has an amending motion.

(iii) Amendment to Item 5.4
Staff have indicated that Appendix C to Report HES11005 is incorrect. Amended copies of Appendix C were circulated to replace the copy in the agenda.

On a motion (Farr/Partridge) the agenda for the April 6, 2011 Emergency & Community Services Committee meeting was approved, as amended.

(b) DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (Item 2)
There were none declared.

(c) APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING (Item 3)
The Minutes of the March 2, 2011 meeting were approved as presented.

(d) DELEGATION REQUESTS
(i) The following delegation requests were approved to address Committee at a later date:

1. John Iovio, Hamilton Region representative for the Ontario Homes for Special Needs Association, to resolve several outstanding issues and to clarify previous misrepresentations and discuss status of their program. (Item 4.1)

2. Peter Hasek, independent citizen, to request the establishment of a task force to study, define and create binding recommendations for the development and founding of a non-profit, “tenant support”
organization for Hamilton's 13,000 social housing tenants. (item 4.2)

(ii) The rules of procedure were waived in order for the following delegation requests to be approved to address Committee today:

1. Tom Cooper from the Hamilton Roundtable for Poverty Reduction requesting to address Committee today to speak to Item 8.5 respecting the Ontario Municipal Partnership Fund and the National Poverty Strategy. (Added Item 4.4)

2. Peter Graefe, 25in5 Hamilton requesting to address Committee today regarding Item 8.5 respecting the Ontario Municipal Partnership Fund. (Added Item 4.5)

(e) PUBLIC HEARINGS/DELEGATIONS

(i) Ontario Municipal Partnership Fund Reconciliation Re-Investment FCS11027/ CS11031 (City Wide) (Outstanding Business List Item “N” and “O”) (Item 8.5)

1. David Cherkewski, Social Justice Strategic Committee (SJSC) to address Committee today respecting Item 8.5. (Approved at the March 2, 2011 meeting.)

Mr. Cherkewski addressed Committee and indicated that he is disappointed that Committee is not adopting the recommendation of the Social Justice Strategic Committee that 100% of the fund be used for social services.

A copy of Mr. Cherkewski’s hand out was distributed and he responded to questions posed by Committee.

On a motion (Farr/Whitehead) Committee received the delegation.

2. Tom Cooper from the Hamilton Roundtable for Poverty Reduction requesting to address Committee today to speak to Item 8.5 respecting the Ontario Municipal Partnership Fund and the Development of a National Poverty Strategy, Item 10.1. (Added Item 4.4)

Tom Cooper addressed Committee. He indicated that the Hamilton Roundtable for Poverty agrees with the amendment which is being put forth by Councillor McHattie today as a balanced approach.
He also expressed his support of the notice of motion being put forward by Councillor Merulla to request that the Federal Government establish a National Poverty Strategy.

He responded to questions from Committee.

On a motion (Farr/Whitehead) Committee received the delegation.

3. **Peter Graefe, 25in5 Hamilton requesting to address Committee today regarding Item 8.5 respecting the Ontario Municipal Partnership Fund. (Added Item 4.5)**

Peter Graefe addressed Committee. He advised that he is from 25in5 an organization that is pushing for a poverty free Ontario and also a poverty free Hamilton. He indicated that they support the initiative from Paul Johnson, the City’s Director of Neighbourhood Development Strategies as a positive step in addressing poverty.

In his opinion, this fund provides an opportunity for the City to work outside of provincially mandated services and develop a community neighbourhood strategy. He encouraged Council to be innovative and provide a longer term poverty reduction by developing a social investment strategy rather than an ad hoc approach.

Committee agreed that the City should coordinate its efforts in reducing poverty and build synergies between the different programs it is funding.

On a motion (McHattie/Farr) Report FCS11027/CS11031 respecting Ontario Municipal Partnership Fund Reconciliation Re-Investment was lifted from the TABLE.

On a motion (McHattie/Jackson) the following amendment to the recommendation was approved:

That Item 8.5, respecting Ontario Municipal Partnership Fund Reconciliation Re-Investment FCS11027/CS11031, be amended by:

(a) Adding the words “and that, consideration be given to allocating the 50% of the OMPF Reconciliation Funds going to the Unallocated Capital Reserve to social housing capital needs” to subsection (a)(ii);

(b) and by adding the following new subsection (h):
(h) “That a Reserve Policy for the Social Services Initiatives Fund Reserve be prepared and that staff consult with the public on this policy, and that consideration be given to establishing a public advisory committee to guide allocation of the funds (similar to the community board that guides allocation of federal homelessness funding).

Committee discussed the issue and the amendment was split for voting purposes.

Amendment (a) Carried unanimously.

Amendment (b) carried on the following votes:

Yeas: Merulla, Partridge, Farr, Duvall, Jackson, McHattie
Total: 6
Nays: Whitehead
Total: 1
Absent: Morelli
Total: 1

The recommendation, as amended, was approved as outlined in Item 9 of this Report including the following subsections:

(f) That item “N” concerning the feasibility of replenishing the $3.1 million to the Social Services Budget be removed from the Emergency and Community Services Outstanding Business List;

(g) That item “O” concerning policy for the use of any year-end surplus of the Ontario Municipal Partnership Fund be removed from the Emergency and Community Services Outstanding Business List.

(f) STAFF PRESENTATIONS

(i) Community Referrals Emergency Medical Services Pilot Project – Half-Way Update (HES11003) (City Wide) (Item 7.1)

Brent Browett provided an overview of the staff report with the aid of a PowerPoint presentation and hand-outs were distributed. Justin Pyke, Platoon Manager, assisted him with his presentation.

Their comments were with respect to the following topics:

- Hamilton Paramedics open over 67,000 doors each year;
- Balanced score card – 2010 paramedic service;
- Paramedic Service:
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- Public Trust & Service Delivery Challenges;
- Hospital Offload;
- Emergency response time and equity;
- Code zero ambulance events;
- What are the results?
- Report card – historical performance;
- 2011 potential challenges;
- 2011 work plan to manage demand;
- Hamilton CREMS;
- CREMS – background;
- CREMS – Objectives;
- The referral process – who & how
- The results: to date
  the patient
- The future - collaboration

Brent Browett responded to questions from Committee which requested further explanations regarding the following:

- The CCAC (Contact Centre assigns Case Manager);
- The problems with diagnosing head injuries;
- Patients refusing medical attention;
- The efficacy of the programs

On a motion (McHattie/Duvall) Committee received the staff presentation.

(g) Dedicated Nurses to Receive Ambulance Patients in Hospital Emergency Departments (HES11004) (City Wide) (Item 8.1))

Brent Browett noted that funds have been received from the Province since this report has been prepared. The Clerk was requested to ensure that the corresponding letter be included on the next Council agenda.

(h) NOTICES OF MOTION

(i) Development of a National Poverty Strategy (Item 10.1)

Chair Merulla relinquished the chair to Vice-Chair Partridge and presented a motion (Merulla/Whitehead) to waive the rules to introduce a motion respecting the development of a National Poverty Strategy.

The motion (Merulla/Whitehead) was amended by adding that FCM and AMO be copied and was approved as outlined in Item 10 of this report.

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Chair Merulla assumed the Chair.

(i) Private and Confidential

On a motion (Jackson/Farr) Committee moved into Closed Session at 3:50 p.m. pursuant to Section 8.1(b) of the Procedural By-law and Section 239 of the Municipal Act to deal with personal matters about identifiable individuals, including City employees, with respect to appointments to volunteer committees and personnel matters.

On a motion (Partridge/Farr) Committee reconvened in Open Session at 5:16 p.m.

12.1 Interview Sub-Committee Report 11-001 (Appointments to various Volunteer Committees)

Committee approved Item 12.1 in open session

12.2 Personnel matters (no copy)

A verbal update was provided by staff respecting Item 12.2 in closed session with nothing to report in open session.

(j) ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the Emergency & Community Services Committee meeting adjourned at 5:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Councillor S. Merulla, Chair
Emergency & Community Services Committee

Ida Bediou
Legislative Assistant
April 6, 2011
2011 Rick Hansen 25th Anniversary Relay Community Planning Team
Terms of Reference

PURPOSE

The purpose of the Rick Hansen 25th Anniversary Relay Community Planning Team (CPT) is to provide planning, advisory and operational support services to the Rick Hansen Foundation (RHF) to ensure the successful staging of the Relay and End of Day Celebration event in Hamilton on Saturday, November 12 and Sunday, November 13, 2011.

KEY FUNCTIONS

- To approve an End of Day Celebration site location
- To plan and implement an End of Day Celebration event ("Celebration event") that builds enthusiasm and support for the Rick Hansen 25th Anniversary Relay ("Relay") and its mission; to raise awareness about accessibility and inclusivity; engage communities and celebrate people who make a difference.
- To develop strategies and provide advice that will maximize community involvement in the Celebration event.
- To provide communication to RHF, City of Hamilton Council, City staff and participating community stakeholders.
- To ensure all activities and communication adhere to the policies and procedures of the City of Hamilton ("City") and the terms, conditions and guidelines of the Relay.

PRINCIPLES

The Community Planning Team will:

- Promote enthusiasm and support for the Relay, its vision and mission.
- Facilitate and encourage a sense of ownership and shared engagement in the Celebration event, focusing attention on accessibility and increasing awareness and support for those with a disability.
- Incorporate and celebrate Hamilton’s youth and diverse communities.
- Encourage and support health and wellness.
- Ensure financial, social and environmental sustainability factors are considered in all decisions.

GOALS

- To create a Celebration event that is inclusive and accessible to all citizens.
- To develop activities and community content at the Celebration event to celebrate people who make a difference including those whose efforts have removed barriers and contributed to making the community more accessible and inclusive, those who have overcome adversity, and those who are promising youth leaders.
- To identify and work with community organizations and individuals who represent Hamilton’s accessibility and diverse communities.
To unite citizens in welcoming the Relay to Hamilton and encourage them to actively participate in the Celebration event.

MEMBERSHIP

The CPT is comprised of one chair, City of Hamilton staff and members of the community. CPT members may consist of individuals representing the following groups:

- City Council;
- Arts & Events Section, Culture Division of City of Hamilton
- Event site (Mohawk College);
- Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities to City of Hamilton;
- The Disabled and Aged Regional Transportation System (D.A.R.T.S.);
- The Sledge Hockey Association and/or other sporting organization;
- Local associations that support those with a disability;
- Youth;
- Road or traffic authority representative;
- Hamilton Police representative;
- Other key resources or subcommittees in developing the event in the community.

TERMS OF MEMBERSHIP

Members are expected to serve a term of 7 months from May 2011 to November 2011.

COMMUNITY PLANNING TEAM CHAIR

The Chair will be determined the CPT members.

GUIDELINES FOR MEETINGS

- Meetings of the CPT will be held on a monthly basis, or as required, on a day and time determined by the Chair.
- A quorum consists of a majority of total CPT membership.
- If within 20 minutes of the time called for a meeting there is no quorum, the meeting will stand adjourned.
- Only members present at a meeting may cast a vote.

DECISION-MAKING

- Although the CPT should endeavour to reach decisions by consensus, when a vote is necessary a simple majority vote will carry the question. In the case of a tie vote, the Chair will cast the deciding vote.
- Between scheduled meetings, should a decision be required, the Chair will poll all Community Planning Team members and make an objective decision based on that poll. The decision will be communicated to all CPT members.
CONFLICT OF INTEREST

• A conflict of interest occurs when a member participates in discussion or decision-making about any matter that may financially benefit that member, a member of his/her family, a person with whom the member is in personal or business contact, or any organization with whom the member is affiliated.

• In all cases where the planning of the Celebration event presents such a conflict of interest for a member, that member will declare a conflict of interest, and will abstain from all discussion and voting on the issue.

• All CPT members will refrain from the personal use and communication of any privileged or confidential information.

Dated: April 13, 2011