COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE
REPORT 06-005
Tuesday, May 9, 2006
1:30 p.m.
Council Chambers
Hamilton City Hall

Present:  Councillors T. Jackson (Chair), T. Whitehead (Vice Chair),
P. Bruckler, M. McCarthy, D. Mitchell, B. Morelli and A. Samson

Also Present:  J. Kay, General Manager/Chief Hamilton Emergency Services
J. Soldera, Acting General Manager, Community Services Dept.
B. Fenwick, Director, Culture & Recreation Division
A. Bradford, Manager, Manager of Culture
S. Paparella, Legislative Assistant, Clerk’s Office

MEMBERS OF COUNCIL THE COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE PRESENTS REPORT 06-005 AND RESPECTFULLY RECOMMENDS:

1. Trunked Radio System Infrastructure (HES06001/PSB 04-104(a)) (City Wide) (Item 5.1)

That Report HES06001/PSB 04-104(a) – Trunked Radio System Infrastructure be received.

2. Hindu Samaj of Hamilton and Region Temple Plaque – Hamilton Historical Report 06-001 (Item 5.2)

That the wording for the Hindu Samaj of Hamilton & Region Temple plaque, hereto attached as Appendix A to Report 06-005, be approved.

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3. **Chedoke - More than a Sanatorium Plaque – Hamilton Historical Board Report 06-002 (Item 5.3)**

That the wording for the Chedoke - More than a Sanatorium plaque, hereto attached as Appendix B to Report 06-005, be approved.

4. **Reduced Ice Rates for McMaster Ice Hockey Club (CS06020) (City Wide) (Item 8.1)**

   (a) That the request for reduced ice rates for McMaster Ice Hockey Club be denied.

   (b) That item “S” respecting the McMaster Ice Hockey Club’s request for a reduction in ice-time costs be identified as complete and be removed from the Community Services Committee’s Outstanding Business List.

**FOR THE INFORMATION OF THE COUNCIL:**

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

   The Clerk noted the following changes, which were approved:

   (i) Item 4.1 – Delegation Request from Margaret Otto, of The Fieldcote Society – please note that her proper name is Margaret Anderson-Herrmann.

   (ii) After the cheque presentation to the Fieldcote Museum, Mrs. Anderson-Hermann will be joined by Anton Plas, Music Director of Music at Fieldcote, with respect to his upcoming Concert Series at Fieldcote Museum.

   (iii) Due Dates for Outstanding Business List Items “Q” – Club 60 Seniors’ Club Request for a New Community Centre, and Item “R” – Ambulance Response Time to the Winona Road Public School, will be provided under Item 11 – General Information and Other Business

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

   There were none declared.
(c) APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING (Item 3)

The Minutes of the April 25, 2006 Community Services Committee meeting were approved, as presented.

(d) Hamilton Historical Board Minutes, dated Tuesday, February 14, 2006 (Item 5.4)

The minutes of the Hamilton Historical Board, dated Tuesday, February 14, 2006, were received.

(e) Margaret Anderson-Hermann, of The Fieldcote Society, respecting a Cheque Presentation to the Fieldcote Museum and (Item 6.1)

6.1(a) Fieldcote Museum

On behalf of the Ancaster Rotary Club, Margaret Anderson-Herrmann, of The Fieldcote Society and Colin Crozier, the Dictionary of Hamilton Biography, presented Lois Corey of the Fieldcote Museum with a cheque in the amount of $1,500.

6.1(b) Ancaster Society for the Performing Arts - Concert Series at Fieldcote Museum

Anton Plas, Music Director of Music at Fieldcote, informed the Committee of the upcoming Concert Series, which will take place at the Fieldcote Museum from June 11 through August 27, 2006. The Concert Series features 12 performances ranging from rhythm and blues, country, and cabaret; to a performance by a world-renowned pianist.

The presentations in Items 6.1(a) and (b) were received.

(f) Cheryl Kemsley, President – McMaster Ice Hockey Club, PowerPoint Presentation to request a reduction in ice time costs for non-primetime hours for McMaster University Clubs (Item 6.2)

Cheryl Kemsley provided the Committee with a PowerPoint presentation outlining her request for a reduction in ice time fees for non-primetime hours for McMaster University Clubs.

The presentation by Cheryl Kemsley, President – McMaster Ice Hockey Club, PowerPoint Presentation to request a reduction in ice time costs for McMaster University Club, was received.

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(g) Ice Rates and Times for Non-Affiliated Clubs

(a) That staff meet with a representative from the McMaster Ice Hockey Club to determine if a non-primetime schedule, at a location closer to McMaster University, can be accommodated.

(b) That staff review the broader Affiliation Agreement to ascertain if the City is able to develop a practice to assist non-affiliated clubs in the future, and report back to the Community Services Committee.

(h) Referred by Council: Review of Fee Waivers (Item 8.2)

City Council, at its meeting held on April 26, 2006, approved Item 11(e) of Corporate Administration Committee Report 06-006, which reads as follows:

11(e) Review of Fee Waivers

That the Community Services Committee be requested to review the criteria and distribution of fee waivers for the use of city-owned facilities by community groups and organizations.

This Item is already on the Community Services Outstanding Business List, as Item “D” – Fee Waiver Policy, and a report is forthcoming to Committee in Q4 of 2006, pending completion of the Fair Fee Policy.

Item 8.2 – Review of Fee Waivers, was received.

(i) GENERAL INFORMATION/OTHER BUSINESS (Item 11)

11.1 Hamilton Municipal Golf Courses – Outstanding Business List

Outstanding Business List Item “C” – Hamilton Municipal Golf Courses – Due date was to be determined, pending results of RFP. New Due Date: Q4/06

11.2 Fee Waiver Policy – Outstanding Business List

Outstanding Business List Item “D” – Fee Waiver Policy – Due date was to be determined, pending Fair Fee Policy. New Due Date: Q4/06

11.3 First Place Hamilton Senior Centre

Outstanding Business List Item “L” – First Place Hamilton Senior Centre – Due date was pending outcome of Community Partnership Program grant request. New Due Date: June 2006

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11.4 Hosting the 2007 Paralympic Summer Championships

Outstanding Business List Item “N” – Hosting the 2007 Paralympic Summer Championships – Due date was to be determined. **New Due Date: May 23, 2006**

11.5 City’s Strategy to Manage Greenspace and Open Space Deficiencies

Outstanding Business List Item “P” – City’s Strategy to Manage Greenspace and Open Space Deficiencies – Due date was to be determined. **New Due Date: Q4/06**

11.6 Club 60 seniors’ Club Request for a New Community Centre

Outstanding Business List Items “Q” – Club 60 seniors’ Club Request for a New Community Centre. **Due Date: Q4/06**

11.7 Ambulance Response Time to the Winona Road Public School

Outstanding Business List Item “R” – Ambulance Response Time to the Winona Road Public School. **Due Date: May 23/06**

Items 11.1 through 11.7 were approved, as amended

(j) Dundas Pool

Councillor A. Samson had heard that the Dundas Pool was going to be closed from June well into August for tile repair. Staff was requested to confirm whether or not this work is to take place and, if so, how long the pool would be closed and report directly back to the Councillor. It was also requested that Chair Jackson and the Clerk be copied on the staff response.

(k) ADJOURNMENT (Item 13)

There being no further business, the Committee adjourned at 2:27 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Councillor T. Jackson, Chair

Stephanie Paparella
Legislative Assistant
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HINDU SAMAJ OF HAMILTON & REGION TEMPLE

Following the 9/11 destruction of the World Trade Centre buildings in New York the Hindu Samaj of Hamilton and Region Temple was burned to the ground on September 15th, 2001. Such senseless destruction caused immeasurable emotional and spiritual trauma to the Hindus of this area and the world over.

After the destruction of the Temple, the Hamilton community and leaders from all faiths came together in an act of solidarity, and initiated a poster campaign which stated, “AN ATTACK ON ONE IS AN ATTACK ON ALL”. With the help of Hamilton’s community and spiritual leaders, the “Strengthening Hamilton’s Community Initiative” was established to combat hate crimes.

Pali Tripiṭaka in Dhammapada verse 5 states “For hate is not conquered by hate; hate is conquered by love. This is a law eternal”.

With love, the Hamilton and Canadian Hindu communities have rebuilt the Samaj of Hamilton & Region Temple on this same site. The entrance area preserves artifacts that were saved from the destruction on 9/15.

With education, communication, understanding and love we will prevent such crimes in the future. Please come inside and visit.

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Let there be peace everywhere!

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CHEDOKE, MORE THAN A SANATORIUM

The year 2006 marks the centennial of the Hamilton Health Association’s opening of the city’s tuberculosis hospital on the west mountain known as the Sanatorium. At the turn of the twentieth century tuberculosis was a disease of pandemic proportions. For over fifty years the “San” as it was commonly known, was one of the largest tuberculosis hospitals in the British Empire and was highly regarded for its advanced treatment programmes. When the disease was brought under control in the industrial world, the “San” became a Canadian treatment centre for Inuit with tuberculosis. As society’s health needs changed the “San” became Chedoke General Hospital. The campus became the training and education site for many developing health professions, such as medicine, nursing, medical technology, physio and occupational therapies. After the amalgamation with McMaster University Medical Centre in 1979, Chedoke focused its efforts on setting the standards for Rehabilitation Services, Child and Family Services and Complex Continuing Care. In 1996, Chedoke Hospital, McMaster University Medical Centre, Hamilton General Hospital and Henderson General Hospital joined together to become Hamilton Health Sciences. Chedoke continues to be recognized internationally for its research and innovative health programmes.

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