The Clerk advised of the following changes to the agenda.

**ADDED PRIVATE & CONFIDENTIAL**

12.1 Update respecting Labour Negotiations – Verbal

12.2 Pending Acquisition of Property for City Purposes – 2015 Pan Am Games – Verbal

*(Duvall/Collins)*

That the agenda be approved, as amended.  

CARRIED
2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None declared.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

(Collins/Morelli)
That the April 7, 8 and 14, 2011 Minutes of the General Issues Committee be approved, as presented. CARRIED

4. STAFF PRESENTATIONS

Rob Rossini provided an update and the Committee was distributed with a summary of the recommendations that require the Committee’s approval.

The Committee requested staff to provide information in terms of the impact that the budget will have on each Ward.

Mayor Bratina and members of the Committee expressed their thanks to Mr. Rossini and all Finance staff for all of their accomplishments in the preparation and presentation of the 2011 budget. They also expressed their appreciation to staff for the numerous meeting held with members of Council to address and resolve individual concerns with respect to the budget.

Members of the Committee took the opportunity to obtain further clarification and provide their closing comments with respect to the 2011 budget.

(Powers/Pearson)
Call the question. CARRIED

5. DISCUSSION ITEMS

5.1 2011 Operating Budget – Hamilton Police Service (Item 5.1) (April 20, 2011)

(McHattie/Merulla)
That the net operating levy for Hamilton Police Services in the amount of $129,826,620 be approved.

Yeas: Bratina, Collins, Duvall, Farr, Ferguson, Jackson, Johnson, McHattie, Merulla, Morelli, Partridge, Pasuta, Pearson, Powers, Whitehead

Total Yeas: 15

Nays: Clark

Total Nays: 1

Total Absent: 0
5.2 2011 Operating Budget – HECFI (Item 5.2) (April 20, 2011)

(Merulla/McHattie)
(a) That the net operating levy for HECFI in the amount of $3,247,140 be approved;

(b) That HECFI’s final budget approval be deferred pending completion of the Management Audit review.

The Motion, as amended, CARRIED on the following vote:

Yeas: Bratina, Collins, Duvall, Farr, Ferguson, Jackson, McHattie, Merulla, Morelli, Pasuta, Pearson, Powers

Total Yeas: 12
Nays: Clark, Johnson, Partridge, Whitehead

Total Nays: 4
Total Absent: 0

6.1 Public Works Report 11-003

6.1.1 2011 Tax Supported Operating Budget – Public Works (FCS11023(a))

(McHattie/Merulla)
That the 2011 net operating levy for Public Works in the amount of $181,460,351, inclusive of Recommended Savings Options as per Appendix A to Public Works Committee Report 11-003 and as reduced to $178,500,231 inclusive of the amendments per Appendix “A” attached hereto, be approved.

Yeas: Bratina, Collins, Duvall, Farr, Ferguson, Jackson, Johnson, McHattie, Merulla, Morelli, Partridge, Pasuta, Pearson, Powers

Total Yeas: 14
Nays: Clark, Whitehead

Total Nays: 2
Total Absent: 0

6.1.2 Transit Fare Increase Policy (PW10078) (City Wide)
(Pearson/Clark)
That Report PW10078 respecting Transit Fare Increase Policy be received. CARRIED
6.2 Audit, Finance and Administration Committee Report 11-003

6.2.1 2011 Tax Supported Operating Budget – Other Programs (FCS11023(d))

(McHattie/Merulla)
(a) That the 2011 net operating levy for the Legislative of $3,408,542 be approved;

(b) That the 2011 net operating levy for the Corporate Financials of $9,437,195 as reduced to $6,094,995 inclusive of the amendments per Appendix One, be approved;

(c) That the 2011 net operating levy for the Non-Program Revenues of ($37,879,250) as reduced to ($40,773,250) inclusive of the amendments per Appendix One, be approved;

(d) That the 2011 Capital Financing Charges of $83,686,000 as reduced to $83,055,500 inclusive of the amendments per Appendix One, be approved. CARRIED

6.2.2 2011 Tax Supported Operating Budget – City Manager (FCS11023(b))

(McHattie/Merulla)
That the 2011 net operating levy for City Manager in the amount of $8,914,398 as reduced to $8,879,798 inclusive of the amendments per Appendix One attached hereto, be approved.

The Motion CARRIED on the following recorded vote:

Yeas: Bratina, Collins, Duvall, Farr, Ferguson, Jackson, Johnson, McHattie, Merulla, Morelli, Partridge, Pasuta, Pearson, Powers, Whitehead

Total Yeas: 15
Nays: Clark
Total Nays: 1
Total Absent: 0

6.2.3 2011 Tax Supported Operating Budget – Corporate Services (FCS11023(c))

(McHattie/Merulla)
That the 2011 net operating levy for Corporate Services in the amount of $18,870,924 as reduced to $18,739,924 inclusive of the amendments per Appendix One attached hereto, be approved.
The Motion CARRIED on the following recorded vote:

Yeas: Bratina, Collins, Duvall, Farr, Ferguson, Jackson, Johnson, McHattie, Merulla, Morelli, Partridge, Pasuta, Pearson, Powers
Total Yeas: 14
Nays: Clark, Whitehead
Total Nays: 2
Total Absent: 0

6.3 Planning Committee Report 11-004

6.3.1 Follow up to February 22, 2011 Planning Committee Budget Meeting: Additional Information Requested and Directions Given (PED11017)

(McHattie/Merulla)
That Report PED11017 respecting Follow up to February 22, 2011 Planning Committee Budget Meeting: Additional Information Requested and Directions Given, be received. CARRIED

6.3.2 2011 Tax Supported Operating Budget – Planning & Economic Development (FCS11023(g))

(McHattie/Merulla)
That the 2011 net operating levy for Planning & Economic Development in the amount of $16,727,677, inclusive of Recommended Savings Options as per Appendix Three to Report FCS11023(g), and as reduced to $16,616,854 by the amendments per Appendix One attached hereto, be approved;

The Motion CARRIED on the following recorded vote:

Yeas: Bratina, Collins, Duvall, Farr, Ferguson, Jackson, Johnson, McHattie, Merulla, Morelli, Partridge, Pasuta, Pearson, Powers, Whitehead
Total Yeas: 15
Nays: Clark
Total Nays: 1
Total Absent: 0
6.4 Community Services Report 11-003(a)

6.4.1 2011 Tax Supported Operating Budget (FCS11023(e))

(McHattie/Merulla)
That the 2011 net operating levy for Community Services in the amount of $137,203,270, inclusive of Recommended Savings Options as per Appendix A to Emergency & Community Services Report 11-003, and as reduced to $135,350,285 by the amendments per Appendix One attached hereto, be approved.

The Motion CARRIED on the following recorded vote:

Yeas: Bratina, Collins, Duvall, Farr, Ferguson, Jackson, Johnson, McHattie, Merulla, Morelli, Partridge, Pasuta, Pearson, Powers
Total Yeas: 14
Nays: Clark, Whitehead
Total Nays: 2
Total Absent: 0

6.5 Hamilton Emergency Services

6.5.1 2011 Tax Supported Operating Budget (FCS11023(f))

(McHattie/Merulla)
That the 2011 net operating levy for Hamilton Emergency Services in the amount of $91,369,615 be approved;

6.6 Board of Health Report 11-003

6.6.1 2011 Tax Supported Operating Budget – Public Health (FCS11023(h))

(McHattie/Merulla)
That the 2011 net operating levy for Public Health Services in the amount of $10,516,421, inclusive of Recommended Savings Options as per Appendix Three to report FCS11023(h), and as reduced to $10,391,421 by the amendments per Appendix One attached hereto, be approved.

The Main Motion CARRIED on the following recorded vote:
Yeas: Bratina, Clark, Collins, Duvall, Farr, Ferguson, Jackson, Johnson, McHattie, Merulla, Morelli, Partridge, Pasuta, Pearson, Powers

Total Yeas: 15

Nays: Whitehead

Total Nays: 1

Total Absent: 0

12. PRIVATE & CONFIDENTIAL

(Collins/Whitehead)
On a motion the Committee moved In Camera at 9:40 a.m. pursuant to Subsections 8.1(c) and (d) of the City’s Procedural By-law and the Municipal Act at the subject matters deal with labour and employee negotiations and the pending acquisition of property for City purposes respecting current negotiations with the Union and the pending acquisition of property for the 2015 Pan Am Games.

CARRIED

(Collins/Duvall)
On a motion the Committee reconvened in Open Session at 11:45 a.m.

CARRIED

(i) Update respecting Labour Negotiations (Item 12.1)

See Item 33 of General Issues Committee Report 11-005(c) for the disposition of this item.

(ii) Pending Acquisition of Property for City Purposes – 2015 Pan Am Games (Item 12.2)

Direction provided to staff In Camera.

There being no further business, the Committee adjourned at 11:02 a.m.

Respectfully submitted

Councillor L. Ferguson
Deputy Mayor

Carolyn Biggs, Co-ordinator
Committee Services/Council/Budgets
April 20, 2011