Strategic Planning and Budgets
REPORT 05-013
Wednesday, November 2, 2005
1:30 p.m.
Council Chambers
Hamilton City Hall
71 Main Street West, Hamilton

Present: Mayor L. Dilanni (Chair)
Councillor B. McHattie (Vice-Chair)
Councillors P. Bruckler, D. Mitchell and T. Whitehead

Absent with regrets: Councillor D. Braden – Out of Town

Also Present: Councillor Ferguson
G. Peace, City Manager
C. Graham, Director, Human Resources
L.A. Coveyduck, General Manager of Planning and Economic Development
J. Kay, General Manager/Chief, Hamilton Emergency Services
S. Stewart, General Manager, Public Works
J. Rinaldo, General Manager, Corporate Services
S. Paparella, Legislative Assistant, Clerk’s Office

Vice Chair B. McHattie called the meeting to order.

THE STRATEGIC PLANNING AND BUDGETS COMMITTEE PRESENTS
REPORT 05-013 AND RESPECTFULLY RECOMMENDS:

1. 2005 Tax and Rate Operating Budget Variance Report to August 31, 2005 (FCS05107) (City Wide) (Item 8.1)

(a) That the 2005 Tax and Rate Operating Budget Variance Report to August 31, 2005 be received.

(b) That, if required, a department head must submit to Council requests to exceed their 2005 Departmental Budget and provide Council with mitigation options.
2. **2004 Audit Management Letters of City of Hamilton Boards (FCS05109) (City Wide) (Item 8.2)**

That the internal control findings and management responses in the 2004 audit management letters of the City of Hamilton Boards, as outlined in Appendices “A” to “O”, be received.

**FOR THE INFORMATION OF COUNCIL:**

(a) **CHANGES TO THE AGENDA**

The Clerk noted the following change, which was approved:

(i) Item 7.1 – 2004 Audit Management Letters to the City of Hamilton Boards (FCS05109) has been moved to Item 8.2, as there will be no staff presentation.

(b) **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were none declared.

(c) **APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

The Minutes of the October 19, 2005, Strategic Planning and Budgets Committee were received and adopted, as presented.

(d) **2005 Tax and Rate Operating Budget Variance Report to August 31, 2005 (FCS05107) (City Wide) (Item 8.1)**

Councillor T. Whitehead assumed the Chair in order that Councillor B. McHattie could speak to this item. Councillor B. McHattie then resumed the Chair.

(e) **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 2:13 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Councillor B. McHattie, Vice-Chair

Stephanie Paparella
Legislative Assistant
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