Present: Deputy Mayor S. Merulla  
Mayor R. Bratina  
Councillors B. Clark, C. Collins, J. Farr, L. Ferguson,  

Absent: Councillors S. Duvall, R. Powers – City Business  
Councillor B. McHattie – Vacation

1. **CHANGES TO THE AGENDA**

   The Clerk advised that there were no changes to the agenda.

   *(Johnson/Clark)*  
   That the agenda be approved as presented.  
   **CARRIED**

2. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

   None.

3. **APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES**

   None.

4. **STAFF PRESENTATIONS**

   **4.1 2014 Council Referred Items and Requested Enhancements (No Copy)**

   Mike Zegarac, Acting General Manager of Finance and Corporate Services, provided a PowerPoint presentation and spoke to the following issues:
Purpose of today’s meeting is to present additional information and if the Committee so wishes, to deliberate on the Council-Refereed and Council-Requested Enhancements.

Previous presentations identified that these items are not included in the preliminary budget.

14 Council-referred items to the 2014 budget process and gross impact if all items approved.

8 Council-requested enhancements submitted to the 2014 budget process and gross impact if all items approved.

2 items relate to grants i.e., funding for Agricultural and Rural Affairs Committee and SuperCrawl; staff are recommending that as the grants program is currently being reviewed and staff will be reporting back, it would be appropriate to provide one-time funding in 2014.

With respect to the Council-referred item respecting “Health Promotion Problem Gambling” which has a gross impact of $70,000, staff has assumed, as per Council direction, that the $70,000 for this program would be funded from the increase in slot revenues.

A copy of the PowerPoint presentation was distributed and can be viewed on the City of Hamilton website.

**(Johnson/Pearson)**

That the presentation respecting the 2014 Council Referred Items and Requested Enhancements be received. **CARRIED**

(a) That the following items be referred for consideration during budget deliberations.

**(Clark/Pearson)**

(i) Council-requested Enhancement Item D-1 – Zoning By-law Review for Planning Applications (Planning and Economic Development) (Appendix 1-7) in the amount of $60,054 gross; $60,054 net. **CARRIED**

**(Jackson/Whitehead)**

(ii) Council-referred Enhancement Item C4 – Adult Day Care User Subsidy (Community and Emergency Services) (Appendix 1-6) in the amount of $65,000 gross; $65,000 net. **CARRIED**

**(Partridge/Pearson)**

(iv) Council-requested Enhancement Item D2 – Update AMANDA System per the recommendations of the Open for Business Review (Planning & Economic Development) (Appendix 1-7) in the amount of $67,000 gross; $67,000 net. **CARRIED**
(Johnson/Pearson)
(v) Council-requested Enhancement D3 – Early Years System Management (Community & Emergency Services) (Appendix 1-7) in the amount of $98,330 gross; $0 net.  
CARRIED

(Jackson/Collins)
(vi) Council-requested Enhancement D4 – Ambulance Staffing – one ambulance 24/7 (Community and Emergency Services) (Appendix 1-7) in the amount of $538,629 gross; $269,314 net.  
CARRIED

(Jackson/Whitehead)
(vii) Council-referred Enhancement C3 – Hamilton Centre for Civic Inclusion (HCCI) (Community and Emergency Services) (Appendix 1-6) in the amount of $50,000 gross; $50,000 net.  
CARRIED

(Jackson/Johnson)
(b) That $300,000 of the $1,370,000 Council-Requested Enhancement D7 – Storm Water Facilities Maintenance Program (Public Works) (Appendix 1-7) be forwarded to the budget deliberations for consideration.  
CARRIED

The Motion CARRIED on the following recorded vote:

Yeas: Morrow, Collins, Jackson, Bratina, Partridge, Johnson  
Total Yeas: 6
Nays: Clark, Pearson, Pasuta  
Total Nays: 3
Absent: Merulla, McHattie, Farr, Duvall, Whitehead, Powers, Ferguson  
Total Absent: 7

(c) That one-time funding be provided for the following Council-referred Enhancements:

(Johnson/Partridge)
(i) Council-referred Enhancement Item C14 – Agricultural and Rural Affairs Committee (Community Partnership) (Appendix 1-6) in the amount of $5,000 gross.  
CARRIED

(Collins/Jackson)
(vii) Council-referred Enhancement Item C10 – James Street North SuperCrawl Event (Community Partnership) (Appendix 1-6) in the amount of $80,000 gross; $0 net.  
CARRIED
(d) **(Johnson/Partridge)**
That funding for future years be revisited pending completion of the overall review of the grants program(s).

(e) **(Jackson/Whitehead)**
That staff be directed to provide a full presentation at a future meeting of the General Issues Committee with respect to Council-referred Enhancement C6 – Rapid Ready Expanding Mobility Choices in Hamilton (Public Works) (Appendix 1-6). **CARRED**

(f) **(Ferguson/Morrow)**
Council-requested Enhancement D6 – Tim Horton’s Field Operations (Public Works) (Appendix 1-7) in the amount of $832,350 gross; $0 net be deferred pending receipt of the report respecting Licensing Agreement with the Tiger Cats. **CARRED**

(g) That the following items be removed from the budget deliberations:

**(Whitehead/Johnson)**
(i) Council-referred Enhancement Item C1 – Property Maintenance and Security at Chedoke House (Balfour Estate) (Planning and Economic Development) (Appendix 1-6) in the amount of $20,000 gross; $20,000 net. **CARRED**

**(Whitehead/Jackson)**
(ii) Council-referred Enhancement Item C8 – Integrated Pest Management Control (Public Works) (Appendix 1-6) in the amount of $2,600,000 gross; $2,600,000 net. **CARRED**

(h) **(Jackson/Collins)**
That Council-requested Enhancement D5 – Tim Horton’s Field Capital Renewal Program (Public Works) (Appendix 1-7) in the amount of $300,000 gross; $300,000 net be deferred to the 2015 Operating budget for consideration.

(i) Directions to Staff:

**(i) Adult Day Program User Fee Subsidy**

**(Jackson/Whitehead)**
(aa) That staff be directed to provide a list of day programs that are offered across the City, including a breakdown of how and on what the funds are being spent;

(bb) That Council appeal to the Province to restore funding for Adult Day Programs. **CARRED**
(ii) Ambulance Staffing

(Clark/Whitehead)
That the Ombudsman be requested to review the ambulance offloading that is occurring, specifically, ambulances that are stuck at the hospital(s), and come up with a resolution to this matter. CARRIED

(iii) Integrated Pest Management Control

(Whitehead/Jackson)
That staff be directed to work with the Province to amend the pesticide legislation to allow pesticides to be used under certain conditions for sports fields. CARRIED

Councillor L. Ferguson requested that the record reflect his opposition to all enhancements.

It was understood by the Committee that any items listed on the Council-referred and Council-requested items which were not discussed will not be considered during the budget deliberations. These items include the following:

(a) Council-referred Item C5 – Health Promotion Problem Gambling

(b) Council-referred Item C7 – Street Sweeping Service Adjustment – Burlington Street Industrial Zone

(c) Council-referred Item C9 – Integrated Pest Management: Option 2 (Sports Field Replacement/Renovation)

(d) Council-referred Item C11 – Language Translation and Interpretation Services

(e) Council-referred Item C12 – Lobbyist Registry

(f) Council-requested Enhancement D8 – Court Administration Clerk (POA)

(g) Council-referred Item C13 – Open Data.

5. DISCUSSION ITEMS

5.1 Tim Horton’s Field Enhancements (PW14016) (City Wide) (City Wide)

(Partridge/Johnson)
That Report PW14016 respecting “Tim Horton’s Field Enhancements” be received. CARRIED
5.2 Centennial Parkway Regional Shopping Complex Transit Service (PW12009(b)) (Ward 5)

(Partridge/Johnson)
That Report PW12009(b) respecting “Centennial Parkway Regional Shopping Complex Transit Service” be received. CARRIED

5.3 Red Hill Business Park Transit Service (PW12100(a)) (Ward 11)

(Johnson/Jackson)
That Report PW12100(a) respecting “Red Hill Business Park Transit Service” be received. CARRIED

5.4 2014 Transit Service Enhancement Plan (PW14015) (City Wide)

(Partridge/Johnson)
That Report PW14015 respecting “2014 Transit Service Enhancement Plan” be received. CARRIED

5.5 Eligibility and Registration for Accessible Transportation Services (PW03128(g)) (City Wide)

(Partridge/Johnson)
That Report PW03128(g) respecting “Eligibility and Registration for Accessible Transportation Services” be received. CARRIED

5.6 Growth Management and Planning Divisions – AMANDA Staff and Program Enhancement (PED14035) (City Wide)

(Partridge/Johnson)
That Report PED14035 respecting “Growth Management and Planning Divisions – AMANDA Staff and Program Enhancement” be received. CARRIED

5.7 Program Enhancement – Zoning Examiner/Code Correlator (PED14036) (City Wide)

(Partridge/Johnson)
That Report PED14036 respecting “Program Enhancement – Zoning Examiner/Code Correlator” be received. CARRIED
5.8 Language Line Enhancement Pilot (FCS13020(a)) (City Wide)

(Partridge/Johnson)
That Report FCS13020(a) respecting “Language Line Enhancement Project” be received.  
CARRIED

5.9 Funding for Additional Paramedic Staff (CES14004) (City Wide)

(Partridge/Johnson)
That Report CES14004 respecting “Funding for Additional Paramedic Staff”, be received.  
CARRIED

6. MOTIONS

None

7. NOTICES OF MOTION

None

8. GENERAL INFORMATION/OTHER BUSINESS

None

9. PRIVATE & CONFIDENTIAL

None

10. ADJOURNMENT

(Partridge/Pasuta)
There being no further business, the Committee adjourned at 12:30 p.m.  
CARRIED

Respectfully submitted

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General Issues Committee

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