January 15, 2014

Present: Mayor R. Bratina

On behalf of City Council, Mayor R. Bratina expressed deepest sympathies and condolences on the loss of their colleague, Councillor Bernie Morelli.

Mayor Bratina requested that all City flags be flown at half mast, and in consideration of Councillor Morelli’s long-standing service on the Hamilton Police Services Board, that the flags at all police stations in the City be flown at half staff. Mayor Bratina also declared that any citizens with flags on their property who wish to show their respects also lower their flags to half mast.

Mayor Bratina advised that the General Issues Committee meetings scheduled for January 15 and 17, 2014, will be rescheduled to a future date, and members will be advised accordingly.

The meeting stood recessed at 9:42 a.m.

January 22, 2014

Present: Deputy Mayor B. McHattie (Chair)
Mayor R. Bratina

Absent with Regrets: Councillor B. Clark – Illness
January 27, 2014

Present: Deputy Mayor B. McHattie (Chair)
Mayor R. Bratina
Councillors B. Clark, C. Collins, S. Duvall, J. Farr,
L. Ferguson, T. Jackson, B. Johnson, S. Merulla,
J. Partridge, R. Pasuta, M. Pearson, R. Powers,
T. Whitehead

THE FOLLOWING ITEMS WERE REPORTED TO COUNCIL FOR CONSIDERATION:

1. Hamilton Police Service Monthly Report PSB13-114 (Item 5.1)
   (Johnson/Partridge)
   That Hamilton Police Service Monthly Report PSB13-114 be received. CARRIED

   (Johnson/Partridge)
   That Hamilton Police Service Monthly Report PSB13-124 be received. CARRIED

3. Statistics – Hamilton Community Correctional Centre (HCCC) – 94 York Blvd. (PSB13-113) (Item 5.3)
   (Johnson/Partridge)
   That Report PSB13-113 respecting “Statistics – Hamilton Community Correctional Centre (HCCC) – 94 York Blvd.”, be received. CARRIED

4. Hamilton Downtown/West Harbourfront Remediation Loan Pilot Program (PED09263(b)) (Wards 1, 2 and 3) (Outstanding Business List Item) (Item 5.5)
   (Johnson/Partridge)
   That Report PED09263(b) respecting “Hamilton Downtown/West Harbourfront Remediation Loan Pilot Program”, be received. CARRIED
5. Downtown Hamilton Business Improvement Area (B.I.A.) Revised Board of Management (PED19252(d)) (Ward 2) (Item 5.6)

(Johnson/Partridge)
That Donald Forbes be appointed to the Downtown Hamilton Business Improvement Area (B.I.A.) Board of Management.  

CARRIED

6. Community Improvement Initiatives Piers 5 to 8 (PED11188(d)) (Ward 2) (Ward 5.7)

(Johnson/Partridge)
That Report PED11188(d) respecting “Community Improvement Initiatives Piers 5 to 8” be received.  

CARRIED

7. City of Hamilton/Ministry of Transportation 2013/14 Dedicated Gas Tax Funding Agreement (Interim Six-Month Program) (FCS14011) (City Wide)

(Johnson/Partridge)
(a) That the Mayor and Acting General Manager, Finance & Corporate Services be authorized and directed to enter into an Agreement between the City of Hamilton and the Province of Ontario, related to the funding commitment made by the Province of Ontario to the Municipality under the Dedicated Gas Tax Funds For Hamilton’s Public Transportation Program;

(b) That the Mayor and Acting General Manager, Finance & Corporate Services be authorized and directed to execute the Letter of Agreement attached as Appendix "A" to Report FCS14011;

(c) That the By-law attached as Appendix "C" to Report FCS14011 authorizing and directing the Mayor and Acting General Manager, Finance & Corporate Services to sign a Letter of Agreement between the City of Hamilton and the Province of Ontario with respect to funding under the Dedicated Gas Tax Funds for Public Transportation Program, be passed;

(d) That, upon being passed, a certified copy of the By-law together with two copies of the signed Letter of Agreement be forwarded to the Ministry of Transportation.  

CARRIED
8. **West Harbour Piers 5 to 8 Servicing Studies and Pro Forma Analysis (PED14002) (Ward 2) (Item 7.4)**

**Bratina/Powers**

(a) That the Recommendations contained in Appendix “A” to Report PED14002 entitled “West Harbour Piers 5-8 Servicing Studies and Pro Forma Analysis”, be approved;

(b) That staff be directed to prepare and report back on a comprehensive implementation plan, including the recommendations above, with the goal being to prepare the Piers 5-8 lands to a state of “development-ready” by the end of 2018;

(c) That staff be directed to continue its established relationship with the Hamilton Waterfront Trust by authorizing the extension of the current management agreement with the purpose of expediting the specific West Harbour and Waterfront strategic Initiatives as approved in the 2014 Capital Budget, and report back to the General Issues committee by February 19, 2014 with a specific management recommendations.

*CARRED as amended*


**Hamilton Farmers’ Market (CM12009(a)) (City Wide)**

**Collins/Pasuta**

(a) That staff be directed to transition the current governance model of the Farmers’ Market to a model that includes vendor/stallholder and citizen participation;

(b) That a transition plan be developed and presented to the Farmers’ Market Sub-Committee that addresses finances, personnel matters, a draft terms of reference and other related materials;

(c) That the opportunities listed in Report CM12009(a) (hereto attached as Appendix “A”) be incorporated into the Farmers’ Market 2014 work plan, and that the work plan be added to the agenda of the next meeting of the Hamilton Farmers’ Market Sub-Committee;

(d) That the recommendation in Report CM12009(a) (hereto attached as Appendix “A”) be received and referred to the new governing body for their consideration and discussion.

*CARRED*

Validated Parking for Patrons of the Hamilton Farmers’ Market

(Powers/Ferguson)
(a) That staff implement a parking validation program in the York Street Parkade, which provides patrons of the Hamilton Farmers’ Market with 1 hour of validated parking in the York Street Parkade during Market hours;

(b) That a portion of Level 1B in the York Street Parkade be designated for short term parking;

(c) That the parking validation program be implemented on a pilot basis, commencing in February 2014 and ending no later than June 30, 2014;

(d) That the parking validation program be funded by stallholder fees designated for promotional purposes;

(e) That staff report back to the Hamilton Farmers’ Market Sub-committee on the results of the parking validation program prior to the expiry of the pilot period.

CARRIED

11. Transit Customer Information Service Enhancements Suite (PW14005) (City Wide) (Outstanding Business List Item) (Item 7.3)

(Powers/Johnson)
That Report PW14005 respecting “Transit Customer Information Service Enhancements Suite” be received.

CARRIED

12. Hamilton Music Strategy (PED14001) (City Wide) (Outstanding Business List Item) (Item 7.1)

(Pasuta/Bratina)
(a) That, the Vision, Mission, four goals and twelve objectives referenced on Pages 2 through 6 in the Hamilton Music Strategy, attached as Appendix “A” to Report PED14001, be approved;

(b) That Actions contained in the Hamilton Music Strategy, attached as Appendix “A” to Report PED14001, that do not require a change to policy or require additional financial and staff resources be endorsed by Council for implementation by staff;
(c) That a staff advisory team review each Action within the Hamilton Music Strategy to assign a corporate or community lead; estimate completion timelines; and identify where policy changes or additional financial resources would be required;

(d) That Actions within the Hamilton Music Strategy, attached as Appendix “A” to Report PED14001, which have policy, financial or staffing implications, identified through recommendation c), be the subject of reports back to the General Issues Committee for approval prior to implementation;

(e) That staff be directed to prepare a Terms of Reference, for a staff and community based Music Advisory Committee, to oversee the on-going governance and implementation of the Hamilton Music Strategy, attached as Appendix A to Report PED14001, for approval by the General Issues Committee;

(f) That staff be directed to establish a Music and Film Office, to be physically located within the Tourism Visitor Information Centre located at 28 James Street North 1st Floor (Lister Building);

(g) That a one-time budget of $50,000 from Economic Development Initiatives #360908900 be approved for the establishment of the Music and Film Office, Committee costs, and collateral materials. CARRIED

13. Relocation of Provincial Offences Administration (POA) Courtrooms and Offices (PED13204(b)/PW13079(b)/LS13035(b)/FCS13090(b)) (City Wide) (Item 7.5(b))

(Pearson/Ferguson)
That Report PED13204(b)/PW13079(b)/LS13035(b)/FCS13090(b) respecting “Relocation of Provincial Offences Administration (POA) Courtrooms and Offices” be received. CARRIED

14. Relocation of Provincial Offences Administration (POA) Courtrooms and Offices (PED13204/PW13079/LS13035/ FCS13090) (City Wide) (Item 7.5)

(Collins/Ferguson)
(a) That McMaster University’s Continuing Education Program, presently housed at 50 Main Street East, remain in its current location until January 1, 2015, at which time the City of Hamilton will require vacant possession;

(b) That Option 1: Renovation of 50 Main Street East, be approved as the new location for the Provincial Offences Administration (POA) courtrooms and offices along with other municipal divisions/departments;
(c) That the design costs in the amount of $3M, as contained in the proposed 2014 Capital Budget be approved, and that staff report back to Council once the total costs have been finalized after the completion of the design work;

(d) That the General Managers of Public Works Department and Corporate Services Department have delegated authority to execute all related agreements with Hamilton Utilities Corporation (HUC) in relation to the district energy system for the City-owned Court House at 50 Main Street East;

(e) That the Mayor and Clerk be authorized and directed to execute all necessary documents in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor;

(f) That the funding strategy for Option 1 ($32.38M) be as follows:

(i) $17.48M be funded from additional net Provincial Offences Administration (POA) revenues and lease cost savings ($1.7M annual financing costs for 15 years).

(ii) $10M be funded from the Capital Levy ($1M annual financing costs for 15 years).

(iii) $4.90M be funded by Hamilton Community Energy for the installation of District Energy in Option 1: 50 Main Street East;

(g) That 50 Main Street East remain as the permanent location for Ontario Municipal Board (OMB) hearings and, when not in use, that staff be authorized and directed to generate revenue from renting this courtroom;

(h) That City staff be authorized and directed to provide termination notices, at appropriate timing, pursuant to terms and conditions of leases affected by this Report, including the Ontario Realty Corporation (ORC) and McMaster University.

CARRIED

15. Niagara to Greater Toronto Area (NGTA) Corridor Planning and Environmental Assessment Study – Western Golden Horseshoe Municipal Network Charter (PW13020(b)/PED13044(b)) (City Wide) (Item 8.1)

(Bratina/Johnson)

(a) That the City Manager be authorized to sign the Western Golden Horseshoe Municipal Network Charter on behalf of the City of Hamilton;
(b) That staff be authorized to further participate in the Western Golden Horseshoe Municipal Network planning sessions to collaboratively and proactively work with the Province of Ontario and the Ministry of Transportation on strategic initiatives related to the planning of the Niagara to Greater Toronto Area project;

(c) That staff report back to the General Issues Committee (GIC) at key milestones in the work being completed by the Western Golden Horseshoe Network.

CARRIED

16. Service Delivery Review – Call Handling Review Implementation (FCS13098/CM13017) (City Wide) (Item 8.2)

(Powers/Collins)
(a) That a single point of contact be established for service and information calls coming into the City and supporting technology, which includes a Customer Relationship Management System and Knowledge Management System, be acquired to simplify access to City services, and:

(i) That calls from the call handling areas identified in Appendix A to Report CM13017/FCS13098 be consolidated to the Customer Contact Centre (CCC) to simplify and improve service to citizens;
(ii) That as implementation occurs, other calls be identified for consolidation;

(b) That the $2.918 million cost of the implementation be repaid from the projected annual savings of $1 million annually following a two (2) year implementation period and initially be funded from the following Reserves:

(i) From account #112243 – Enterprise Fund Reserve $1.5 million
(ii) From account #112300 – Investment Stabilization Reserve $1.418 million;

(c) That any staffing adjustments be made in accordance with collective bargaining agreements and reported to Council as per the Complement Control Policy;

(d) That progress on implementation be reported to Council as implementation occurs, including tracking of departmental savings;

(e) That staff continue to pursue additional opportunities to improve citizen-centred design of services and migration of services to lower cost service channels.

CARRIED
17. Hamilton Technology Centre (HTC) – Maintenance and Repairs (PED14005) (Ward 15) (Item 8.3)

(Jackson/Ferguson)

(a) That the required maintenance and repairs on the Hamilton Technology Centre (HTC) totaling $223,000 be approved for 2014;

(b) That the costs of this maintenance and repairs be funded from the Economic Development Investment Reserve Fund Account No. 112221;

(c) That a Reserve be created and be used to fund capital improvements and maintenance for the Hamilton Technology Centre. That this reserve be funded through surpluses generated by the Hamilton Technology Centre. CARRIED


Care Giver/Support Worker Parking Consideration (Item 8.4)

(Merulla/Farr)

That the appropriate Planning staff be directed to attend an upcoming Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities meeting to discuss the issue of parking enforcement on personal support workers, care givers and nurses in the downtown area. CARRIED


(a) Review of Senior Staff and Elected Official Benefits HUR13017 (City Wide)

(Ferguson/Pearson)

(i) That staff be directed to extend basic life insurance coverage for Senior Staff (City Manager and General Managers) and Elected Officials past age 70 while in active service;

(ii) That the current Basic Life Full coverage be continued for Senior Staff (City Manager and General Managers) and Elected Officials past age 70 while in active service;

(iii) That the contents of Report HUR13017 respecting benefits for Senior Staff and Elected Officials remain confidential as it contains information related to labour relations and employee negotiations. CARRIED
(b) Non-Union Management & Professional Exempt Group Compensation for 2013 (HUR13016) (City Wide)

(Ferguson/Pearson)

(i) That the salary schedule for the Non-Union Management and Professional Exempt Employee Group be increased by 1.9% (estimated cost at $1.50 million) effective January 1, 2014, to be consistent with the 2011 Memorandum of Settlement for CUPE Local 5167, and that individual salaries be adjusted accordingly;

(ii) That the contents of Report HUR13016 respecting the compensation of the Non-Union Management and Professional Exempt group of employees remain confidential as it contains information related to labour relations and employee negotiations.  

CARRIED

20. Bell Canada Municipal Access Agreement (LS14001/PW14006) (City Wide)

(Pearson/Johnson)

(a) That Report LS14001/PW14006 respecting Bell Canada Municipal Access Agreement be received;

(b) That the contents of Report LS14001/PW14006 remain confidential.  

CARRIED

21. City v Attorney General of Canada, Superior Court Action C383-04 – Litigation Update (LS04021(g)) (City Wide)

(Ferguson/Clark)

(a) That Report LS04021(g) respecting City v. Attorney General of Canada, Superior Court Action C383-04 – Litigation Update, be received;

(b) That the contents of Report LS04021(g) remain confidential.  

CARRIED

22. Legal Fees to Date Associated with the Red Hill Valley Parkway Lawsuit

(McHattie/Whitehead)

That the City of Hamilton publicly release all legal costs and disbursements associated with the Red Hill Valley Parkway lawsuit to date against the Federal Government of Canada which amounts to the following:
23. **Freedom of Information Request to the Federal Government to Disclose Costs of the Red Hill Valley Parkway Lawsuit**

*(Clark/Ferguson)*

Whereas the Federal Government to date has not released its legal expenses with respect to the Red Hill Valley Parkway lawsuit by the City of Hamilton; and,

Whereas there is no instrument for Members of Parliament to secure legal costs.

Therefore Be It Resolved:

That staff be directed to file a Federal Freedom of Information request for all legal costs to date on the City of Hamilton v. Attorney General of Canada, Superior Court Action C383-04 Red Hill Valley Parkway litigation. **CARRIED**

20. **Naming Rights for Copps Coliseum (New Business)**

*(Farr/Pearson)*

(a) That Global Spectrum’s recommendation, as permitted within the Management Agreement between the City of Hamilton and Global Spectrum, to grant naming rights at Copps Coliseum to First Ontario Credit Union, a proven community partner and the largest financial institution with their Head Office in Hamilton, be approved;

(b) That the Facility Naming Sub-Committee be directed to investigate additional naming opportunities to permanently recognize the contributions made by Victor K. Copps to the City of Hamilton, and report back to the General Issues Committee by April, 2014. **CARRIED**
FOR THE INFORMATION OF COUNCIL:

Rikki Frith appeared before the Committee to extend thanks to the City for its support and leadership of the United Way Campaign fundraising. The City’s campaign reached $130,500 this year, which is the single largest increase in the City’s history. Ms. Frith also thanked Council for their donations, getting involved in all of the fundraising special events and encouraging the type of corporate culture that allows employees to do the same.

(a) CHANGES TO THE AGENDA (Item 1)

The Committee Clerk advised of the following changes:

ADDED CONSENT ITEM

5.9 City of Hamilton/Ministry of Transportation 2013/14 Dedicated Gas Tax Funding Agreement (Interim Six-Month Program) (FCS14011) (City Wide)

PRESENTATIONS

7.2 The Current and Future State of Hamilton’s Advanced Manufacturing Sector (PED14006) (City Wide)

This item has been re-scheduled to the February 19 meeting of the Committee to allow the consultants to be able to present to the Committee.

ADDED DISCUSSION


PRIVATE & CONFIDENTIAL

12.3 City v. Attorney General of Canada, Superior Court Action C383-04 – Litigation Update (LS04021(g)) (City Wide)

12.4 Bell Canada Municipal Access Agreement (LS14001/PW14006) (City Wide)

As external legal counsel is required for the discussion of these items, these two reports are deferred to the January 27 meeting of the General Issues Committee.
ADDED PRIVATE & CONFIDENTIAL

12.5 Personnel Matter respecting Recreation Facilities (No Copy)
Pursuant to Sub-section 8.1(b) of the City’s Procedural By-law and Sub-section 239(2) of the Ontario Municipal Act, 2001, as the subject matter pertains to personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal and local board employees

MOTIONS

9.1 City of Hamilton Lawsuit against the Federal Government respecting the Red Hill Valley Parkway

As a result of the In Camera report being deferred to January 27, discussion of this motion will also be deferred to January 27.

(Farr/Merulla)
That the agenda be approved as amended. CARRIED

(b) DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (Item 2)

None

(c) APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES (Item 3.1)

(Johnson/Pearson)
That the following Minutes of the General Issues Committee meetings be approved as presented:

(i) November 26, 2013 (2014 Draft Budget Overview)
(ii) November 28, 2013 (2014 Tax-Supported Capital Budget)
(iii) December 4 and 6, 2013 (Regular)
(iv) December 6, 2013 (2014 Rate Budget/2014 Capital Budget)
(v) December 11, 2013 (Special GIC – Land Acquisition) CARRIED

(d) DELEGATION REQUESTS

(i) Request from Scott Warren, Global Spectrum, to seek approval on Naming Rights for Copps Coliseum (Item 4.1)

(Farr/Collins)
That the request from Scott Warren, Global Spectrum, to seek approval on Naming Rights for Copps Coliseum, be approved, and that Mr. Warren be approved to address the Committee on January 27, 2014. CARRIED
(ii) Request from Christopher B. Cutler to speak to the issue of putting out a Request for Proposal leading to the privatization of the Hamilton Farmers’ Market (Item 4.2)

(Farr/Jackson)

That the delegation request from Christopher B. Cutler to speak to the issue of putting out a Request for Proposal leading to the privatization of the Hamilton Farmers’ Market be approved. CARRIED

(iii) Request from Sylvia Boyce, Health and Safety Co-ordinator, Ontario and Atlantic Canada, United Steelworkers Canadian National Office, respecting Enforcement of the Criminal Code/Westray Bill (Item 4.3)

(Duvall/Jackson)

That the delegation request from Sylvia Boyce, Health and Safety Co-ordinator, Ontario and Atlantic Canada, United Steelworkers Canadian National Office, respecting Enforcement of the Criminal Code/Westray Bill be approved. CARRIED

(iv) Request from the United Steelworkers (Mike Hnatjuk, Frank Miceli, Michael Miscio, Peter Ridehalgh) to speak to the Westray Bill Enforcement (Item 4.4)

(Duvall/Jackson)

That the delegation request from the United Steelworkers (Mike Hnatjuk, Frank Miceli, Michael Miscio, Peter Ridehalgh) to speak to the Westray Bill Enforcement CARRIED

(e) CONSENT ITEMS

(i) Minutes of Various Sub-Committees (For Information Purposes Only) (Item 5.4)

(Johnson/Partridge)

That the following Minutes of Sub-Committees be received:

(aa) Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities – October 8, 2013

(bb) Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities – November 12, 2013

(cc) Business Improvement Area Advisory Committee – October 8, 2013

(dd) Business Improvement Area Advisory Committee – November 12, 2013 CARRIED
(ii) 2014 Corporate-Based Departmental Business Plans (CM12017(b))
(City Wide) (Item 5.8)

(Johnson/Partridge)
That the 2014 Departmental Business Plans, attached as Appendix “A” to Report CM12017(b), be referred to the General Issues Committee Departmental budget meetings for presentation and discussion.

CARRIED

(f) PUBLIC HEARINGS/DELEGATIONS

(i) Scott Warren from Global Spectrum respecting Naming Rights for Copps Coliseum (Item 6.1) (January 27)

Scott Warren from Global Spectrum and Kelly McGiffin of First Ontario Credit Union provided a presentation to the Committee with respect to the naming rights for Copps Coliseum. With the assistance of a PowerPoint presentation, the following issues were addressed:

- Important factors for Naming Rights, including:
  - Partner had to be willing to honour Victor K. Copps
  - Partner would be locally based, if possible
  - Partner had to be a true partner, not just a name on the venue
  - We had to seek support from the Copps Family
- First Ontario Background/Story
- First Ontario Performance Highlights

Scott Warren read a letter from Sheila Copps in support of Global Spectrum and First Ontario’s commitment to retaining the “Victor K. Copps” name on the arena, and displayed renderings of how the name would be retained on the facility.

A copy of the PowerPoint presentation was submitted to the Clerk for the public record and can be viewed on the City’s website.

(Clark/Johnson)
That the presentation respecting Naming Rights for Copps Coliseum be received.

CARRIED

See Item 23 for the disposition of this item.

(g) PRESENTATIONS

(Pearson/Partridge)
That the order of presentations be approved, as follows:

7.4 West Harbour Piers 5 to 8 Servicing Studies and Pro Forma Analysis (PED14002) (Ward 2)

7.1 Hamilton Music Strategy (PED14001) (City Wide) (Outstanding Business List Item)

7.3 Transit Customer Information Service Enhancements Suite (PW14005) (City Wide) (Outstanding Business List Item)

7.5(b) Relocation of Provincial Offences Administration (POA) Courtrooms and Offices (PED13204(b)/PW13079(b)/LS13035(b)/FCS13090(b)) (City Wide)

7.5(a) Revisions to Relocation of Provincial Offences Administration (POA) Courtrooms and Offices (PED13204(a)/PW13079(a)/LS13035(a)/FCS13090(a)) (City Wide)

7.5 Relocation of Provincial Offences Administration (POA) Courtrooms and Offices (PED13204/PW13079/LS13035/ FCS13090) (City Wide) CARRIED

(i) West Harbour Piers 5-8 Servicing Studies and Pro Forma Analysis (PED14002) (Ward 2) (Item 7.4)

Chris Murray, City Manager, provided open remarks, and stated that this undertaking is front and centre in the strategic plan, and has tremendous importance to this community. Chris Phillips will be presenting not just servicing requirements in order to make development in the harbour area successful, but will be speaking to marketing potential.

Prior to his presentation, Chris Phillips publicly recognized members of team and the consultants, and thanked them for all of their dedication and efforts on this project. Mr. Phillips also acknowledged and thanked Werner Plessl from the Hamilton Waterfront Trust, who acted as Project Manager throughout this undertaking, for his involvement.

The context of the presentation spoke to waterfront redevelopment and benefits for the long term. With the assistance of a PowerPoint presentation, Mr. Phillips addressed the following issues:

- Overall Waterfront Plan – Successes over time
- Waterfront Initiatives
- The West Harbour – Understanding the “Area of Influence”
- Waterfront and Shoreline – “Corporate Team” Structure
- Waterfront Initiatives – Work Plan and Accomplishments
- Issues related to the City’s Waterfront Development
- West Harbour – Piers 5-8 Servicing Studies – Moving from Planning to Building
• “Setting Sail” Secondary Plan – Identification of Land Use; Permitted Uses Piers 6-8
• Waterfront – West Harbour
• West Harbour – Piers 5-8 Servicing Studies – Project Scope of Work; “Snapshot” of the Preliminary Conclusions; Overview – Pier 8 private-sector development; Economic Benefits – Pier 8 private-sector development
• Conceptual Watermain Plan; Conceptual Stormwater Plan; Conceptual Sanitary Plan
• Waterfront – West Harbour – Capital Investment to be “Development Ready”
• Waterfront West Harbour – Servicing Study Recommendations and Work Plan
• Next Steps and Constraints
• Staff Recommendations

(Jackson/Powers)
That the presentation from Chris Phillips, Senior Advisor, Planning and Economic Development, be received. CARRIED

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

(McHattie/Jackson)
That the following be added as sub-section (c):

(c) That staff be directed to continue its established relationship with the Hamilton Waterfront Trust by authorizing the extension of the current management agreement with the purpose of expediting the specific West Harbour and Waterfront strategic Initiatives as approved in the 2014 Capital Budget, and report back to the General Issues committee by February 19, 2014 with a specific management recommendations. Amendment CARRIED
Motion as amended CARRIED

(Jackson/Powers)
That the presentation be received. CARRIED

(ii) Hamilton Farmers’ Market Sub-Committee Report 13-003 – Hamilton Farmers’ Market (CM12009(a)) (City Wide) (Item 7.6)

John Hertel, Director of Finance, Administration and Revenue Generation, appeared before the Committee to provide an update on the Farmers’ Market.

With the assistance of a PowerPoint presentation, Mr. Hertel spoke to the following:
• Recent events/Context of today’s presentation
• Action Register – Governance; Parking; Signage; Empty Stalls; Hours of Operation; Cell/Wi-Fi Coverage; Ventilation/Temperature/Humidity; Pick up/Delivery; New Canadians/Marketing

Mr. Hertel clarified that model being pursued is not a stallholder-run board; what stallholders really want is a voice; want to be part of the input and key decisions.

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

(Collins/Merulla)
That the presentation from John Hertel, Director of Finance, Administration and Revenue Generation, respecting Hamilton Farmers’ Market Sub-Committee Report 13-003, be received. CARRIED

(iii) Transit Customer Information Service Enhancements Suite (PW14005) (City Wide) (Outstanding Business List) (Item 7.3)

(Powers/Pearson)
That the presentation respecting Report PW14005, Transit Customer Information Service Enhancements Suite, be waived. CARRIED

(iv) Hamilton Music Strategy (PED14001) (City Wide) (Item 7.1)

Jacqueline Norton, Business Development Consultant, appeared before the Committee to present a Music Strategy which sets out a shared vision, mission, goals and objectives related to all things music.

With the assistance of a PowerPoint presentation, Ms. Norton spoke to the following:

• Hamilton’s Strategic Plan – Strategic Priority #1 – A Prosperous and Healthy Community
• Creative Industries Cluster – Vision
• List of Members of the Working Group
• Why are we doing this?
• What do we hope to achieve today?
• Current Setting and Factors
• Community Engagement
• Draft Hamilton Music Strategy – high level review of key components
• Core segments of music scene
• Hamilton’s Music Strategy Vision
• Mission; Goals; Twelve Objectives; Outcomes; Measures of Success
• Next Steps/Conclusions
A copy of the presentation was distributed to the Committee and can be viewed on the City of Hamilton website.

(Pasuta/Bratina)
That the presentation from Jacqueline Norton, Business Development Consultant, respecting the Hamilton Music Strategy, be received. 

CARRIED

(v) Relocation of Provincial Offences Administration (POA) Courtrooms and Offices (PED13204b/PW13079b/LS13035b/FCS13090b) (Item 7.5(b)
Revisions to Relocation of Provincial Offences Administration (POA) Courtrooms and Offices (PED13204a/PW13079a/LS13035a/FCS13090a)
Relocation of Provincial Offences Administration (POA) Courtrooms and Offices (PED13204/PW13079b/LS13035/FCS13090) (Item 7.5(b)

Neil Everson, Director of Economic Development, specifically spoke to the additional information which was requested by the Committee in November, 2013. Mr. Everson indicated that it is imperative to meet the August, 2013 deadline as the City must vacate current premises by that date.

John Alley from MHPM Consultants was also in attendance to respond to questions of the Committee.

With the assistance of a PowerPoint presentation, various staff spoke to the following issues:

Neil Everson, Director, Economic Development
• Chronology

Joe Spiler, Manager, Capital Budgets and Development
• Financial Analysis

Ron Sabo, Assistant City Solicitor
• POA Revenue Growth
• POA Revenues 2005-2013
• Additional Revenues and Savings
• Legal Analysis

Rom D’Angelo, Director, Facilities Management and Capital Programs
• Financial Analysis – Construction
• Total area of 50 Main Street East
• Staffing (based on four Courtrooms)
Neil Everson
• Importance of Location

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

(Pearson/Ferguson)
That the presentation respecting the Relocation of Provincial Offences Administration (POA) Courtrooms and Offices be received. **CARRIED**

(vi) The Current and Future State of Hamilton’s Advanced Manufacturing Sector (PED14006) (City Wide) (Item 7.2)

The above-noted presentation has been rescheduled to the February 19, 2014 meeting of the General Issues Committee.

(h) DISCUSSION ITEMS

(i) Service Delivery Review – Call Handling Review Implementation (FCS13098/CM13017) (City Wide)

(Ferguson/Powers)
That Report FCS13096/CM13017 respecting “Service Delivery Review – Call Handling Review Implementation” be lifted from the table. **CARRIED**

Beth Goodger, Director of Corporate Initiatives, referenced slides from the PowerPoint presentation which was presented to the Committee at their meeting on December 4, 2013 and provided updates on the following:

• Outcome of discussions with the Unions
• Municipal experience with the technology that the City is investing in
• Methodology to realize savings.

Ms. Goodger also provided an overview of the recommendations contained in Report FCS13096/CM13017.

(Collins/Merulla)
That the presentation from Beth Goodger, Director of Corporate Initiatives, respecting “Service Delivery Review – Call Handling Review Implementation”, be received. **CARRIED**
(i) MOTIONS

(i) Public Art Piece Honouring Lincoln M. Alexander (Item 9.2) (January 22)

(Bratina/Ferguson)
That staff be directed to report back to the General Issues Committee on the feasibility and funding required to develop a public art piece honouring Lincoln Alexander.  CARRIED

(ii) City of Hamilton Lawsuit against the Federal Government respecting the Red Hill Valley Parkway (Item 9.1) (January 27)

Deputy Mayor B. McHattie relinquished the Chair to speak to his Motion respecting City of Hamilton Lawsuit against the Federal Government respecting the Red Hill Valley Parkway and withdrew the Motion.

(iii) Legal Fees to Date Associated with the Red Hill Valley Parkway Lawsuit (New Business)

The Motion CARRIED on the following recorded vote:

Yeas: Clark, Pearson, Johnson, Pasuta, Partridge, Bratina, McHattie, Whitehead, Duvall, Jackson, Collins, Merulla, Farr
Total Yeas: 13
Nays: Ferguson
Total Nays: 1
Absent: Powers
Total Absent: 1

(j) NOTICES OF MOTION

Mayor R. Bratina introduced the following Notice of Motion:

Establishment of a Brownfields Blue Ribbon Task Force

That staff be directed to report back to the Planning Committee on the establishment of a Brownfields Blue Ribbon Task Force to develop procurement strategies and remediation of lands.
(k) OTHER BUSINESS/GENERAL INFORMATION

(i) Outstanding Business List Items

(aa) Revised Due Dates

(Ferguson/Pasuta)
That the due dates for the following items on the Outstanding Business List be amended accordingly, as follows:

Item V: Citizens’ Committee Report on Farmers’ Market White Paper
Due Date: January 15, 2014
Revised Due Date: April 16, 2014

Item W: Temporary Promotional Transit Fare Special Program
Due Date: November 20, 2013
Revised Due Date: May 7, 2014  CARRIED

(bb) Items to be removed from the Outstanding Business List:

(Ferguson/Pasuta)
That the following items be deemed complete and removed from the Outstanding Business List:

Joint Municipal Opportunities for Bulk Purchasing (GIC – November 20, 2013)

Item C: Hamilton Downtown/West Harbourfront Remediation Loan Pilot Program Expansion and Continuance (Item 5.3)

Item Q: Waterfront and Shoreline (Item 7.3)

Item Y: Waterfront Initiatives Financing Strategy (Item 7.3)

Item CC: Establishment of a Hamilton Music Strategy (Item 7.1)

Item DD: Provincial Offences Administration Court House P/T Temporary Location Options (Items 8.4 and 8.4(a))

Item EE: Provincial Offences Administration Court House P/T Long-Term Location Options (Items 8.4 and 8.4(a))  CARRIED
(I) PRIVATE & CONFIDENTIAL

(i) Closed Session Minutes – December 4, 6 and 11, 2013

(Ferguson/Pearson)
(aa) That the Minutes of the Closed Session Meetings of the General Issues Committee held on December 4, 6 and 11, 2013, be approved;

(bb) That these Minutes remain confidential and restricted from public disclosure. CARRIED

(Powers/Pearson)
That the Committee move into Closed Session at 3:30 p.m. on January 22, 2014 pursuant to Sub-section 8.1(b) of the City’s Procedural By-law and Section 239(2) of the Ontario Municipal Act, 2001, as the subject matter pertains to personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal and local board employees respecting a Personnel Matter – Recreation Facilities. CARRIED

The Committee reconvened in Open Session.

(ii) Personnel Matter respecting Recreation Facilities

No action to be reported.

January 27, 2014

(Farr/Johnson)
That the Committee move into Closed Session at 9:57 on January 27, 2014 pursuant to Sub-section 8.1(e) of the City’s Procedural By-law and Section 239(2) of the Ontario Municipal Act, 2001, as the subject matters pertain to litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the municipality or local board respecting City v. Attorney General of Canada, Superior Court Action C383-04 (Item 12.3) and Bell Canada Municipal Access Agreement (Item 12.4). CARRIED

The Committee reconvened in Open Session.

(iii) Bell Canada Municipal Access Agreement (LS04001/LS14006) (City Wide) (Item 12.4)

Direction provided to staff in closed session.

See Item 20 for the disposition of this item.
(iii) City v. Attorney General of Canada, Superior Court Action C383-04 (LS04021(g)) (City Wide) (Item 12.3)

Direction provided to staff in closed session.

See Item 21 for the disposition of this item.

(m) PROCEDURAL MATTERS

January 22, 2014

The Committee recessed at 12:25 p.m. and reconvened at 1:00 p.m.

(i) West Harbour Piers 5-8 Servicing Studies and Pro Forma Analysis (PED14002) (Ward 2) (Item 7.4)

Deputy Mayor B. McHattie relinquished the Chair to Mayor Bratina in order to introduce an amendment to the recommendations.

(n) ADJOURNMENT

January 15, 2014

The Committee recessed at 9:42 a.m. Mayor Bratina advised that the Committee will reconvene at a date and time to be determined by the Clerk, in consultation with the City Manager.

January 22, 2014

(Pearson/Powers)
That the Committee recess at 3 p.m. and reconvene on Wednesday, January 22, 2014.  

CARRIED

January 27, 2014

(Pearson/Johnson)
That there being no further business, the Committee adjourned at 4:17 p.m.

CARRIED

Respectfully submitted

Councillor B. McHattie
Deputy Mayor

Carolyn Biggs
Legislative Co-ordinator