EMERGENCY & COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE
REPORT 10-001
1:30 p.m.
Wednesday, January 20, 2010
Hamilton Convention Centre
1 Summers Lane
Room 207
Hamilton, Ontario

Present: Councillors R. Pasuta (Chair), B. McHattie (1st Vice Chair), S. Merulla (2nd Vice Chair), S. Duvall, T. Jackson and B. Morelli

Absent with Regrets: Councillor M. McCarthy – Other City Business

Also Present: J. Priel, General Manager, Community Services
J. Kay, General Manager/Chief, Hamilton Emergency Services
M. Hazell, Senior Director, Parking & By-Law Services
T. Rees, Program Manager, Immigration Strategy
S. Paparella, Legislative Assistant, City Clerk’s Office

THE EMERGENCY & COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE PRESENTS REPORT 10-001 AND RESPECTFULLY RECOMMENDS:

1. Simultaneous Dispatch of Fire and Emergency Medical Services (EMS) to Life Threatening Emergencies (HES10001) (City Wide) (Item 5.1)

That Report HES10001 respecting the Simultaneous Dispatch for Fire and Emergency Medical Services to Life Threatening Emergencies, be received.

2. Homeownership Component of the Canada-Ontario Affordable Housing Program: Requests for Postponement of Second Mortgages (CS10002) (City Wide) (Item 5.2)

That the General Manager of the Community Services Department, or her designate, be authorized to execute the necessary documentation, required for
the amendments to second mortgage, as submitted by recipients of the Homeownerships Component of the Canada-Ontario Affordable Housing Program, in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor.

3. **Appointment of Administrator of the Ontario Works Act, 1997 (CS10003) (City Wide) (Item 5.3)**

   (a) That the appointment of Kerry Lubrick, as the Administrator of the Ontario Works Act, 1997, be approved.

   (b) That the appointment of Kerry Lubrick, as the Administrator of the Ontario Works Act, 1997, be submitted to the Minister of Community and Social Services for approval.

4. **Change in Procedure for Provision of Cribs and Car Seats for Ontario Works and Ontario Disability Support Program Recipients (CS10001) (City Wide) (Item 5.4)**

   (a) That Report CS10001 - Change in Procedure for Provision of Cribs and Car Seats for Ontario Works and Ontario Disability Support Program Recipients, be received.

   (b) That the General Manager / Chief, Hamilton Emergency Services, be directed to review the feasibility of offering clinics to Ontario Works recipients, who receive benefits for car seats, to attend at local fire halls to ensure the proper installation of those car seats.

5. **Recreation Grant Summary (CS10008) (City Wide) (Item 5.5)**

   That Report CS10008 – Recreation Grant Summary, be received.

6. **Hamilton Veterans’ Committee Annual Presentation (Item 7.1)**

   That the annual presentation, made by the Hamilton Veterans’ Committee to the Emergency & Community Services Committee, be received.

7. **Seniors Advisory Committee Annual Presentation (Item 7.2)**

   That the annual presentation, made by the Seniors Advisory Committee to the Emergency & Community Services Committee, be received.
8. Arts Advisory Commission Annual Presentation (Item 7.3)

That the annual presentation, made by the Arts Advisory Commission to the Emergency & Community Services Committee, be received.

9. Hamilton Veteran’s Committee Report 10-001 respecting Veterans’ Parking in the City of Hamilton (City Wide) (Item 8.1)

That the Hamilton Veteran’s Committee Report 10-001 respecting Veterans’ Parking in the City of Hamilton, be received.

10. Standardization of Emergency Response Vehicles - Emergency Medical Services (HES10003) (City Wide) (Item 8.2)

That the Chevrolet Tahoe Special Service Duty 4X4 vehicle, manufactured by General Motors, be approved as the City’s standard for Hamilton Emergency Services – Emergency Medical Services, Emergency Response Vehicle for a period of four (4) years (2009 through to 2012).

11. Standardization of Resident Lifting and Hygiene Equipment Including Related Accessories, Supplies and Maintenance (CS10005) (Wards 6 and 13) (Item 8.3)

(a) That ARJO® resident lifting and hygiene equipment be approved as the single sourced standard for the resident care program at Macassa and Wentworth Lodges for a period of five years;

(b) That the ARJO® accessories and supplies required for the use of ARJO® resident lifting and hygiene equipment be approved as the single sourced standard for the resident care program at Macassa and Wentworth Lodges for a period of five years;

(c) That the annual maintenance agreement work performed on ARJO® equipment at Macassa and Wentworth Lodges be single-sourced to ArjoHuntleigh Canada Incorporated.

12. Single Source Request for Pharmaceutical Services including Related Technology (CS10006) (Wards 6 and 13) (Item 8.4)

That Medical Pharmacies Group Inc. be approved as the Single Source for pharmaceutical services and related technology for a three year period for Macassa and Wentworth Lodges.

13. Immigration Strategy (CS09030(a)) (City Wide) (Item 8.5)
That Report CS09030(a) – Immigration Strategy, be received.

14. **Group Purchasing Service for Food and Related Supplies (Lodges) (CS10004) (Wards 6 and 13) (Item 8.6)**

   (a) That Complete Purchasing Services Inc. be approved as the single source vendor for group purchasing services for food and related supplies for the food service and nutrition programs at Macassa and Wentworth Lodges for a period of three years;

   (b) That Sysco Canada Inc., GFS Canada Company Inc., Agropur Cooperative (Division Natrel) and Canada Bread Company Ltd. be approved as single source vendors to be used in conjunction with the Complete Purchasing Services Inc. group purchasing program for food and related supplies for the food service and nutrition programs at Macassa and Wentworth Lodges.

FOR THE INFORMATION OF COUNCIL:

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

   There were no changes to the agenda.

   The agenda for the January 20, 2010 Emergency & Community Services Committee Operating Budget meeting was approved, as presented.

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

   There were none declared.

(c) **APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING (Item 3)**

   3.1 December 2, 2009

   The Minutes of the December 2, 2009 meeting of the Emergency & Community Services Committee were approved, as presented.

(d) **DELEGATION REQUESTS (ITEM 4)**

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4.1 John W. Richmond, Director Community Outreach, Breakout Educational Network, respecting Garrison Community Councils

The delegation request, submitted by John W. Richmond, Director Community Outreach, Breakout Educational Network, respecting Garrison Community Councils, was referred to the Hamilton Veteran’s Committee.

(e) Simultaneous Dispatch of Fire and Emergency Medical Services (EMS) to Life Threatening Emergencies (HES10001) (City Wide) (Item 5.1)

Item "X", respecting Simultaneous Dispatch of Fire and Emergency Medical Services to Life Threatening Emergencies, was considered complete and removed from the Emergency & Community Services Committee's Outstanding Business List.

(f) Fairness to Hamilton Campaign Sub-committee Minutes, March 5, 2009 (Item 5.7)

The March 5, 2009 Minutes of the Fairness to Hamilton Sub-committee were received.

(g) Advisory Committee Minutes (Item 5.8):

The following Advisory Committee Minutes were received:

(i) Arts Advisory Commission Minutes, August 25, 2009
(ii) Arts Advisory Commission Minutes, September 22, 2009
(iii) Arts Advisory Commission Minutes, October 27, 2009
(iv) Arts Advisory Commission Minutes, November 24, 2009
(v) Hamilton Historical Board Minutes, October 13, 2009
(vi) Seniors Advisory Committee Minutes, November 6, 2009
(vii) Tenant Advisory Committee Minutes, July 10, 2009
(viii) Tenant Advisory Committee Minutes, September 11, 2009
(ix) Tenant Advisory Committee Minutes, October 9, 2009
(x) Tenant Advisory Committee Minutes, November 13, 2009

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(xi) Hamilton Youth Advisory Committee, September 15, 2009

(xii) Hamilton Youth Advisory Committee, October 20, 2009

(h) **Hamilton Veterans’ Committee Annual Presentation (Item 7.1)**

Mr. Gerry Rattray, Chair of the Hamilton Veteran’s Committee, provided a PowerPoint presentation. The presentation included, but was not limited to, the following:

- The Veterans’ Committee acts as liaison for the veterans of the city of Hamilton on all veterans-related matters;
- Co-ordinates Remembrance and Memorial Services for the City of Hamilton;
- Provides input on projects and issues that are of concern to Veterans, i.e. Veteran parking, monuments and cenotaphs and Veterans Field of Honour;
- Provides direction and coordination for the Hamilton Remembrance Day Parade and Service, and two Decoration Day Memorial Services;
- Communicates with all Hamilton Veterans groups the Order of Service, Parade Orders, volunteer dignitaries, i.e. Saluting Officer, Clergy, etc.;
- Works with community citizens and local organizations as they assist in the coordination of Remembrance Day;
- Provides assistance (logistical, financial, etc.) to individual club events, i.e. Dieppe War Memorial Service, Royal Canadian Legion Drum Head Service, British Imperial Veterans Decoration Day Service;
- Liaises with United Council of Veterans and Presidents & Secretaries Association on any City-related Veterans issues;
- Provides clearance for any use of the Hamilton Cenotaph;
- Created the guidelines by which Veterans may be buried in the Field of Honour at Mount Hamilton, Woodland and Eastlawn cemeteries.
- Was consulted in the development of criteria to honour local Veterans;
- Has a representative on the Gore Park Master Plan Sub-committee; providing input and addressing concerns related to Gore Park and the Cenotaph.

- In addition to annual Memorial Services, the Veterans Committee:
  - Expanded membership to include an additional member;
  - Provided assistance in the coordination of the Dieppe Memorial Service;
  - Provides continued support to individual Veterans’ club events; and,
  - Revitalized the Presidents and Secretaries Association – a Veterans organization that meets to discuss issues, events and/or seek support within the Veterans Community.

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Goal:
- To continue to work with all Veterans’ Clubs from across the City, in an effort to stand together, as one collective voice, representing the entire City of Hamilton.

(i) Seniors Advisory Committee Annual Presentation (Item 7.3)

Mr. Ron Smithson, Chair of the Seniors Advisory Committee, provided a verbal presentation. The presentation included, but was not limited to, the following:

The Seniors Advisory Committee has:

- Provided advice respecting McNab Street Terminal;
- Attended the Mental Health and Addiction Seminar;
- Had a Dance with Seniors and Youth – Mix of Generations;
- Attends the Transportation Summit in April;
- Has a member on the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities to relay concerns and suggestions respecting seniors’ disabilities;
- Provides advice respecting affordable housing for seniors;
- Advised staff respecting the renovations to the library (revolving door required);
- Has a member on the Gore Park Master Plan working group;
- Has advised staff in Public Works respecting lines on the road and how quickly they fade, and are hard for seniors to see requested that staff review paint that is used;
- Collaborated with the Council on Aging respecting an Age Friendly City;
- Discussed, with the Director of Recreation at a Seniors Advisory Committee meeting, the concerns/suggestions respecting recreation facilities; and,
- Has a member on the Road Safety Committee.

(j) Arts Advisory Commission Annual Presentation (Item 7.2)

Renee Wetselaar, Co-Chair of the Arts Advisory Commission, provided a PowerPoint presentation. The presentation included, but was not limited to, the following:

Accomplishments:
- Adjudication of the Community Partnership Program – Culture Stream applications;
- Hosted the 2008 Arts Awards; and,
- Coordinated numerous consultations and presentations by community organizations and collaborations.
Current Projects:
• Big Picture Revisited - November 14, 2009;
• 2009 Community Partnership Program adjudication for the Culture Stream;
• Preparation of Request for Proposal and review of the Arts Awards Program;
• Involvement as advisory group for CityHousing Hamilton artist live/work project; and,
• Continue liaison with artists, arts organizations, youth arts network, etc., to further access and equity.

Councillor B. McHattie will be the Council liaison to the Arts Advisory Commission for the balance of the 2006-2010 term of Council.

(k) Hamilton Veteran’s Committee Report 10-001 respecting Veterans’ Parking in the City of Hamilton (City Wide) (Item 8.1)

Should members of Committee wish to consider the recommendations contained in the Hamilton Veteran’s Committee Report 10-001 (shown below), it would require a reconsideration of the previously approved recommendations by Council at its meeting of May 13, 2009 (Item 1 to Committee of the Whole Report 09-014, Report PED06157(b)):

(a) That any Canadian or Allied Member of the Armed Forces, who have, or are serving, and who are also current residents of the City of Hamilton, be eligible for free parking in municipally operated parking lots and meters;

(b) That the Veteran must be in the vehicle at the time of use. If not, the user is subject to fine;

(c) That upon the death of the Veteran, the permit must be returned to the issuing organization.

(l) Amendments to the Outstanding Business List (Item 11):

(i) Approval of Proposed New Due Dates (Item 11.1)

The proposed new due dates, for the following Emergency & Community Services Committee Outstanding Business List Items, were approved:

(a) Item “A” – Little Africa Plaque
   Current Due Date: February 17, 2010
   Proposed New Due Date: June 16, 2010
(b) Item “C” – Farmers’ Market – Implications of Operating the Market by an Independent Operator  
Current Due Date: February 17, 2010  
**Proposed New Due Date:** June 16, 2010

(c) Item “F” – City of Hamilton Events Strategy  
Current Due Date: February 17, 2010  
**Proposed New Due Date:** 2011

(d) Item “N” – Red Friday Events  
Current Due Date: February 17, 2010  
**Proposed New Due Date:** March 24, 2010

(e) Item “Q” – Auchmar Estate Business Plan  
Current Due Date: February 17, 2010  
**Proposed New Due Date:** October 6, 2010

(f) Item “DD” – Additional Funding for First Place Hamilton  
Current Due Date: February 17, 2010  
**Proposed New Due Date:** April 21, 2010

(i) **Removal of Completed Outstanding Business List Items (Item 11.2)**

Item “U” – 2009 Program Change Options for the Community Services Department, was considered complete and removed from the Outstanding Business List, as the matter was addressed at the January 11, 2010 meeting of Council.

(m) **ADJOURNMENT (Item 13)**

There being no further business, the Emergency & Community Services Committee meeting adjourned at 2:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Councillor R. Pasuta, Chair  
Emergency & Community Services Committee

Stephanie Paparella  
Legislative Assistant  
January 20, 2010