THE BOARD OF HEALTH PRESENTS REPORT 08-003 AND RESPECTFULLY RECOMMENDS:

1. Crime Prevention Community Pilot - BOH08002 (City Wide) (Item 5.1)

   (a) That the transfer of $100,000 from the Remedial Measures cost-recovery budget to a designated community agency to implement the Crime Prevention Pilot be approved;

   (b) That the Medical Officer of Health be authorized to execute an agreement between the City and the designated community agency, in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor, to implement the above recommendation.
2. Assignment of an Alcohol, Drug and Gambling Services (ADGS) Social Worker to the Hamilton Family Health Team - BOH08003 (City Wide) (Item 5.2)

(a) That the City deliver the Drinkwise program and training at the Family Health Team of Hamilton Inc., one day per week for a one-year term, with a renewal option for an additional one year;

(b) That the Medical Officer of Health be authorized to execute an agreement between the City and the Family Health Team of Hamilton Inc., in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor, to implement the above recommendation;

(c) That the Board of Health approve a temporary increase in complement by 0.2 FTE for Alcohol, Drug & Gambling Services (ADGS) to deliver the Drinkwise program and training at the Family Health Team of Hamilton Inc.

3. Healthy Babies/Healthy Children Program Manager BOH08004 (City Wide) (Item 5.3)

That Report BOH08004 respecting Healthy Babies/Healthy Children Program Manager be received.

4. Communicable Disease and Health Hazard Investigations Quarterly Report (Q4) (October 1 – December 31, 2007) - BOH07008 (c) (City Wide) (Item 5.4)

That Report BOH07008(c) respecting Communicable Disease and Health Hazard Investigations Quarterly Report (Q4) (October 1 – December 31, 2007) be received.

5. Child and Adolescent Services Program Update BOH08005 (City Wide) (Item 5.5)

That Report BOH08005 respecting Child and Adolescent Services Program Update be received.

6. Equal Access Program Update (BOH08006) (City Wide) (Item 5.6)

That Report BOH08006 respecting Equal Access Program Update be received.

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7. Active Transportation Supportive Overpasses and Bridges (BOH08001/PW08023) - (City Wide)) (Item 8.1)

That Report BOH08001/PW08023 respecting Active Transportation Supportive Overpasses and Bridges be received.

8. Communications (Item 11.1)

That the disposition for the following Item of communication be approved:

(a) Letter from G. Robert Bowes DDS MPH, Immediate Past President of the Ontario Association of Public Health Dentistry (OAPHD) dated December 4, 2007 respecting Water Fluoridation in Hamilton. (Referred from the January 9, 2008 Council meeting.)

Recommendation: Be received.

9. Physician Recruitment and Retention Steering Committee Report 08-001 (Item 8.3)

(a) Contract Renewal and Compensation Package for the Healthcare Recruitment Specialist (Item 4.1)

That the Contract and Compensation Package for the Healthcare Recruitment Specialist attached as Appendix A to Physician Recruitment and Retention Steering Committee Report 08-001 be approved and remain private and confidential.

(b) Key Performance Indicators Summary (Item 5.4)

That the Key Performance Indicators Summary, for 2005 to 2008 (attached as Appendix B to Physician Recruitment and Retention Steering Committee Report 08-001), be received.

(c) Budget versus Actual – as of October 31, 2007 (Item 5.5)

That the Physician Recruitment and Retention Program Budget versus Actual, as of October 31, 2007 (attached as Appendix C to Physician Recruitment and Retention Steering Committee Report 08-001), be received.

(d) Current Statistics, as of December 10, 2007(Item 5.6)

That the Current Statistics, as of December 10, 2007 for Physicians within the City of Hamilton (attached as Appendix D to Physician Recruitment and Retention Steering Committee Report 08-001), be received.
FOR THE INFORMATION OF COUNCIL:

(a) CHANGES TO THE AGENDA

The Clerk advised that there were no changes to the agenda.
The agenda was approved as presented.

(b) DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None declared.

(c) MINUTES

The Following Minutes were approved as presented:

(i) The Minutes of the December 10, 2007 meeting.

(ii) The Minutes of the January 10, 2008 Board of Health Budget meeting.

(iii) The Minutes of the February 11, 2008 Board of Health Special meeting.

(d) Ontario Public Health Standards Update on Protocols (Verbal – no copy) (Item 8.2)

Teresa Bendo, Director of the Planning and Continuous Improvement Division addressed the Board and provided background with respect to the Province’s review of the protocols for the mandated services.

To date, one phase of protocol consultation has been completed and Public Health Services staff will be asked to comment on the remaining seventeen (17) protocols. At this preliminary stage staff is unable to determine what implications there may be for the Department. After the next set of protocols is received, staff will provide more information to the Board of Health.

On a motion (Pearson/Pasuta) the Board received the verbal update.

(e) Physician Recruitment and Retention Steering Committee Report 08-001 (Item 8.3)

Councillor Ferguson provided an overview of the Steering Committee Report and the Board discussed the issues. Consideration of this Item was deferred until after the Closed Session.

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(f) MOTIONS

(i) Direction to investigate the Potential Health Impacts from Cell Phone Towers (Item 9.1)

The Board amended the motion by adding a subsection (b) and approved the motion as amended, as follows:

(a) That Public Health Services staff be directed to report back to the Board of Health on the potential health impacts that cell phone towers may pose to the public;

(b) That the report requested from staff of the Planning and Economic Development Department regarding the location of these cell phone towers in the City, be presented to the Board of Health at the same time.

(g) OUTSTANDING BUSINESS LIST

The following Outstanding Business List Items are complete and were removed by motion:

Item “E” – Enforcement strategy of Pesticides By-law and related cost (Completed at the February 11, 2008 Special Board of Health Meeting.)

Item “G” – Staff was directed to obtain the motion from Halton respecting pedestrian bridges over the 400 series highway system and refer it to the Board of Health for discussion. (Item 8.1 on today’s agenda.)

(h) General Information/Other Business

Councillor Bratina advised that he will be meeting with residents in his Ward concerning the on-going testing and monitoring of the soil in Beasley Park.

The Medical Officer of Health updated the Board with respect to the status of the blood lead study proposal which staff are currently preparing for Council’s consideration.

The Board directed that a representative from the Local Health Integration Network (LHINS) attend a meeting of the Board of Health to make a presentation outlining the work undertaken by the Network and how the Board and the Network may be able to collaborate.
(i) Private and Confidential

(i) Appendix “A” to Physician Recruitment and Retention Steering Committee Report 08-001 (Distributed under separate cover) (Item 12.1)

On a motion, the Board moved in CLOSED SESSION at 10:20 a.m. to consider a matter respecting personal information about an identifiable individual.

On a motion the Board reconvened in OPEN SESSION at 10:25 a.m. and approved the recommendations of the Physician Recruitment and Retention Steering Committee as outlined in Item 9 of this Report with an amendment that Appendix A to the Committee Report remain private and confidential.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:25 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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