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

Absent with Regrets: Councillor R. Powers – City Business

THE FOLLOWING ITEMS WERE REPORTED TO COUNCIL FOR CONSIDERATION:

1. Hamilton Police Service Monthly Reports PSB13-013 (Item 5.2)

   (McHattie/Whitehead)
   That Report PSB13-013 respecting the Hamilton Police Service Monthly Report be received. CARRIED

2. Concession Street Business Improvement Area (BIA) Resignation from the Board of Management (PED10250(c)) (Wards 6 and 7) (item 5.3)

   (McHattie/Whitehead)
   That Report PED10250(c) respecting the Concession Street Business Improvement Area (BIA) Resignation from the Board of Management, be received. CARRIED

3. Locke Street Business Improvement Area (BIA) – Proposed Budget and Schedule of Payment for 2013 (PED13027) (Ward 1) (Item 5.4)

   (McHattie/Whitehead)
   (a) That the 2013 operating budget for the Locke Street Business Improvement Area (BIA) (attached as Appendix “A” to Report PED13027) be approved in the amount of $10,500;
(b) That the levy portion of the Operating Budget for the Locke Street Business Improvement Area (BIA) in the amount of $10,500 be approved;

(c) That the General Manager of Finance and Corporate Services be hereby authorized and directed to prepare the requisite by-law pursuant to Section 208, The Municipal Act, 2001, to levy the 2013 budget as referenced in sub-section (b) above;

(d) That the following schedule of payments for 2013 be approved:

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Assessment appeals may be deducted from the levy payments.  

CARRIED

4. Westdale Village Business Improvement Area (BIA) Revised Board of Management (PED10260(c)) (Ward 1) (Item 5.5)

(McHattie/Whitehead)
That Anne Campagna and John Garbe be appointed to the Westdale Village Business Improvement Area (BIA) Board of Management.  

CARRIED

5. Lease – Lister Block, 28 James Street North, Unit #104, Hamilton (Ward 2) (PW13008) (Item 5.6)

(McHattie/Whitehead)
(a) That the City of Hamilton enter into a new lease agreement with Mezza Caffe Inc. for the property known as 28 James Street North, Unit 104 (also known as Lister Block), subject to the following terms:

(i) Term: Five (5) years commencing March 1, 2013, and terminating on February 28, 2018 with a five year renewal option.

(ii) Property: Lister Block, 28 James Street North, Unit 104, comprising of 852 sq.ft gross rentable area as shown on Appendix “A” to Report PW13008. The space will be leased on an “as is” basis with finishing subject to heritage restraints and building permits as applicable.

(iii) Rental Rate:
Year 1: $15.00/sq.ft. net ($1,065.00/mth or $12,780.00 annum)
Year 2: $17.50/sq.ft. net ($1,242.50/mth or $14,910.00 /annum)
Year 3: $20.00/sq.ft. net ($1,420.00/mth or $17,040.00 /annum)
Year 4: $20.50/sq.ft. net ($1,455.00/mth or $17,466.00 /annum)
Year 5: $21.00/sq.ft. net ($1,491.00/mth or $17,892.00 /annum)

Percentage Rent (5%) will take effect after year 3 when 5% of the Gross Revenues exceeds the annual base rent payments.

(iv) Parking: 1 parking spot will be provided to tenant at no additional cost.

(v) Operating Costs: In addition to base rent operating costs will be payable (estimated at $12.00/ sq.ft for 2013). In addition Tenant pays for utilities.

(b) That all rent be credited to account 791550-46010;

(c) That the Mayor, General Manager of Finance and Corporate Services and City Clerk be authorized and directed to execute the Lease in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor.  

6. Hamilton Downtown Business Improvement Area (B.I.A.) – 2012 Pedestrian Pilot Program and Gore Park Summer Promenade

(Farr/Whitehead)
(a) That the following requests from the Hamilton Downtown B.I.A. be referred to staff for a report to the appropriate standing committees and be part of the 2013 budget deliberations:

(i) Exempt B.I.A. from Special Event Park Rental Fees;
(ii) Fund full request for a Community Partnership grant of $13,500
(iii) Examine the elements of Gore Master Plan
(iv) Examine and support more placemaking elements and events.

(b) That the appropriate staff meet with the Ward Councillor and representatives from the Hamilton Downtown B.I.A. in an effort to devise a critical path mandate that seeks to accomplish Gore Park infrastructure improvements as it relates to the Gore Park Master Plan, which can be completed prior to the start of the 2015 Pan Am Games.

CARRIED

7. Submission from Joey Coleman respecting Item 9.4 – Public Access On-Line Mapping Services (Item 6.8)

(Pearson/Clark)
That the letter submitted by Joey Coleman respecting Public Access On-Line Mapping Services, be received.

CARRIED
8. Biosolids Management Project – Amendment to P3 Canada Funding Business Plan (PW11098(b)/FCS11112(b)) (City Wide) (Item 7.2)

(Ferguson/Whitehead)

(a) That the General Manager, Public Works be authorized and directed to amend the Public-Private Partnership Canada (‘P3 Canada’) Business Case as approved by Council through Report PW11098a/FCS11112a in support of receiving funding towards the City’s Biosolids Management Project, as to comply with the requirements established by P3 Canada as outlined in Appendix “A” as follows,

(i) Identify Woodward Avenue Wastewater Treatment Plant, located at 700 Woodward Avenue North in Hamilton as the sole location for the Biosolids Management Project;

(ii) Increase the accuracy of the cost estimate for the capital component of the project to a +/- 15% level accuracy;

(iii) Amend the weighting of the proposed evaluation criteria for the future Request for Proposal from 50% Technical and 50% Financial to 25% Technical and 75% Financial,

(b) That the General Manager, Public Works be authorized and directed to proceed with establishing a not-to-exceed financial threshold (‘Affordability Cap’) for the Biosolids Management Project of $111 Million Net Present Value (‘NPV’);

(c) That the General Manager, Public Works be authorized and directed to expand Purchase Order No. 63473 to CH2M Hill Canada Limited by an estimated $50,000 from account 5160966910 Biosolids MP Implementation, to address Recommendation (a) Subsection (ii);

(d) That the General Manager, Public Works be authorized and directed to expand Purchase Order No. 64971 to Deloitte & Touche LLP by an estimated $20,000 from account 5160966910 Biosolids MP Implementation, for effort required to amend the City’s Business Case resulting from Recommendations (a) and (b).

CARRIED

9. Residential Protective Plumbing Subsidy Program (PW11056(c)) (City Wide) (Outstanding Business List Item) (Item 8.1)

(Ferguson/Clark)

(a) That the Protective Plumbing Program (3P) be amended to:

(i) require property owners to submit to the City of Hamilton three independent quotes for the eligible works prior to approval or provision of grants and/or loans; and
(ii) provide that grant and loan values for the Protective Plumbing Program (3P) be equal to the value of the lowest of the three quotes submitted to the City of Hamilton for the eligible works;

(b) That staff be directed to implement subsections (a)(i) and (ii), including the amendment of the Protective Plumbing Program (3P) Guidelines;

(c) That staff be directed to provide a report to the Public Works Committee on a semi-annual basis with respect to the three quote policy.

CARRIED as amended


Transit Fare Parity Update

(Ferguson/Pearson)

(a) That sub-sections (a) and (b) of Item 1 of Report 13-001 of the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities, which read as follows, be referred to the Public Works Committee for consideration:

(a) That persons with all disabilities be treated in a fair and equitable manner when accessing public Transit to ensure that persons with disabilities are not charged differing rates for the same service;

(b) That in support of the implementation of an equitable fare structure, that a reduced fare structure or subsidy be provided for those who are both disabled and economically disadvantaged;

(b) That the Accessibility Directorate of Ontario be respectfully requested to provide clarification on the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act Integrated Accessibility Standards clause 66(5) respecting Fare Parity.

CARRIED

11. Hamilton Centre for Civic Inclusion – Funding Request (Item 9.2)

(McHattie/Jackson)

(a) That an additional amount of $25,000 for the Hamilton Centre for Civic Inclusion (HCCI) be referred to the 2013 budget deliberations;

(b) That HCCI funding in the amount of $50,000 be referred to the 2014 budget process pending receipt of the 2013 audited financial statements for review;
(c) That staff report back to the Emergency and Community Services Committee on a collaborative plan, following a review of activities by HCCI, the City of Hamilton Access and Equity Office, the City of Hamilton’s Anti-Racism Committee, and other organization involved in civic inclusion activities;

(d) That the appropriate staff be directed to seek clarification with respect to federal funding for the Hamilton Centre for Civic Inclusion, including funding from Citizenship and Immigration Canada, and whether HCCI is eligible for federal funding. **CARRIED as amended**

12. **James Mountain Road Retaining Wall Reconstruction (Item 9.3)**

   *(Farr/Ferguson)*

   (a) That the retaining wall on James Mountain Road be replaced and reconstructed for structural deficiencies to improve surrounding safety;

   (b) That the associated costs of approximately $50,000 for replacing and reconstructing the James Mountain Road retaining wall be funded from the Ward 2 Area Capital Special Re-Investment Reserve #108052. **CARRIED**


   *(Farr/Morelli)*

   That the Hamilton Police Services Board be requested to investigate the feasibility of adopting a public access on-line crime mapping service similar to the service released in Halton for the residents of Hamilton and report back to Council on its viability at a future General Issues Committee. **CARRIED**

14. **Litigation – National Steel Car (FCS13009/LS13003) (City Wide) (Item 12.2)**

   *(Ferguson/McHattie)*

   That Report FCS13009/LS13003 respecting Litigation – National Steel Car, be received and that the contents of the report remain confidential **CARRIED**

15. **Memorandum of Settlement between the City of Hamilton and the Christian Labour Association of Canada (CLAC)/Greater Hamilton Volunteer Fire Fighters Association (Item 12.3)**

   *(Collins/Morelli)*

   That the Memorandum of Settlement between the City of Hamilton and the Christian Labour Association of Canada (CLAC), for the period January 1st, 2012 - December 31st, 2015, be approved. **CARRIED**
FOR THE INFORMATION OF COUNCIL:

(a) CHANGES TO THE AGENDA (Item 1)

The Committee Clerk advised of the following changes to the agenda:

ADDED DELEGATION REQUEST

For Today’s Meeting

(i) Joey Coleman with respect to Item 9.4 – Public Access On-Line Mapping Service (Added Item 4.4)

ADDED MOTION

(ii) Policing Costs for Hamilton Entertainment District (Added Item 9.5) (Introduced as Notice of Motion at January 28, 2013 General Issues Committee Meeting)

ADDED NOTICE OF MOTION

(iii) Funding for Victoria Park Outdoor Adult Area (Added Item 10.1)

ADDED PRIVATE & CONFIDENTIAL

(iv) Hamilton-Wentworth Catholic District School Board Surplus Land located at 220 Cranbrook Drive/20 Gemini Drive, described as Block F, Plan M-66, former Township of Barton, now City of Hamilton – Verbal Update (No Copy) (Added Item 12.4)

(Partridge/Pearson)
That the agenda, as amended, be approved. CARRIED

(b) DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (Item 2)

Item 12.3 Christian Labour Association of Canada (CLAC)/Greater Hamilton Volunteer Fire Fighters Association – Negotiations Update

Deputy Mayor R. Pasuta declared an interest as he has a family member who is a volunteer fire fighter and abstained from discussion and vote.

The Chair was assumed by Councillor M. Pearson for this portion of the meeting.
(c) APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES (Item 3.1))

(Morelli/Farr)
That the January 14, 2013 minutes of the General Issues Committee Meeting be approved as presented. CARRIED

(d) DELEGATION REQUESTS

(Morelli/Whitehead)
That the following delegation requests be approved and that the rules of order be suspended in order to allow the opportunity for the presentations to be provided at today’s meeting:

(i) Request from Graham Crawford on behalf of NO Downtown Hamilton Casino, to present information regarding the implications of locating a casino in downtown Hamilton (Added Item 6.5)

(ii) Request from Christopher Cutler to speak to the matter of a downtown casino proposed by The Carmen’s Group (Added Item 6.6)

(iii) Request from Robert Moscardini to submit facts pertinent about the Hospitality Industry and current matters before the Committee (Added Item 6.7)

(iv) Request from Joey Coleman with respect to Item 9.4 – Public Access On-Line Mapping Service (Added Item 6.8) CARRIED

(e) CONSENT ITEMS

(i) Minutes of Various Sub-Committees (for information purposes only) (Item 5.1(a))

(McHattie/Whitehead)
That the following Sub-Committee Minutes be received:

(aa) Gaming Facility Proposal Sub-Committee – December 13, 2012 CARRIED

(f) PUBLIC HEARINGS/DELEGATIONS

(i) Ann Bruce and Juby Lee, Council of Canadians, respecting Canada-EU Trade Agreement (Item 6.2)

Ann Bruce and Juby Lee, representing the Hamilton Chapter of the Council of Canadians, appeared before the Committee to provide an update with respect to the Canada-EU Trade Agreement and the current hearings taking place in Toronto.
The delegation distributed a copy of the resolution approved by Council on December, 2011 with respect to this issue and urged the Committee to take follow-up steps as the Agreement is not in the best interests of the City for development, procurement, lifestyle, job opportunities, etc.

(Clark/Partridge)
That the presentation by Ann Bruce and Juby Lee, on behalf of the Hamilton Chapter of the Council of Canadians, respecting the Canada-EU, be received. CARRIED

(ii) Kathy Drewitt, Downtown Hamilton B.I.A., to report on the 2012 Pedestrian Pilot Program and Gore Park Summer Promenade and to request consideration for funding the Gore Master Plan (Item 6.3)

Kathy Drewitt, Downtown Hamilton B.I.A., appeared before the Committee to report on the 2012 Pedestrian Pilot Program and Gore Park Summer Promenade. With the assistance of a power point presentation, Ms. Drewitt spoke to the following:

- Membership and boundaries of the Downtown Hamilton B.I.A.
- Vision
- Placemaking Examples
- Gore Park Pedestrianization Pilot Project on south leg of King Street
- Request consideration of the following:
  - Exempt B.I.A. from Special Event Park Rental Fees
  - Fund full request for a Community Partnership Grant of $13,500
  - Examine the elements of Gore Master Plan
  - Examine and support more placemaking elements and events

A copy of the power point presentation was submitted for the public record and can be viewed on the City of Hamilton website.

(Farr/Whitehead)
That the presentation from Kathy Drewitt, Hamilton Downtown B.I.A., respecting the 2012 Pedestrian Pilot Program and Gore Park Summer Promenade, be received. CARRIED

(iii) Evelyn Myrie, on behalf of the Hamilton Centre for Civic Inclusion (HCCI), to provide report and request for funding for HCCI (Item 6.1)

Mile Komlen, Director, Human Rights & Equity Services, McMaster University, and Evelyn Myrie, Chairman of the Board and Executive Director, respectively of the Hamilton Centre for Civic Inclusion, appeared before the Committee to present the HCCI 2012 Annual Report.
With the assistance of a power point presentation, the following issues were addressed:

- Who we are; Mission; Vision
- Civic Leadership – Community Mobilization Program
- Capacity Building – Governance Training Series
- Community Engagement
  - Conversations with Ethno-cultural Seniors
  - Hosted Conversation Café
- Advantage Diversity – Social Purpose Enterprise
- Looking Ahead
- 2012 Funders

The Committee was distributed with their Community Report from HCCI's Conversation Café #1 held on January 25, 2013 and spoke to some of the dialogue that took place.

A copy of the power point presentation was submitted to the Clerk for the public record and can be viewed on the City of Hamilton website.

(Partridge/Ferguson)
That the presentation from Mile Komlen, Director, Human Rights & Equity Services, McMaster University, and Evelyn Myrie, on behalf of the Hamilton Centre for Civic Inclusion, respecting the HCCI Annual Report, be received.

CARRIED

(iv) P. J. Mercanti, The Carmen’s Group, respecting the social and economic benefits of an entertainment destination (Item 6.4)

P. J. Mercanti, on behalf of The Carmen’s Group, appeared before the Committee to present their “vision for an entertainment destination that will transform Hamilton and surrounding area”, in partnership with Hard Rock International and the Labourers’ International Union of North America (LIUNA).

Nick Bontis spoke to how these developments can contribute to the economic well being of communities.

Dean Collet, owner/operator of Mars, Sizzle and Koi Restaurants in Hess Village, spoke in support of the plan proposed by The Carmen’s Group.

The Committee was distributed with presentation material which was submitted to the Clerk for the public record and can be viewed on the City of Hamilton website.
(Ferguson/Pearson)  
That the presentation by P. J. Mercanti, The Carmen’s Group, respecting the social and economic benefits of an entertainment destination, be received.  

CARRIED

(v)  Request from Graham Crawford on behalf of NO Downtown Hamilton Casino, to present information regarding the implications of locating a casino in downtown Hamilton (Item 6.5)

Graham Crawford, on behalf of NO Downtown Hamilton Casino, appeared before the Committee to present information regarding the implications of locating a casino in downtown Hamilton. With the assistance of a power point presentation, he spoke to four fundamental questions:

- How is Hamilton doing now
- What is our vision for our downtown
- What does the casino deliver
- How do we make the best decision.

The Committee was distributed with presentation material which was submitted to the Clerk for the public record and can be viewed on the City of Hamilton website.

(Partridge/Johnson)  
That the presentation from Graham Crawford on behalf of NO Downtown Casino respecting the implications of locating a casino in downtown Hamilton, be received.  

CARRIED

(vi) Request from Christopher Cutler to speak to the matter of a downtown casino proposed by The Carmen’s Group (Item 6.6)

Chris Cutler appeared before the Committee and told of his experience during a walking tour in Niagara Falls, New York, and hearing of the experiences of a business owner in downtown Niagara Falls, which is the site of Seneca Casino. The message from the business owner is, “Just look around and say no to a casino in downtown.”

The Committee was distributed with presentation material which was submitted to the Clerk for the public record and can be viewed on the City of Hamilton website.
(Partridge/Johnson)
That the presentation from Christopher Cutler respecting the implications of a casino located the downtown of several municipalities, be received. CARRIED

(vii) Request from Robert Moscardini to submit facts pertinent about the Hospitality Industry and current matters before the Committee (Item 6.7)

Robert Moscardini appeared before the Committee to give some inside historical information regarding the hospitality industry to assist the Committee make what is a very difficult decision.

The Committee was distributed with presentation material which was submitted to the Clerk for the public record and can be viewed on the City of Hamilton website.

(Clark/Pearson)
That the presentation from Robert Moscardini respecting the hospitality industry, be received. CARRIED

(viii) Joey Coleman with respect to Item 9.4 – Public Access On-Line Mapping Service (Item 6.8)

Joey Coleman appeared before the Committee to speak to Item 9.4 – Public Access On-Line Mapping Service, and spoke to the following:

- Supports the intent of Motion 9.4
- Thanked Councillor Farr for leading this initiative and requested the Committee’s support
- Want to ensure that any release of crime data is done by the City or the Hamilton Police Service as open data and not exclusively given to a third party
- That the City or Council provide a mapping solution that protects the privacy of users and that does not involve tracking citizen use of the map for profit-making marketing purposes.

A copy of Mr. Coleman’s written comments were submitted to the Clerk for the public record and are available for viewing on the City of Hamilton website.

(Ferguson/Pearson)
That the presentation by Joey Coleman respecting Public Access On-Line Mapping Services Be received. CARRIED
(f) PRESENTATIONS

(i) Hamilton Association of Business Improvement Areas (H.A.B.I.A.) Terms of Reference and Strategic Plan (PED11193) (Item 7.1)

(Clark/Whitehead)
That the presentation be waived. CARRIED

Deputy Clerk Mary Gallagher indicated that the Amending Motion would be presented to Council on February 13, 2013 for approval.

(Whitehead/Pearson)
That Item 7.1 respecting the Hamilton Association of Business Improvement Areas (H.A.B.I.A.) Terms of Reference and Strategic Plan, be received. CARRIED

(ii) Biosolids Management Project – Amendment to P3 Canada Funding Business Plan (PW11098(b)/FCS11112(b)) (City Wide) (Item 7.2)

Dan McKinnon provided a power point presentation with respect to the Biosolids Management Project – Approval to Amend P3 Canada Funding Business Plan and spoke to the following:

- Background
- Business Case Highlights
- Project Status
- Issue 1 – Site Variability
- Issue 2 – Level of Cost Estimates
- Issue 3 – Technical Evaluation
- Proposed – Affordability Cap
- Affordability Cap – Market Interaction
- Overview of the Market
- Affordability Cap – Application
- P3 Canada Funding Approvals
- Recommendations
- Alternatives to Consider

(Clark/Partridge)
That the staff presentation respecting Biosolids Management Project – Approval to Amend P3 Canada Funding Business Plan, be received. CARRIED
The Motion CARRIED on the following recorded vote:

Yeas: Clark, Pearson, Ferguson, Partridge, Pasuta, Whitehead, Duvall, Jackson, Farr, McHattie
Total Yeas: 10
Nays: Morelli, Merulla, Collins
Total Nays: 3
Absent: Bratina, Johnson, Powers
Total Absent: 3

(g) DISCUSSION ITEMS

(i) Residential Protective Plumbing Subsidy Program (PW11056(c)) (City Wide) (Outstanding Business List Item) (Item 8.1)

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

(c) That staff be directed to provide a report to the Public Works Committee on a semi-annual basis with respect to the three quote policy. Amendment CARRIED

Motion as amended CARRIED

(h) MOTIONS

(i) Ontario Lottery and Gaming Corporation (OLGC) – Establishment of a Gaming Facility (Item 9.1)

(Merulla/Clark)
That the following Motion be deferred to the special meeting of the General Issues Committee scheduled on February 14, 2013:

(a) That the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing be requested to make an order requiring the Clerk to submit a question to the electors regarding a gaming facility in time for the 2014 Municipal Election;

(b) That the Province be requested to put a moratorium on the selection process of a casino in the Hamilton/Burlington area pending the results of a question to the electors of the City of Hamilton. CARRIED

(ii) Hamilton Centre for Civic Inclusion – Funding Request (Item 9.2)

(McHattie/Jackson)
That sub-section (b) be amended by adding the words, “pending receipt of the 2013 audited financial statements for review” following the word, “process”. Amendment CARRIED
(Collins/McHattie)
That the following be added as sub-section (d):

(d) That the appropriate staff be directed to seek clarification with respect to federal funding for the Hamilton Centre for Civic Inclusion, including funding from Citizenship and Immigration Canada, and whether HCCI is eligible for federal funding.

Amendment CARRIED
Motion as amended CARRIED

(iii) Public Access On-Line Crime Mapping Service (Item 9.4)

(McHattie/Morelli)
That the question be called.

CARRIED

The Motion CARRIED on the following recorded vote:

Yeas: Johnson, Ferguson, Bratina, Pasuta, Duvall, Jackson, Collins, Merulla, Morelli, Farr, McHattie
Total Yeas: 11
Nays: Clark, Pearson, Partridge, Whitehead
Total Nays: 4
Absent: Powers
Total Absent: 1

(iv) Policing Costs for Hamilton Entertainment District (Item 9.5)

Councillor J. Farr withdrew his motion respecting Policing Costs for Hamilton Entertainment District.

(i) NOTICES OF MOTION

Councillor B. McHattie introduced the following Notice of Motion:

(i) Funding for Victoria Park – Outdoor Adult Area

That $14,000 of funding from the Ward 1 Special Capital Reinvestment Reserve be allocated to Project 4241209106 – Victoria Park Outdoor Adult Area.

Councillor J. Partridge presented the following Notice of Motion:

(ii) Requests for Extension from the Province for Flamboro Downs and Ministerial Zoning Order for Expansion of Flamboro Downs

Whereas a Ministerial Zoning Order (MZO) was issued in December 1998 on Flamboro Downs property to permit slot machine operations;
And Whereas the McGuinty government imposed the Green Belt Act in 2005;

And Whereas Flamboro Downs zoning is in the Green Belt Act and additional construction or non-agricultural uses are prohibited;

And Whereas the current provincial government gave a two-year extension to Woodbine Entertainment Group (WEG) for Woodbine and Mohawk Race tracks;

And Whereas the Green Belt Act is up for review in 2015.

Therefore Be It Resolved:

That the City of Hamilton requests a two-year extension from the Province for Flamboro Downs and also requests a Ministerial Zoning Order signed by the Minister for an amendment to allow a full gaming facility and ancillary casino uses such as a hotel and restaurants, as well as construction expansion of Flamboro Downs.

(Merulla/Morelli)
That the Rules of Order be waived in order to allow the introduction of a motion respecting Requests for Extension from the Province for Flamboro Downs and Ministerial Zoning Order for Expansion of Flamboro Downs.

Subsequent to further discussion, Councillor Partridge agreed that her Notice of Motion be placed as a Motion on the agenda of the special General Issues Committee meeting scheduled on February 14, 2013.

(j) GENERAL INFORMATION/OTHER BUSINESS (Item 11.1)

(i) Outstanding Business Items List

(Ferguson/McHattie)
That the revised due dates for the following items on the Outstanding Business List be approved:

Planning

Item A: Canadian Ballet Youth Ensemble
Due Date: February 6, 2013
Revised due Date: April 17, 2013

Item D: Hamilton LEEDing the Way
Due Date: February 6, 2013
Revised Due Date: February 20, 2013
(ii) **Removal of Items from the Outstanding Business List**

*(Ferguson/Clark)*
That the following item be removed from the Outstanding Business List:

**Public Works**

Item H: Residential Protective Plumbing Program

(k) **PRIVATE & CONFIDENTIAL**

(i) **Closed Session Minutes – January 14, 2013 (Item 12.1)**

*(Ferguson/Pearson)*

(a) That the Minutes of the Closed Session Meeting of the General Issues Committee held on January 14, 2013, be approved;

(b) That these Minutes remain confidential and restricted from public disclosure in accordance with the exemptions provided in the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act.

*CARRIED*

*(Moreelli/Collins)*
That the Committee move into closed session at 5:35 p.m. pursuant to subsections 8.1(c), (d) and (e) of the City’s Procedural By-law and Sections 239.1(c), (d) and (e) of the Municipal Act as the subject matters pertain to:

(c) a proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipal or local board

(d) labour relations or employee negotiations; and

(e) litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the municipality or local board,

respecting

12.2 Litigation – National Steel Car (FCS13009/LS13003) (City Wide)

12.3 Greater Hamilton Volunteer Fire Fighters Association – Contract Negotiations

12.4 Hamilton-Wentworth Catholic District School Board Surplus Land located at 220 Cranbrook Drive/20 Gemini Drive, described as Block F, Plan M-66, former Township of Barton, now City of Hamilton

*CARRIED*

The Committee reconvened in Open Session at 6:14 p.m.
12.2 Litigation – National Steel Car (FCS13009/LS13003) (City Wide)

See Item 14 for the disposition of this item.

12.3 Greater Hamilton Volunteer Fire Fighters Association – Contract Negotiations

See Item 15 for the disposition of this item.

12.4 Hamilton-Wentworth Catholic District School Board Surplus Land located at 220 Cranbrook Drive/20 Gemini Drive, described as Block F, Plan M-66, former Township of Barton, now City of Hamilton

Amending motion to be presented at Council on February 13, 2013 for approval.

(I) ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the Committee adjourned at 6:18 p.m.

Respectfully submitted

Councillor R. Pasuta  
Deputy Mayor

Carolyn Biggs  
Legislative Co-ordinator  
Office of the City Clerk