Mayor Eisenberger called the meeting to order.

THE FOLLOWING ITEMS WERE REPORTED TO CITY COUNCIL FOR CONSIDERATION:

1. **CHANGES TO THE AGENDA**

   The Clerk noted the following change to the agenda:

   Added Private and Confidential Matter respecting proposed or pending acquisition of land for municipal or local board purposes to be added as Item 10.2 on today’s agenda.

   (Pearson/Pasuta)
   That the Agenda of February 26, 2008 be adopted as amended.

   **CARRIED.**
2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

3.1 February 11, 2008
(Clarke/Merulla)
That the Minutes of February 11, 2008 be adopted as presented.
CARRIED.

4. CONSENT ITEMS

4.1 Correspondence from Tyler MacLeod, President, Hamilton Chamber of Commerce respecting Airport Implementation Task Force Recommendations
(Collins/Pearson)
That the correspondence from Tyler MacLeod, President, Hamilton Chamber of Commerce respecting Airport Implementation Task force Recommendations be received.
CARRIED.

5. DELEGATION REQUESTS

None

6. PRESENTATIONS

6.1 Presentation made at the February 12, 2008 Economic Development and Planning Committee
“Planning and Economic Development Parking and By-law Services – Potential Revenue Generators 2008 Budget”

Tim McCabe provided an update on how the matter was brought before Committee of the Whole

Marty Hazel provided an overview by power point.

FOR INFORMATION PURPOSES

(1) Motion approved by Hamilton City Council on February 13, 2008 respecting Rate Increases for fees/fines

Council – February 27, 2008
(2) Materials distributed at the January 22, 2008 Economic Development and Planning Committee respecting Summary of Potential Revenue Generators and Fees

(Whitehead/Jackson)
That the Potential Revenue Generators – Parking be TABLED to the February 28th COW to allow for the public delegation meeting to be held and that a special Council meeting be held immediately following the Committee of the Whole meeting.  
CARRIED.

(Clark/Pearson)
That the early payment for parking fines be eliminated. ($200,000)

Yeas: Clark, McCarthy, McHattie, Merulla, Pearson, Whitehead, Eisenberger
Total: 7

Nays: Powers, Mitchell, Pasuta, Jackson, Ferguson, Duvall, Collins, Bratina
Total: 8

DEFEATED

Taxing Private Parking Lots
Councillor McHattie raised this issue at Committee and staff was directed to review this issue and report back to committee.

Veteran’s Parking Permit
(Merulla/Pearson)
That staff be directed to investigate, in consultation with the Veterans Advisory Committee and report back to the Economic Development and Planning Committee on the development of a Veteran parking permit program whereby Veterans who honourably served in World War I, World War II, Korean War who resides in the City of Hamilton may be issued an annual parking exemption permit at no charge, which provides for an exemption from the fee payment regulations at on-street parking meters and in municipal parking facilities.

(Merulla/Clark)
That the motion be amended by deleting the word “development” and amending to read “implementation” and inserting the words “or any Veteran” following Korean War

To read as follows:

That staff be directed to investigate, in consultation with the Veterans Advisory Committee and report back to the Economic Development and Planning Committee on the implementation of a Veteran parking permit program whereby Veterans who honourably served in World War I, World War II, Korean War, or any Veteran who resides in the City of Hamilton may be issued an annual parking exemption permit at no
charge, which provides for an exemption from the fee payment regulations at on-street parking meters and in municipal parking facilities  Amendment CARRIED

6.2 Item 1 (a) of the Building and Licensing Division Operational Review Subcommittee Report 08-001, dated February 13, 2008 was referred to Committee of the Whole by the Economic Development and Planning Committee at its meeting of February 19, 2008

(a) Anti-Idling Enforcement
(i) That one time funding, in the amount of $76,000, for an Anti-Idling By-law Enforcement Officer be approved.

(ii) That staff be authorized and directed to lease a hybrid vehicle, for use by the Anti-Idling By-law Enforcement Officer, at a cost yet to be determined.

(Whitehead/Mitchell)
(a) Defer hiring of the enforcement officer pending Operational Review CARRIED.

(McHattie/merulla)
(b) That staff be directed to enforce the by-law on a complaint basis with current staffing complement.

Subsection (b) CARRIED on the following vote:
Yeas: Eisenberger, Duvall, Ferguson, Jackson, McCarthy, McHattie, Merulla, Powers, Collins
Total: 9
Nays: Bratina, Clark, Pasuta, Mitchell, Pearson, Whitehead
Total: 6

Councillor Powers raised and received assurance that the issue penalty of late payment of dog tag fees will be deliberated in COW with the overall budget discussion.

7. DISCUSSION ITEMS

None

8. MOTIONS

None

9. NOTICES OF MOTION

None
10. PRIVATE AND CONFIDENTIAL

(Powers/Pearson)
That Committee move into closed session further to Section 8.1 subsection (c) of the City’s Procedural By-law as the subject matter pertains to a proposed or pending acquisition of land for municipal board purposes. CARRIED.

10.1 Business Case to Purchase Lands Along Airport Road Adjoining the John C. Munro/Hamilton International Airport (PED07048(c)/FCS07042(c)) (City Wide)

10.2 Update on Business Plan – Hamilton-Wentworth District School Board

That Committee reconvene in Open Session. CARRIED.

10.1 Business Case to Purchase Lands Along Airport Road Adjoining the John C. Munro/Hamilton International Airport (PED07048(c)/FCS07042(c)) (City Wide)

(Whitehead/Mitchell)
(a) That all future land required for runway and Airport expansion approximately 149 acres be approved;

(b) That the requisite funding in the amount of $3 Million to acquire the subject lands be pre-approved for inclusion in the 2009 Capital Budget.

(c) That Report PED07048©/FCS07042(c) remain a confidential document.

(Collins/Merulla)
That subsection (b) be amended to read as follows:

(b) That all land purchased required for the development of Hamilton airport be funded from revenues of a passenger head tax.

DEFEATED on a Recorded Vote as follows:
Yeas: Powers, Merulla, McHattie, Bratina, Clark, Collins, Duvall
Total: 7
Nays: Eisenberger, Whitehead, Pearson, Mitchell, Pasuta, Ferguson, Jackson
Total: 7

Main Motion Carried on a Recorded Vote:

Yeas: Whitehead, Powers, Pearson, Mitchell, Pasuta, Jackson, Ferguson, Eisenberger
Total: 8

Nays: Merulla, McHattie, Duvall, Collins, Clark, Bratina
Total: 6

(Jackson/Ferguson)
That the Mayor, Chair of the Economic Development and Planning Committee and Councillor Collins with staff liaison on any future negotiations involved with the Airport. WITHDRAWN

10.2 Update on Business Plan – Hamilton-Wentworth District School Board
(Bratina/Pearson)
That the Education Square Business Plan as amended be approved and released as a public document following approval by City Council. CARRIED.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 2:50p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mayor F. Eisenberger

M. Gallagher, Co-ordinator
Council, Committee of the Whole/Budgets
February 26, 2008