



## **GENERAL ISSUES COMMITTEE REPORT 16-004**

**AS AMENDED BY COUNCIL ON FEBRUARY 10, 2016**

9:30 a.m.

Wednesday, February 3, 2016

Council Chambers

Hamilton City Hall

71 Main Street West

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**Present:** Mayor F. Eisenberger, Deputy Mayor T. Whitehead (Chair)  
Councillors T. Jackson, C. Collins, S. Merulla, M. Green, J. Farr,  
A. Johnson, D. Conley, M. Pearson, L. Ferguson, A.  
VanderBeek, J. Partridge

**Absent  
with Regrets:** Councillor B. Johnson, R. Pasuta – Illness

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### **THE GENERAL ISSUES COMMITTEE PRESENTS REPORT 16-004 AND RESPECTFULLY RECOMMENDS:**

**1. Hamilton Police Services Board Monthly Report PSB 15-144, December 15, 2015 (Item 5.1)**

That the Hamilton Police Services Board Monthly Report PSB 15-144, December 15, 2015, be received.

**2. Art Gallery of Hamilton (AGH) Proposed Expansion (PED16031) (Ward 2) (Outstanding Business List) (Item 5.3)**

That Report PED16031, respecting the Art Gallery of Hamilton (AGH) Proposed Expansion, be received.

**3. Post-Secondary Education, Principles of Co-Operation (PED16036) (City Wide) (Item 5.4)**

That Report PED16036, respecting Post-Secondary Education, Principles of Co-Operation, be received.

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- 4. Business Improvement Area Advisory Committee Report 16-001, January 12, 2016 (Item 8.1)**
  - (a) Constance Exley, Director, Accessibility Ontario, respecting Accessibility Smart Businesses (Item 6.1)**
    - (i) That the Business Improvement Area Advisory Committee apply to the Ontario Business Improvement Association (OBIAA) to host an Accessibility Smart Businesses forum in Hamilton; and,
    - (ii) That Kathy Drewitt and Susie Braithwaite complete the application and report back to the BIAAC at the February 9th, 2016 meeting before the application is submitted to OBIAA.
  
- 5. Hamilton Downtown Multi-Residential Property Investment Program (HDMRPIP) – 179-191 James Street North, Hamilton (PED16016) (Ward 2) (Item 8.2)**
  - (a) That a conditional loan commitment totalling \$4,617,939 for Roque Land Development Corporation (Manuel Roque, Filomena Roque), the registered owner of the property at 179-191 James Street North, Hamilton, be authorized and approved under the Hamilton Downtown Multi-Residential Property Investment Program in accordance with the Program's terms and conditions;
  - (b) That the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized and directed to execute a loan agreement, together with any ancillary documentation required, to effect Recommendation (a) of Report PED16016, in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor; and,
  - (c) That the General Manager of the Planning and Economic Development Department be authorized to approve and execute any loan amending agreements, together with any ancillary amending documentation, if required, provided that the terms and conditions of the Hamilton Downtown Multi-Residential Property Investment Program, as approved by City Council, are maintained.
  
- 6. Hamilton Community Heritage Fund Loan Program – Stewart Memorial Church, 112-116 John Street North, Hamilton (PED16021) (Ward 2) (Item 8.3)**
  - (a) That a conditional loan commitment totalling \$19,337 for the Trustees of Stewart Memorial Church, the registered owners of the property at 112-116 John Street North, Hamilton, be authorized and approved in

accordance with the terms and conditions of the Hamilton Community Heritage Fund Loan Program;

- (b) That the property owner of 112-116 John Street North, Hamilton, and the City of Hamilton enter into a Heritage Conservation Easement Agreement;
- (c) That the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized and directed to execute a loan agreement together with any ancillary documentation required, to effect Recommendation (a) to Report PED16021, in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor;
- (d) That the General Manager of the Planning and Economic Development Department be authorized to approve and execute any loan amending agreements for 112-116 John Street North, Hamilton, together with any ancillary amending documentation, if required, provided that the terms and conditions of the Hamilton Community Heritage Fund Loan Program are maintained; and,
- (e) That a copy of Report PED16021 be forwarded to the Hamilton Municipal Heritage Committee for information.

**7. Office Tenancy Assistance Program, Ahmedsamy Pharmacy Ltd. – 847 Barton Street East, Hamilton (PED16022) (Ward 3) (Item 8.4)**

- (a) That a conditional loan commitment totalling \$108,000 for Ahmedsamy Pharmacy Ltd. (Ahmed Mohamed Samy Abdelhadi), the owner of the company leasing office space at 847 Barton Street East, Hamilton, be authorized and approved under the Office Tenancy Assistance Program in accordance with the Program's terms and conditions;
- (b) That the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized and directed to execute the Loan Agreement, together with any ancillary documentation required, to effect Recommendation (a) of Report PED16022, in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor; and,
- (c) That the General Manager of the Planning and Economic Development Department be authorized to approve and execute any loan amending agreements, together with any ancillary amending documentation, if required, provided that the terms and conditions of the Office Tenancy Assistance Program, as approved by City Council, are maintained.

**8. Hamilton Tax Increment Grant Program (HTIGP) – 127 Market Street, Hamilton (PED16027) (Ward 2) (Item 8.5)**

- (a) That a Hamilton Tax Increment Grant Program (HTIGP) application submitted by Louis A. Grilli, for the property at 127 Market Street, Hamilton, for a Hamilton Tax Increment Grant Program (HTIGP) grant estimated at \$15,618.64 over a maximum of a five-year period, and based upon the incremental tax increase attributable to the redevelopment of 127 Market Street, Hamilton, be authorized and approved in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Program; and,
- (b) That the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized and directed to execute the Grant Agreement, attached as Appendix “B” to Report PED16027, in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor.

**9. King Street West Business Improvement Area (BIA) Proposed 2016 Budget and Schedule of Payments (PED16043) (Ward 2) (Item 8.6)**

- (a) That the 2016 Operating Budget for the King Street West Business Improvement Area (BIA), attached as Appendix “A” to Report 16-004, in the amount of \$16,799.40, be approved;
- (b) That the levy portion of the Operating Budget for the King Street West Business Improvement Area (BIA), in the amount of \$5,000, 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 the *Municipal Act, 2001*, Section 208, to levy the 2016 Budget as referenced in Recommendation (b) to Report PED16043; and,
- (d) That the following schedule of payments for 2016, be approved:

February	\$2,500
June	\$2,500

**10. Review of City’s Security Program (CM16002) (City Wide) (Item 8.7)**

That staff from the Emergency Management Section, Hamilton Fire Department be directed, in collaboration with the Facilities Management & Capital Program (FMCP) Division, Public Works Department and the Hamilton Police Services (HPS), to co-ordinate a cross-functional team to review the City’s security program, with a focus on establishing a long-term security management governance model, work plan and budget to address Corporate security needs, and report back to the General Issues Committee, prior to the 2017 budget

process, with recommendations related to future staffing and budget requirements as a result of a review of the City's security program.

**11. School Board Properties Sub-Committee Report 16-001, January 15, 2016  
(Item 8.8)**

**(a) Surplus School Property at 155 East 26th Street known as Eastmount  
Park Elementary School (PED15127(a)) (Ward 7) (Item 12.2)**

- (i) That the Real Estate Section of the Economic Development Division of the Planning and Economic Development Department be authorized and directed to present a bona-fide offer to purchase the surplus property located at 155 East 26th Street, legally described as Lots D, E, 324 – 330 and 393 – 399, Part Lots 331 and 392, Plan 608 as in HL193448; Part of East 27th Street, Plan 608 as in HL170834 and HL193448, Closed by Order as in HL167453; Part East 27th Street, Plan 608 as in HL240204, Closed by By-law 9904 as in HL219047 except AB24304; City of Hamilton, and further identified as PIN 17058-0027(LT); being 0.683 ha (1.687 acres) in size, more or less, as shown on Appendix "A" attached to Report (PED15127(a)) to the Hamilton-Wentworth District School Board (HWDSB), on terms and conditions acceptable to the General Manager, Planning and Economic Development;
- (ii) That the budget and funding for the property acquisition consisting of the market value of the land, including all Real Estate and Legal Services administrative fees, building condition abatement, demolition, site remediation, contingency and other related costs, as detailed in Private and Confidential Appendix "B" of Report (PED15127(a)), as amended, be approved; and,
- (iii) That subject to a successful acquisition under Recommendation (a) of Report PED15127(a):
  - 1. Staff be authorized and directed to demolish the existing surplus school structure and finish the property with a grassed area;
  - 2. The Recreation Division be directed to complete a recreation needs assessment for Eastmount Park and the subject lands, including engagement of the Ward Councillor, adjacent Community and recreation stakeholders;

3. Any recommendations from the recreation needs assessment that include new parkland infrastructure will be funded through the Wards 1-8 discretionary funding, other funding sources, or considered in the Open Space Development Capital Program;
  4. The unopened road allowance located north of East 28th Avenue be deemed surplus (if determined feasible as per Recommendation (b) to Report PED15127) and Real Estate staff be authorized and directed to dispose of the surplus unopened road allowance in accordance with the "Sale of Land Policy By-law", being By-law 14-204; and,
  5. Any net proceeds from the sale of the East 28th Avenue unopened road allowance be returned to Parkland Dedication Reserve Account No. 104090;
- (iv) That Report PED15127(a) respecting Surplus School Property at 155 East 26th Street known as Eastmount Park Elementary School (PED15127(a)), remain confidential and not be released as a public document until following the completion of a transaction pursuant to an agreement of purchase and sale, and that the financial details outlined in Appendix "B", as amended, attached to Report PED15127(a) remain confidential and not be released as a public document; and,
- (v) That the Mayor and Clerk be authorized and directed to execute all necessary documents for the proposal respecting the surplus school property 155 East 26th Street (PED15127(a)) in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor.
- (b) Surplus School Property at 31 Parkside Avenue, Dundas, known as Parkside Secondary School (PED15123(a)) (Ward 13) (Item 12.3)**
- (i) That the Real Estate Section of the Economic Development Division of the Planning and Economic Development Department be authorized and directed to present a bona-fide offer to purchase the surplus property located at 31 Parkside Avenue, Dundas legally described as Part Lot 1, Registrar's Compiled Plan 1385; Part of Lots 5 and 6, Registered Plan 1444, former Town of Dundas and further identified as PIN 17584-0063 and being 1.66 ha (4.10 acres) in size, more or less, as shown on Appendix "A" attached to Report PED15123(a) to the Hamilton-Wentworth District School Board (HWDSB), on terms and conditions acceptable to the General Manager, Planning and Economic Development Department;

- (ii) That the budget and funding for the property acquisition consisting of the market value of the land, including all Real Estate and Legal Services administrative fees, building condition abatement, demolition, site remediation, contingency and other related costs, as detailed in Private and Confidential Appendix “B” of Report PED15123(a), as **further** amended, be approved;
- (iii) That Report PED15123(a) respecting Surplus School Property at 31 Parkside Avenue, Dundas, known as Parkside Secondary School (PED15123(a)), remain confidential and not be released as a public document until following the completion of a transaction pursuant to an agreement of purchase and sale, and that the financial details outlined in Appendix “B”, as **further** amended, attached to Report PED15123(a) remain confidential and not be released as a public document;
- (iv) That subject to a successful acquisition under Recommendation (a) of Report PED15123(a):
  - 1. Staff be authorized and directed to demolish the existing school structure;
  - 2. Staff be authorized and directed to pursue the use of a portion of the subject site for cemetery uses; and,
  - 3. Any remnant parcel be deemed surplus and Real Estate staff be authorized and directed to dispose of the surplus remnant parcel in accordance with the “Sale of Land Policy By-law”, being By-law 14-204; and,
- (v) That the Mayor and Clerk be authorized and directed to execute all necessary documents for the proposal respecting the surplus school Property 31 Parkside Secondary School (PED151123(a)) in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor.

**12. Hamilton Future Fund Board of Governors Report 16-001, January 14, 2016 (Item 8.9)**

**Correspondence from Christine Chesebrough respecting her Resignation from the Hamilton Future Fund Board of Governors (Added Item 5.1)**

That Correspondence from Christine Chesebrough, respecting her resignation from the Hamilton Future Fund Board of Governors, be received and referred to the Selection Committee.

**13. Light Rail Transit Sub-Committee Report 16-001, January 25, 2016 (Item 8.10)**

**(a) Light Rail Transit Memorandum of Agreement - City of Hamilton and Metrolinx (PED16042/LS16003) (City Wide) (Item 8.1)**

- (i) That the City enter into the Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) between Metrolinx and the City of Hamilton, respecting the City of Hamilton Light Rail Transit project, substantially in the form attached as Appendix "A" to Report 16-001, as amended, of the Light Rail Transit Sub-Committee and other ancillary documents, with content approved by the General Manager of Public Works and the General Manager of Planning and Economic Development, in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor;
- (ii) That the City Manager be authorized to execute the Memorandum of Agreement between Metrolinx and the City of Hamilton, respecting the City of Hamilton Light Rail Transit and other ancillary documents; and,
- (iii) That staff be directed and authorized to develop and negotiate one or more detailed Definitive Agreements with Metrolinx respecting the City of Hamilton Light Rail Transit project and report back to the Light Rail Transit Subcommittee for recommendation to Council.

**(b) Correspondence from the Hamilton Chamber of Commerce respecting their LRT Task Force Draft Terms of Reference (Added Item 8.4)**

That the following Councillors be appointed to the Hamilton Chamber of Commerce's LRT Task Force for the remainder of the 2014-2018 Term of Council: J. Farr, M. Green and A. Johnson.

**(c) Transcribing Meetings of the LRT Sub-Committee (Added Item 10.1)**

That staff from the Access and Equity Office be directed to have all future meetings of the LRT Sub-Committee transcribed for hearing impaired individuals.

**14. Asphalt Damages (HUR16002) (City Wide) (Item 12.2)**

That Report HUR16002, respecting Asphalt Damages, remain confidential.



**15. Declaration of Surplus and Sale of 335, 339 and Part of 337 Highland Road West, Hamilton (PED16033) (Ward 9) (Item 12.3)**

- (a) That the lands municipally known as 335, 339 and part of 337 Highland Road West, described as Parts 5, 6 and 7, Plan 62R-17528, Township of Saltfleet, in the City of Hamilton, more fully shown and described in Appendices "A-C" attached to Report PED16033, be declared surplus to the requirements of the City of Hamilton in accordance with the "Procedural By-law for the Sale of Land", being By-law No. 14-204;
- (b) That an Option to Purchase, executed on November 25, 2015, and scheduled to close on or before April 28, 2016, to purchase the land known as 335, 339 and part of 337 Highland Road West, legally described as Parts 5, Part of 6 and all of Part 7, Plan 62R-17528, Township of Saltfleet, in the City of Hamilton, more fully described in Appendix "B" attached to Report PED16033, be approved and completed on terms and conditions outlined in Appendix "D" to Report PED16033, and the net proceeds be credited to Account No. 47702 4030980986 (Trinity Church Corridor - 53 and Stone Church);
- (c) That the sum of \$20,000 from the proceeds of the sale be credited to Account No. 45408-3560150200 for recovery of expenses including Real Estate and Legal administration fees;
- (d) That as a condition of sale, easements be retained by the City to protect existing municipal infrastructure;
- (e) That Appendix "D" to Report PED16033 remain confidential and not be released as a public document until the final completion of the real estate transaction;
- (f) That the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized and directed to execute any necessary documents in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor; and,
- (g) That the funding allocations outlined in sub-section (b) to Report PED16033, respecting the allocation of the net proceeds, which are to be credited to Account No. 47702 4030980986 (Trinity Church Corridor - 53 and Stone Church), be referred to the Capital Work-in-Progress Sub-Committee to consider the allocation of a portion of those funds to the Ermosa Karst Trail Account.

**16. Cell Tower Licence Agreement and Space at Tim Horton's Field, 75 Balsam Avenue North (PED16034) (Ward 3) (Item 12.4)**

- (a) That a License Agreement with the City (the "Licensor") for space occupied by Bell Mobility Inc., ("Bell") at Tim Horton's Field, 75 Balsam Avenue North, Hamilton, as shown on Appendix "A" attached to Report PED16034, substantially based on the terms and conditions contained in Appendix "B" attached to Report PED16034, and such other terms and conditions deemed appropriate by the General Manager, Planning and Economic Development, be approved;
- (b) That the revenue related to the Licence be credited to Account No. 46110-792285 (Cell Tower Revenue) and that Real Estate and Legal Services fees of \$7,470 also be funded from Account No. 46110-792285 (Cell Tower Revenue) and credited to Account No. 45408-3560150200;
- (c) That the annual amount collected from Bell Mobility Inc. ("Bell") related to its hydro usage be credited to Account No. 56120 – 792284;
- (d) That the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized and directed to execute all necessary documents, relating to the License Agreement with the City (the "Licensor") for space to be occupied by Bell Mobility Inc. ("Bell"), being 75 Balsam Avenue North, in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor; and,
- (e) That Appendix "B" attached to Report PED16034 remain confidential and not be released as a public document.

**17. Litigation regarding Construction of Ancaster Fire Station No. 20 (LS13018(a)/FCS13041(a)/PW16002 (Ward 12) (Item 12.5)**

- (a) That the direction provided to staff in Closed Session, in accordance with Report LS13018(a)/FCS13041(a)/PW16002 Litigation regarding Construction of Ancaster Fire Station No. 20, be approved; and,
- (b) That Report LS13018(a)/FCS13041(a)/PW16002, Litigation regarding Construction of Ancaster Fire Station No. 20, remain confidential.

**18. IUOE Bargaining Ratification Update (HUR16003) (City Wide) (Item 12.6)**

- (a) That the tentative agreement between the City of Hamilton and the International Union of Operating Engineers, Local 772, be ratified; and,
- (b) That Report HUR16003, respecting the IUOE Bargaining Ratification Update remain confidential.

**19. Human Rights Tribunal Matter (LS16004) (City Wide) (Item 12.7)**

That Report LS16004, respecting Human Rights Tribunal Matter, remain confidential.

**20. Public Works Contractual Matter – Legal Advice (City Wide) (Item 12.8)**

That the update provided in Closed Session, respecting the Public Works Contractual Matter – Legal Advice, be received.

**FOR THE INFORMATION OF COUNCIL:**

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

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

**1. DELEGATION REQUESTS (Item 4)**

- 4.2 P.J. Mercanti, Hospitality Hamilton Partner Steering Committee, respecting the Tourism / Hospitality Industry in Hamilton (*For the February 17<sup>th</sup> GIC Agenda*)
- 4.3 Adam Archer, Broadwell, respecting an Alternative to the Air Dome that is being presented to the General Issues Committee that could benefit the City (*For the February 3<sup>rd</sup> GIC Agenda*)
- 4.4 Tasha Mazza-Kelton and Duncan Macintosh, Hamilton Indoor Turf Operators Group to seek Clarification regarding Capacity, Community Access and Procurement as it relates to Turf Fields in Hamilton (*For the February 3<sup>rd</sup> GIC Agenda*)

**2. DISCUSSION ITEMS (Item 8)**

- 8.8 An amended version of the Private & Confidential Appendices “B” to Items 1 and 2 of the School Board Sub-Committee Report 16-001, have been provided for your consideration.
- 8.10 Light Rail Transit Sub-Committee Report 16-001, January 25, 2016
- 8.10(a) AMENDED – Appendix “A” to the Light Rail Transit Sub-Committee Report 16-001, January 25, 2016 (Memorandum of Understanding)

**3. PRIVATE & CONFIDENTIAL (Item 12)**

12.6 IUOE Bargaining Ratification Update (HUR16003) (City Wide)

Pursuant to Section 8.1, Sub-section (d) of the City's Procedural By-law 14-300, and Section 239, Sub-section (d) of the Ontario Municipal Act, 2001, as amended, as the subject matter pertains to labour relations or employee negotiations.

12.7 Human Rights Tribunal Matter (LS16004) (City Wide)

Pursuant to Section 8.1, Sub-sections (e) and (f) of the City's Procedural By-law 14-300, and Section 239(2), Sub-sections (e) and (f) of the *Ontario Municipal Act, 2001*, as amended, as the subject matters pertain to litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the City; and, the receiving of advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose.

12.8 Public Works Contractual Matter – Legal Advice (City Wide)

Pursuant to Section 8.1, Sub-section (f) of the City's Procedural By-law 14-300, and Section 239(2), Sub-section (f) of the *Ontario Municipal Act, 2001*, as amended, as the subject matter pertains to the receiving of advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose.

The agenda for the February 3, 2016 General Issues Committee meeting was approved, as amended.

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

There were no declarations of interest.

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

**(i) January 13, 2016 (Item 3.1)**

The Minutes of the January 13, 2016 meeting of the General Issues Committee was approved, as presented.

**(d) DELEGATION REQUESTS (Item 4)**

- (i) Rob MacIsaac, President & CEO of Hamilton Health Sciences, respecting Hamilton Health Science's Biggest Planning Process in Decades – Our Healthy Future, creating a vision for the care it will provide over the coming 20 years (For a future GIC – date to be confirmed.) (Item 4.1)**

The delegation request submitted by Rob MacIsaac, President & CEO of Hamilton Health Sciences, respecting Hamilton Health Science's biggest planning process in decades – Our Healthy Future, creating a vision for the care it will provide over the coming 20 years, was approved for a future General Issues Committee agenda.

- (ii) P.J. Mercanti, Hospitality Hamilton Partner Steering Committee, respecting the Tourism / Hospitality Industry in Hamilton (For the February 17<sup>th</sup> GIC Agenda) (Item 4.2)**

The delegation request submitted by P.J. Mercanti, Hospitality Hamilton Partner Steering Committee, respecting the Tourism / Hospitality Industry in Hamilton, was approved to appear before Committee on February 17, 2016.

- (iii) Adam Archer, Broadwell, respecting an Alternative to the Air Dome that is being presented to the General Issues Committee that could benefit the City (For the February 3<sup>rd</sup> GIC Agenda) (Item 4.3)**

The delegation request submitted by Adam Archer, Broadwell, respecting an Alternative to the Air Dome that is being presented to the General Issues Committee that could benefit the City, was approved to appear before Committee on February 3, 2016.

- (iv) Tasha Mazza-Kelton and Duncan Macintosh, Hamilton Indoor Turf Operators Group to seek Clarification regarding Capacity, Community Access and Procurement as it relates to Turf Fields in Hamilton (For the February 3<sup>rd</sup> GIC Agenda) (Item 4.4)**

The delegation request submitted by Tasha Mazza-Kelton and Duncan Macintosh, Hamilton Indoor Turf Operators Group to seek Clarification regarding Capacity, Community Access and Procurement as it relates to Turf Fields in Hamilton, was approved to appear before Committee on February 3, 2016.

**(e) CONSENT ITEMS (Item 5)**

**(i) Meeting Minutes of Various Advisory and Sub-Committees (Item 5.2)**

The following Sub-Committee Minutes were received:

1. Mayor's Blue Ribbon Task Force on Workforce Development, November 12, 2015
2. Downtown Commercial Corridor Task Force, November 25, 2015
3. Business Improvement Area Advisory Committee, December 8, 2015

**(f) PUBLIC HEARINGS / DELEGATIONS (Item 6)**

**(i) John McGrane, of John McGrane Services Ltd., respecting a proposed Sports Bubble at Tim Horton's Field (For the February 3, 2016 GIC) (Item 6.1)**

Mr. McGrane addressed Committee respecting a proposed Sports Bubble at Tim Horton's Field. The presentation included, but was not limited to, the following:

- To provide a greater opportunity for youth to participate in both recreation and competitive sport.
- The construction of a bubble could only enhance the usage and opportunity for youth to compete in sport year round.
- The project would not require any City capital and would be built with full support of Bob Young and the Hamilton Tiger Cats.
- 500 full field bookings and the Recreation Division of the Community and Emergency Services Division for allocation and distribution for school and community use (i.e. Grass Roots Soccer Program) that could be year round.
- The Dome would also contribute back to the City of Hamilton \$100,000 annually toward the creation of a turf replacement.
- The development of a provincial/national soccer academy that will aid in the year round development of elite amateur and professional player in Hamilton.

The presentation provided by John McGrane, of John McGrane Services Ltd., respecting a proposed Sports Bubble at Tim Horton's Field, was received.

A full copy of the documents provided by Mr. McGrane are available on the City's website or through the Office of the City Clerk.

**(ii) Adam Archer, Broadwell, respecting an Alternative to the Air Dome that is being presented to the General Issues Committee that could benefit the City (*For the February 3<sup>rd</sup> GIC Agenda*) (Item 6.2)**

Adam Archer addressed Committee respecting an Alternative to the Air Dome that is being presented to the General Issues Committee that could benefit the City. Mr. Archer's presentation included, but was not limited, the following:

- There is an advantage to the City in owning the air dome – rental revenues of approximately \$160 for each of the 5 fields over a sixteen week period, when the field is not being used by the Tiger-Cats; totalling approximately \$700,000 in revenue per year for the City of Hamilton.
- The City would have control over booking the fields as they may have the best interest of the residents of the city.
- The Air Dome could be used for school programs, provide public access for *any* sport and would hold the rights to lease the space.
- The City could generate advertising revenues.
- Requesting an open bid for a dome at Tim Horton's Field in order for the City to see all advantages and best options regarding a dome at Tim Horton's Field.

The presentation provided by Adam Archer, of Broadwell, respecting an Alternative to the Air Dome that is being presented to the General Issues Committee that could benefit the City, was received.

(iii) **Tasha Mazza-Kelton and Duncan Macintosh, Hamilton Indoor Turf Operators Group to seek Clarification regarding Capacity, Community Access and Procurement as it relates to Turf Fields in Hamilton (*For the February 3<sup>rd</sup> GIC Agenda*) (Item 6.3)**

Tasha Mazza-Kelton and Duncan MacIntosh addressed Committee to seek Clarification regarding Capacity, Community Access and Procurement as it relates to Turf Fields in Hamilton. The presentation included, but was not limited to, the following:

- Representing four local businesses and one university.
- Own 12 Indoor Turf Fields that are available for a variety of sports and events
- Pay over \$250,000 in annual realty taxes.
- Current Market Demand
  - There are 12 existing indoor fields. The addition of 5 new fields would be a +40% increase, a demand study should be considered
  - All existing Operators have prime time availability.
  - There is room for the Tiger-Cats, professional soccer team practices as well as games and interest in grass rooms program initiatives.
- Public Private Partnerships
  - There are current agreements with the Quad Pad, the (First Ontario Centre (Copps' Coliseum), the Convention Center, and Tim Horton's Field (outside of the CFL season).
  - Is the City considering an RFP/procurement process for this opportunity?
  - Will any City resources or staff be made available to or subsidizing this opportunity?
- Considerations and Recent Examples
  - Ongoing subsidies for Private / Public Facilities:



- ❖ Welland – operating shortfall of \$750,000 annually
- ❖ New Market – City Bailed out overruns of \$2.8 million
  
- MPAC reassessments of private and public domed facilities are under review (\$200,000 to \$300,000) annually.
  
- An oversaturated market could cause the potential closure of existing facilities and a loss of tax revenue.

The presentation provided by Tasha Mazza-Kelton and Duncan MacIntosh addressed Committee to seek Clarification regarding Capacity, Community Access and Procurement as it relates to Turf Fields in Hamilton, was received.

Items 6.1 to 6.3, the presentations respecting a proposed sports dome over Tim Horton's Field, were referred to staff for review and a report back to the General Issues Committee regarding the feasibility and options for a dome at Tim Horton's Field.

**(g) DISCUSSION ITEM (Item 8)**

**(i) Light Rail Transit Sub-Committee Report 16-001, January 25, 2016 (Item 8.10)**

Councillor C. Collins wished to be recorded as OPPOSED to this matter.

**(h) GENERAL INFORMATION / OTHER BUSINESS (Item 11)**

**(i) Amendments to the Outstanding Business List (Item 11.1)**

The following amendments to the General Issues Committee's Outstanding Business list were approved:

**(a) Items Requiring Approval of Proposed New Due Dates**

- (i) Item "D" – Tourism Gateway Centre  
Current Due Date: December 2, 2015  
Proposed New Due Date: November 16, 2016
  
- (ii) Item "J" – 2014 User Fees  
Current Due Date: December 2, 2015  
Proposed New Due Date: September 21, 2016

- (iii) Item “O” – City of Hamilton’s Outstanding Issues and the Need for Additional Revenue Streams  
Current Due Date: October 21, 2015  
Proposed New Due Date: March 23, 2016
- (iv) Item “R” – Possible Purchase of the Federal Lands Remaining on Pier 8  
Current Due Date: December 2, 2015  
Proposed New Due Date: March 23, 2016
- (v) Item “S” – Mayor’s Blue Ribbon Task Force on Work Force Development – Semi Annual Update  
Current Due Date: November 18, 2015  
Proposed New Due Date: April 6, 2016
- (vi) Item “V” – Hamilton Arts Week Program  
Current Due Date: January 13, 2016  
Proposed New Due Date: March 2, 2016
- (vii) Item “W” - Feasibility of Digital/LED based Signage within the Municipality on City of Hamilton Owned Lands  
Current Due Date: October 21, 2015  
Proposed New Due Date: May 18, 2016
- (viii) Item “X” - Resourcing the Revenue Generation Strategy  
Current Due Date: October 21, 2015  
Proposed New Due Date: May 18, 2016
- (ix) Item “Z” - Options the City has with respect to the Unanimous Stakeholders’ Agreement, known as Hamilton Realty Capital Inc.  
Current Due Date: December 2, 2015  
Proposed New Due Date: March 2, 2016
- (x) Item “DD” – Canadian Football Hall of Fame Relocation  
Current Due Date: December 2, 2015  
Proposed New Due Date: June 15, 2016
- (xi) Item “NN” - Establishment of a Code of Conduct and Human Resources Policy for BIAs  
Current Due Date: December 2, 2015  
Proposed New Due Date: February 17, 2016

- (b) Items to be Removed
  - (i) Item “B” - Study of a CIP for Creative Industries and Review of City Policies and By-laws  
*(Was addressed when the UHOP was approved, with amendments to the by-laws and the LRT Corridor Zoning Review.)*
  - (ii) Item “G” – Art Gallery of Hamilton’s Proposal to Fundraise to Expand on City Owned Property  
*(Addressed as Item 5.3 – PED16031)*
  - (iii) Item “CC” – Terms of Reference for a Community Stakeholder Working Group – Hamilton’s Bicentennial Celebration  
*(Addressed December 2, 2015 – Item 5 of GIC Report 15-025, PED15196)*
  - (iv) Item “PP” - Detailed Account of Past Variances Related to Road Rehabilitation and Sidewalk Replacement Budgets  
*(Matter was addressed in Appendices of the City’s Quarterly Capital Variance Report)*

**(i) PRIVATE & CONFIDENTIAL (Item 12)**

**(i) Closed Session Minutes – January 13, 2016 (Item 12.1)**

As the General Issues Committee determined that no discussion, respecting the Closed Session Minutes of January 13, 2016, meeting was required, the Minutes were approved in Open Session, as shown below:

- (a) The Closed Session Minutes of the January 13, 2016, meeting of the General Issues Committee were approved, as presented; and,
- (b) The Closed Session Minutes of January 13, 2016, meeting of the General Issues Committee, will remain confidential and restricted from public disclosure.

The General Issues Committee moved into Closed Session, respecting Items 12.2 – Asphalt Damages (HUR16002); Item 12.3 - Declaration of Surplus and Sale of 335, 339 and Part of 337 Highland Road West, Hamilton (PED16033); 12.4 - Cell Tower Licence Agreement and Space at Tim Horton’s Field, 75 Balsam Avenue North (PED16034); Item 12.5 – Litigation regarding Construction of Ancaster Fire Station No. 20 (LS13018(a) / FCS13041(a) /PW16002); Item 12.6 - IUOE Bargaining Ratification Update (HUR16003); Item 12.7 - Human Rights Tribunal Matter (LS16004); and, Item 12.8 – Public Works Contractual

Matter – Legal Advice, pursuant to Section 8.1, Sub-sections (c), (d), (e) and (f) of the City's Procedural By-law 14-300, and Section 239(2), Sub-sections (c), (d), (e) and (f) of the *Ontario Municipal Act*, 2001, as amended, as the subject matters pertain to a proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land for City purposes; labour relations or employee negotiations; litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the City; and, the receiving of advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose.

**(ii) Declaration of Surplus and Sale of 335, 339 and Part of 337 Highland Road West, Hamilton (PED16033) (Ward 9) (Item 12.3)**

Report PED16033, respecting the Declaration of Surplus and Sale of 335, 339 and Part of 337 Highland Road West, Hamilton, was amended by adding a sub-section (g), to read as follows:

***(g) That the funding allocations outlined in sub-section (b) to Report PED16033, respecting the allocation of the net proceeds, which are to be credited to Account No. 47702 4030980986 (Trinity Church Corridor - 53 and Stone Church), be referred to the Capital Work-in-Progress Sub-Committee to consider the allocation of a portion of those funds to the Ermosa Karst Trail Account.***

For disposition of this matter, please refer to Item 15.

**(j) ADJOURNMENT (Item 13)**

There being no further business, the General Issues Committee, adjourned at 4:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

T. Whitehead, Deputy Mayor  
Chair, General Issues Committee

Stephanie Paparella  
Legislative Coordinator  
Office of the City Clerk

**KING STREET WEST BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT AREA (BIA)**

**PROPOSED 2016 BUDGET**

**EXPENSES**

Insurance	\$ 2,273.40
Office	\$ 150.00
Audit	\$ 350.00
Meeting Expenses	\$ 1,500.00
AGM Expenses	\$ 400.00
OBIAA Membership	\$ 226.00
OBIAA Conference	\$ 1,000.00
Christmas Trees	\$ 1,500.00
Lights and Installations	\$ 1,200.00
Marketing	\$ 3,000.00
BIA Branding	\$ 5,000.00
Miscellaneous	\$ 200.00

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**TOTAL BUDGET** \$ 16,799.40

**INCOME**

LEVY	\$ 5,000.00
Reserves from bank account	\$11,799.40

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**TOTAL** \$ 16,799.40