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CORPORATION OF HAMILTON
INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE
PUBLIC SESSION

Wednesday, January 12, 2022, 10:00 am
Online Remote

Present: Councillor John Harvey, MBE, JP, Chairman
Rt. Wor. Charles R. Gosling, JP
Councillor Henry Ming
Councillor RoseAnn Edwards
Councillor Jenefer Brimmer
Michael Branco, JP - Associate Member

Apologies: Councillor George Scott, JP
Councillor Nicholas Swan

Staff: CEO/City Secretary - Dwayne A. Caines, JP
CFO/Acting City Secretary – Tanya Iris
COO/City Engineer - Patrick Cooper
Assistant City Engineer - Charles Waters
Public Relations Manager - Helen Zoellner

Apologies: Director of Marketing & Communications – Jessica Astwood

In Attendance: Senior Events Co-ordinator - Tamara Bradshaw

1. Confirmation of Notice

The CEO/City Secretary confirmed that the appropriate notices of the meeting were duly given according to the Meeting Guide.

2. Role of the Chairman

Mayor, Charles Gosling confirmed his role as the Chairman, in Councillor J. Harvey's absence.

3. Open Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 10.06 am.

4. Apologies

The CEO/City Secretary confirmed that apologies had been received from Councillor J. Harvey. Also, the Director of Marketing and Communications, Jessica Astwood, with the Senior Events Co-ordinator, Tamara Bradshaw, attending in her stead.

5. Public Participation/Presentation

5.1 NPC Worldwide Caribbean Grand Prix Bermuda

The Mayor welcomed Mr. Dion Smith, Managing Director, Smith Technologies, who would present a City Partnership for NPC Worldwide Caribbean Grand Prix Bermuda Pro Qualifier (Body Building and Fitness competition).

Mr. Smith showed a video of the 2019 show which had been held in the City. He referred to the Request for Sponsorship Form for the international event to be held in Bermuda on 26 March 2022. The event would not take place at a venue within the City due to the expected increase in the number of participants and their guests. Mr. Smith would like to be able to offer tours to the attendees, including the City.

The Mayor thanked Mr. Smith and said that the Committee would discuss the proposal and let him know their decision.

ACTION:

Discuss the proposal by Mr. Dion Smith, Managing Director, Smith Technologies, for sponsorship by the COH for the NPC Worldwide Caribbean Grand Prix, to be held in Bermuda on 26 March 2022, at a venue outside of the City, and the sponsorship of Tours of the City. Inform Mr. Smith of the COH's decision. **(CEO/City Secretary)**

6. Correspondence

There was no correspondence.

7. Minutes of the Previous Infrastructure Committee Meeting dated 17 December 2021 (Public Session)

Proposed: Councillor J. Brimmer

Seconded: Councillor H. Ming

The Minutes were accepted as read.

8. Matters Arising from the Previous Infrastructure Committee Meeting dated 17 December 2021 (Public Session)

8.1 Bronze Bust of Mr. Clarence Hill - Sport Bermuda Magazine

Arrange a face-to-face meeting with Sport Bermuda Magazine to discuss the request in detail and offer recommendations, as it relates to the proposed bronze bust of Mr. Clarence Hill and its safest location. **(CEO/City Secretary)** The CEO/City Secretary said that it had been difficult to meet with Mr. Jennings of Sport Bermuda Magazine via zoom as he was legally blind. A meeting would be required with a proxy representative, Mr. Patrick Bean, to be arranged. Action item had not been completed.

8.2 Island Trading

Instruct the lawyer to send legal notice to Island Trading to the effect that the COH would not entertain a claim of ownership as it related to the containers utilising the car parking bays at Cavendish Street car park. The COO/City Secretary said that a registered letter from the lawyers had been delivered to Island Trading on 11 January 2022, via Proserve. Action item completed.

Obtain a Legal Opinion to assist in the resolution of the parking and unloading of containers at the warehouse entrance of island Trading on the Reid Street extension, as it related to any exposure for the COH. **(COO/City Engineer)** Action item had not been completed.

8.3 Traffic Issues Review and Design Report

Carry out community consultation on the proposals as it related to the change of use for the six (6) parking bays on Laffan Street and the six (6) parking bays on Washington Street. On hold. **(City Engineer)** Action item had not been completed.

8.4 Angle Street Speed Bump

Following the community survey, carry out the installation of the speed bumps on Angle Street by the end of 2021. **(COO/City Engineer)** The COO/City Engineer said that a draft Speed Bump Policy would be tabled at the next Infrastructure Committee meeting.

8.5 Request for Crossing Lights at Dellwood Middle School

Make an assessment of the need for a crossing light at the crossing near the Tools & Equipment Unlimited Ltd property once the school would be open and students were using the crossing, as it related to the request for a crossing light at Dellwood Middle School. Also assess the dangers at the crossing near the Salvation Army property. **(COO/City Engineer)** The COO/City Engineer said that an assessment of the area had still not been possible. As the School had not yet opened, usage of the crossing by the students could not be assessed. Action item had not been completed.

8.6 Reinstallation of Plaques

Arrange an on site meeting with the Mayor and Councillor Edwards at the junction of City Hall Car Park on Church Street and Wesley Street, together with a mock up of proposed locations for each plaque. **(COO/City Engineer)** The COO/City Engineer said that a site meeting would be arranged for later this week to review the possible location all of the plaques on Wesley Square, including the placement of the "When Voices Rise" plaque. He understood that Chevron House would be in agreement to have the "Storm in a Teacup" plaque reinstalled. Councillor Swan would arrange for Mr. Mark Orchard of Chevron House to attend the site meeting. The CEO/City Secretary would also attend the site meeting. Action item had not been completed.

Arrange a site visit with Councillor Edwards to decide on the placement of the "When Voices Rise" plaque currently obstructed by a seating bench on Wesley Square. Action item completed.

8.7 Calculation of Stamp Duty

Write to the Tax Commission for a directive to ensure accuracy for the calculation of Stamp Duty on multiple-year leases which include an annual CPI amount. **(CFO/Acting City Secretary)** The CFO/Acting City Secretary said that the Stamp Duty had been changed in April 2019. She requested that the Engineering Department pursue the matter with the Tax Commission as they would calculate the Consumer Price Index (CPI) amount when preparing leases. The Mayor referred to the most recent change to the Stamp Duty for leases would affect all leases. Most leases would contain a CPI index clause. There would be further consideration of the calculation of Stamp Duty including a CPI amount. Action item had not been completed.

8.8 Request for Access to Doctors Offices on Victoria Street

Discuss with Mr. Dallas the possibility of removing the hoarding on the property and replace with sidewalk, as it relates to access to the medical centres on Victoria Street opposite City Hall car park. **(COO/City Engineer)** The COO/City Engineer said that Mr. Dallas would be willing to work with the COH to create a sidewalk. There was no solid ground beneath street level behind the hoarding and further discussions would be required. Action item had not been completed.

8.9 Car Washing

Arrange a meeting with Councillor Brimmer and Councillor Edwards to discuss potential areas to permit car washing in the City, as this had been put on hold. **(CEO/City Secretary)** The CEO/City Secretary said that a meeting with the Councillors had taken place. The COH would need to prepare a framework for locations within the City to permit car washing. There would be no advantages for the COH. Further options would be considered to support car washing in the City. Action item had not been completed.

8.10 Sidewalk Washing

Direct the sidewalk washing crews to inspect and carry out sidewalk washing where necessary in the North Hamilton. The COO/City Engineer said that power washing on Court Street had taken place at the end of 2021 and ongoing inspections were scheduled. Specific areas for washing should be notified to the COO/City Engineer for action as certain areas would need washing more than others. This was not limited to North East Hamilton. The CEO/City Secretary said that a number of businesses on Court Street had requested power washing of the sidewalks at their business, in particular restaurants, and proprietors should be advised of the most effective way to handle the disposal of the wet-waste. The Mayor suggested a discussion with the Restaurant Division of the Chamber of Commerce. Action item completed.

ACTION:

Meet with the Restaurant Division of the Chamber of Commerce, to discuss the disposal of wet-waste at all restaurants in the City. **(CEO/City Secretary)**

ACTION:

Publish advice from time to time, as it relates to the appropriate use of oils and disposal of wet-waste from restaurants, in order to assist the COH in keeping the streets in Hamilton to a standard of cleanliness, together with a power washing schedule. **(Public Relations Manager)**

9. Resolutions Approved by the Minister

That the Board approve the name for the park area at the corner of Court Street and Dundonald Street, be Dudley Eve Park, as submitted by unanimous recommendation of the North Hamilton Plan Sub Committee, Councillor H. Ming - Chair, Councillor N. Swan, Councillor J. Brimmer, Councillor R. Edwards and the CEO/City Secretary, at a meeting held on 1 November 2021.

ACTION:

Schedule a date for the official naming of Dudley Eve Park event with full PR, after installation of the stair structure and park signage. **(COO/City Engineer)**

10. Recommendations for Review

10.1 Bid Recommendation - City Hall Roof Soffit

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Board approve the contract for the City Hall Roof Soffit be awarded to Kaissa at a cost of \$5,700.00.

Proposed: Councillor H. Ming

Seconded: Councillor J. Brimmer

Unanimous

10.2 Bid Recommendation - Demolition - Rose Cottage

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Board approve the contract for the Demolition of Rose Cottage be awarded to Island Construction Services at a cost of \$18,600.00.

Proposed: Councillor H. Ming

Seconded: Councillor J. Brimmer

Unanimous

10.3 Bid Recommendation - Victoria Street (East) Redevelopment

The COO/City Engineer said that the redevelopment of Victoria Street (East) would be between Union Street and King Street, at the Ex-Artillerymen's Club. The project would include repairing the retaining wall supporting the road, build a new sidewalk, install new tree pits, plant new trees replacing the large five (5) trees which had been removed and realign the road. Councillor Brimmer asked whether any aspect of the redevelopment could be carried out by the COH team. The COO/City Engineer said that it would not be cost-efficient for the COH team to be involved in large scale projects such as this. There would be more value in hiring a contractor who would handle man-management issues, possess the expertise and would be money-driven to produce quality work on a large scale project. The COH currently had two (2) masonry crews of three (3), who would not have the necessary expertise for large scale projects. The COH teams excel at carrying out many small scale repairs and installations around the City.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Board approve the contract for the Victoria Street (East) Redevelopment be awarded to Brown & Co at a cost of \$113,583.00.

Proposed: Councillor H. Ming

Seconded: Councillor R. Edwards

Unanimous

10.4 Bid Recommendation - Hamilton Dock Security Two-Year Contract

The COO/City Engineer said that three (3) tenders had been received. SAS Protection currently provide the Hamilton Dock Security service without issue. SAS Protection had submitted the lowest bid. The tender would be over a two (2) year period, with dictated staffing levels to be maintained and certain activities to be carried out, with the necessary qualification requirements of the security guards.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Board approve the Two-Year Contract for the Hamilton Dock Security be awarded to SAS Protection at a cost of \$1,476,606.00.

Proposed: Councillor J. Brimmer

Seconded: Councillor H. Ming

Unanimous

11. Status Updates

11.1 Marketing & Communication

- Preparations for a full schedule for 2022 was underway. The full schedule for 2020 and 2021 had been curtailed due to the restrictions.

- 11/12 March 2022 - Scavenger Hunt

- Election Awareness Campaign re participation and voting.
- February 2022 - Black History Month - series of black businesses spotlights
- PR preparation for various City projects: Victoria Street Bathrooms, Washington Lane Renovation, Dudley Eve Park, Pier-6, Albuoys Point and Bermuda Triangle park and Bermuda Marquee Sign.

11.2 Take Note: Project Charters 2021

The Assistant City Engineer gave an update on the Church Street Project traffic lights upgrade which had been ongoing and which extended from Queen Street to Burnaby Street. It commenced at the junction of Bermudiana Road and would move eastward to Court Street. The intention was to improve on traffic flow and pedestrian crossing delays. He outlined the proposed concept design options for the next phase of the Project for the Committee's consideration.

The pedestrian crossings at Par-La-Ville Road would be retained. The pedestrian crossing at Dismont Drive may be removed. No other changes to traffic flow would be made, however several parking bays would be lost to bike parking on the south side of Church Street with additional pedestrian areas. Reconfiguration of the island at the top of Queen Street to be a pedestrian crossing island. The island would be a raised concrete pad and include three (3) light controlled pedestrian crossings, from both sides of Queen Street and from the north side of Queen Street at City Hall car park. The current crossing at the top of Queen Street would be removed.

Councillor Ming suggested that the concrete pad pedestrian island would be made as soft as possible. Councillor Brimmer asked whether the reduced parking on Queen Street would impact the businesses. The Assistant City Engineer said that, whilst loading zones would remain, there would be alternative car parking at City Hall car park. The Senior Events Co-ordinator asked how the proposed layout would affect the traffic crossing lanes on Church Street to enter Dismont Drive for the main entrance to City Hall car park. The Assistant City Engineer said that the traffic lights would be sequenced to allow ease of traffic flow across the lanes. The Mayor suggested that it would be unlikely that pedestrians would cross at the top of Queen Street via the island and that it may be preferable to cross-hatch the whole junction to allow freedom of movement for pedestrians. Also, that the "Against the Tide Statue" could be placed on the existing island. Councillor Edwards asked whether the taxi lane would be removed. The Assistant City Engineer said that it would not be moved from its current position.

The Assistant City Engineer said that he welcomed any suggestions on the design layouts. The traffic and pedestrian lights would need to be upgraded in any case. The COO/City Engineer asked the Committee to consider the proposed replacement of the pedestrian crossings on Church Street. He said that the whole design would evolve and invited comments and suggestions from the Committee, including non-negotiable points in the existing layout.

Councillor Harvey joined the meeting at 10.44 am and took over the Chair.

- Pier-6 Renovation - Progressing. There had been a new design of the entryway to incorporate the BELCo ventilation vaults to the distribution system below. The deposit had been made on the replacement roof. Completion would be expected by the end of March 2022, dependent on delivery and installation of the new roof and completion of the interior.

- Washington Lane Renovation - Punch list items including tile corrections, decoration and overhead lighting remained outstanding. It was noted that the outside umbrellas at La Trattoria restaurant were encroaching into the Lane which should be lifted higher to avoid injury to the passing public. It was also noted that the restaurant inappropriately fix the kitchen door open with a short pole drilled into the pavement. The COO/City Engineer said that there were instances such as this elsewhere in the City, which, historically had not been challenged to allow businesses to operate for their own betterment. The crossing on Reid Street had been realigned with the exit of Washington Lane.

- Victoria Street Bathrooms - Punch list items were progressing. PR for the official opening would be prepared. The refurbished sidewalk which extended to the steps up to the rear of City Hall, was now complete. Asphaltting would be laid to raise the road at the curbside outside of the bathrooms.

- Mayor's Parlour - Awaiting delivery of the new tables, chairs and audio visual equipment.

12. Government's Water and Wastewater Plan - Update

There was no update.

13. Budget Wish List

The Mayor noted that, as the Minister had approved the sewage treatment budget, this item could be removed from the Agenda.

14. Any Other Business

14.1 Request to Address Taxis Parking in Handicapped Bays

The Chairman outlined the request for assistance from the Bermuda Taxi Owner Association. A Member had recently been ticketed by Traffic Wardens when hired by a disabled person and parked in a handicapped parking bays and who were in possession of a disabled parking permit provided by Age Concern. The Mayor noted that, if the disabled person in possession of a permit, gave it to the taxi driver and the taxi meter was kept running during the waiting time, he said that the vehicle should not be ticketed. Should the waiting time reach a certain limit, the taxi should be required to pay the parking bay fee. Alternatively, after drop off, the taxi park elsewhere until contacted by the disabled person for pick up. The Mayor said that this matter should be discussed with the lawyers, with a view to adding it to the Judicial Review, as it related to the stand-down of the Parking Enforcement Officers by the Government. Discussion ensued.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Board approve that, to avoid being ticketed, a disabled person hiring a taxi and in possession of a disabled parking permit, must give the permit to the taxi driver to display and the taxi meter would be kept running during a waiting time and the parking fee would be paid to the current time limit.

Proposed: Mayor, Charles Gosling

Seconded: Councillor J. Harvey

Unanimous

ACTION:

Discuss with the lawyers the issue relating to Traffic Wardens ticketing taxis whilst parked in handicapped parking bays and being in possession of disabled parking permit, with a view to adding the item to the Judicial Review, as it related to the stand-down of the Parking Enforcement Officers by the Government. **(CEO/City Secretary)**

ACTION:

Respond to the Bermuda Taxi Owner's Association email dated 29 December 2021, to inform them of the COH's position as it related to avoidance of being ticketed, a disabled person hiring a taxi and in possession of a disabled parking permit, must give the permit to the taxi driver to display and the taxi meter would be kept running during a waiting time and the parking fee would be paid to the current time limit. **(CEO/City Secretary)**

ACTION:

Provide a map to the Members indicating all handicapped parking bays in the City. **(COO/City Engineer)**

14.2 Willowglade Refurbishment - Scope of Work

The COO/City Engineer said that a programme of bringing rental properties up to a good standard of service, including the Willowglade property on Laffan Street, west of the COH plant nursery, was underway. Willowglade was a single level property of two (2), 2-bedroom units. The property was currently occupied by a staff member. Following a survey, the property had been found to be sub-standard and should be vacated until a decision to refurbish had been made. Plans to refurbish as is, with ongoing maintenance issues, had been costed. Cost estimates had also been obtained from a quantity surveyor, to demolish the property and rebuild a single level two (2), 2-bedrooms units, or a two (2) storey complex to create four (4), 2-bedroom units. A comparison showed that only the two (2) level property with four (4) units would provide a return over 20 years. The COO/City Engineer asked the Committee for comments. Discussion ensued. The Chairman said that the COH's intention was to make Hamilton a living City and it had become clear that more residential units were needed. The Mayor cautioned against long-term staff tenancies. The COO/City Engineer advised that, funds should not be used for the extensive refurbishment, to retain the property as it was contiguous with other COH properties and there was no historical value.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Board approve, in light of its sub-standard condition, the current tenant be given timely and fair notice and the property be demolished, as it related to the Willowglade property on Laffan Street.

Proposed: Mayor, Charles Gosling

Seconded: Councillor H. Ming

Unanimous

14.3 Recognition of Services to Bermuda and the COH

The Chairman referred to his circulated suggestion for two (2) persons to be recognised for services to Bermuda and the Corporation of Hamilton, requesting the Committee's comments and responses had been received. The first suggestion being Samuel David Robinson, the first black Councillor at the Corporation of Hamilton in the 1920s, previously recommended for recognition as the owner of the house on Princess Street, a philanthropist and co-founder of the Berkley Institute for education to all races and being a beacon for higher education over the last 70 years. The second suggestion being Sir John W. Swan, Bermuda's longest serving Premier, who, during his tenure, did yeoman service for the economy and was heavily involved in negotiating the Tax Treaty which was directly responsible for the presence and success of international business in Bermuda. Sir John continues to be an avid supporter of the Corporation of Hamilton, remembering in particular the waterfront development initiatives with competitions and designs, and as a North Hamilton man, remains passionate about the developments of the COH and the way they are carried out.

The Chairman said that he had received several responses from the Committee; that it might be inappropriate to recognise persons who continue to be with us and be active in business pursuits, whose decisions could impact the City. The Chairman said that looking to the past selection of names had helped him to make the recommendation of a living leader. He gave examples of the L.F.Wade airport, who was as opposition leader but never Premier, the construction of the Lois Brown-Evans building on Court Street, the intention to develop property on Parliament Street recognising Ottiwell Simmons, and, on his recommendation, it had been approved to change the name of Par-La-Ville Park to Queen Elizabeth Park in recognition of her service to the Commonwealth, all during their lifetime.

After appropriate discussions with the COH Technical Officers and careful consideration, the Chairman gave three (3) landmarks under COH control for potential renaming; Point Pleasant Park (Albuoys Point) currently under redevelopment, No.5 Car Park with a proposal to expand the green park area, and Pier-6 as a Convention Centre currently under renovation. The Chairman invited the Committee to make an unrushed and careful consideration of his recommendation and to make comment.

At the Mayor's suggestion, the Technical Officers of the COH had been consulted as they may have been aware of naming opportunities for Mr. Robinson, which had resulted in three (3) possible landmarks. The Mayor's preference had been the park area at the corner of Court Street and Dundonald Street and he referred to the National Trust book containing many mentions of the Robinson family. As well as the Emporium Building, there were significant properties in North Hamilton owned by the Robinson family. As the first black Councillor at the COH, Mr. Robinson should be recognised as such, as well as the Robinson family who had made major contributions to the development of the City.

The Mayor said that, in his opinion, it would be inappropriate to recognise persons who were alive and said that the examples given would not be justification for doing so. Also, should the community wish to recognise Sir John in the future, it should be done by the island of Bermuda in recognition of his services and that the proposed landmark options were in no way sufficient to mark the contribution made by Sir John to the community.

In noting the initial responses, the Mayor said that further conferring with the Committee Members should have taken place prior to bringing the recommendations to the Committee.

The Chairman said that he had considered the matter very carefully. He had hoped that the Committee would be encouraged to take big steps in order to achieve more. He said that it was important to have a process of full discussion with full transparency and with honesty, and he valued the sentiments of all, which made the COH and safe and fair organisation with integrity.

It was agreed that a more in-depth discussion should take place and the Chairman encouraged the Committee to take more time to consider the proposals before the next Infrastructure Committee meeting to be held on 16 February 2022.

ACTION:

Prior to the next Infrastructure Committee Meeting to be held on 16 February 2022, the Members would confer and hold in-depth discussions on the suggestion for two (2) persons to be recognised for services to Bermuda and the Corporation of Hamilton, Samuel David Robinson and Sir John Swan, and bring their views to the meeting.
(Councillor J. Harvey)

14.4 Request to Rent Cycle Bays - Scooter Mart Ltd

The CEO/City Secretary referred to the recent presentation by Mr. Nick Thomson, President of Scooter Mart Ltd, to install equipment and provide small vehicle rentals, "PINK", at prominent areas in the City, and the subsequent denial of the proposal as this would be a matter for RFP tender should the COH be so minded at a future date. Mr. Thomson had responded requesting to rent spaces for his product at two (2) locations near the Bermuda Tourism Authority office and one (1) adjacent to the Flag Pole. The COO/City Engineer said that, in agreeing to the request, the Company would become unfairly predominant over other companies should the project be put out to tender in the future. Also, multiple locations on the waterfront would not serve the COH appropriately. Discussion ensued.

ACTION:

Respond to Mr. Nick Thomson of Scooter Mart Ltd to deny the request to rent areas on the waterfront for the "PINK" vehicle rentals product, pending the COH's decision whether to support the concept by an RFP tender process, at which time he may submit tender documents. **(CEO/City Secretary)**

14.5 Bull's Head Go-Karting Proposal

The COO/City Engineer referred to the request from Mr. William Spriggs, the Team Lead, for a proposal to rent a floor of the Bull's Head car park for a Go-Karting activity for children. The COO/City Engineer said that the car park was currently not fully occupied due to current restrictions and the proposal would repurpose the space and drive revenue until car parking occupancy increased. He would recommend that the third floor of Bull's Head could be utilised. The proposal would be for ongoing rental as an activity, therefore the track would be permanently laid until the end of the lease. The requested lease would be for three (3) years. The Go-Karts were electric with reduced sound and the weight bearing would be lighter than parked cars. Discussion ensued.

Councillor Brimmer asked whether the proposed Go-Karting event in the City which had been put on hold, would be rescheduled. The Senior Events Co-ordinator said that this would be a one-off event over a weekend, organised by the Go-Karting Association through the streets of North Hamilton, and had been on hold for two (2) years due to the recent restrictions and there were no current plans to hold the event. Councillor Brimmer asked where the parents and friends of the participating children would stand. The COO/City Engineer pointed out the proposed spectator areas on the map of the track.

The CEO/City Secretary said that the community should be canvassed for their comments on the proposal. The Mayor cautioned that the resumption of normal car parking at Bull's Head could prohibit an additional three (3) year lease. The COO/City Engineer would discuss the lease, the cost comparison, liability insurance and other details with Mr. Spriggs and report at the next Infrastructure Committee Meeting.

ACTION:

Meet to discuss the lease, the cost comparison, liability insurance and other details, with Mr. Spriggs, as it relates to the Go-Kart activity at Bull's Head car park and report at the next Infrastructure Committee Meeting. **(COO/City Engineer)**

14.6 Request for Portrait Sponsorship - Mr. Henry Ward

The Mayor said that he had a meeting with Mr. Henry Ward, a portrait artist of renown, who had been a resident of Bermuda, his father had been a Supreme Court Judge and his mother continues to reside in Bermuda. Mr. Ward currently had artwork as part of the National Gallery Collection. Mr. Ward had recently completed a portrait of David Wingate, who, upon seeing the portrait, had been moved to tears as he said that the artist had captured his life's work in a series of paint brush movements. The painting would be revealed to the public in the spring. Mr. Ward proposed to paint Clarence Hill with Flora Duffy to celebrate the medals they had won in the Olympics. With Clarence being the mentor for Flora, the portrait would give inspiration to Bermudians of future generations on what can be achieved. Once a formal proposal had been received from Mr. Ward, the

Mayor would present to the Infrastructure Committee for consideration. The Mayor suggested that a donation which would secure the painting on permanent display in the City, should be discussed.

15. Motion to Move to Restricted Session

Proposed: Councillor H. Ming

Seconded: Councillor J. Brimmer