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CORPORATION OF HAMILTON
RESIDENTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Thursday, March 10, 2022, 4:00 pm
Mayor's Parlour, City Hall, Hamilton

Present: Councillor Jenefer Brimmer, Chair
Councillor Henry Ming
Councillor RoseAnn Edwards
Sarah Thompson - Associate Member
Tracy Marshall - Associate Member

Apologies: Rt. Wor. Charles R. Gosling, JP
Councillor George Scott, JP
Donte Hunt (BEDC) - Associate Member
PC Christopher Douglas - City Constable

Staff: CEO/City Secretary - Dwayne A. Caines, JP
COO/City Engineer - Patrick Cooper
Public Relations Manager - Helen Zoellner

Apologies: CFO/Acting City Secretary - Tanya Iris
Director of Marketing & Communications – Jessica Astwood

In Attendance: Assistant Superintendent Traffic - Fred Richardson
Ms. Nadine Clarke-Dillas
Mr. Ellmore Warren

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

Councillor Jenefer Brimmer confirmed her role as the Chair.

3. Open Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 4.00 pm.

The Chair welcomed Ms. Nadine Clarke-Dillas and Mr. Ellmore Warren as observers for the meeting.

4. Apologies

The CEO/City Secretary confirmed that apologies had been received from the Director of Marketing and Communications, Jessica Astwood, and the Operations Manager, Alan Somner.

5. Public Participation/Presentation

There was no public participation/presentation.

6. Correspondence

There was no correspondence.

7. Minutes of the Previous Residents Advisory Committee Meeting dated 10 February 2022

Proposed: Councillor R. Edwards

Seconded: Councillor H. Ming

The Minutes were accepted as read.

8. Matters Arising from the Previous Residents Advisory Committee dated 10 February 2022

8.1 Undergrounding Utility Lines

Request BELCo to provide a schedule of works as it related to the undergrounding of utility lines on the remainder of Ewing Street and Angle Street, to which the COH would contribute an equal share with the other utility companies. **(COO/City Engineer)** The Assistant City Engineer said that BELCo had attended a recent COH Utilities meeting. BELCo had made a small change to their schedule and had appointed a new contractor. Revised pricing for the new schedule would be obtained, together with a commencement date. The utility companies would then be informed of the finalised pricing with a view to sharing the cost. Action item had not been completed.

8.2 Residential Parking Bay Signage

Consider the suggestion for road markings to indicate residential parking bays, similar to handicapped parking bays, which the COO/City Engineer had previously commented would be an additional expense for ongoing maintenance. The Assistant Superintendent Traffic said that maintenance of the parking bays would be needed every few weeks. In order to keep the ongoing cost to a minimum, the design for painting would need to be simple and easy to do. He said that painting the residential bays would not deter other cars from parking, as was the case with the handicapped bays. Only enforcement could address the current issues. The COO/City Engineer said that there was already residential parking signage and that the expense of additional signage would not improve the situation. Action item completed.

8.3 Dudley Eve Park

Circulate the drawings of the new stairs at Dudley Eve Park to the Residents Advisory Committee. A meeting would be arranged to discuss the final plan for the layout of the Park. The official opening date would be decided once the stairs had been installed. Action item completed.

Councillor Ming referred to the proposal for paintings of Dudley Eve and Samuel David Robinson, which could be displayed in Dudley Eve Park. The Public Relations Manager said that a QR code plaque and video with the history of Dudley Eve and the park, was underway. Dudley Eve Park could also be considered for VIVID Art display. The location of all signage and displays would be discussed in the Dudley Eve Park meeting. Councillor Edwards would obtain photographs from the community which could be included in the display.

8.4 Traffic Congestion at Dellwood Middle School

The Assistant Superintendent - Traffic to request the PEOs to monitor the speeding traffic at peak times at Dellwood Middle School. The COO/City Engineer said that a proper survey of the dangers could not be carried out until the School was fully open. Councillor Edwards said that the School was now open. The COO/City Engineer said that the speeding traffic would be a Bermuda Police Service matter. The Infrastructure Committee would discuss further, as it relates to the installation of belisha beacons at the crosswalk. He noted that there was no legislation for belisha beacons, nor were they mentioned in the traffic handbook. They would, therefore, not have any standing. Action item completed.

8.5 Residential Parking Review

Send the communications to the resident, as it relates to the parking layout on Ewing Street, the site visit and the COH's recommendation, as a response in writing to the resident. The resident had been unsure of the outcome of the site visit. Action item completed.

8.6 Item for Budget Wish List

Provide sketches and costs to the COO/City Engineer, for displays of past Premiers to be erected on the wall of Parliament on Court Street, to be added to the Budget Wish List. **(Councillor Ming)** Action item had not been completed.

8.7 Bike and Cycle Parking

Forward to the Infrastructure Committee Meeting to be held on 16 February 2022, to address the lack of bike and cycle parking in the City, in particular, at the concrete park on the corner of Court Street and Dundonald Street, and North Street. Action item completed

9. Resolutions Approved by the Minister

There were no Resolutions approved by the Minister.

10. Recommendations for Review

There were no Recommendations for review.

11. Status Update

11.1 Marketing & Communications

- Events Calendar for 2022 had been circulated.
- Scavenger Hunt - 11/12 March 2022.

11.2 Take Note: Project Charters 2021

- Dudley Eve Park stairs.
- Planters and benches for Court Street - modular concrete units to be placed in various locations.
- Lighting on Reid Street and Court Street to be upgraded. The COO/City Engineer said that this project was ongoing.
- Lighting on Cedar Avenue to be checked. The COO/City Engineer said that there was a line fault - three (3) lights were out between Dundonald Street and Elliot Street with one (1) out on Brunswick Street. The concrete light poles in the City were old and faulting which would be repaired by BELCo. Over the last two (2) months, 80 lights had been repaired and there were approximately 80 left to be repaired.
- Pier-6 renovation was ongoing - the roof had been termite-ridden and materials for a new roof were awaited.

12. Budget Wish List

Items for the Budget Wish List in preparation for the 2023 Budget Review meeting to be held in October 2022.

- Welcome Archway at entrance to North Hamilton - design ideas would be provided.
- Street signage on Front Street to direct foot traffic onto Court Street, indicating points of interest in North East Hamilton.

13. Extra Duty Police Officers Report - February 2022

The CEO/City Secretary said that the Extra Duty Police Officers Report had been removed from the Agenda as they had contained personal information which had not been necessary nor appropriate for circulation. There had been a recent lack of volunteers to carry out the patrols. The additional patrols for South Hamilton would not detract from the North Hamilton patrols.

14. Any Other Business

14.1 Feeding Programmes

Councillor Brimmer said that a feeding programme vendor in North Hamilton, Focus Counselling Services, would be moving to their St. Georges location. She invited ideas on how it could be replaced. The CEO/City Secretary said that there were many groups in the City which were providing meals and a schedule of mealtimes and locations would be needed. Councillor Brimmer suggested that the COH could get the message out to the community.

14.2 Public Gallery

Councillor Brimmer thanked Ms. Clarke-Dillas and Mr. Warren for attending the meeting and asked whether they wished to make any comments. Ms. Clarke-Dillas said she found the meeting interesting and informative.

15. Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on 7 April 2022.

16. Meeting Closed

The meeting closed at 4.58 pm.