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**CORPORATION OF HAMILTON**  
**RESIDENTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

Thursday, April 7, 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  
PC Christopher Douglas - City Constable

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

Staff: CEO/City Secretary - Dwayne A. Caines, JP  
COO/City Engineer - Patrick Cooper  
Director of Marketing & Communications – Jessica Astwood

Apologies: Public Relations Manager - Helen Zoellner

In Attendance: Operations Manager - Allan Somner

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**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.

**4. Apologies**

The CEO/City Secretary confirmed that apologies had been received from the Public Relations Manager, Helen Zoellner.

**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 March 2022**

**Proposed:** Councillor H. Ming

**Seconded:** Councillor R. Edwards

The Minutes were accepted as read.

**8. Matters Arising from the Previous Residents Advisory Committee dated 10 March 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. The COO/City Engineer said that there was no update.

**9. Election of Chairman**

Following the request from the Minister for the Council to serve for a further year, a Chairman would be elected from the Members of the Residents Advisory Committee, to serve for the year from May 2022 until April 2023:

Committee Members were Councillor H. Ming, Councillor R. Edwards, Councillor J. Brimmer, Councillor G. Scott.

**RESOLUTION Approved by the Minister in July 2019:**

That the Board approve the appointment of Chairmen of the Residents Advisory Committee, for the following periods:

Councillor H. Ming - June 2019 to May 2020

Councillor G. Scott - June 2020 to May 2021

Councillor J. Brimmer - June 2021 to April 2022

The CEO/City Secretary asked whether the current Chair, Councillor Brimmer, was agreeable to serve a further year as Chair of the Residents Advisory Committee, failing which, another member of the Committee would be elected. Councillor Brimmer said that she would be willing to serve. Councillor Ming said that the quality of leadership given by Councillor Brimmer over the past year had been, without question, strong and decisive while maintaining the mandate of the Committee. The CEO/City Secretary had concurred and the Members of the Committee were in agreement.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That the Board approve that Councillor Jenefer Brimmer continue for a further year as Chair of the Residents Advisory Committee, for the period May 2022 until April 2023.

**Proposed:** Councillor H. Ming

**Seconded:** Councillor R. Edwards

**Unanimous**

**10. Resolutions Approved by the Minister**

There were no Resolutions approved by the Minister.

**11. Recommendations for Review**

There were no Recommendations for review.

**12. Status Update**

**12.1 Marketing & Communications**

- Court/Dundonald Street food vendor site - RFP closed 1 April 2022 - there had been no applications. Discussion ensued as to use of the site. The City Constable said that, since removal of the benches and the rock, crime had decreased. Adjacent CCTV cameras, which had now been removed, were the responsibility of the Bermuda Police Service. The CEO/City Secretary said that further consideration would be given to the site once Dudley Eve Park was complete, in around three (3) months time. He said the major concern would be safety over livability at the site.
- VIVID Art RFP closed on 1 April 2022 - there had been a few applications - focus would be on Dudley Eve Park artwork and restoration of existing artwork around the City.
- Court Street Markets.
- Liaising with the Department of Culture for the Bermuda Day Parade and races.
- Movie Night - 16 April 2022 - at City Hall car park. May be the last drive-in event before returning to in-person events.
- Several partnership and in-house events were being planned.
- Waste collection information had been distributed via media.
- Tours in the City led by the Town Cryer had commenced.

## **12.2 Take Note: Project Charters 2021**

- Pier-6 - replacement of the roof was expected soon.
- Albuoys Point was nearing completion.
- Dudley Eve Park stairs was under construction. Examples of signage and artwork would be tabled in due course. It was hoped that a family member would be available for the opening ceremony when scheduled.

## **13. 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)**

The Chair noted the proposed arch entrance to North Hamilton.

The COO/City Engineer said that the seating with planters had been ordered.

## **14. Any Other Business**

### **14.1 Feeding Programme**

Councillor Brimmer referred to the feeding programme vendor in North Hamilton, Focus Counselling Services, who would be moving to their St. Georges location. Mr. Grant had confirmed that the programme had moved to the St. Georges location but would remain in the North Hamilton location for the time being. There were other groups in the city which provided meals, however, Focus Counselling Services were the only food programme which provided a breakfast programme.

### **14.2 Court Street Market**

The CEO/City Secretary said that the Court Street Market had a high level of success, especially with the collaboration between the COH, City businesses and residents, and the Bermuda Economic Development Corporation. Mr. Elmore Warren had presented the concept of the Court Street Market alfresco dining to be set up in nearby car parks during the events. He said that whilst supporting the concept, given the complexity of logistic management, it would not be feasible for 2022. Mr. Warren could initiate the concept through the appropriate process in 2023 which would be dependent on the support of residents and businesses affected.

The CEO/City Secretary said that, as each event attracted between 500 and 800 people, the BPS should plan its coverage of the events and not rely on Extra Duty Police Officer volunteers. The attendance of the City Constable at the events would be welcomed.

### **14.3 Street Sweeper**

The Operations Manager said that Mrs. Williams had contacted him regarding the noise from the street sweepers in the early hours of the morning, in the area of Princess Street and Elliott Street. Mrs. Williams had made previous complaints, at which time the schedule of street sweepers in the area had been changed to a later time. He said that the streets must be swept regularly to prevent the sewer lines becoming blocked and a manual sweeper would not be sufficient for the task. Following Mrs. Williams recent request, the Operations Manager had changed the schedule again and had discovered

that the street sweepers had been operating in neighbouring streets. The Chair stated that early morning street noises were a part of City living. A comprehensive explanation had previously been given to Mrs. Williams and there had been nothing more that could be done. Ms. Thompson noted that the issue had previously been fully documented.

**ACTION:**

Invite Mrs. Williams to the next Residents Advisory Committee Meeting to be held on 5 May 2022, as it relates to the noise of early morning street sweepers. Following the meeting, write to Mrs. Williams with details of the discussion. **(CEO/City Secretary)**

**14.4 Parking on Dundonald Street**

The COO/City Engineer would ensure that a parking bay opposite the Heritage Worship Centre on Dundonald Street, would be converted into cycle parking.

**14.5 Happy Easter**

Ms. Thompson wished everyone a Happy Easter.

**15. Next Meeting**

The next meeting will be held on 5 May 2022.

**16. Meeting Closed**

The meeting closed at 4.54 pm.