

Community and Protective Services Committee
Report

11th Meeting of the Community and Protective Services Committee
September 9, 2024

PRESENT: Councillors D. Ferreira (Chair), H. McAlister, J. Pribil, S. Trosow, E. Peloza, Mayor J. Morgan

ALSO PRESENT: Councillors P. Cuddy, C. Rahman; C. Cooper, S. Corman, K. Dickins, D. Escobar, J. Ford, M. Hefferton, T. Johnson, O. Katolyk, L. Marshall, S. Mathers, C. McCreery, N. Musicco, K. Pawelec, K. Scherr, C. Smith, P. Yeoman and J. Bunn (Committee Clerk)

Remote Attendance: Deputy Mayor S. Lewis; Councillor S. Stevenson; S. Datars Bere, E. Ling and E. Skalski

The meeting was called to order at 1:01 PM; it being noted that Councillor J. Pribil was in remote attendance.

1. Disclosures of Pecuniary Interest

That it BE NOTED that no pecuniary interests were disclosed.

2. Consent

Moved by: H. McAlister
Seconded by: Mayor J. Morgan

That Items 2.1 and 2.5 BE APPROVED.

Yeas: (6): D. Ferreira, H. McAlister, J. Pribil, S. Trosow, E. Peloza, and Mayor J. Morgan

Motion Passed (6 to 0)

2.1 4th Report of the Accessibility Community Advisory Committee

Moved by: H. McAlister
Seconded by: Mayor J. Morgan

That the 4th Report of the Accessibility Community Advisory Committee, from the meeting held on August 22, 2024, BE RECEIVED.

Motion Passed

2.5 Housing Stability Services - Housing Access Centre - Rent-Geared-to-Income (RGI) Waitlist Placement Ratio

Moved by: H. McAlister
Seconded by: Mayor J. Morgan

That, on the recommendation of the Deputy City Manager, Social and Health Development, the following actions be taken with respect to the staff report, dated September 9, 2024, related to Housing Stability Services Housing Access Centre Rent-Geared-to-Income (RGI) Waitlist Placement Ratio:

- a) the ratio at which Rent-Geared-to-Income (RGI) Households are housed BE MAINTAINED at a rate of 20% Urgent Status households, to 80% chronological waitlist households;
- b) the local rule for use of Urgent Homeless, Urgent Medical, and Urgent Social Status applications BE AMENDED to discontinue accepting Urgent Status applications as of September 25, 2024 and a new local rule for prioritization (Over-housed, Urgent, Chronological) BE IMPLEMENTED, and;
- c) the Civic Administration BE DIRECTED to report back on the outcomes of the RGI Waitlist Ratio, Urgent Status, and new prioritization changes, by the end of March 2026. (2024-S11)

Motion Passed

2.2 Renovictions - Amendments to the Business Licensing By-law to Introduce a Rental Unit Repair Licence

That the following actions be taken with respect to the staff report, dated September 9, 2024, related to Renovictions and Amendments to the Business Licensing By-law to Introduce a Rental Unit Repair Licence:

- a) the proposed by-law, as appended to the above-noted staff report, BE INTRODUCED at the Municipal Council meeting to be held on September 24, 2024, to amend By-law No. L.-131-16, being “A by-law to provide for the Licensing and Regulation of Various Businesses” to introduce Schedule 23 – Rental Unit Repair Licence and its associated regulations;
 - b) the proposed by-law, as appended to the above-noted staff report, BE INTRODUCED at the Municipal Council meeting to be held on September 24, 2024, to amend By-law No. A-54, being “A by-law to implement an Administrative Monetary Penalty System in London” to introduce penalty amounts for the proposed licensing schedule;
 - c) the proposed by-law, as appended to the above-noted staff report, BE INTRODUCED at the Municipal Council meeting to be held on September 24, 2024, to amend By-law No. A-59, being “A by-law to provide for Various Fees and Charges”; and,
 - d) the Civic Administration BE DIRECTED to submit a Multi-Year Budget update reflecting staffing needs for the Rental Unit Repair Licence program;
- it being noted that verbal delegations from K. Andrews, C. Wittnebel, J.M. Smith, M. Jollymore, T. Jollymore, D. Millette and R. Slade, with respect to this matter, were received. (2024-C01)

Additional Votes:

Moved by: S. Trosow
 Seconded by: H. McAlister

Motion to approve the requests for delegation, as listed on the Added Agenda, from K. Andrews, C. Wittnebel, J.M. Smith, M. Jollymore, T. Jollymore, D. Millette and R. Slade, to be heard at this meeting.

Yeas: (5): D. Ferreira, H. McAlister, J. Pribil, S. Trosow, and E. Pelozza
 Nays: (1): Mayor J. Morgan

Motion Passed (5 to 1)

Moved by: H. McAlister
Seconded by: S. Trosow

That the matter of renovations and amendments to the business licensing by-law BE REFERRED back to the Civic Administration to report back to a future meeting of the Community and Protective Services Committee to include rent top ups and alternate accommodations as part of the by-law.

Yeas: (2): H. McAlister, and S. Trosow

Nays: (4): D. Ferreira, J. Pribil, E. Pelosa, and Mayor J. Morgan

Motion Failed (2 to 4)

Moved by: S. Trosow
Seconded by: H. McAlister

That the Civic Administration BE DIRECTED to amend By-law No. L.-131-16, being “A by-law to provide for the Licensing and Regulation of Various Businesses”, attached to the CPSC report, to include temporary alternative accommodation for displaced tenants and short-term rental top ups as provided in the City of Hamilton By-law as Appendix “E” in the staff report dated September 9, 2024 and be brought to Council September 24, 2024 for consideration.

Yeas: (2): H. McAlister, and S. Trosow

Nays: (4): D. Ferreira, J. Pribil, E. Pelosa, and Mayor J. Morgan

Motion Failed (2 to 4)

Moved by: J. Pribil
Seconded by: E. Pelosa

Motion to approve parts a) to d) of the main motion.

Yeas: (5): D. Ferreira, H. McAlister, J. Pribil, S. Trosow, and E. Pelosa

Absent: (1): Mayor J. Morgan

Motion Passed (5 to 0)

Moved by: J. Pribil
Seconded by: E. Pelosa

Motion to approve part e) of the main motion:

e) that NO ACTION BE TAKEN to amend By-law No. CP-19, the Residential Rental Unit Licensing By-law to expand the program to licence all multi-unit residential dwellings up to and including four (4) storeys in height or less, including those units contained in sub-levels.

Yeas: (2): J. Pribil, and E. Pelosa

Nays: (3): D. Ferreira, H. McAlister, and S. Trosow

Absent: (1): Mayor J. Morgan

Motion Failed (2 to 3)

2.3 Regulating Maximum Temperature in Rental Units

That, on the recommendation of the Deputy City Manager, Planning and Economic Development the following actions be taken with respect to the staff report, dated September 9, 2024, related to Regulating Maximum Temperature in Rental Units:

- a) the above-noted staff report BE RECEIVED; and,
- b) a draft by-law BE PREPARED for a future meeting of the Community and Protective Services Committee;

it being noted that the communications, as appended to the Agenda and the Added Agenda, and the verbal delegations from K. Pagniello and A.M. Valastro, with respect to this matter, were received. (2024-C01)

Additional Votes:

Moved by: S. Trosow

Seconded by: H. McAlister

Motion to approve the delegation requests, as appended to the Agenda and the Added Agenda, from K. Pagniello and A.M. Valastro, to be heard at this meeting.

Yeas: (5): D. Ferreira, H. McAlister, J. Pribil, S. Trosow, and E. Pelosa

Absent: (1): Mayor J. Morgan

Motion Passed (5 to 0)

Moved by: E. Pelosa

Seconded by: S. Trosow

Motion to approve part a) of the motion.

Yeas: (5): D. Ferreira, H. McAlister, J. Pribil, S. Trosow, and E. Pelosa

Absent: (1): Mayor J. Morgan

Motion Passed (5 to 0)

Motion to approve part b) of the motion.

Yeas: (4): D. Ferreira, H. McAlister, S. Trosow, and E. Pelosa

Nays: (1): J. Pribil

Absent: (1): Mayor J. Morgan

Motion Passed (4 to 1)

2.4 Special Events Policy Update

That the following actions be taken with respect to the staff report, dated September 9, 2024, related to the Special Events Policy:

- a) the above-noted staff report BE RECEIVED;
- b) the Civic Administration BE DIRECTED to hold a public participation meeting at the November 11, 2024 Community and Protective Services Committee to receive input on the draft Special Events Policy; and,

- c) the Civic Administration BE DIRECTED to report back with a summary of community feedback and an amended Special Events Policy at a future Community and Protective Services Committee meeting; and,
- d) the Civic Administration BE DIRECTED to hold a hybrid community meeting with residents and neighborhood associations near Victoria Park, Harris Park, and Dundas Place to address the impact of changes to the Special Events Policy on their neighborhoods;

it being noted that a communication, as appended to the Added Agenda, and a verbal delegation from A.M. Valastro, with respect to this matter, were received.

Motion Passed

Additional Votes:

Moved by: E. Peloza

Seconded by: S. Trosow

Motion to approve the request for delegation, as appended to the Added Agenda, from A.M. Valastro, to be heard at this meeting.

Yeas: (5): D. Ferreira, H. McAlister, J. Pribil, S. Trosow, and E. Peloza

Absent: (1): Mayor J. Morgan

Motion Passed (5 to 0)

Moved by: D. Ferreira

Seconded by: H. McAlister

Motion to approve a new part d):

the Civic Administration BE DIRECTED to hold a hybrid community meeting with residents and neighborhood associations near Victoria Park, Harris Park, and Dundas Place to address the impact of changes to the Special Events Policy on their neighborhoods.

Yeas: (4): D. Ferreira, H. McAlister, S. Trosow, and E. Peloza

Nays: (1): J. Pribil

Absent: (1): Mayor J. Morgan

Motion Passed (4 to 1)

Moved by: D. Ferreira

Seconded by: S. Trosow

Motion to approve the motion, as amended.

Yeas: (5): D. Ferreira, H. McAlister, J. Pribil, S. Trosow, and E. Peloza

Absent: (1): Mayor J. Morgan

Motion Passed (5 to 0)

3. Scheduled Items

3.1 Amendments to the Vehicle-for-Hire By-law (L.-130-71)

Moved by: Mayor J. Morgan
Seconded by: E. Pelozza

That the attached revised by-law, BE INTRODUCED at the Municipal Council meeting to be held on September 24, 2024, to amend By-law No. L.-130-71, being the Vehicle for Hire By-law, to amend Part 2 with the following changes to the by-law:

- a) a two year extension for gas powered vehicles and 1 year extension for hybrid and EV with two annual safety inspections and two annual city inspections
- b) the 120-day-on-the-road regulation for taxis be referred back to the Civic Administration for consultation with the industry;

it being pointed out that the following individuals made verbal presentations at the public participation meeting held in conjunction with this matter:

- F. Bander;
- H. Savehilaghi; and,
- R. Caranci. (2024-C01)

Yeas: (6): D. Ferreira, H. McAlister, J. Pribil, S. Trosow, E. Pelozza, and Mayor J. Morgan

Motion Passed (6 to 0)

Additional Votes:

Moved by: S. Trosow
Seconded by: E. Pelozza

Motion to open the public participation meeting.

Yeas: (6): D. Ferreira, H. McAlister, J. Pribil, S. Trosow, E. Pelozza, and Mayor J. Morgan

Motion Passed (6 to 0)

Moved by: E. Pelozza
Seconded by: H. McAlister

Motion to close the public participation meeting.

Yeas: (6): D. Ferreira, H. McAlister, J. Pribil, S. Trosow, E. Pelozza, and Mayor J. Morgan

Motion Passed (6 to 0)

4. Items for Direction

4.1 Life*Spin - Property Standards and Tenant Support - REQUEST FOR DELEGATION STATUS

Moved by: S. Trosow
Seconded by: H. McAlister

That the request for delegation status from Life*Spin, as appended to the agenda, with respect to Property Standards and Tenant Support, BE APPROVED to be heard at a future meeting of the Community and Protective Services Committee. (2024-A20)

Yeas: (6): D. Ferreira, H. McAlister, J. Pribil, S. Trosow, E. Pelozza, and Mayor J. Morgan

Motion Passed (6 to 0)

5. Deferred Matters/Additional Business

None.

6. Confidential

Moved by: E. Pelozza

Seconded by: H. McAlister

That, pursuant to section 27.6 of the Council Procedure By-law, a change in order of the Community and Protective Services Committee Agenda BE APPROVED, to provide for Items 6.1 in Stage 6, Confidential, to be considered in Stage 4, Items for Direction.

Yeas: (6): D. Ferreira, H. McAlister, J. Pribil, S. Trosow, E. Pelozza, and Mayor J. Morgan

Motion Passed (6 to 0)

Moved by: H. McAlister

Seconded by: E. Pelozza

That the Community and Protective Services Committee convene In Closed Session for the purpose of considering the following:

6.1 Solicitor-Client Privilege

A matter pertaining to advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose, regarding the draft Rental Unit Repair Licence amendments to the Business Licensing By-law.

Yeas: (6): D. Ferreira, H. McAlister, J. Pribil, S. Trosow, E. Pelozza, and Mayor J. Morgan

Motion Passed (6 to 0)

The Community and Protective Services Committee convened In Closed Session from 1:48 PM to 2:02 PM.

7. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 5:12 PM.

Appendix “A”

Bill No. _____
2024

By-law No. L.-130-71-

A by-law to amend By-law No. L.-130-71, referred to as the Vehicle for Hire By-law, to amend Part 2.

WHEREAS section 434.1 of the Municipal Act and Section 15.4.1 of the Building Code Act authorizes the City to require a person, subject to conditions as the municipality considers appropriate, to pay an administrative penalty if the municipality is satisfied that the person has failed to comply with a by-law of the municipality;

AND WHEREAS the Municipal Council on October 16, 2018, passed By-law No. L.-130(a)-494 being “A by-law to provide for the licensing, regulating and governing of vehicles for hire, including cabs, accessible cabs, limousines, private vehicles for hire and accessible vehicles for hire;”

NOW THEREFORE the Council of The Corporation of the City of London enacts as follows:

1. That Schedule 2 – Vehicle for Hire Owner – Subsection - 2.0 Vehicle Requirements of By-law No. L.-130-71 be amended by deleting section 2.3 and replacing it with the following new section 2.3:
 - 2.3 (1) No motor vehicle more than 12 (twelve) years old may be Plated as a Vehicle for Hire under this By-law.
 - (2) Despite subsection 2.3(1), no Zero-Emission Vehicle or Hybrid Gas-Electric Vehicle more than 13 (thirteen) years old may be Plated as a Vehicle for Hire under this by-law.
2. That Schedule 2, Section 4.2 – Owner’s Prohibition - of By-law No. L.-130-71 be amended by deleting subsection 4.2a) and replacing it with the following:
 - 4.2a) fail to maintain their cab/taxicab or accessible cab/taxicab in operation for a period of at least one-hundred-twenty out of three-hundred sixty-five (120/365) calendar days;

This by-law shall come into force and effect on the day it is passed.

PASSED in Open Council on September 24, 2024,

Josh Morgan
Mayor

Michael Schulthess
City Clerk

First Reading – September 24, 2024,
Second Reading – September 24, 2024
Third Reading – September 24, 2024