

VISION: We will be a vibrant, dependable and clean city where services are delivered innovatively and effectively.

MISSION: To provide effective operations of the city through collaboration of members, management and staff.

City Hall, Hamilton Staff, Legislative & Governance Committee 20 March 2018 3:00pm

**Present:** Rt. Wor. Charles R. Gosling, JP (Chair)

Councillor Henry Ming

In Attendance: Ed Benevides - Secretary

Lindell Foster - HR Manager Patrick Cooper - City Engineer

Apologies: Councillor Lawrence Scott

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1. **Confirmation of Notice:** The Secretary confirmed that the notice periods were met in accordance with the new meeting guidelines.

- 2. Role of the Chairman Mayor Gosling was acknowledged as the Chair in the absence of Councillor Lawrence Scott.
- 3. Open Meeting Mayor Gosling opened the meeting at 3:15pm.
- 4. Apologies Apologies were received from Councillor Lawrence Scott.
- 5. Public Participation/Presentation:

There was no public participation/presentation.

6. Correspondence:

There was no correspondence for review.

### 7. Minutes of Previous Meeting dated 20 February 2018:

Proposed: Councillor H. Ming Seconded: Mayor, Charles Gosling

The Minutes were accepted as read.

### 8. Matters arising from Previous Meeting dated 20 February 2018:

There were no matters arising.

# 9. Status Update:

There was no status update.

## 10. Recommendation Approved by the Minister:

There are no Recommendations for review

### 11. Recommendations for Review:

There are no Recommendations for review.

# 12. Any Other Business:

**40' Container Policy:** The City Engineer stated that he and the Secretary had met with the consolidator. The proposed changes to the 40' Container Policy had been sent to the Ports Superintendent) and the Secretary. The changes will allow Non-Vessel Operating Commercial Carrier (NVOCC) to consolidate 40' containers for importation. To clarify, this means that a consolidator like Bermuda Forwarders could allow several different importers to consolidate their goods in a 40' container, if one (1) of the importers' goods is over 20' long. The changes to the policy will give the CoH the discretion which <u>may</u> allow an NVOCC to import a 40' consolidated container.

The Mayor expressed concern that allowing NVOCC's to import 40' containers would be a cost benefit to the consolidator. The Secretary stated that the consolidator was concerned about the change to the policy that levied a fee of 40% of the value of the container when importing an item larger than 20'. It was stated that the discretionary clause would allow CoH to deny the importation of 40' containers if it is noticed that the number is increasing.

### 13. Motion to Move to a Restricted Session:

Proposed: Councillor H. Ming Seconded: Mayor, Charles Gosling

The Public Session was adjourned at 3:25pm.