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City Hall, Hamilton
Infrastructure Committee
12 September 2018
10:00am

Present: Councillor John Harvey, MBE, JP (Chair)
Rt. Wor. Charles R. Gosling, JP
Councillor Henry Ming
Councillor Nicholas Swan
Councillor George Scott, JP
Councillor RoseAnn Edwards

Staff: City Engineer - Patrick Cooper (Acting Secretary)
Event Project Manager - Danilee Trott

1. Confirmation of Notice:

The Acting Secretary confirmed that the notices for the minutes and the agenda were posted and sent out in accordance with the new meeting guidelines.

2. Role of the Chairman:

Councillor John Harvey acknowledged his role as Chair of the Committee.

3. Open Meeting

Councillor Harvey called the meeting to order at 10:02am.

4. Apologies:

The Acting Secretary confirmed that no apologies had been received.

5. **Public Participation/Presentation:**

(i) **Presentation: Mr. Coy Ratteray - Trees v CCTV Cameras:** Mr. Ratteray thanked the Committee for the opportunity to share his concerns. His main reason for attending the meeting was to address the accountability of the CoH. He expressed appreciation of the Mayor's response to his email.

- **The re-planting of trees** - There are several trees being planted in various places within the City of Hamilton, mainly on Reid Street and outside of the Police Station. He mentioned the Mayor's response that this was a beautification process. He commented that he had not noticed any trees being planted in the "Back of Town", past Victoria Street or any other beautification efforts. The plantings on Till's Hill were a good effort but there was nothing regarding the overall beautification of the area.

Mr. Ratteray then commented that there were no street lights on Union Street and this issue has been outstanding for several months. This is between Dundonald Street and Victoria Street and if it was not for the lights on the Bermuda Industrial Union Building (BIU), that would be a totally dark part of the City. The Mayor advised that there was a monthly survey done by the electricians of the CoH and a report is provided.

Mr. Ratteray said that for at least the last ten (10) years, he had complained about the tree that was planted in front of his house on the corner of King and Dundonald Streets. At the moment, there are branches on the roof and he had requested to have the tree removed on numerous occasions.

The Mayor commented that the City Engineer had been working very hard on this project for the last several years. More trees had been lost within the year than had actually been planted. He further commented on the trees that had been planted north of Victoria Street. The City Engineer said the main focus now for the tree planting was to fill the empty tree boxes.

Councillor Swan joined the meeting at 10:09am.

The City Engineer then said there had been only one (1) new tree box created on Victoria Street which was outside of Weir Enterprises. Dialogue continued.

Mr. Ratteray queried whether the CoH's budget was made public to which there was an affirmative response. The Mayor advised that the Budget could be found on the CoH's website.

ACTION: Forward a copy of the 2018 Budget to Mr. Coy Ratteray. **(Executive Assistant to the Mayor & COO)**

There was continued discussion on the ineffectiveness of the CoH's Resident Advisory Committee.

The Mayor's hope was that the Minister does not do a re-write of the current Act or make further amendments to the Act. It would need a complete overhaul and a look at other municipalities would be helpful with suggestions like formalizing the various committees, etc.

Mr. Ratteray commented on the sensitive issue regarding the parking policies within the City. He had submitted numerous suggestions on how to improve the residential parking situation and every request had been ignored. He suggested that the CoH approach the culprits who were the biggest offenders of parking in the residential/handicapped parking areas.

ACTION: Forward copies of emails to the Infrastructure Committee Members that were sent to Mr. Benevides with regards to solutions in terms of the residential parking issues. **(Mr. Coy Ratteray)**

Councillor Harvey advised that PS, Ms. Rozy Azhar was now in the process of drafting parking regulations for the City. The Mayor said the CoH would now be in a position to have the Traffic Wardens under their remit. Then would be able to target the North Hamilton areas and the misuse of residential parking as well as the handicapped parking areas throughout the City.

Mr. Ratteray then commented on the CCTV's being designed, funded and installed by the Bermuda Government/Police and monitored by the Bermuda Police Service (BPS). His understanding was that the CoH was under the Bermuda Government. The Mayor clarified that the CoH is a corporation which had been formed by legislation. The Council was appointed by the rate payers in the election. Mr. Ratteray referred to the public meeting that was held by the Minister and had asked about the CCTV cameras. It was said that the CoH paid for the cameras but then they would be installed and monitored by the BPS. The Mayor said in 2009, there was an offer made to the Bermuda Government in the tune of \$1million for the placement of CCTV cameras throughout the City. That offer was never taken up by the Bermuda Government or the BPS. Dialogue continued.

The Mayor thanked Mr. Ratteray for his interest. He then commented on the outage of street lights on Union Street. There have been issues between Belco and the CoH in terms of who would be paying for the movement of the lines in that area.

ACTION: Look into the outage of lights on Union Street between Dundonald and Victoria Streets. **(City Engineer)**

Mr. Ratteray left the meeting at 10:24am.

6. Correspondence:

(i) **Letter from Kacey Hollis re: Sun Shines Shoe Shine Proposal:** It was noted that with Mr. Hollis' previous request, there were issues regarding hours of operation, what would be done with the stand and the quality of the stand, etc.

Councillor Swan suggested for Mr. Hollis to come and make a presentation to the Infrastructure Committee explaining the operation. The City Engineer said currently there was an Ordinance stating that shoe shining was illegal within the City because it goes against the Hamilton Streets and Sidewalks Ordinance. The CoH had directed Mr. Hollis in the past to look for another location, e.g. the Washington Mall, he could operate a full-time business and give good service to his patrons. Having the shoe shine at an outside location would be a hit and miss with the weather plus the storage of the stand, etc. It would be a much better fit and a much better business opportunity if he found a balcony to go under or an inside location.

Councillor G. Scott joined the meeting at 10:30am.

The City Engineer advised that the Ordinance could be overridden with written permission from the CoH.

ACTION: Respond to Mr. Kacey Hollis indicating that shoe shining in the City was against the CoH's Hamilton Streets and Sidewalks Ordinance and the Minister who was currently in the process of making amendments to the Municipalities Act. He might want to lobby the Minister with reference to his operation and to open up options for himself and others. In the interim, could look at other alternative locations. **(City Engineer)**

(ii) **Letter from Davita Gibbons re: Request for Surveillance Cameras in Employee Car Park - City Hall:** This letter and the subsequent letter from Miss Phillips relate to the same issue. Miss Gibbons and Miss Phillips were parked in the car park behind City Hall and someone maliciously scratched both vehicles on the same day. Both incidents were reported to the Bermuda Police Service (BPS). They are requesting for the CoH to consider installing CCTV cameras around City Hall for the safety of the employees and the immediate environment around City Hall. There are ongoing issues in this regard.

The City Engineer said these incidents were not targeted to any particular individual, it was just wanton damage. The Event Project Manager reiterated the safety aspect regarding parking in the car park behind City Hall. She often worked late and had found individuals hanging around the building engaging in all types of anti-social behaviours. Now, when she works late, she would move her car from the car park in the back and park it near the gate where she would exit the building because she feared for her safety. Councillor Edwards also commented on incidents that she had witnessed on both the back and front steps of City Hall.

The City Engineer said a budget would have to be sought to have CCTV cameras installed. Cameras could be a deterrent for certain types of behaviour but with other types, they would just be recorded and then one would have to go through a lengthy process, i.e. a prosecution that may or may not happen. In the car parks, it is a huge drain on resources to monitor the cameras, etc. and the operational costs would increase, e.g. manpower and the processing from the legal standpoint. In terms of cameras, he agreed that the back of the City Hall cameras were needed to stop some of the behaviours. Also, hopefully would get the BPS to believe that there are some serious issues here and then maybe would have some police presence.

Councillor Swan suggested making this requirement a part of the 2019 Budget and decide where it would fit in the list of priorities. Councillor Harvey commented on the meeting that was had with the new Police Commissioner who would be now undertaking to have a bit more police presence in the City. The Commissioner would probably be more encouraged or move on this matter with a bit more speed if it was seen that the CoH would be addressing these issues. Councillor Harvey said it was alarming to hear that one would fear when leaving this building at night. The CoH has a duty to make this area safe.

(iii) **Letter from Jennifer Phillips re: Request for Surveillance Cameras in Employee Car Park - City Hall:** Addressed in the previous Action item.

(iv) **Letter from the Royal Bermuda Regiment re: Request of Waiver of Fees Remembrance Day War Veterans Luncheon:**

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board approve to waive the rental fees for the use of Pier 6 for the hosting of the annual Remembrance Day War Veterans Luncheon with the provision to charge for the labour costs.

Proposed: Infrastructure Committee
Unanimous

(v) **Letter re: Proposal - COH Partnership with Bermuda International Film Festival (BIFF):**

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board approve the continued partnership between the Corporation of Hamilton and the Bermuda International Film Festival (BIFF) for the use of the Earl Cameron Theatre and the City Hall Foyer for the period of March 15 - 22, 2019.

Proposed: Infrastructure Committee
Unanimous

(vi) **Letter from Polaris Holding Company Ltd. re: Terminal Operating License - Hamilton Docks:** Councillor Harvey suggested discussing the letter in the meeting with Mr. Alan Burns of Burns Port & Logistics Limited.

7. **Minutes of Previous Meeting dated 15 August 2018**

Proposed: Councillor H. Ming

Seconded: Councillor G. Scott

The Minutes were accepted as read.

8. Matters arising from the Previous Meeting dated 15 August 2018:

(i) **Send a memo to the Residents Advisory Committee outlining the plans for Christmas in the City 2018 so that there will be no last-minute applications for events for North Hamilton:** The memo was prepared for the Residents Advisory Committee, but the meeting was not held due to the lack of a Quorum. An email would be forwarded to the Residents Advisory Committee in that regard.

(ii) **Send a letter to all event organizers who traditionally host events in North Hamilton of the application deadline for Christmas and New Year's Eve Events for 2018:** The letter has been drafted for signature.

(iii) **Circulate the plan for Christmas lights in the City to the Infrastructure Committee:** The Event Project Manager had not received the plan from the Parks Superintendent. The City Engineer said the plan had not changed in three (3) years. The budget does not allow for any expansion of lights within the City. Last year, the lighting of Par-la-Ville Road was undertaken by the retailers in the area. The Event Project Manager advised that in the last Christmas meeting, the Parks Superintendent was going to look at relocating some of the lights to other areas that were identified. The areas: (i) from Blucks down to the Birdcage; (ii) King Street near the Fire Station. It was noted that there was no infrastructure in the King Street area; and (ii) between Victoria Street and Church Street where there was only one (1) store in that area.

The City Engineer said the CoH had condensed the lights to the major retail areas and was trying not to decorate the entire City. It was suggested that individual stores do their own lighting. The secondary issue with the lighting is the actual installation. The more lights that were installed, the longer period it would take to do all of the trees. It would take three (3) staff members between September and November to do all of the Christmas decorations in the City. The true costing per year is \$120K and it is in the budget every year.

Councillor Edwards advised that there are some tree lights out on the corner of Court Street and Dundonald Street. There was continued discussion on Christmas decorations in the City.

Note: The Parks Superintendent and his staff have done a very good job over the years with decorating the City at Christmas.

(iv) **Ensure that the copies of the Project Charters have an identifying mark when projects have been completed, etc.:** Action item completed.

(v) **Write to the Minister to confirm his awareness of the Port of Hamilton Study and the plan to potentially initiate an RFI or RFP on the Terminal Operating License (TOL).** The letter should further confirm that the CoH agrees with the Government's position that the study is of National interest. The CoH would like for the Minister to appoint representatives from Marine and Ports and the Ministry of Finance to attend the workshops for broader input: The letter has been drafted for signature.

A date for the workshop has been set for Wednesday 26 September 2018 at 10:00am.

(vi) **Write to Mr. Michael Swan of Localmotion Ltd. advising that the building is not available for rent. Any rental of CoH property would be subject to an RFP process:** The City Engineer spoke with Mr. Michael Swan and would be following up with a letter.

(vii) **Contact Mr. Rick Richardson to advise him that a meeting needs to be arranged with the CoH staff by end of day Monday 20 August 2018 otherwise the CoH would have to withdraw their support of this event:** The Event Project Manager advised Mr. Rick Richardson that the CoH had withdrawn their support for the Labour Day event. Subsequently, he had submitted another proposal that would be discussed under Any Other Business (AOB).

(viii) **Provide an update from Mr. Scott Powell with reference to what is being done in relation to the Bermudiana Building:** The City Engineer advised that Mr. Powell has had a couple of showings. Mr. Powell had spoken with all of the major restaurateurs on the Island, e.g. MEF Group, etc. He did not receive any interest from them and would be going back out to give another try. The market was soft right now and everyone was a bit tentative regarding business ventures. It is a fantastic location but the building and the amount of investment needed in the building, scares a lot of people away.

9. Status Update:

(i) Events:

- **Movie Lounge - August 24, 2018:** Held in QEP Park - movies shown, A Wrinkle in Time and the Avengers Infinity Wars. Very well attended.
- **Back to School Event - September 1, 2018:** This event showed how much need there was as there were lines 20 minutes before the event started for the haircuts, hair styles and school supplies.
- **Art Installation at Cavendish:** The finish coat has to be put on the artwork and PR would be done on the installation.
- **Art Installation on Church Street (Taxi Stand):** In the process of handling the matter which would be covered over at night. The Communications Manager and the Events and Marketing Assistant would be working with the Engineering Department to do some proper PR prior to the covering up. The artist decided that she did not want to abide by the options that the Council had provided and that she would return the funds and not finish the piece of art. The Mayor commented that the Council had provided three (3) options. It was noted that she had decided not to go with the other two (2) options. The Gombey Troupe was contacted to see if they would support having multiple troupes represented and they said it was completely up to the artist. The artist has relocated out of Bermuda.
- **City Food Festival - October 17 - 21, 2018:** Details would be forwarded soon. There has been a lot of interest with the sign-up of chefs.

- **Movie Lounge - November 16, 2018**
 - **Boat Parade - December 8, 2018:** To date, there are 26 entries. There has been a good PR push for this event. Councillor Swan queried if there were funds in the budget for the CoH to host an event on the lower level of Pier 6. The Event Project Manager advised that it was not in the budget but a special section of #1 Car Park would be designated for the Council Members and staff. Currently, there is an event booked for Pier 6.

(ii) **Take Note: Project Charters 2018:** Discussed previously in the meeting.

(iii) **Mayor's Christmas Event:** Councillor Swan commented that this event has become a staid affair. He suggested using that budget and rolling it into having an event in conjunction with the Boat Parade. The Mayor's thought was to have a reception at City Hall prior to the Boat Parade and then the guests could go down to the waterfront to view the parade. Councillor Harvey commented on the entertainment, e.g. church or school choirs, etc. The Mayor expressed his disappointment in the Busking Programme and that the CoH should have been more active in this regard. There had to be some church, school group or other societies that would have a choir who would like to have the opportunity to perform around the Christmas Holiday period. The Event Project Manager advised that letters had been sent out to all the schools and churches to perform during the Christmas period. Dialogue continued.

The City Engineer queried if it would be possible to have a radio broadcast of the parade so that other people could tune in from around different areas of the Island. The Event Project Manager advised that an approach had been made to the Bermuda Broadcasting Company Limited who has the ability to do a live broadcast although it would be very costly to engage them. They had been asked to come on board as a sponsor and just now waiting on a response from them.

ACTION: Check with HOTT 107.5 also to see if they would be able to facilitate a live broadcast of the Boat Parade. **(Event Project Manager)**

Councillor Swan commented that there was a high imaging camera on top of the John Swan building - 141 Front Street.

The Mayor said in the future it would be good to possibly work with St. George and Dockyard to see what could be done in terms of a long weekend of activities. St. George has a walkabout on the first Friday of December and the City could have the Boat Parade on the first Saturday one (1) year and the next year could have some activity in North Hamilton. Dockyard could have some activity on the Sunday or Thursday evening and this could be sold as a three (3) day package. The Event Project Manager advised that the detailed plan was put forward to the Bermuda Tourism Authority (BTA) who thought it was a great idea but that was as far as it went.

If this is going to be sold as three (3) day weekend package, i.e. Christmas in Bermuda, BTA would need to be involved to do the marketing because the CoH does not have the type of budget to do international marketing. Councillor Swan advised that he would work along with the Event Project Manager in this regard.

ACTION: Check with the Mayor of St. George and the General Manager of WEDCo to get their thoughts on establishing a three (3) day weekend of activities for St. George, Dockyard and the City. **(Event Project Manager)**

The Mayor advised that the National Trust does the walkabout in St. George. Councillor Harvey said there might not be a need to include the BTA.

10. Recommendations Approved by the Minister:

That the Board approve that the Corporation of Hamilton will not give properties not connected to the City sewerage system a letter requiring them to do so at this time. If any major development is done on the site, with the volumes substantially increasing or it becomes an environmental issue, then the requirement would be re-visited.

That the Board approve for the Corporation of Hamilton to seek to engage a lawyer with regards to retaining all rights as it relates to Corporation of Hamilton property at 22 Ewing Street.

That the Board approve the bid from Bermuda Air Conditioning Group of Companies (BAC/BUE) in the amount of \$255,772.00 for the Works Depot Solar PV Project.

11. Recommendation for Review:

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board approve the bid from Marshall's Maintenance in the amount of \$112,740.00 for the repainting of steelwork on the 3rd floor of the Bulls Head Car Park. **(Approved in Corporation Board meeting dated 5 September 2018 and waiting on the Minister's Approval)**

12. Any Other Business:

(i) **Statue outside HSBC Building:** The City Engineer said he had been approached by Simon Davis from BeesMont. HSBC, when they built the harbourfront building on Front Street, needed to provide public artwork as part of their application. The artwork, "Against the Tide" was currently located outside the Albuoy's Point building. Now that building has been sold, the new owners do not wish to keep the statue. HSBC still has the need to display it somewhere and has asked the City to find a space to relocate this statue. The early indications were that they would give this statue to the City. They want to move this on fairly quickly, so the City Engineer would like to work with the Parks Superintendent to determine where it would be best to relocate the statue. It has a maritime theme and the thought was to have the statue somewhere near the waterfront initially.

The City Engineer advised that this item is a **Take Note** and he would provide a Recommendation to be brought forward at the next Infrastructure Committee meeting scheduled for Wednesday 10 October 2018.

ACTION: Provide some identified areas for the relocation of the statue "Against the Tide" to the Infrastructure Committee Members prior to the next meeting. **(City Engineer)**

(ii) **Cycle Parking:** The City Engineer had received numerous complaints and suggestions from motorcycle patrons that there was not enough cycle parking in the City. He had looked around on Front Street and there were a number of areas where a few extra bays could be put in without losing any car parking. The other area would be around the Government Administration building, i.e. Parliament Street, Church Street and Court Street. In those areas, there was always no cycle parking to be found. Would be looking to expand a few cycle parking bays to alleviate some of the stress on cycle parking.

Councillor Edwards commented on the cycle parking area outside of Crissons on Front Street where the bike stands have been digging into the asphalt. The City Engineer said that was the next area for the cycle pads to be concreted.

(iii) **Taxi Parking:** The City Engineer had some correspondence with the manager of the Dog House requesting dedicated taxi parking bays on Front Street after hours, 9:00pm until 3:00am. For safety reasons, i.e. the "Don't Drink and Drive" campaign, they were requesting whether there could be adequate parking bays for the taxis. Currently, a lot of the taxis are double parking in the street and patrons are running out into the street to catch a taxi, causing a dangerous situation.

The City Engineer does not see any issue with putting in a few taxi bays in that location, i.e. two (2) or three (3) spaces. However, this would decrease the number of car parking spaces in that area but there was #1 Car Park further down the street. There was continued dialogue.

Councillor Edwards declared her interest. It was very important to have parking bays in that area because she has found that taxis do double park because they are not able to find available spaces when picking up the patrons. She further commented on the taxi stand parking area on Church Street which seemed to be adequate. There used to be a taxi parking space outside the MarketPlace on Church Street but now there was parking for the mini buses who also have parking space down at Albuoy's Point. She then stated that mini buses operate on a seasonal permit and that there are not enough parking spaces for taxis to operate.

The City Engineer said he would look at the Supermart. The CoH had been very resistant to expanding taxis bays in the City. The more bays that taxis were given to stand, the more they would come and stand and not actually operate. Taxis should be moving and should not require a lot of area because the turnover should be quick. It has been found that taxis would queue up and wait for hours for a fare. The City is condensed into such a small area and to turn other forms of parking into taxi bays when no revenue was actually derived from the taxis, is a struggle that the City has. There is a definite need for more taxi bays, but it is about getting that balance right. Discussion continued.

Handicapped Parking - Take Note: The City Engineer had been approached by a handicapped lady who needed to have parking because she is wheelchair bound and needed to be close to her area of business. He questioned how to charge for that permit, e.g.: (i) provide at $\frac{1}{2}$ of the going rate for that area; or (ii) provide at the lowest rate of parking within the City. If she was fully able, she could park and get the lowest rate. This would incorporate those persons with permanent disabilities and have permanent employment in the City. In some cases, the space would be assigned to a particular license number. In other cases, the CoH could give a permit for them to park in a range of handicapped parking bays in the car parks.

Councillor G. Scott commented on putting dedicated handicapped parking bays for particular license numbers and the possible issue of having more people to applying for the same. Would have to be very discerning regarding the person's actual disability and would have to look at it case by case. There are currently approximately 10 - 15 people.

Councillor Edwards queried the length of time a person that has a disability could park in the bay. The City Engineer said in City Hall, the same rules apply for everybody. With this request, a special permit would be given and charged at a different rate. Permits are not sold like this for City Hall Car Park, they are sold for the all-day car parks. The swipe cards issued would be trackable to see whether they are being abused or not.

The Mayor suggested that when looking at these requests on an individual basis, a policy should be drafted in terms of what the minimum charge should be. The City Engineer advised that a policy had been drafted but came to a stumbling block with the charging.

ACTION: Circulate a policy as it relates to handicapped parking and the charges attached to that policy. **(City Engineer)**

Councillor Harvey asked if this policy would be shared with the Ministry of Health. The City Engineer shared two (2) viewpoints in this regard: (i) the CoH should be as open and transparent as possible and share everything; and (ii) when that was done, it was at the expense of people abusing the system. Then those persons who really needed the permit would be discriminated against.

Councillor Edwards commented on the accessibility of parking for handicapped persons. The City Engineer said maybe on the CoH's website under the Disabled Parking section, contact information could be posted for persons who would have specific issues to be dealt with.

(iv) **Barrier Car Parks:** Looking at this week, the car parks were providing good revenue. Including the ticket revenue to date, the CoH was \$3/4million better than 2017. One (1) area that was not better was the parking revenue on the streets, \$140K less than 2017. The Mayor commented that this all had to do with the PR, there had been nothing about the various changes that the CoH had done, e.g. the fact that persons were receiving parking tickets and summons, etc. The City Engineer suggested that this would be part of the story when the CoH took the Traffic Wardens on board.

ACTION: Have the Communications Manager start preparing the PR for the Traffic Wardens as well as the parking ticket process. **(City Engineer)**

(v) **Bermuda Tourism Authority (BTA) Structure:** Work has started on the structure and should be completed before the Christmas season. As was requested in the last Board meeting, the City Engineer reached out to BTA and spoke with Karla Lacy, their Chief Operations Officer. She advised that there had not been any notification from the Government regarding a two-year lease. As far as she was concerned, there was a five-year lease with the CoH and they have five (5) years' permission from the Department of Planning.

(vi) **Beacon House:** Their agents are asking for a larger piece of property. The City Engineer had forwarded five (5) suggestions and was asking for direction as to how to deal with this request. Councillor Harvey queried whether the Beacon House was owned by a Board of Trustees and if the property could be sold. The City Engineer said it was owned by a private entity; a charity owned that piece of property.

Beacon House would like to build on the small public park called "Cedars Garden". Currently their garage is half on the CoH's property and they were already over the boundary line. The Mayor said with this, the CoH would have an opportunity to improve a not particularly good intersection, making it more efficient. A codicil could be added into the agreement that if the property was sold, the green space would revert back to the CoH.

Councillor Harvey said the CoH had a responsibility to ensure that decisions were fair to all concerned. The City Engineer said one (1) option that he did not include was: the CoH could change the boundary on the east side to incorporate the garage and mirror the areas and get the existing building all on the Beacon House property. The CoH could also go into a longer-term lease with the Beacon House for a peppercorn rent for the rest of the property, keeping ownership but allowing them the use of it.

Councillor G. Scott left the meeting at 11:58pm.

The idea was to do an equal piece of land on the back side to straighten the boundary out to get the majority of the structure on their own property. Then maybe it would be just the patio and the lower level items that would be in the leased area.

Councillor Ming declared his interest and expressed his full support of what had been suggested.

Councillor Edwards commented on a parking sign by the garage that needed to be looked at. She further commented on the sign on Court Street for tractor trailers. The sign was meant to give advance warning for the "No Tractor trailers on Till's Hill indicating that would be the last turn-off before getting to Till's Hill.

(viii) **Bermuda International Football Festival (BIFF):** The Event Project Manager commented on the new request for an event to be held on 13 October 2018 as the event that was scheduled for the Labour Day weekend did not take place.

A new explanation was also included in the request as to why the CoH should support the new date. BIFF met with the business and community leaders and explained that this event would serve as a dry-run for an event that they would like to stage for next year Labour Day. The race route would be as follows: west along Dundonald Street to Princess Street, along Princess Street to Elliott Street, turn right from Elliott Street onto Court Street and then head south along Court Street. The family-oriented programme would feature: (i) a Peace Drive by Bishop Nicholas Dill, Pastor Nicholas Tweed and the Hon. Michael Weeks, Minister of Social Development and Sports; (ii) Celebrity races by prominent figures in the community, both men and women; (iii) a Drumline performance by three (3) student groups and Pembroke Youth Centre; (iv) Seven (7) race series by some of Bermuda's top Go-Kart Drivers; and (v) Electric car and bike exhibition and display.

The event is scheduled to start at 4:00pm and conclude at 7:45pm. At the conclusion of the racing, local artists including Mitchel Live Wires would perform.

BIFF is requesting the same in-kind sponsorship that the CoH had previously offered for the Labour Day event. It was suggested that an independent confirmation of the event be sought from the Go-Kart Association. It was noted that the Association would be involved in the site visits to look at the conditions of the streets without any changes being made to ensure that the karts could actually run on the streets.

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board approve the same level of in-kind sponsorship as was established for the Labour Day event for the Go-Karting Grand Prix and Music Extravaganza to be held on Saturday 13 October 2018. The Corporation of Hamilton would require receipt of the proper documentation and the proper processes followed as well as confirmation from all businesses approving the road closures inclusive of the times of the closures and the event. Also, would require confirmation indicating the support from the Go-Kart Association.

Proposed: Infrastructure Committee
Unanimous

The City Engineer advised that the CoH would need two (2) weeks to plan the event. A deadline for the all of the documentation, etc. should be received by the end of business on Friday 21 September 2018.

Councillor Swan left the meeting at 12:13pm.

(ix) **Asphalting:** The City Engineer received a late notice that there would be some re-paving done on Court and Angle Streets starting on 13 September 2018. East End Asphalt had a drop-out in their schedule. The information would be put out in the media and CoH staff would be knocking on doors advising residents and apologizing for the late notice.

(x) **Concrete Barriers at Albuoy's Point:** Councillor Edwards queried the purpose of the barriers as she had seen trucks go back and forth on the grass to take and retrieve supplies. The City Engineer advised that the idea to shut off that end arm was because during the summer, there were a lot of children in the area and a lot of boats were being used.

There was the need for pedestrians to get around and it was not safe with all the traffic mixing in with people trying to drive their cars out to that point. The tour boat operators liked to drive their trucks close up to their boats to load up.

ACTION: Inform the Community Action Team (CAT) of the trucks that are driving across the grass to deliver supplies, etc. to boats. **(City Engineer)**

13. Motion to Move to Restricted Session.

Proposed: Councillor H. Ming

Seconded: Councillor R. Edwards

The Public Session closed at 12:19pm.