

**Westdale Village BIA
Meeting Agenda**

Date & Time: Monday, December 8, 2025 @ 6:30pm at Dragon Court or via zoom.

Join Zoom meeting:

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Passcode: BIA

Present: David Simpson (Westdale Law), Anita Shilliday (Alternia Savings), Mohammad (Nannaa's Eatery), Councillor Maureen Wilson/Stephanie Hilson, Quentin Wang (OneZo), Ilona Santa (formerly Casual Gourmet), Paul Milki (Westdale Cupcakes), Burnadette Curtis (Westdale Theatre), Jordan Geertsma (Snooty Fox), Tracy (Executive Director – recording)

Regrets:

Guests:

1. **Call to order.**
2. **Approval of Agenda.**
3. **Declarations of Interest. None.**
4. **Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting.**
 - October 20, 2025.
5. **Delegations** None.
6. **Consent items** None.
7. **Presentations** None.
8. **Discussion Items:**

A: City of Hamilton: Councillor Maureen Wilson/Stephanie Hilson

- Development updates:
 - 90 Carling St (backs on King property near Food Basics) appears mostly complete, people moved in and 20 units below market
 - McMaster residence building moving along – on target for July 2026
 - Main @ Longwood – increased heights from 18 to 25 stories
 - King @ Paradise – building construction to final height, moving along
- Green Venture garden for King @ Paisley NW – GV behind so hope to have in 2026
- Sidewalk snow clearing worked well for first snow - thank you Councillor Wilson
- City Parking changes - pilot for 7 days a week enforcement updates from Hamilton Parking have not come back to BIAAC - City BIA Committee
- City of Hamilton Parking - discontinued their free Holiday Parking Program - unfortunately issued press release causing much confusion and incorrect information. Reports of parking tickets are aggressively being issued
- **City of Hamilton BIA AWARDS OF EXCELLENCE - March 2026.**
 - DEC 19 deadline. Board selects 2 winners from 3 categories:
 - Façade Improvement - This would recognize the property/business owner for improvements (many times undertaken with funding from the Commercial Property Improvement Grant, CPIG program) to their property.
 - Sparkle Award - This would recognize the property/business owner for the ongoing maintenance of their property. Creating a clean, aesthetically pleasing environment is a vital part of a healthy business district.
 - Business/Community Partnership - This would recognize property/business owners for their involvement in the community. On an on-going basis, they are supportive of community initiatives. This may be demonstrated through their involvement with the BIA by participating in programs or events sponsored by the BIA or actively assisting with BIA/community initiatives. This nominee is recognized for their invaluable volunteer hours and commitment that is a vital and intricate component of the health and vitality of the business area.

- 2 way Main Street – BIAs just added as a stakeholder in planning talks, LRT connection
- Patio program ended for season and will restart in April - permanent program
- Support for event parking and patio costs received from Council for Ward 1 support from Councillor Wilson in the amount of \$15000. Thank you Councillor Wilson!
- Recycling pick-up in BIAs confirmed for 2026. Special day collection on Thursdays. Commercial cardboard recycling at City recycling depots not accepted – must go to garbage and be charged a fee like garbage drop off there.
Will start in January - will share more info with businesses, different items will be accepted
black bag garbage and green bin garbage stays the same on Mondays, extra garbage on Wednesdays
- Other

B: Financial Update (Anita, Tracy):

- Bank Balances as of November 30, 2025 are N/A. Alterna ~\$100000. CIBC ~\$200
- CIBC will be closed this month. City has deposited correctly in Alterna account
- Funds Received in November: both levy payments from the City ~\$136 012.74. HST funds received for a few periods.
- Funds to come: Fed Dev grant for Winter Wander ~\$4000
- Sub-Committee recommendations approved for personnel approved
- 2023 audit completed and approved
- 2024 pre-audit completed, now with KPMG conducting audit
- approval for sponsorship of Christmas family movies
- ***Motion to receive financial update.***

C: Westdale Theatre (Bernadette):

- Special programming continues – comedy, concerts, movies, private rentals
- Lots of live concert bookings – Candlelight Concerts, Hamilton Originals, film festivals, other cultural events, live concerts, lots of activity, Fringe Festival
- Lots of happenings and bookings at The Westdale
- Increase in number of people coming to Westdale for the Theatre - a huge draw for Westdale
- Celebrated 90th anniversary continues
- Good meeting with Westdale Theatre and BIA in September. Good discussion. Good partnerships.
- Lots of Holiday programming
- Booth almost every weekend for Candlelight Concerts in January and February
- Other

D: Safety and Security (Anita, Tracy):

- Update on ATM issues
- Crime update: nothing showing reported. assistance with one BIA member

E: Real Estate update (Mohammad):

- Real Estate Report from Mohammad

- Businesses for sale: OneZo \$80K, Bean Bar \$2.99K, Monga \$2.28K,
- Commercial: (Tea With You) 925 King St W - \$2.555M, (Gong Cha) 944 King St W - \$1.29M,
- For lease:
- Residential:

F: HPL update:

- General. Busy with students. Still not full programming back.

G: Business updates (Tracy):

- Former Pete and Kay location – renovations seem to be moving along
- 948 King St W – renovations continuing in commercial and residential units
- Former Cinnaholic Westdale – Insomnia Cookies NOW OPEN! great opening! active on socials
- OMG –Donut Shop opened then closed. now for lease (ex issues)
- Fruity ice cream shop (was mobile, lives on top) NOW OPEN! great opening! active on socials

H: Community Outreach (Tracy):

- PACCAR – McMaster meeting DEC 8, 2025
- Westdale United Church participation in events

I: Streetscape (Tracy):

- request for greenery in the planters. can do it for about \$3000. Approval needed.
- November Holiday lights and décor - some more lights going up this week.
- pumpkins and most harvest taken by farmers - very appreciative, farmer delayed coming, rest to compost

J: Strategy (Tracy):

- PATIOS removal after Hamilton Day NOV 1 & 2
- Tourism: hiking, maybe skating, theatre, connection to hotels and visitors
- Outdoor fresh, safe – shop local, eat local, support local, live music, great patios, tourism
- Social media – focus on food, businesses, theatre, activities, women owned
- Experiences in Westdale: dining, experiences, hiking, coffee shops, art, lighting
- Supporting food/drink/restaurants: social media, music, patios spring/summer/fall
- 2025 Commercial Market Assessment – expected in 2025, being worked on with City.
- Room Key program starting with free coffee coupon from Paisley. Direct access to concierge
- **EVENTS 2025 since last meeting:**
 October 25 - Spooky West - good participation and attendees, not overwhelmed
 November 1 - Hamilton Day - good shopping and dining, giveaways, great support to shop local
Winter Wander - NOV 28-30 - great shopping and dining, Stories with Santa presented by ALterna,
 Santa photos for socials, shopping giveaways, Skydiggers almost sold out and want to return next year,
 lots of activity with the theatre, mini outdoor market, carriage rides FRI & SAT well received

Motion to approve and receive discussion items.

9. Notice of Motions None.

10. Motions None.

11. General Information/Other Business

12. Adjournment.

Next meetings: MON 12 JAN 2026 @ 630pm